

AHWATUKEE AMERICAN LEGION POST 64 DECEMBER 2018 americanlegionpost64.com

1. FROM COMMANDER PETE MEIER:

THE GOLF TOURNAMENT IS LESS THAN ONE WEEK AWAY !!! WE NEED 15 VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 12/7/18 GOLF TOURNAMENT AT THE LEGACY RESORT AT 32ND ST. AND BASELINE. PLEASE CONTACT DOUG PATTERSON AT 602-791-6843 OR document-noise THIS IS TO HELP WITH SET UP, GREETING, SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS AND MAKING IT A SMOOTH EVENT.

2. INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM VARIOUS PLACES:

We receive a lot of emails with information about job fairs and other veteran related community functions and activities. A lot of these come from the District 12 Service Officer Ernie Lane, who actually belongs to Post 39 in Gilbert. We will try to post them on the Post 64 website under the "Items of Interest" tab. The direct link is:

http://www.americanlegionpost64.com/items-of-interest.php

3. SERVICE OFFICER REQUESTS:

After several years as the Post 64 Service Officer and Veterans Advocate, John Boyer is stepping back from his responsibilities. If you are in need of information from a **Certified Veterans Service Representative**, please contact District 12 Service Officer Ernie Lane at 480-390-3424 or elanejr3688@gmail.com

The Post extends a Thank You to John for his faithful service.

4. MEMBERSHIP: (from First Vice Commander Bob Smithson)

2019 Goal is 195 Paid Members; Total Active (207); Expired (8); New (7); Transfers In (7); Total Paid (153); December Goal (75%); December Actual (78%).

Thanks to the help of Roger Munchbach, Alice Maynard, and Pete Meier, 4 new members were recruited in November. Keep it up guys and gals.

Welcome to the new members: Richard Hill, Jim Snyder, Robert Splaine, and Linda Berry! Also welcome to 3 transfers from Posts 100 and 41 to our Post: Philip Thornton, Don Seeman, and Arnold Elzy!

One of the most satisfying parts of being Membership Chairman is seeing new members coming into the Post. They bring in fresh ideas, enthusiasm, different military experiences, and much more. It's easy to recruit a new member. When you come across an eligible veteran just **ASK** if they would like to join the American Legion. Many say they have never been asked to do so and will join.

A 100% membership by December 31 could be achievable if those who have not renewed as of yet would do so this month. It would be a nice Christmas present for the Post. You can go **online** to www.legion.org/renew for the fastest, safest, and most convenient way to renew. Thanks to the 10 members who renewed on line in November. It saves me a lot of work and time. If you are unable to go online please mail your dues in with your renewal notice or **call me**, and I will pick up the dues and give you the membership card.

5. MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 21 MEETING:

The meeting was attended by 27 members and guests.

First Vice Commander Bob Smithson reported **membership** for 2019 at 142 of 195 (72.5%). He introduced new, transferred, and prospective members and guests in attendance.

Second Vice Commander Doug Patterson gave an update on plans and preparations for the December 7 **Golf Tournament**. 36 golfers have registered so far.

Assistant Sgt-at-Arms Roddy Charlton reported on upcoming **Color Guard** activities (listed later in a separate section of this newsletter). Presentation of the Evolution of the Flag Program at Franklin East Elementary School was rescheduled for Monday, November 26.

The Post has received word that the **Patriotic Day** program which has previously been held at Akimel Middle School is being moved to Estrella Elementary School. Estrella is on the west side of the parking lot which they share with Akimel on the east. The Munchbachs have been in touch with the Estrella principal, offering the Color Guard's assistance. The program will be sometime around President's Day in February 2019. More details will be given as they are received.

Roger reported on the **Department Fall Conference** held in Tucson from November 2 thru 4. At the Conference Post 64 received their plaques for First Place Medium-Sized Post History Book 2018, First Place Medium-Sized Color Guard Report 2018, and First Place Medium-Sized Post Community Service Award 2018.

A new person will need to be assigned to **Centennial Middle School** before awards in the spring.

American Education Week was November 11-17, 2018. Deb Munchbach delivered baskets of treats to the 3 Middle Schools and 2 High Schools in Ahwatukee.

Mary Williams reported that **Support the Troops** wrapped gifts and sent boxes last week--61 boxes were sent to service members in Africa, and 100 were delivered to Luke Air Force Base. She thanked everyone who helped wrap, box, and deliver, and also thanked the Post for their donation of \$250.

