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Sgt-at-ArmsNate Ross
Service OfficerPaul Knoch
Judge Advocate.....Vacant
Exec Committee: Donna
Stacey, Joe Porter and Jack Miles
Past Commander....Bob Rankin

Message from the Commander

POST 44 NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!! Just think of our success if local members would support the Post in the summertime as well as our non local members support us in the winter. **Your** support is valued and essential if we are to continue offering extended operating hours, great bar prices, and delicious food. Our monthly expenses are substantial, and ever increasing – yet the prices of our services have not increased in quite a while. We also want your feedback on how we can improve our operations.

2009/2010 has been a great year for Post 44! Your energy and support made this possible, and makes our Post the envy of many who visit us. Thanks to the dedicated volunteers who serve in various areas of our Post operations. I also appreciate your vote of confidence by having me as the Post 44 Commander another year. As I said last year, I will give 100% plus to Post 44 and its' activities, but each of us must remember this is **OUR Post** and it takes **ALL OF US** contributing in some way to make our Post what we desire it to be. I look forward

to working with all of you to make 2010/2011 an even better year! Keep up the great work and find a way to contribute. Let me know how you can help. **SUPPORT YOUR POST ACTIVITIES!!!**

Wayne Stacey, Commander

New Officer Installation

Wed, June 16 at 6 PM.
Sign up at the bar if you plan to attend. The Legion is providing meat & Auxiliary is providing side dishes.

Key Events of interest:

- * Monday Night BINGO
- * Tuesday Night Prime Rib Dinner, live music & Lucky Dawg Draw at 7 PM
- * Thursday Daytime BINGO
- * Friday Night Steak Dinner and live music
- * Sunday Live music
- * Quarterly Breakfast Jun 5
- * Officer Installation Jun 16
- * State Convention Jun 17-19

July Event

- * Family Day America Jul 3

Family Day America

The Post is taking a bold step in sponsoring a community event to generate a greater spirit of patriotism in Gulf Shores. We're conducting a Family Day and Kid's Stars and Stripes Parade in Gulf Shores at

Sims Park on Saturday, Jul 3.

We'll need many volunteers to make this a successful event. We're trying to partner with other organizations to help with

volunteers and we're working on getting donations for free hot dogs, drinks and popcorn.

Join us in the planning process on Mon, Jun 14 at 11 AM

Chaplain's Thoughts

We have several members that are in need of prayers; i.e. Buzz Grissett and family, Bill Odom, Bill Specht, Jim Larson, Mike Koslowski, Shari Stewart, Lieu Porter, Kathy Taylor and Jane

Rankin. There may be others. Be sure to contact your Chaplain; Norm Schlieper at 251-752-1739 or Jean Scott at 251-752-5407.

Instructor Needed

Post 44 is looking for a Line Dance instructor for Thursday nights. The free line dance lessons have been enjoyed by many for several years. We'd like to continue, but we need an instructor. See Bar Manager.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

POST 44

June 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 at Post 44 Hot Lunch: Mon-Fri 11 AM - 2 PM Evening Specials: Mon-Thur 5 - 7 PM Catering Available - Call 251-923-8383		6 PM - AL Exec Mtg 1 5-7 PM - Prime Rib 7 PM - Lucky Dawg Draw 6-8 PM - Live Music	2 5-7 PM - \$5.00 Spaghetti Plate	3 10:00-2:00 BINGO 6:30-8:30 PM - FREE Line Dancing	4 5-7 PM Steak Night 7-11 PM - Music Musicman & Co	5 8-11 - Quarterly Breakfast 7 PM - Shag & Bop Televised Sports
6 4-8 PM - Music Musicman & Co.	7 6:30 PM - BINGO	8 5-7 PM - Prime Rib 7 PM - Lucky Dawg Draw 6-8 PM - Live Music	9 5-7 PM - \$5.00 Spaghetti Plate	10 10:00-2:00 BINGO 6:30-8:30 PM - FREE Line Dancing	11 5-7 PM Steak Night 7-11 PM - Music Musicman & Co	12 Televised Sports
13 4-8 PM - Music Musicman & Co.	14 11:00 - Family Day Am Plan Mtg 6:30 PM - BINGO	15 5-7 PM - Prime Rib 7 PM - Lucky Dawg Draw 6-8 PM - Live Music	16 6 PM New Officer Installation 5-7 PM - \$5.00 Spaghetti Plate	17 10:00-2:00 BINGO 6:30-8:30 PM - FREE Line Dancing	18 5-7 PM Steak Night 7-11 PM - Music Musicman & Co	19 State Convention in Montgomery Televised Sports
20 4-8 PM - Music Musicman & Co.	21 6:30 PM - BINGO	22 6 PM - SAL Mtg 5-7 PM - Prime Rib 7 PM - Lucky Dawg Draw 6-8 PM - Live Music	23 5-7 PM - \$5.00 Spaghetti Plate	24 10:00-2:00 BINGO 6:30-8:30 PM - FREE Line Dancing	25 5-7 PM Steak Night 7-11 PM - Music Musicman & Co	26 Televised Sports
27 4-8 PM - Music Musicman & Co. 6 PM - Potluck Birthday Bash	28 6:30 PM - BINGO	29 5-7 PM - Prime Rib 7 PM - Lucky Dawg Draw 6-8 PM - Live Music	30 5-7 PM - \$5.00 Spaghetti Plate	 July 3 at Sims Park, Gulf Shores Events from 8 AM to Noon		

