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## OCTOBER 2005 NEWSLETTER

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ISSUE X

**Commander, Herbie Herbert**

I have been the Commander for two months now and it has been a Great Experience. It has been a lot of fun working with all of the Committees.

We are doing a good job on our membership, on renewals and signing up new members. Please pay your dues as soon as you can, it helps our Post 44 and is for a good cause. We help the community with our charities. I'm looking forward to meeting our members at the Post and hope we have a fun-filled, successful year. Your suggestions and comments are welcome. We have a Suggestion Box in the hall. Please sign your name and add phone number to your suggestion so that we can follow-up.

I want to thank all of the members that are doing a Great Job. Lum Houser got the BBQ Pit moved to its new area where it will be easier to use and out of the alley.

Chuck Luther painted and cleaned our cigarette can outside of our front door. Wow - what a great job. Please do not put gum in the cigarette can as it is hard to clean.

Please don't be a litterbug - use the ashtrays and our dumpster to dispose of your trash. We appreciate your help. We are proud of our Legion Post.

**Adjutant, Jerry Lennemann**

The 2006 dues notices have been mailed out by National. They were sent out about 3 weeks later than normal but the renewals have been coming in at a record rate. Thanks to you that have already renewed and a reminder to you that haven't, to please pay your 06 dues soon.

A Scottsdale City inspector advised us that the tree branches were hanging too low over the street and City signs and that they must be trimmed back. We also noticed that some branches were too low over the driveway and that trucks were hitting them. Our Commander, Herbie Herbert, decided he would trim them back rather than hire someone to do it. He also trimmed some shrubs and cleaned up the parking lot. He filled up the dumpster 4 times. A big thanks to our Commander and please let him know that you appreciate all his hard work in the hot Arizona sun. Volunteers are welcome to help the Legion and Herbie with this type of work.

Some sad news to pass on. Bob Lucke a long time and dedicated member passed away August 26 and the service was August 31. Bob was Commander in 81-82 and held just about all offices in the Post over the years. Bob was always a willing volunteer and very generous to our Post. He will be missed. We don't have room in the newsletter to put in articles about our departed members but Bob is an exception because of his gifts and dedication to the Post.

# Oktoberfest

Saturday, October 1, 2005

**Great  
German Buffet**

**\$10.00 per person**

**5:00 - 9:30 P M**  
food 5:00 - 8:00

**Heidelberg Trio to  
Entertain**

**Bring your friends for  
a really fun night !!**

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**Past  
Commander**

**Bob Lucke**



### Wednesday Night Jazz Band

The Jazz band that provides music and dancing on Wednesday nights donated the money from their tip bowl (\$153.00) to Post 44. This money is designated to go to the Legion's National Emergency Fund. A big thanks to the Jazz group.

## Auxiliary Corner - President Carol Dustin

Since our last newsletter, the Department held a 2-day Program Workshop in Awatukee. We were able to learn about our programs, including Department President Ginger's Special Project. We draped our Charter during our September meeting, in memory of deceased Unit members. The 2005-2006 Budget was presented at the September meeting for approval.

Our congratulations go out to **Ronni Stirling**, newly elected Honorary Junior National President! Ronni and her mother Anne Stirling, Department Historian, attended the National Convention in Hawaii, thanks in part to our Cheer Basket Raffle last October.

**Myra Schroot** is doing a bang-up job in recruiting new members. **Tina** and her crew have been doing a great job getting new members and members of the Legion, ask their new and existing members to sign up their family members. We appreciate the teamwork!

Second Vice President **Sue Fay** is working on this years fundraisers, as well as her Community Service project of collecting canned goods and used printer cartridges. She has placed a box in the entry for the canned goods and you can place the cartridges in a plastic bag and give them to any Auxiliary officer. Sue is going to be a busy bee this year and can use your help.

**Anne Stirling**, bargain hunter extraordinaire and Children & Youth Chairman, made sure needy children had new clothes and school supplies to start the new school year.

**DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA 2005 FALL CONFERENCE:** November 4, 5, 6. Cut off date for hotel reservations at Phoenix Marriott Mesa Hotel & Convention Center (480-898-8300), is Wednesday, October 5. If you plan to attend, pre-register at our October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting, or you can pay \$10.00 at the door.

