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The American Legion Post 44

April 2010

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The Gulf Post

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ChaplainJim Jent
Sgt-at-ArmsNate Ross
Service OfficerPaul Knoch
Judge Advocate.....Vacant
Exec Committee: Bill Odom,
Donna Stacey & Joe Porter
Bob Rankin (Past Commander)

Message from the Commander

April is the Month of the Child. We have the responsibility to collect donations for the Children's Welfare Fund this month for the District. Be sure to throw your spare change into the "Cat Can" located at the bar when you're at the Post. The 50/50 pots this month will also go to this cause. The Auxiliary is collecting school

supplies. I hope Legion members will pitch in as well. We can not invest too much for our future leaders.

We still need business sponsors for our Boys' State delegates. Plan on having this finalized at the APR 13 meeting.

Post 44 had a rip roaring St Patrick's Day party last month and our

first quarterly breakfast was a big success. Advance ticket sales were very helpful. Thanks to all that helped make those events successful. Your continued support of these events add to the success of our Post and enables us to provide valuable support to veterans, their families and our community.

Key Events of interest:

- * Month of the Child
- * Monday Night BINGO
- * Tuesday Night Prime Rib dinner, music & Lucky Dog Draw
- * Thursday Daytime BINGO & Free Line Dance Lessons
- * Friday Night Steak Dinner and live music
- * Sunday Live music
- * Nominations for 2011 Officers
- * Spring "Home Coming" Party
- * Fish Fry at W. F. Green Vet's' home
- * Host for District Meeting

Spring "Home Coming" Celebration

The weather is warming and our winter crowd has dwindled, it's time for the local members to get back and renew Post support. The Spring "HomeComing" celebration is set for Sunday, APR 11 at 6 PM.

The meal will be free to Post 44 members with their 2010 membership card and one guest. All others will pay a nominal fee for their meal. Post 44 needs you.



Blue Star Mothers

The Auxiliary would like to honor our Mothers that have sons and daughters currently serving in the Armed Forces. Please let the Auxiliary President know if you are in this special situation.

Chaplain's Thoughts

We have had several members in the hospital in March. Many are still needing your prayers; i.e. Buzz Grissett and family, Harry Keenan, Bill Specht, Jim Larson, Karen Schuck,

Kathy Taylor and Jane Rankin. There may be others. Be sure to contact your Chaplain; Jim Jent at 251-981-3600 or Jean Scott at 251-752-5407.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS POST 44 APRIL 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Steve's Place at Post 44 Hot Lunch - Mon-Fri 11 AM - 2 PM Evening Specials Daily Mon-Thu 5 - 7 PM Catering Available - Call 251-923-8383				10:00-2:00 1 BINGO 5:30 PM - Aux Exec Mtg 6:30-8:30 PM - FREE Line Dancing	5-7 PM 2 Steak Night 7-11 PM - Music Musicman & Co	3 7 PM - Shag & Bop Televised Sports
4 EASTER 4-8 PM - Music Musicman & Co.	5 6:30 PM - BINGO	6 PM - AL Exec Mtg 6 5-7 PM - Prime Rib 7 PM - Lucky Dog Draw 6-8 PM - Live Music	7 5-7 PM - \$5.00 Spaghetti Plate	10:00-2:00 8 BINGO 5:30 PM - Aux Mtg 6:30-8:30 PM - FREE Line Dancing	5-7 PM 9 Steak Night 7-11 PM - Music Musicman & Co	10 8:30 AM - Fish Fry at W. F. Green 7 PM - Live Music & Talent Review
6 PM 11 Spring "Home Coming" Party 4-8 PM - Music Musicman & Co.	12 6:30 PM - BINGO	6 PM - Post Mtg 13 5-7 PM - Prime Rib 7 PM - Lucky Dog Draw 6-8 PM - Live Music	14 5-7 PM - \$5.00 Spaghetti Plate	10:00-2:00 15 BINGO 6:30-8:30 PM - FREE Line Dancing	5-7 PM 16 Steak Night 7-11 PM - Music Musicman & Co	17 9 AM - Post Work Day Televised Sports
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25 4-8 PM - Music Musicman & Co. 6 PM - Potluck Birthday Bash	26 6:30 PM - BINGO	27 5-7 PM - Prime Rib 7 PM - Lucky Dog Draw 6-8 PM - Live Music	28 5-7 PM - \$5.00 Spaghetti Plate	10:00-2:00 29 BINGO 6:30-8:30 PM - FREE Line Dancing	5-7 PM 30 Steak Night 7-11 PM - Music Musicman & Co	Room Rental Available