Auxiliary Officers

PresidentKathy Ruder
 1st ViceFelicia Linkous
 2nd ViceJane Rankin
 SecretaryBillie Roper
 TreasurerJan Ling
 ChaplainJean Scott
 HistorianVacant
 Sgt-at-ArmsDean Fazekas
 MembershipDonna Stacey
 Members At Large: Pat Danvir, Bobbie McLeod, & Roseanne Amata
 Finance Committee:
 Cecile Truss & Sherri Irvin

Comments from the Auxiliary

We had a rough time coordinating the Poppy Day event this year, but all ended well. After working three days at three different locations we collected over \$2,200; slightly less than last year. Thanks to the many volunteers from Aux, Legion and Sons.

We had a great meeting in May. We voted to assist a local church that provides home-made cookies to soldiers. We're donating \$250 to assist with postage and cookie wrapping materials. We look forward to working with this group.

Installation of the 2010/2011 officers will be on June 16 at 6:00. We will also recognize the many volunteers that have helped make our Post so great. There will be a meal at this event. The Legion is providing the meat. They have asked us to help by bringing side dishes. Sign up at the Legion or call me at 968-2693 for your contribution.

There will not be any Aux meetings in June due to installation and the State Convention. If you're interested

in attending the state convention as a delegate, let me or Kathy Ruder know.

On the horizon in July we have Family Day America, a children's parade in Gulf Shores on July 3. Lots of volunteers are needed. Listen to your weekly phone message for the upcoming needs. We're also planning a Christmas in July at the VA hospital in Biloxi.

Donna Stacey, Outgoing President

Legion Meeting Night Changes

Post 44 members voted to move monthly meeting night to Thursdays. The Executive Committee will meet the first Thursday of each month at 6 PM. The General Membership will meet the second Thursday at 6 PM. The Auxiliary will conduct their meetings at the same time.

Post Commander, Stacey, and Aux Pres, Kathy Ruder, encourages all members to attend the meetings. They are informative and necessary to plan for future Post events.

2010/2011 Annual Calendar of Events

For planning purposes only keep this annual calendar handy to anticipate your volunteer services and other needs.

JULY

3rd - Family Day America
 18th - District Mtg (Post 44)

AUGUST

15th - District Mtg (Post 199)
 16th - School Starts
 26th - Americanism Banquet

SEPTEMBER

1st - Early Bird Membership
 4th - Quarterly Breakfast
 11th - W.F.Green Fish Fry
 19th - District Mtg (Post 153)
 ?? - Legion Birthday
 College Football starts

OCTOBER

7-10 - Natl Shrimp Festival
 17th - District Mtg (Post 250)
 Family Picnic & Cake Auction
 31st - Halloween Party & Birthday Bash

NOVEMBER

11th - Veterans Day (Parade ?)
 13th - Post Fundraiser Event
 21st - District Mtg (Post 188)
 25th - Thanksgiving
 27th - Iron Bowl Party

DECEMBER

5th - Christmas at VA Hosp
 11th - Breakfast with Santa
 12th - District Mtg (Post 88) and Post Christmas Party
 15th - Christmas for RCBC
 25th - Christmas Day
 31st - New Year's Eve Party

JANUARY

14-16 - Mid Winter Conf
 12th - W.F.Green Christmas Pty
 29th - Post Oratorical Speech Contest

FEBRUARY

5th - County Oratorical Contest
 12th - District Oratorical Contest
 13th - Valentine Special
 20th - District Mtg (Post 99)
 ?? - Super Bowl Party

MARCH

8th - Mardi Gras Party
 17th - St Patrick's Day Party
 20th - District Mtg (Post 164)
 26th - Quarterly Breakfast
 Start working Boys/Girls State

APRIL

9th - W.F.Green Fish Fry
 17th - District Mtg (Post 76)
 24th - Easter Sunday
 2011/2012 Officer Nominations
 Select Boys/Girls State Reps

MAY

1st - Spring Homecoming Party
 14th - VA Hosp Fish Fry
 15th - District Mtg (Post 44)
 28th - Poppy Day
 30th - Memorial Day Ceremony & Post open house
 2011/2012 Officer Elections
 School/Scholarship Awards

JUNE

4th - Quarterly Breakfast
 15th - Officer Installation
 16-19 - Al Dept Convention

Sons of the Legion Officers

Commander.....Frank Bielickie
 1st Vice.....Paul Barefield
 2nd Vice.....Anthony Jones
 Secretary.....Tony Dalton
 Finance Officer.....Jimmy Eiland
 Sgt-at-Arms.....R. Washburn

District 33 Happenings

There will not be a District meeting in June due to the Department Convention.

Congratulations to Donna Stacey for being

selected as the Baldwin County Commander.

Post 44 will host the District meeting once again on Jul 18.



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