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BANG! Our New Year Has Started

My fellow Legionnaires, your new officers are in place and they are eager to get this new year moving with your help.

The committee chairmen have also been selected as well as all committee members. They have pledged to work with each of you to accomplish our goals. I truly believe we have a great team working for you. They do need your help so let's roll up our sleeves and pitch in.

We started our year with leadership training along with our organizational meeting. We're also back from National Convention. Those who went to convention need to share with members of your post and District what you have learned.

In the last issue of the Legionnaire, I asked all of the Post Officers to talk with their membership to find ways to make our Posts a friendly place. I hope you were able to get that done. Remember, we're more than a lounge; we're a Family Post, so please try to do family friendly functions. This is a great way to recruit new members and to keep them involved.

Each Post should encompass a variety of Legion programs that help our Veterans and their families. Each Post should select the programs that work best for the needs of their community. Working these programs will bring in new members too.

New members that you recruit need to be mentored, given training and then put on a committee of their liking. That way, they will feel a part of their Post and they will be contributing to the success of the Post. I do know this; an idle member is not a contributing member to the Post's goals or to the goals of Department or National.

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September 16th was "The American Legion Day" set aside by Congress. Did your Post take advantage of this day? Did your communities recognize your Post and its accomplishments? If not, why not? We have been working hard for over 90 years to improve the lives of our Veterans. We have a legacy of community volunteerism. This should be a great day for the recruitment of new members.

I have been busy since taking office. I have attended the following events: ALLECA Graduation; A.L.R. quarterly meeting; Indianapolis membership training; Tombstone High School for a mock flag retirement ceremony and National Convention. I also installed the officers of District 3, awarded trophies at The American Legion Baseball Championship for Arizona, and addressed members of the 40/8 at their Summer Wreck and Promenade in Chandler.

One of the sad jobs of this position is to pay respects for Legionnaires who have gone to Post Everlasting. I attended a memorial for Robert Roelfsema of Post 24 who was a member of Marine Squadron 214, the famous Black Sheep. He was a pilot of this famous squadron. I also attended services for Bob Hamburger of Post 29, PDC Carol's husband and for PDC Nils Nilsen of Post 36. These Legionnaires will be missed.

Have you recruited a new member yet? Please take the time to mentor your new members, doing this will close the back door and you won't lose them by next year.

Thank you for all that you do for your Post and Department.

For God and Country,

Dick Perry, Commander

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Thanks again for your support,

John Aldecoa, Department Adjutant

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First Membership Challenge Met

Our first challenge of the year came on September 7th with the National Membership target at 50%. Arizona was in at 51.87%. Mission accomplished for the first round. Our next target date is set for October 18th at 55%. I know you can accomplish this but it must be through the efforts of those members who have not yet renewed. So, don't hesitate and renew as soon as you can. Remember, your dues renewal allows your Post to get more actively involved in their youth programs and assistance to our veterans in need. That is what we all believe in and why we belong.

I would like to reach out to our Post 100 members and ask them to consider transferring into a local Post of their choice. I know many feel that they might be obligated or expected to volunteer and get involved. Granted, it is nice if

one could help out on an occasion but if not that is all right. Your membership alone in that Post increases its stability and voting power at Convention. You are important and a necessity to our growth. If you aren't sure of what Post is close to you, contact me at (520) 834-4043 or by email at <u>k.dowse@att.net</u>. You can also call Department at (602) 264-7706.

Let's not forget our Department Commander Dick Perry's challenge to all of us: "EVERY MEMBER SIGN UP ONE NEW MEMBER". Sit back a moment and think about it. You have seven months to



sign up that new member. Putting it in that prospective it should be a breeze. As the Posts increase members, they have more

GI Josh Dog Project

The SAL has two major projects this year, one is Child Welfare Foundation and the other is the GI Josh Dog. I believe everyone knows about Child Welfare, so I will try to explain what GI Josh Dog is about.

As the troops deploy to combat zones, they leave their families home and it can be very hard on them, especially the children. A GI Josh Dog (small stuffed golden Lab) is given to the family (child/ children) of a deploying soldier. They then have the GI Josh Dog to use as a conversation tool when they call home. The child can take Josh with them to the store and other outings, and they can write and tell Dad or Mom what they did with GI Josh. It may help fill the empty spot the parent has left behind and can be a very comforting tool for the child.