The **District 12 Rehab Dinner and Auction** will be Sat., Feb. 2, 2019, at Post 35 in Chandler. Serving starts at 5 pm, and pork loin dinner tickets at \$15 per person and are available from Roger Munchbach.

Also available from Roger are **the American Legion 100th Anniversary Coins** for \$10. Funds from the coin sales will support a valley-wide celebration of this 100 year milestone in May 2019.

Deb Munchbach reported on the **Christmas Family** assigned through "Save the Family". This year we are providing Christmas for a veteran's family of 5--mom and dad, and 3 boys aged 10, 7, and 18 months. Poppy funds raised at 4 events during the year total \$518, and these will be used to make the purchases. Individual members who would like to add items on their own were asked to talk with Deb or Roger. Next year we may approach the Women's Club at ARC to partner with us to sponsor a second family.

Judy Steffen has volunteered to contact the JROTC at Marcos de Niza High School for help carrying burial flags during **the Easter Parade**.

Brenda Smull reported that she has been pushing **Public Relations** for Post 64 through her personal blog. In fact, if you would like to read the articles she wrote for Veterans Day and Thanksgiving, there is a link to them on the Homepage of the Post 64 website at americanlegionpost64.com
Many thanks to Brenda for her kind words. We also have a link to pictures Brenda's husband has taken (very professional quality) at Post 64 events. This link is available in the "Photos" tab of the Post website.

6. COLOR GUARD SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: (from Assistant Color Guard Commander Roddy Charlton)

December 4: Tuesday, Possible funeral, check with Color Guard Commander and Assistant

Commander

December 7: Friday, Post 64 Golf Tournament, Legacy Golf Club - 7:30 AM - Colors Presentation

December 19: Wednesday, Post 64 General Meeting - 3:00 PM- Post Colors

January 16: Wednesday, Post 64 General Meeting - 3:00 PM -Post Colors

January 19: Saturday, Post Winterfest - TBD - Colors Presentation

April 20, 2019: Saturday, Ahwatukee Easter Parade

May 27: Monday, Memorial Day - National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona TBD - Color Parade

June 14: Friday, Flag Day Ceremony - ARC - TBD - Flag Detail

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NEW YEAR TO OUR EXTENDED
AMERICAN LEGION "FAMILY"
WHEREVER YOU FIND YOURSELF THIS
YEAR.



IMAGES OF NOVEMBER 2018



POST AWARDS FOR 2018



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER AT FOUR POINTS SHERATON

NOVEMBER 8, 2018



NOVEMBER 12, 2018





ARC CRAFT FAIR

NOVEMBER 17, 2018



Golf Tournament Annual American Legion Post 64

4 PERSON SCRAMBLE

Closest to Pins on all 3 Pars • Long Drive 18 Holes - Practice Balls - Awards Lunch **Great Raffle Prizes**











PLUS \$100,000 CASH -

Date: Friday, December 7th, 2018

Time: 8:00 AM (Shotgun Start)

be a sponsors Would you like to

Place: 6808 South 32nd Street, Phoenix Legacy Golf Club

\$100 per person – Golf & Lunch

my number below. Doug Patterson-see Talk with me.

Cost: \$20 Spouse/Partner *Lunch Only*

Sign Up: birdeasepro.com/americanlegionpost64

Deadline: Paid entry must be received by November 22, 2018

Contact:

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"birdeasepro.com/americanlegionpost64"

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Annual Golf Tournament.

the old fashion way — right here But, you can still sign up

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Sunday	Monday	December 2	018 *** denotes Color Wednesday	Guard event	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7 MASSING OF THE COLORS MARCOS DE NIZA H.S. 7-9 am "** POST 64 GOLF TOURNAMENT LEGACY GOLF COURSE START 8 am (see ad)	8
9	10	11	12 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AT ARC 3 pm	13	1	15 WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA A NATIONAL CEMETERY SET UP CHRISTMAS TREE AT V/ HOSPITAL
16	17	18	19 *** POST GENERAL MEETING AT ARC 3 pm TICKET SALES FOR WINTERFEST BEGIN (see ad)	20	21 Winter Soletice	22
23	24	25 Christmas	26	27	28	29 REMOVE CHRISTMAS TREE FROM VA HOSPITAL
30	31	FURTHER IN THE FUTURE: *** Saturday, January 19, 20	19 Post 64 Winterfest at ARC beginning	at 5:30 pm (see ad)	1	1