



AHWATUKEE AMERICAN LEGION POST 64

April 2022

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Commander—Pete Meier

It looks like spring has sprung. Our first day reaching 90 degrees occurred in March. The American Legion Post 64 is looking forward to leading the Ahwatukee Easter Parade on April 16, 2022. The Post will also be presenting a Burial Flag Detail. The parade will start at 10:00 am at the Ahwatukee Foothills Country Club and move north to Cheyenne and 48th Streets. There will be festivities in the Ahwatukee Board of Management Park. Hot dogs and drinks will be available for parade participants at the ARC on the back patio.

Mark your calendars, at the May 18, 2022 General meeting, a special remembrance service will be conducted by our Chaplain Rebecca Schmidt and Adjutant Roddy Carlton.



AHWATUKEE POST 64

Meets Monthly- 3rd Wednesdays

4:00-5:00 PM

Ahwatukee Rec Center, 5001 E. Cheyenne Dr. Phoenix, AZ

Our Mission: To enhance the well-being of America's veterans, their families, our military and our communities by devotion to mutual helpfulness.

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Roddy Charlton - Minutes from the March 16, 2022 Meeting

Commander Pete Meier opened the meeting with greetings to 15 members and 2 guests. The colors were pre-posted. The bugle call "To the Colors" was sounded. Members and guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Visiting Chaplain Don Seeman provided a prayer and recited Post Chaplain Rebecca Schmidt's prayer from the September 2021 Post Meeting: "Grant us grace to make no peace with oppression, no compromise with evil, and no yielding to the godless philosophy of Communism. May we reverently use our freedom and help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice among men and nations, to the glory of Your Holy Name." Adjutant Roddy Charlton conducted the POW/MIA Empty Chair Ceremony. As the minutes of the February meeting were published in the Post Newsletter, the reading of the minutes was dispensed by the Post Commander. A request for corrections was made by Adjutant Roddy Charlton and there were none. A motion for acceptance was made and seconded to approve the minutes as printed.

Commander Pete Meier provided an update to our Post Adopt-A-Street cleaning program. Each quarter we clean Elliot Street west of 48th Street for the distance of one mile. Post volunteers (post members, relatives, and friends) meet at the Safeway parking lot on Elliot and 48th Street. Trash bags, safety vests and pickers are provided. An announcement will be sent out in the next two to three weeks with the details of the next street cleaning.

The Post "Evolution of the Flag" ceremony will resume at local schools by request. Post Officer Alice Maynard will lead this very educational program for young students. This program is very rewarding for the Post members who support this special activity. More information about this program will be presented at a future date.

First Vice Commander Rod Green has completed the inventory of Burial Flags and has selected 12 Post members' flags to fly at this year's Kiwanis Ahwatukee Easter Parade which will be held at 10:00 am, Saturday, April 16, 2022. There has been a two year absence of the parade due to the COVID pandemic. Finance Officer Jay Hendrix will be the Burial Flag Detail Commander and will lead this important activity.

Chaplain Rebecca Schmidt discussed our Post's Service of Remembrance, to honor our Post members who have gone to Post Everlasting during this last year. This Service will be held during our May meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 4:00 pm.

Officers Reports: Adjutant Roddy Charlton discussed the Student Awards Program. We will continue with this program. Commander Pete Meier will again support Mountain Point High School and Adjutant Roddy Charlton will support Desert Vista High School. Post member John Augustyn has volunteered to be Post Coordinator for Centennial Middle School. We are still looking for Post coordinator for Altadena Middle School. Any post member interested in providing support please contact Commander Pete Meier or Adjutant Roddy Charlton.

Membership Leader Al Hunter provided an update of Membership Committee activities. Post members Jack Armstrong and Bill Musik met with Communication Officer Brenda Smull and made progress on expanding Post communication on social media and Brenda will update the Post website with new membership recruitment information.

Chaplain Rebecca Schmidt provided the closing prayer.
Refreshment Chairperson Alice Maynard provided refreshments.

Roddy Charlton - Adjutant

Student Awards Program.

We are nearing the final stages of our annual Post 64 American Legion Student Awards Program for 2022. We provide awards to two students selected by nominating committees at each school, one boy and one girl, based six qualities (Courage, Honor, Leadership, Patriotism, Scholarship and Service). The Student awards provided by our post include a Bronze Medallion and Certificate. The high school awards include a \$200 cash award to each recipient.

The following Post members have volunteered as Awards Coordinators for the following schools: Post member John Augustyn supporting Centennial Middle School, Commander Pete Meier supporting Mountain Vista High School and Adjutant Roddy Charlton supporting Desert Vista High School. An awards Coordinator for Altadena Middle School is still needed.

If you are interested in supporting this rewarding activity for Altadena Middle School, please contact me at WRCinAZ@aol.com.

Roddy Charlton - Acting Sgt-At-Arms

The Color Guard/Honor Guard has gained one new member this month, Al Hunter. We now have nine active members and looking forward to additional Post members joining. We have many events we support throughout the year. This is a very rewarding experience. If you are interested in supporting this team, please contact me at: WRCinAZ@aol.com. (Training and uniform patches/badges will be provided.)