There is a platoon in Afghanistan with a GI Josh Dog that goes on patrol with them. They will be sending pictures to us and we will share them with The American Legion Family when we receive them.

I haven't forgotten the challenge that I made, as Detachment Commander, for

delegate power at Department Convention. As the state grows, we have more delegate power at National Convention and as The American Legion grows nationwide, we have more clout with our Congressmen and Senators when our delegates meet with them in Washington D.C. in March. When we visit our representatives, we pursue The American Legion's resolutions towards improved V. A. benefits for our veterans (that means you) and a stronger properly

equipped regular military force for the defense of our country and stronger homeland security.

Veterans Day is rapidly approaching and what better way is there for all Posts to hold an open house to show and explain what we are all about. Let's see how many of those 500,000 veterans that we have in Arizona we can sign up.

> Ken Dowse Membership Chairman

Membership. As promised, when we reach 100%(+) membership by our Annual Campout, the 3rd weekend of April, myself and my three Vice Commanders will have to wear dresses to the Campout meeting on Saturday morning.

We are hoping to lead the SAL nationally this year in recruiting new members.

I look forward to visiting the Squadrons and helping out as much as I can.

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Jeff Johnson Commander Detachment of Arizona

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Friday, October 29, 2010				Saturday October 30, 2010 continued			
	Event American Legion Extension Institute Course	Speaker Bill Sloan, National Liaison	Location Room G	Time 10:00 a.m.	Event Convention & Conference Committee	Speaker PDC Louis Pellon, Chairman	Location Room A
3:30 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting	Rollin Kohrs, Chairman	H - Boardroom	10:00 a.m.	Judge Advocates Training	Ole Bjerk, Judge Advocate	Room B
6:00 p.m.	Joint Opening Session Call to Order	Dick Perry, Department Comn	Arizona Ballroom nander	10:00 a.m.	Children & Youth Commissio	n Steve Seney, Chairman	Room G
	Advancement of Colors Invocation	Carl Armbruster, Sgt-At-Arms Carol Stensby, Chaplain		11:30 a.m.	GNUTS Lunch		Post 26
	Pledge of Allegiance Opening Remarks Greetings:	All Dick Perry, Department Comn	nander	1:30 p.m.	Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation	Mike Espinosa, Chairman	Room G
	Scott Smith Frank Milstead Doris Theiss	Mayor, City of Mesa Chief of Police, City of Mesa Auxiliary Department Presider	nt	1:30 p.m.	Commanders & Adjutants Training	Dick Perry, Department Comman John Aldecoa, Department Adjuta	
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	Sandy Flynn Joey Strickland	Director, Phoenix VA Regiona Director, Arizona Department		3:00 p.m.	Americanism Commission	Charles Vawter, Chairman	Room C
	-	of Veterans Services		Sunday, C	October 31, 2010		
	Introduction of Guest Speaker Address: Jimmie Foster, Natio			Time 8:30 a.m.	Event Joint Memorial Service	Speaker Carol Stensby, Chaplain Sherry Hall, Auxiliary Chaplain	Location Ballroom D
	Presentation of Awards: Dick	Perry, Department Commander		0.20		2	D ADC
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Saturday	October 30, 2010				Trophies & Awards Committee Reports	Bob Nixon, Chairman	
Time 8:30 a.m.	Event S.A.L. Conference	Speaker Jeff Johnson, Commander	Location Starlight		Announcements Benediction Retirement of Colors Executive Committee Meetin	John Aldecoa, Adjutant Carol Stensby, Chaplain Carl Armbruster, Sgt-At-Arms g to Follow	
8:30 a.m.	Membership Workshop	Ken Dowse, Director	Room G				
8:30 a.m.	Chaplains Training	Carol Stensby, Chaplain	Room C		****Have a	SAFE Trip Home****	
8:30 a.m.	Club Committee	PDC Bud Hansing, Chairman	Room A				

Chris Moon Makes Ultimate Sacrifice

It is with great sadness I report to you that we have lost a Soldier, a Hero, a Friend; a Soldier who was supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. A Hero who paid the ultimate sacrifice defending what we hold so dear.

Specialist Christopher Moon was injured, 6 July 2010, when insurgents attacked his unit with an IED in Arghandab, Afghanistan. Specialist Moon was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 508th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division out of Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. On 13 July

2010, Specialist Christopher Moon lost his battle with the injuries sustained on 6 July, at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany.