Auxiliary Officers

PresidentDonna Stacey
 1st ViceJane Rankin
 2nd ViceFelicia Linkous
 SecretaryValarie McKoon
 TreasurerJan Ling
 ChaplainJean Scott
 HistorianVacant
 Sgt-at-ArmsDean Fazekas
 MembershipGayle White
 Members At Large:
 Karen Schuck, Pat Danvir &
 Jean Perry
 Finance Committee:
 Cecile Truss & Shari Stewart

Auxiliary Changes Meeting Nights for April

We had a great showing for our Sunday meeting in MAR. However, with Easter and the Home Coming party on the first two Sundays, we need to once again use Thursday as our meeting night.

This meeting is very important to make nominations for the 2011 officers. See Felicia Linkous if you're interested in serving in an officer position. She is working on the nomination slate.

April is the month of the child. The schools are still in great need of school supplies. The Post has a list of some items needed. Please bring an item or two to the meeting for us to donate to our local schools. Also, bring some other suggestions on how our organization can have an impact on our local children. Some of you may be doing some volunteer work in that area already. We'd like to hear about your service.

We'll need some pot luck donations for the District Meeting on APR 18 and volunteers to help set up and clean up.

This is also a time to plan our crowning event of the year, Poppy Day.

I hope all members will come to see how they can help. Remember: APATHY NO MORE!! Great things happen when concerned citizens get involved.

100 % Membership

The Legion, Auxiliary and Sons have achieved over 100 percent in membership for 2010. This is an awesome achievement for a Post. People want to join an active and friendly Post. Thanks to all that helped make this possible; keep up the good work. We still have several outstanding renewals; take action and renew this month. If Post 44 is not for you we hope that you will consider transferring to another Post. Membership in veteran organizations let our elected officials know that we have an vested interest in the well being of veterans and their families. Veterans and families are counting on us.

Post Newsletter

Many of you may have missed the newsletter last month. It was available at the Post and on our web site. We have had several returned locally and from members up North which has doubled our postage. We have purged our list and

eliminated addresses when the mail was returned. We have worked hard and more than doubled our email list. In June we will purge our membership list to eliminate members that haven't renewed in over two years. We need your

help to keep us informed of changes in address and phone numbers and continue adding to the email list. We want to keep our members informed, but it's essential for us to control these unnecessary expenditures.

Upcoming 2011 Nominations and Elections

We are seeking nominations for officer positions and committee leaders for 2011. If you're interested in getting more involved in your Post see one of the members of the

nomination committee led by Derrick Schlieper. Committee members are Jay Nieves, Nate Ross, and Bill Odom. Also, you can make nominations by entering names on the list

posted on the bulletin board.

Feel free to discuss the duty requirements for each position and your involvement with Wayne or any other Post officer.

District 33 Happenings

Post 44 will host the District 33 meeting on APR 18 at 2:30. Volunteers are needed to make this a super event. The Legion is providing the meat for the meal that follows and the Auxiliary is supporting with side dishes and desserts. We need members to help with

Post clean up, event set up and clean up, and raffle management. We always look forward to sharing our Post with our District partners.

The District will be accepting nominations for 2011 officer positions during this meeting. We need more members to get involved.

The District is conducting a fish fry at W.F. Green Veterans' Home in Bay Minette on APR 10. We need volunteers to help cook and serve. The Auxiliary normally donates some Little Debbie cakes for desserts. Meet at the Post at 8:30 AM to load supplies or be at W.F. Green at 10 AM.

Sons of the Legion Officers

Commander.....Frank Bielicke
 1st Vice.....Paul Barefield
 2nd Vice.....Anthony Jones
 Secretary.....Tony Dalton
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