

Southern AZ Telecom Pioneer

Fall 2019 —Newsletter



Legacy West

ALL MONTHLY LUNCHEONS ARE HELD THE 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

11am - 12pm Social Hour
12 noon Lunch

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| * September 11, 2019 | * January 8, 2020 |
| * October 9, 2019 | * February 12, 2020 |
| * November 13, 2019 ⁽¹⁾ | * March 11, 2020 |
| * December 11, 2019 | * April 8, 2020 ⁽²⁾ |
| * Happy New Year | * May 13, 2020 |

Sept Luncheon: Golden Corral 6865 N Thornydale Rd
Oct & Nov Luncheon: The Forum at Tucson 2500 N Rosemont Blvd

⁽¹⁾ Xmas Raffle ⁽²⁾ Pioneer Picnic - TBA

SATPC Extends our deepest condolences to the family and friends of those who have passed away

Doris Tofel – Aug 25, 2019

Charlotte Anderson – Aug 25, 2019

Bob Gahagan – Aug 21, 2019

Ray Hathaway – Aug 4, 2019

Dorothy Treese (Minnena) - 2019

Mother of Steve De La Cuesta – 2019

Rose Ahern (wife of Bart Ahern) – April 15,
2019

Betty Hess – March 15, 2019

WE'RE HAVING AN AUCTION!

COMING SOON: Keep an eye out in your email and on Facebook

Please notify our Fellowship Chair Adella Mason of any illness or passing of Pioneers or their family members. She can be reached by email: adzik@comcast.net . You can text or call her at: (520) 237-2763

2018-2019 Southern AZ Telecom Pioneer Officers:

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NOTICE: If you have any address, email or phone number updates, please contact Jan Pitts at sassiejan@gmail.com or (520) 741-8034

Please keep an eye out on our Website, Facebook and email notifications for upcoming announcements and events.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT:

[https://aztelecompioneers.org/
southern-az-club/](https://aztelecompioneers.org/southern-az-club/)



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

*H*ello Pioneers,

I want to welcome everyone back from our summer break. I hope everyone had a nice, fun, safe summer. I don't know about you, but I am ready for some cooler weather.

I have some news about our monthly luncheons I would like to share. In September, we will still be going to Golden Corral but starting in October and November, we are going to try a new place that I am sure the people who live on the Eastside will be happy about. It is called The Forum at Tucson. It is located at 2500 N Rosemont Blvd, which is Grant and Rosemont. It is an assisted living that seems very nice. Patti Pace and I have visited it twice and had lunch there and the food was very good. It is on the second floor and there is an elevator to take you up. We will not have to raise our prices for the luncheons and it will be buffet style, with a couple different options. I am hoping that we can attract more people to come. We will try it for two months and see how everyone likes it and then decide to continue there or go back to the Golden Corral.

We distributed all our school supplies to four schools over the summer and I wanted to say "Thank You" to all that contributed and helped deliver them.

The Pioneers have a new category of people that can join the organization. It is called Friends and Family and I am sure all of you have someone that you can recruit to sign up. They do not have to pay the \$22 membership fee unless they would like to be on our board or receive any of the benefits that the Pioneers can get. So if you have someone that would like to sign up, please let me know and I will get a membership form to you.

We also have some club board member changes. I have asked Patti Pace to become my Senior Vice President. We will also have Louise Rebholz take over the scholarships for the club and chapter. Under Education, we will now have Mike and Mary Rhodes to schedule the Readers for Life and anything else that falls under Education. In addition, Mary Seagle is taking over American Red Cross and John Seagle will be taking over lap robes.

Please remember to check our website for any fundraisers and announcements we have going on at <https://aztelecompioneers.org>.

I hope to see you all at our September luncheon at the Golden Corral and then at The Forum in October and November. If you have any questions, please contact me at (520) 741-8034.