As Department Baseball Chairman, I have the

opportunity to meet many of the young men who participate in our program. I go to the tournaments, sit on the bench during the games and visit with the players. Chris was one of the players who became

> special and a friend. He was a member of the Tucson High School Baseball team that won The American Legion State Championship in 2007 then went on to win the Regional Tournament in Kearns, Utah. They ended up third in the Legion World Series. Chris threw a complete game, a one hit shutout in the Regional and was one of 11 players to pitch a one hit one run complete game in the

World Series games.

Chris was offered a full ride scholarship by Coach Lopez of the University of Arizona. Instead, he chose to enlist in the Army to serve his country. What drives these young men and women to give up the life that they have strived to achieve in order to serve their country defending those rights and privileges that we hold so dear?

We, the chairmen of the various youth programs, have the opportunity to see first hand the results of the time and effort that is put into these programs. As Legionnaires, it is our duty to go to some of the ball games; visit the ALECCA Camp, and the sessions of Boys & Girls State.

Only then can we see and fully appreciate the efforts that these young men and women put into attaining the goals and objectives of our program--that of "instilling into the youth a better understanding of the American way of life and to promote the principles of 100% Americanism".

Rest in Peace, Chris.

Rollin H. Kohrs

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American Legion World Series Wrap-up

Eight senior American Legion teams qualified for the 2010 Legion World Series after winning their respective division's regional tournaments.

The World Series opening ceremony began August 13th in Spokane, Washington, at Avista Stadium, where Jill Druskis, the National Americanism/ Children & Youth Director, threw out the first pitch.

Our Regional Champions, Western Division, were represented by Las Vegas, "Lions Legion Baseball Club-Gold;" sponsored by Nevada Youth Baseball Association and BMI Post 40.

Arizona's Northwest Red Raiders from Area "A" won their first State American Legion Championship on July 31st by beating Tucson Mayhem at the Spring Training Facility of the Texas Rangers in Surprise, Arizona, by a score of 3-2. The Red Raiders finished

fourth place during the regular season of the Tucson Legion League and managed to regroup together to capture their first State Championship. The teams that participated in the State Tournament were NW Red Raiders, Mayhem, Post 7 and Kentucky Fried Chicken all of Tucson Area "A". Area "B" Phoenix Valley teams in the State Tournament were Glendale High School, Mountain Ridge High School, Caballeros, St. Mary's High School and Kellis High School.

The Red Raiders advanced to The American Legion Western Regional Tournament that was played on the campus of UNLV in Las Vegas against other state champions including champions from Nevada, California, Hawaii, Utah, New Mexico and Colorado. The Host Team was the NYBA Summer League Champion.

The Red Raiders were 1-1 and an 8-7 loss to Hawaii



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The American Legion Web site provided box scores, statistics, interviews and photos from the tournament.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Kusek, Arizona Detachment Chairman Area "B" Baseball Chairman



Commander Perry with Arizona NW Red Raiders Team Members: Cory Leith, Reece Stangl-O'Key, Daman Romero, Kyle Bargar, Ruben Lerma, Adrian Cordova, Aaron Vaughn, Stanly Brown, Jakob Pierce, Zachary Koprowski, Robert Kallal, Dawson Jones, Owen Bertelsen, Mathew Young and Coach John Koprowski and Coach Roy Busby. **Missing from photo:** Vincent Gerhard, Austin Moore, Alejandro Salazar

Focus On Children

American Legion National Americanism and Children & Youth Division Director Jill Druskis concentrated on lesser known programs at this year's National Commission on Children & Youth Conference held September 17-19 in Indianapolis. "We felt most Departments know what they need to about Boys and Girls State, Oratorical (Program), and American Legion Baseball; however, they may not be aware of the American Legion Children's Home, Operation: Military Kids, or the Army's pilot program dealing with child educational issues when parents are deployed" Druskis explained.

I was very pleasantly surprised at the various topics covered at the conference. Being new to this position, I was not sure what to expect. However, the focus on different programs supported by The American Legion with which I was unfamiliar showed me the depth to which this organization is dedicated to the children and youth. Department Auxiliary representative Sheila Galloway and I participated in sessions on topics ranging from Child Behavioral Issues to Partnerships with other Youth Groups in various communities throughout the United States. What I took away from the conference is there are a tremendous number of very good programs that have been started by some well-meaning people.

