



Legacy West

Spring 2021 —Newsletter

WE ARE PLANNING A PICNIC STYLE LUNCHEON—OCTOBER 2021!

Together again!! Click **HERE** for all the details!

Membership Become a Pioneer

Pioneers has added a new membership category called Friends and Family. Under this you can sign up anyone that volunteers with us or is interested in joining our service organization. We have people that come to a lot of our functions but didn't have the opportunity to become a member, including kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, friends, and neighbors. Some high school kids need to have volunteer experience on their scholarship applications to show community involvement. What a good way to keep track of their hours for something like this!

Click Here To Download Membership Form

A Friends and Family member may even want to use our Affinity Partners discounts or serve on a board, and they can do that by paying dues of \$22 a year. Otherwise, there are no dues collected. So, sign someone up today! Get them involved in the work we all love! Print out this form and give to a club or chapter officer, or fax to Barbara Palmer at (520) 531-0349, or type in your info, save a copy of what you filled out and send it via email to Barbara at zippalmer@aol.com. We have added a simple tutorial that might help to fill out and email your completed form!

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

Joe Smothers (June 2021)

Raquel Davila—wife of Manny Davila (June 2021)

Robert Edward Lloyd (March 2021)

Betty J Yonko (March 2021)

Armondo Bonillas Bernal (February 2021)

Glenda Watson (February 2021)

Connie L Moore (February 2021)

Please visit our In Memory Page

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

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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/







LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello Fellow Pioneers!

Good Day! And yes, it is a good day! I am hoping most of you have gotten your shot, your shot at returning to normalcy, and we can look forward to getting together in person again!

This is your update on what has been going on in our club, in our chapter and in Pioneers internationally. You may have noticed that Pioneer projects are divided into categories, depending on what service they provide and what aspect of the community we are serving. So, I am going to hit on highlights under those categories.

<u>Education</u>: Our SACC scholarship was awarded to **Carson Di Maria**, You can view the student's pics and a brief bio on the website <u>here</u> along with the Chapter 66, Madalyn Rollins bequest, and the 2 New Mexico Club scholarships once they are awarded. We have started purchasing and collecting school supplies for this year's school supply drive. If you are interested in participating in that, helping shop or deliver, contact Adella Mason, and click on the link **here**.

<u>Life Enrichment</u>: This covers so many good projects. Lap Robes, Christmas Stockings, and talking books, just to mention a few. These are projects that make life better for seniors and people with disabilities. Our Lap Robe project goes on all year and we hold them until the end of the year for holiday presentations. The Easter Egg hunt falls in this category, too. This year, the Easter baskets were created by volunteers outdoors in a park, delivered to the Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind and given out to the children right at Easter. We are so hopeful that next year we can return to a hunt on the school grounds in person.

<u>Health and Human Services</u>: This category covers projects which provide necessary goods or services to maintain life. An example is Food bank support and reusable shopping bags and good used luggage is collected to help the local domestic violence center, EMERGE! Did you know you can volunteer to help in the vaccination effort? There are plenty of easy but necessary ways to help the clinics set up to serve our local populations. Click here for a contact on ways to help.

Environment: **Bee** on the lookout for the packages of seeds to encourage wildflowers and bee populations. We will **bee** distributing them later this year at the picnic and through our partnership with Treasures 4 Teachers.

Military: Our chair, Tom Bivins, has been collecting empty medicine bottles, with the labels removed and recycling them through his American Legion affiliation. He recently let us know he would start collecting empty used clean folded grocery bags, as there are a group of volunteers who will knit/crochet them into sleeping mats for homeless vets. Contact Tom to deliver any of these items to him.

This is the 110th year of Pioneering, lets celebrate by looking for ways to volunteer together. Reach out to your fellow Pioneers and lets recommit ourselves to the volunteer spirit.

Have a GREAT summer, see you this fall, a notice will come out in September for the October picnic.

Stay Safe, I so look forward to seeing many of you in person in October!

Thanks for supporting your local Pioneer projects.

Patti Pace, President, So AZ Combined Club







SACC PROJECTS



Readers 4 Life





Mike and Mary Rhodes delivered 200 individually bagged books to Walter Douglas Elementary March 31, 2021. Principal McAllister was happy to accept them and get them distributed to their 2nd and 3rd grade students. This project was dedicated to the memory of Marilyn Reno, long time Pioneer and supporter of readers for life and education in Southern Arizona.

Readers for Life, in memory of Marilyn Reno, books for 2nd and 3rd graders at Quail Run Elementary. 200 books were given to the students. The books were separately bagged with a bookmark and a personal note from Rocky, the reader for life raccoon. Mr Forrester and Ms Patton received the books and distributed them to all the 2nd and 3rd grade classes. The kids were so excited to get them. March 22, 2021.



Hug-A-Bear Delivery



Starting the new year with more bears!