Kiwanis Ahwatukee Easter Parade

The Color Guard will lead the 46th Annual Kiwanis Ahwatukee Easter Parade. After nearly two years, due to the pandemic, the parade will return. The parade will start at 10:00 am Saturday, April 16th 2022. The parade will begin at 48th Street just North of Warner Road. We will march one mile north and end at Cheyenne Drive (the Ahwatukee Recreation Center). After the parade, a hot dog lunch for will be held at the ARC for those who participated in the parade. Additional information will be sent to the team members.

Burial Flag Detail.

Jay Hendrix, Finance Officer, will take the lead as Burial Flag Detail Commander. We have limited the number to 12 burial flags this year. That number represents the Post members who have passed away. Jay is looking for volunteers to march and carry these flags. These volunteers may be Post members, family members or friends. Each will wear white shirts and dark pants. If you are interested in supporting this activity, please contact Jay for details at: jayhendrix@cox.net.



New Color Guard/Honor Guard member Mark Shillinger with Commander Pete Meier

Jay Hendrix—Finance Officer

We are preparing for the Easter parade coming up in April. The fee of \$50.00 has been paid for the parade march.

The current balance in the Legion account is \$9,645.08 with all bills paid current and nothing outstanding to be paid.

Chaplain Rebecca Schmidt

DEAR LORD, we thank You for our many blessings, and we pray for Your mercy and help once again. Please guide our leaders and our elected officials, and the leaders and elected officials around the world, to do what is right and just. Please keep safe our sisters and brothers in the Ukraine. Does the Lord set right what is wrong, and let there be peace and charity. All this we ask in Your Holy Name. Amen.

EASTER AND PASSOVER

April is a blessed month:

April 10th -- Palm Sunday

April 15th -- Passover Begins at Sunset and Good Friday

April 16th -- Ahwatukee Easter Parade

April 17th -- Easter Sunday

April 24th -- Orthodox Easter

May this be a time of peace, new beginnings, and strengthening our relationship with Our Lord and with each other!

POST 64 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE (Wednesday, May 18, 2022, 4:00 pm)

Our May meeting will include our annual Remembrance Service, to honor our members who passed in the last year:

Kenneth Cornelius

Bernard Korczyk

Joe Gustafson

Clarence Hogan

All are welcome! Please let me know if I am missing anyone.

SUPPORT THE TROOPS Boxes

Twice a year the ARC (with support from Post 64) sends boxes of much needed and appreciated goodies to our troops stationed overseas. Snacks, games, books, magazines, and especially beef jerky are most welcome. (Just no chocolate, anything with batteries, sharp objects, anything that could leak, or soap whose odors could contaminate the food.) Boxes for donations will be set out beginning April 10, 2022. Packing is scheduled for April 28, 2022, 9:00 am—Noon (in the ARC Main Hall). Financial donations to ship the boxes are most welcome. Checks made out to "Support the Troops" or any cash can be left at the ARC front desk. MANY THANKS!

Post 64 Remembrance Service

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 <i>Executive Meeting ARC 4:00 pm</i>	14 	15	16 
17 	18	19	20 <i>General Meeting ARC Main Hall 4:00 pm</i>	21	22	23 
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

27th Annual Sentimental Dreams

Dance to the Big Band Sounds of the 30's and 40's

Music performed by
"Swing Memories Big Band"

(15 piece Orchestra)

April 9th, 2022

7:00 PM to 10:00 PM

\$15.00 per person



Purchase tickets at the door
or advanced purchase at the
American Legion Post # 2
2125 S Industrial Park Ave
Tempe, Arizona
Ph 480-967-2968



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Proceeds to Benefit
The American Legion Boys State Program &
The American Legion Auxiliary Girls State Program

The American Legion Membership Application

_____ (Name) _____ (Date of Birth)
 _____ (Mailing Address) _____ (Phone Number)
 _____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____ (Post #)
 _____ (E-mail) Male Female (Gender) _____ (Dues)

I certify that I served at least one day of active military duty since December 7, 1941 and was honorably discharged or am still serving honorably.

Please check appropriate service era and branch of service below

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Global War on Terror | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gulf War | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Panama | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lebanon/Grenada | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marines |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnam | <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Korea | <input type="checkbox"/> Merchant Marines (WWII only) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WWII | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Conflicts | |



30-009 Signature of applicant Date Name of recruiter

Receipt of Dues (Please Print)

From _____
 \$ _____ for 20 _____ Post # _____
 Recruiter's Name _____
 Recruiter's Signature _____
 Recruiter's Phone # _____

Listed below are just a few of the many programs The American Legion sponsors. Please check the one(s) that are of interest to you. If the program you like is not listed, please indicate it in the "other" area.

- Volunteer work at VA Hospital.
 - Work with youth.
 - Help/participate in Post's social activities . . . dances, dinners, etc.
 - Participate in educational activities . . . (essay contests, oratorical contests, scholarships)
 - Work with sports teams.
 - Supervise groups (drill team, drum & bugle, scouts, etc.).
 - Post improvement projects.
 - Membership drives.
 - Community projects.
 - Other: _____
- Spouse would be interested in the Auxiliary.
 Son would be interested in the Sons of The American Legion.



Membership

Submitted by Rod Green, First Vice Commander

\$35.00 (2021-2022)

Please make your check out to:
American Legion Post 64

Mail to:

Ahwatukee Recreation Center
American Legion Post 64
5001 E. Cheyenne Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85044