I will be working with Department officials and representatives from the Children & Youth Commission to determine the best approach to developing an effective and efficient information disseminating process. At this time, I am leaning toward enhancing our new Department website with easy-to-use communication capabilities, so all posts have access to what they need with regard to Children and Youth Programs. I am aware not all Posts in the Department have access to the internet, but we should make information available to the majority of Posts that do. I would encourage members who have access at home to check the website to stay informed.

Any questions concerning Children & Youth programs, or to share what is working in your Post or community, please send an email to: scseney@yahoo.com.

Steve Seney Department Children & Youth Chairman

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Archie Jackson Receives 5 Medals

Green Valley, AZ September 8th – Madera Post 131 held an especially moving ceremony for Legion member Archie Jackson, where U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords presented five military medals to him for service in World War II.

"PFC Archibald Jackson truly was a member of our Greatest Generation and served heroically at the Battle of the Bulge and in the D-Day invasion," said Giffords. "It is an honor for me to present him with these medals that represent the thanks of his grateful nation."

Giffords, a member of the House Armed Services Committee, presented the medals to the 86-year-old Jackson on Wednesday at American Legion Post 131 in Green Valley, where Jackson lives.

Jackson received one of the Army's highest awards, the Bronze Star Medal with one bronze oak leaf cluster. He also received the Good Conduct Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with four bronze service stars, the World War II Victory Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge First Award and the Honorable Service Lapel Button.

Jackson was 18 and living in Connecticut when he was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1942. He was a private first-class and served with the Army in World War II until Oct. 5, 1945. Jackson was a member of the 5th Infantry Division, 11th Regiment and served as an observer in the Intelligence and Reconnaissance Patrol. He participated in the D-Day invasion that started on June 6, 1944 when allied forces landed on the beaches of Normandy. Jackson later took part in the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium. The battle lasted from Dec. 14, 1944 until Jan. 25, 1945 and was a response to a German offensive designed to split the British and American lines. Jackson was trapped behind enemy lines for two days.

Jackson was awarded the Bronze Star for heroism on Oct. 12, 1944 near Metz, France. According to an



Army citation, Jackson was part of a patrol charged with locating an enemy gunman who was using an automatic weapon to deliver withering fire on American forces.

"Penetrating deep into the enemy lines, heedless of the great danger, Private Jackson and the patrol located the enemy weapon and returning through the enemy-infested area, succeeded in reporting its position," according to the citation. "His courageous actions enabled our forces to liquidate the enemy strongpoint and reflect great credit upon him and the military service."

Jackson said he was wounded in the chest by shrapnel in that incident, but the Army declined to award him a Purple Heart. Jackson said the only witnesses to his injury later were killed in action. Documents that might have supported awarding him a Purple Heart were lost in a 1973 fire that destroyed an estimated 18 million records at the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis. Submitted by Gary W. Kissinger

Madera Post 131

Post 40, Chino Valley Honors Korean Veterans

On Saturday July 24th, Post 40 celebrated the cessation of hostilities that ended the Korean War. Officially, no armistice was ever signed and like the uneasy peace the veterans of that conflict feel that they too have not been recognized.

In 2009, the Chaplain of Post 40 noted that there was no holiday designated to honor these veterans. A decision was made to have a ceremony in July, (the cease fire went into effect on July 27, 1953) to recognize veterans of the Korean War.

Invitations were made to members of local American Legion Posts, VFW Posts, The Marine Corps League and the Prescott Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association. About 45 veterans attended, many with



their wives or guests. This included veterans from the Tri-Cities area and from as far away as Cordes Junction. There were representatives of all five services present, all of whom served in this era. Each veteran rose, introduced himself and spoke of his experiences. Each veteran was presented with a pin by Post 40 as a remembrance of this day.

So far as anyone can remember, this was the first time that a ceremony has been held in the Tri-Cities area to honor Korean War veterans. All were appreciative of the opportunity to attend and speak with others who experienced that war.



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Thank You

My family and I would like to thank everyone in our American Legion Family for the cards, thoughts and prayers, and support that you gave us during Bob's illness. There aren't enough words to express what you mean to us. My children got to see what Bob and I were always talking about when we mentioned The American Legion Family. It was overwhelming to them.