Thanks,
Jan Pitts—President So. AZ Club

*A sincere thank you to all our members and volunteers.
Your support helps keep the spirit of Telephone Pioneers alive and helps us to
support the community we call home.*

SATPC PROJECTS

Basket Making 2019



On April 17, 20 plus volunteers showed up to help create and fill Easter bucket baskets for the 120 children at the Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind. We set up assembly line style, and had them filled, sacked and ready very quickly! Because we had so many children to serve this year, a lot of volunteers were recruited, and all were asked to bring some food to share for a pot luck. We met at the Northminster Presbyterian

Church where we normally do Hug a Bears, and after stopping for a food break, we finished up the baskets with gaily decorated ribbons. John Seagle offered to take all 120 baskets in his covered pick up truck to the school for the hunt. Thanks John!!

Beeping Egg Hunt – 2019

On April 18th, we volunteers met at the Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind (ASDB) campus for the Beeping Egg Hunt. Pre-school and elementary school age children came streaming out to gather eggs, beeping or not, and turn them in for a basket. The Tucson Fire Department came and handed out toys and let the kids experience looking, climbing and sitting in the fire truck. The Easter Bunny was on hand to give bendy toys to all the kids. This is such a fun event, and the kids at ASDB feel very special and valued by this attention. Our volunteers all go home with a sense of a job well done! Thanks to all!



Sister Jose Women's Shelter



Adella Mason (not pictured) and Jan Pitts delivered hygiene and clothing items to Sister Jose Women's Shelter.

Thank you to all who donated!

Learn to Crochet Class – April 2019

Our 1st learn to crochet class sponsored by the Telephone Pioneers, Melani Chavez, Sherry Daughtry & Adella Mason. Here comes more lap robes..



Marshall Home for Men



Delivery of donated Kleenex, body soap, insulin needles, Sharp Containers, disposable gloves, alcohol pads, and men's briefs, Tums, shampoo to the [Marshall Home For Men](#). Thanks to Southern Az Telecom Pioneers for donation to purchase most of the items.

Beads of Courage – Day of Service 2019

SATPC has again chosen Beads of Courage for their Day of Service for 2019. Beads of Courage was founded here in Arizona in 2003 by Jean Baruch. Beads of Courage, Inc. is a 501(c) 3 tax-exempt organization dedicated to helping



children with serious illness record, tell and own their stories of survival. They work diligently to transform the treatment experience for children coping with chronic, life threatening illness through their arts-in-medicine programs. In the 12 years since their inception, the organization has established the programs in over 240 children's hospitals in the United States, New Zealand, Canada, the United Kingdom and Japan. Their growth is evidence of the need for the type of support Beads of Courage provides for children coping with serious illness.

SATPC PROJECTS CONT'D

School Supply Delivery

SATPC delivered school supplies to Laguna Elementary, Hollinger Elementary, Cragin Elementary, Pueblo Gardens Elementary, Nash Elementary School and Drachman Montessori School. Each school got approximately 1700 items. Check out the videos from the events on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/SoAZPioneers/>



Ronald McDonald House – Chef for a Day

On July 12th, several SATPC members participated in the Chef for a Day event at the Tucson area Ronald McDonald House.



We all love “comfort food.” At Ronald McDonald House, the term takes on new meaning through the home-cooked meals they provide at no additional cost to their guests. The Chef for a Day program is a satisfying, creative and fun way for a group to volunteer. We put our team’s culinary skills to the best possible use by cooking for the families.

Power Pack Program – Marana Unified School District

On Monday May 13th, 2019 SATPC presented a check to the [Marana Unified School District](https://www.maranausd.org/Page/307) to sponsor one Power Pack. A Power Pack offers ready-to-eat, nutritious snacks to students who are identified as chronically hungry within Marana district schools. Power Packs ensure children have access to food during weekends and school breaks; resulting in fewer stomach aches and greater ability to learn. Our donation provides a weekly Power Pack for an ENTIRE school year! For more information or to participate in this program, please visit <https://www.maranausd.org/Page/307> for all the details.



UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING



TOTES, TOTES AND MORE TOTES

How many tote bags do you own? Tote bags are irresistible. They are quite useful! They hold such promise for an imagined future! So many of them are free! And almost all of them are impossibly filthy. There is a reasonable limit to how many tote bags you need in your life, and it's quite likely that if you're reading this article, you have a tote bag problem. Does the term "bag of bags" mean anything to you? If you answered yes, please know that you are among friends, and that help is here. **How many tote bags is too many tote bags?** Left unmanaged, tote bag collections can take over closets, drawers, car trunks — really, any space is a potential tote bag dumping ground. So why do we

bother holding onto them? "We often get them for free, and so we think, 'How good does a tote have to be? I didn't even pay for it,'" **Your unwanted totes are actually wanted!** Bring your totes with you when you come to the luncheon and give them to Anna Patton. She will be collecting them, washing them and distributing them to local non-profits who want them for their clients. For more information, please contact Anna at AZ66Media@gmail.com or give her a call at (520) 444-1874

DAY OF CARING - Oct 25th and 26th

Several years ago the Arizona Department of child safety reached out to the community and asked for help. Their case loads were heavy and morale was low. They needed support and most of all some way to help where they didn't have the funds. Tucson heard the request and has offered up many ways to get involve. They had flowers delivered, candy, ice cream treats and many other things during the year and mainly around holidays to remind the workers they're not alone. Recently when they moved into their new building, it was very modern but stark in décor. Now a couple of visitation rooms have been transformed into different themes, leaving more rooms that need decorated. That's where we come into the picture. Come get involved. Contact Shery Daughtry at (520) 296-2304.



SHOE PARTY— December 3rd

We are doing this again! The SATPC will be partnering with the [South Tucson & Cyber Lions Clubs](#) to provide new school shoes and socks to 20+ children. The shoe party will be at JC Penney on Irvington. For more information or to participate, please contact Cathy Greer at (520) 780-9071.

HUG-A-BEARS

Dust off the sewing machine you have in your closet and help us sew bears that will be stuffed and given to traumatized children. We need help, and for encouragement let me tell you "you're never too old to volunteer". We have a great Pioneer who is 96 years young sewing bears for us and she doesn't even live in the state anymore. Come get involved by joining us at our Hug a Bear workshop held at the North minster Presbyterian church at Ft Lowell and Tucson boulevard. The third Wednesday of every month, at 1:00 pm. We meet in one of their community room. Please contact Shery Daughtry at (520) 296-2304.



Education



Life Enrichment



Health & Human
Services



Environment



Military

SATPC FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Jim Click Millions for Tucson 2019 Raffle

Tickets are still available! The drawing is December 2019. Feel free to purchase them at our luncheons or contact:

Priscilla Lujan
(520) 298-5400

Mickman's is Returning

Back by popular demand, the chapter will be working with Mickman's again this year.



Keep an eye out for details that will be coming in the next few weeks.

TICKET PRICE \$25 OR 5 FOR \$100
RAFFLE BENEFITING TUCSON CHARITIES 100% OF FUNDS RAISED STAYS HERE

The Jim Click Automotive Team is presenting a New **2019 Jeep Grand Cherokee Summit** to the entire community to be used as the featured prize in our ongoing effort to raise millions of dollars for non-profit organizations in Southern Arizona.

Win one of THREE great prizes!

GRAND PRIZE: New 2019 Jeep Grand Cherokee Summit
2ND PRIZE: Two round-trip, first-class airline tickets to anywhere in the world!*

3RD PRIZE: \$5,000 cash!

With your \$25 contribution (or 5 tickets for \$100) you could win this stunning vehicle or one of two other great prizes! The best part is that 100% of your contribution will support Southern Arizona charities that keep all the proceeds from the maximum 100,000 tickets which will be sold. The drawing will be held on December 13, 2019. Entries must be received by December 6, 2019.

For campaign and ticket information, contact the Millions for Tucson Raffle Management Team at 520.342.5210 or at: jimclickraffle@russepublic.com

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