During our **November 21st** meeting, we will be initiating our new members and any others who missed initiation in the past. This is a lovely ceremony, so be sure and support your Unit by attending.

Be sure to watch for advertising and tickets to see and hear Nancy Gee, hopefully in November. Her concert will benefit our Department President Ginger's Special Project, Childhelp USA, assisting abandoned and abused children. For God and Country

## Two Halloween Parties

*With music and dancing. Neither party is on Halloween as Monday is a slow night so we are holding the first party on Wednesday, October 26, in the Large Meeting Room from 6:30 - 9:30 PM.*

*Our second party is on Saturday, October 29, in the Lounge from 6:30 - 9:00.*

*Prizes for the Best Couple and Best Costume.*  
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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR OCTOBER**

<b>Oct.</b>	1	<b>Octoberfest</b> - German Food & Band - Dinner 5-8:30 PM - Band 6:30 - 9:00 PM	
	3	SAL Meeting	6:30 PM
	3	Aux E-Board Meeting	7:00 PM
	10	Music Group to Vets Nursing Home	9:00 AM (Meet @ Post)
	13	Post E-Board Meeting	7:00 PM
	8	Euchre Tourney	1:00 PM @ Post 44
	17	Auxiliary Meeting	7:00 PM
	20	Honor Guard Meeting	6:00 PM
	26	Halloween Costume Party	6:30 - 9:30 PM (See Ad)
	27	Post General Meeting	7:00 PM
	29	Halloween Costume Party	6:30 - 9:00 PM (See Ad)



**Music, Music, Music**

We have music on **Wednesday, Friday and Saturday** nights. Great food too. Join us and have a good time listening to music, dancing and visiting with your fellow veterans.

<u>Mon. Thur. &amp; Sat.</u>	- Euchre (Fun - Fun)	1:30 PM
<u>Wednesdays</u>	Bridge	1:30 PM
<u>Sundays</u>	Trivia	3:00 PM

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## CLUB NEWS

**Tom Paul, Jr. Vice Commander**

I would like to start by thanking you for putting your trust in me for another year as your Jr. Vice Commander. It has been a hot summer and an eventful one. I also would like to express by deepest appreciation to the volunteers that cook on Friday's fish fry. We can always use YOUR help on Friday, so please sign up and come have some fun with us. Speaking of helping out, we are currently asking for volunteers to help out with the upcoming Hawaiian Luau. Please see myself or any of the management staff and we will be happy to put you on the list. If you don't already know, the parking stickers are ready for you to pick up at the Post. All you have to do is bring your card (should be proud to have it with you all the time) and show your server or bartender and they will give you one. It is a static sticker and goes on the interior rear window of your vehicle.

We also enjoy seeing you at the club and enjoying the great food and fun and for those that have not joined us, we welcome you to YOUR club and hope to see you soon. A little SAFETY NOTE: While enjoying yourself at the club, please do not wonder into the kitchen and ask the cooks or dishwasher for your server, plates, another drink, etc. This violates all kind of safety and health department rules. Please see you server in the dining room for these items. We do appreciate all your business but we want it to be enjoyable and SAFE.

Our hearts go out to our fellow Americans and legionnaires in the Gulf Coast states. If you would like to help, please see the office for contributions and/or ask how you can help. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Don't forget the Oktoberfest and Halloween parties in October. We are also looking to start up "An afternoon at the movies" at the post. This will be full length movies on "The Big Screen" and of course popcorn. Last but not least, please join me in thanking the staff for all their hard work and dedication. It is greatly appreciated and please keep up the good work. See you all around the post, your seat is waiting for you.

- ◆ **Buy a Brick on the Memorial Wall**  
**A great gift for someone that**  
**doesn't need anything**  
**\$100.00**

## OUR BIG THANKS !!

To all the members who help with the Newsletter every month. Too many to name here. Also a big thanks to June Moyer who sorts and prints our mailing labels.



The picture shows volunteers that helped several months ago.

**Support Our Troops  
and  
God Bless America**

**Our Meeting Room  
is available to rent  
for those "Special Occasions"**

## KATRINA HELP

Post 44 will donate money to a Post that was destroyed or severely damaged by Katrina so that they can rebuild. The Executive Board voted to donate \$500.00 and this will be supplemented by donations from our members and guests. It has not yet been determined which Post will receive our donation