Thank you again for all that you have done and continue to do.

PDC Carol Hamburger, Lisa, Matt, Theresa, Laurina and their families.

I would like to give a very special Thank You to our Legion Family at Earl E. Mitchell Post 29 in Glendale for EVERYTHING that you have done for us.

UPCOMING EVENTS

James A Carpenter

Vincent B Castronovo

Wayne C Childress

John A Clark

Roy Fielder

Gilbert V Fimbres

Ted Gettinger

Peter F Hickman

Harvey H Howard

John E Jewett

Harold W Lane

Kerriston L Marsh

Anthony B Mauhar

Robert W Newman

Oscar Pelzer

Steven G Robeda

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Herman E Ruiz

Lester Skates

Veteran Opportunity EXPO

Thursday, October 14, 2010 - 11 am TO 3 pm University of Phoenix Stadium (Home of the Arizona Cardinals) 1 Cardinals Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85305

RecruitMilitary is producing this Expo in cooperation with The American Legion, Purple Heart Services and the Military Spouse Corporate Career Network to benefit veterans, transitioning military personnel, members of the Guard and Reserve, and military family members.

Veteran-friendly employers, franchisors and educational institutions will be in attendance offering a variety of opportunities.

If you would like to register for the event, please go to our event-specific candidate information page: https://www2.recruitmilitary.com/expos/327-Phoenix/ candidates/information

Berlin Veterans Association Reunion

Berlin Veterans Association Reunion will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on October 11 - 14, 2010. This invitation is directed to ALL members of the Armed Forces who served in Berlin. Please contact me at (402) 296-5003 or <u>vlikness@yahoo.com</u> for registration materials and/or particulars.

Virgil Likness, Membership Committee

Love Makes the World Go Around!!

This is so true. Our heavenly Father loves us so much that He allows the world to continue to spin on its' axis surrounding us with His loving arms. With this in mind, it would seem that His wish must be

that we follow the example He has given us and surround others with our love.

Chaplain's Corner

As part of The American Legion Family, we have ample opportunity to do this. Regardless what your area of interest might be, I assure you that there is an American Legion program out there where this can easily be accomplished.

Our children and youth programs are stellar. Get involved in Boys or Girls State, Oratorical, Legion Baseball, ALLECA, Child Welfare or Scouting. Volunteer at the VA; become active in a senior outreach program in your community or provide help to homeless Veterans. There are so many outlets available for us to provide nurturing and love. Not only will you be helping out in your Post and community but you will truly be carrying out the Lord's work along your way.

Having done some of these things over the years, it's easy for me to say that the rewards you get back will far exceed anything you've given. Seeing the smile on a hospitalized veteran's face when you visit; watching children gain self-confidence as they move on to adulthood or knowing how thankful an elder in your community is for whatever small service you may have provided.

So, dear family, get involved. Give of yourself and you will find more happiness than you can imagine. PUT A LITTLE LOVE IN YOUR LIFE!!

For God and Country, Carol Stensby, Chaplain



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September 15, 2010

Area		Goal	2011	% of Goal	
A	Al Miller	9,445	5,492	58.15	
B	Jim Burke	19,085	10,011	52.45	
C	Ann Seney	8,395	4,446	52.96	
HO	Dick Perry	6,075	3,036	49.98	
	d Totals:	43,000	22,985	53.45	
		High Area – A –			
		High District – 2 High Post – 137 -			
	ict 1 - Commander:And Name	y Noriega City	Goal	2011	% of Goal
19	H.H. Donkersley	Yuma	1,086	596	54.88
46	Chic Chisom	Bouse	137	17	12.41
47	Somerton	Somerton	16	0	0.00
56	Floyd G. Jefferson	Yuma	182	87	47.80
67	Frank Mick	Roll	38	9	23.68
70	Freman Sharp	Parker	48	4	8.33
Distr	ict Totals		1,507	713	47.31
	ict 2 - Commander:Lan	ce Hurst	, ·		
	Name Morgan McDermott	City Tucson	Goal 469	2011 281	% of Goal 59.91
23	Ridge-Igo	Nogales	83	47	56.63
36	John P. Burns	Tucson	1,388	858	61.82
59	Cocio-Estrada	Tucson	319	142	44.51
56	Green Valley	Sahuarita	1,436	785	54.67
58	Sahuaro	Tucson	332	200	60.24
73	Casas Adobes	Tucson	182	108	59.34
74	Calabasas	Rio Rico	16	2	12.50
102	Tucson Mountains	Tucson Vail	119 683	82 454	68.91
11	0	Patagonia	16	1	66.47 6.25
	Burton E. Buck	Sonoita	31	19	61.29
	Yoem	Tucson	27	10	37.04
	Madera	Green Valley	398	328	82.41
	Oro Valley	Oro Valley	103	93	90.29
	ict Totals		5,602	3,410	60.87
	ict 3 - Commander:Gre Name	g Normand City	Goal	2011	% of Goal
11	Fred A. Hilburn	Douglas	329	210	63.83
16	L. A. Engle Jr.	Bisbee	84	67	79.76
20	Tenely - Lopez	Willcox	47	27	57.45
24	Roy Fourr	Tombstone	630	381	60.48
45	Vicente Manzo	Benson	82	50	60.98
52	Bill Carmichael	Sierra Vista	925	390	42.16
Disti	rict Totals		2,097	1,125	53.65
Distr	rict 4 - Commander:Jerr	v Boales	,	, -	
	Name	City	Goal	2011	% of Goal
	Fred A. Humphreys	Casa Grande	231	146	63.20
)	McClellan-Parsons	Florence	199	83	41.71
7	William P. Kern	Superior	27	21	77.78
	P.A.L.	Kearny	35	19	54.29
48	Francis M. Bunch	San Manuel	52	4	7.69
51	Haskel Osife Antone	Blackwater	29	25	86.21
54	William David Hood	Coolidge	132	72	54.55
97	San Tan Valley	San Tan Valley	38	1	2.63
29	Duane Ellsworth	Queen Creek	79	37	46.84
	Maricopa	Maricopa	29	37	127.59
	rict Totals	Warteopa	851	445	52.29
	ict 5 - Commander:Geo Name	rge Sticklin City	Goal	2011	% of Goal
1	Henry Berry	Globe	213	130	61.03
28	Lloyd C. Hill	Clifton	116	64	55.17
32	Swift-Murphy	Safford	451	259	57.43
19	McCulloch-McNair	Duncan	28	5	17.86
95	Lopez-Hernandez	Solomon	87	54	62.07
Distr	rict Totals		895	512	57.21
	ict 6 - Commander:Dor Name	Coffman City	Goal	2011	% of Goal
15	Frank Perkins	Winslow	94	61	.89
30	John H. Slaughter	Springerville	162	101	62.35
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37	r-Dewitt	Saint Johns	30	12	40.00
	Navajo	Holbrook	62	38	61.29
0	Whiteriver	Whiteriver	51	31	60.78
9	Tonto Rim	Payson	512	110	21.48
76	WilliamHouse	Show Low	225	105	46.67
80	Hopi	Kykotsmovi	37	2	5.41
32	Warren L. Dempsey	Ganado	16	1	6.25
36	John D. Wibby	Overgaard	446	269	60.31
126	Snowflake - Taylor	Snowflake Saint Johns	31 15	13	41.94
	Joseph McCarthy rict Totals	Saint Joinis	1,681	8 751	53.33 44.68
	rict 7 - Commander:Sco				
Post	Name	City	Goal	2011	% of Goal 54.19
3	Mark A. Moore	Flagstaff	585	317	
13	Cordova	Williams	129	76	58.91
14	Swaskegame	Kingman	317	200	63.09
22	Golden Valley	Golden Valley	251	98	39.04
33	Jerry & Daw	Tonalea	17	0	0.00
12	John Ivens	Grand Canyon	196	75	38.27
57	Robert Fulton	Ash Fork	95	51	53.68
31	Robert A. Eckert	Havasu City	1,320	767	58.11
37	Mohave Valley	Bullhead City	510	293	57.45
38	Dolan Springs	Dolan Springs	122	56	45.90
103		Meadview Leupp	51 25	7 12	13.73 48.00
23	Forrest C. Longwell	Seligman Mohave Valley	35 44	19	54.29
127 136	Yucca	Yucca	21	18 22	40.91 104.76
	rict Totals		3,718	2,011	54.09
	rict 8 - Commander:Dou Name	ig Keller City	Goal	2011	% of Goal
5	Ernest A. Love	Prescott	783	524	66.92
25	Verde Valley	Cottonwood	790	419	53.04
40	Bobby Bisjak	Chino Valley	383	195	50.91
78	Humboldt	Humboldt	232	133	
79	Taylor-Keehner	Yarnell	269	136	57.33 50.56
90	Black Canyon City	Black Cyn Cty	42	13	30.95
93	David C. Johnson	Camp Verde	305	146	47.87
104	Dennis S. Pike	Bagdad	23	15	65.22
108		Prescott Vly	85	39	45.88
122	Cordes Lakes Mem.	Cordes Lakes	47	39	82.98
135		Cornville	37	25	67.57
	rict Totals	comme	2,996	1,684	56.21

District 11 – Commander: Jim McCrady							
	Name	City	Goal	2011	% of Goal		
1	Luke-Greenway	Phoenix	997	550	55.17		
5	Southern Meadows	Phoenix	63	17	26.98		
10	Organ Pipe Cactus	Ajo	91	44	48.35		
12	Kellis-Draper	Wickenburg	348	171	49.14		
29	Earl E. Mitchell	Glendale	1,479	906	61.26		
43	Hazel Morton	Phoenix	14	14	100.00		
50	Thomas Tang	Phoenix	54	42	77.78		
53	Hazelton-Butler	Buckeye	106	32	30.19		
61	Crandall-Palmer	Avondale	641	311	48.52		
62	John J. Morris	Peoria	2,203	1,100	49.93		
72	Dwight Eisenhower	Phoenix	25	9	36.00		
94	Sun City West	Sun City West		250	70.42		
96	Surprise	Surprise	152	94	61.84		
101	John H. Harries	Sun City	141	83	58.87		
105	Christopher J. Lapka	Phoenix	624	285	45.67		
128	Daisy Mountain	Anthem	62	33	53.23		
134	Laveen	Laveen	42	22	52.38		
137	Tonopah	Tonopah	24	31	129.17		
Distr	ict Totals		7,421	3,994	53.82		

Post	Name	City	Goal	2011	% of (
2	William Bloys	Tempe	448	265	5
26	Mesa	Mesa	1,040	580	5
27	Apache	Apache Jct	2,492	1,296	5
34	Frank W. Wright	Cave Creek	307	175	5
35	Mathew B. Juan	Chandler	669	371	5
39	Merrill-Mitchell	Gilbert	573	229	3
41	Tony F. Soza	Phoenix	799	472	5
44	Sipe-Peterson	Scottsdale	1,153	605	5
55	James O. Shroeder	Sun Lakes	223	136	6
58	Fountain Hills	Fountain Hills	451	275	6
63	Lena Vaughn Whitney	Mesa	38	21	5
64	Ahwatukee	Ahwatukee	154	90	5
65	Travis L. Williams	Phoenix	340	109	3
75	Sunnyslope	Phoenix	333	173	5
83	East Mesa	Mesa	110	62	5
84	Ira H. Hayes	Sacaton	48	24	5
91	Wayne V. McMartin	Chandler	161	48	2
107	Irving B. Selmer	Phoenix	547	249	4
114	Bushmasters	Scottsdale	61	4	
115	North Scottsdale	Scottsdale	58	30	
117	Pat Tillman	Phoenix	131	90	6
124	Guadalupe Veterans	Guadalupe	21	0	
Dist	rict Totals		10,157	5,304	5

American Legion Department of Arizona

2010 Fall Conference Golf Tournament

Friday October 29, 2010 **AUGUSTA RANCH** 2401 S. Lansing, Mesa, AZ 85209

CHECK IN AT 6:15am, SHOTGUN START 7:30am **4 PLAYER SCRAMBLE \$60 PER PLAYER**

ENTRY FEE INCLUDES: Green Fees, Cart Fees, Range Balls, Scoring, Tournament Services, Pavilion Use, Lunch, Cash Bar Lunch Will Be Grill Buffet (Burgers, Brats, Hotdogs with 3 Chef choice sides and Iced tea or lemonade



Send Registration and Payment to: Post 117 (Attn: Steve Allen) 16428 N. 32nd St, Suite 101, Phoenix, Az, 85032

Player Name	Phone Number	Hdcp/Avg Score
MUST BE REC	CEIVED BY OCT 15,	2010