Pima County Victim Services and Children's advocacy received bears at the start of the new year. Volunteers welcome Contact Sherry Daughtry at (520) 296-2304



2021 Easter Buckets for the Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind

We are again this year doing things a little "differently" when it comes to our annual Beeping Easter Egg Hunt for ASDB. Thanks to our team of volunteers, we assembled 125 buckets! Each bucket was overflowing this year with candy, small toys, peeps, bouncy ball and a plush animal. At ASDB, they will distribute them for us since we can't have a live beeping egg hunt this year. Our hopes are high for 2022! The children will be going home for spring break, and when they return their



Easter baskets will be waiting for them. One of the Deans, Sarah Allen, said the kids really look forward to the Pioneers visiting them. This will let them know we care and are still thinking of them all.





Luggage & Tote **Donation**



A BIG thank you to all of our members for helping to contribute to this massive donation to Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse. We were able to donate over 17 pieces of luggage, 75+ pieces of new clothing, including over 30 purses as well as 50 reusable totes and a big box of feminine hygiene



products. Anna Patton and Patti Pace had the honor of delivering these items and Kristina was there to graciously accept these items from us. The luggage project is a new one for us this year and has been made possible as a part of our soft goods collection and a grant from the Pioneers Organization! Emerge is in dire need right now. If anyone would like to donate any luggage or new with tags clothing in addition to totes, please contact Anna Patton at (520) 444-1874.





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Talking Books







Talking Books Outreach is continuing, and we did our first Zoom presentation for the Madera Daughters of the American Revolution. It worked out well and they really appreciated our joining their meeting. The Arizona Braille and Talking Books Library intends for us to primarily do our Outreach via Zoom through the rest of this year. We were able to attend a brief event in person at Park Senior Villas

at La Canada on June 17th, handing out applications for services and networking with other agencies.



For The Bees



The first flowers from our For The Bees project have bloomed. This project, in tandem with students and teachers curtsey of our community partner Treasures 4 Teachers of Tucson, is to help promote the education and population of one of nature's most valuable resource, the bee.

We will be doing this project again for 2021 and look forward to more pictures of these pretty additions to yards and landscapes all over Southern Arizona.



SACC UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING

TOTES, LUGGAGE & NEW CLOTHING ITEMS

Your unwanted totes and luggage are actually wanted!

Please contact Anna Patton at (520) 444-1874 or email her at AZ66media@gmail.com to arrange for drop off or pick-up of your items. She will be collecting new and gently used totes, luggage, new clothes with tags, and feminine hygiene products and donating them to Emerge! Our local domestic violence center. They will be used by both their clients and their children during an unimaginable time of need.







Hug-A-Bears

Even though we cannot meet at this time, we are still in need of volunteers. Since we may be unable to get some of the supplies from China in the near future, we are looking for anyone with a steady hand who can paint faces on our bears, A steady hand and a good imagination are all that is needed! We always need volunteers who can sew our bear bodies on their machines. If you are interested in this project, please contact Sherry Daughtry at 520-296-2304







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SUPPORTING OUR VETERANS

As a part of our military outreach, we have been partnering with the American Legion here in town by collecting empty pill bottles. We will be continuing this effort, but would like to expand this by encouraging our members to donate any items that could be used to help homeless veterans get back on their feet. Items like small household appliances and décor would be greatly appreciated.





Our Military Chair, Tom Bivens, has a great selection of hats and flags for sale. Hats are \$11, and two sizes of American flags are available for \$18 and \$25. He can also take old worn out flags and have them properly disposed of. If you need a new one and want to retire your old flag with respect, feel free to contact Tom Bivens at (575) 802-3135

Lap Robes



Do you crochet or knit? The Pioneers are looking for you.

We need people to crochet
lap robes for our project. We provide yarn.

So many of you have so kindly donated to the cause. We take full skeins, partial skeins, etc. Can't crochet? We are also making lap robes out of fleece, which are cut and tied. We have kits ready for you to help lend a hand! If you have interest in or have made them for us in the past and want to do it again call Barbara at 520-403-4668 or email zippalmer@aol.com. The need is there and we need you!

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

Going forward, we have opted to buy school supplies and donate them directly to the schools instead of filling individual backpacks. Listed are some of the school supplies that we are in need of. If you would like to pick up a few items, you can bring them to our next drive-by drop-off.

Hi-lighters Journals
 Kleenex packets Dry erase markers
 Lined paper – wide ruled Pencil pouches
 Hand sanitizer Spiral notebooks
 Rulers 3-ring binders

• Staplers

For additional details, please contact Adella at (520) 237-2763



Hope Women's Center of Coolidge, AZ

Providing health items for homeless women.

Here is a list of items that they would like to have donated. If you want to shop for additional items, they will be much appreciated by the clients.

Please contact Barbara Palmer at (520) 403-4668 or via

email at: <u>zippalmer@aol.com</u> for more information

DONATION ITEMS NEEDED

Toothbrush Toothpaste
Deodorant Socks
Shampoo Wipes
Feminine hygiene products





SACC FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Jim Click Millions for Tucson Raffle 2021 is

Our club will again be participating in the Jim Click Millions for Tucson Raffle. **ALL** of the money **(100%)** collected for these Click raffle tickets stays in our local club to support our local community projects. Please buy your tickets, support your Pioneer community, and feel good knowing your chances to win may be small, but the funds collected will be used for helping those in need. Thanks to you, this is big win for our club and our community. Needs are greater than ever at this time. Contact Priscilla Lujan at (520) 298-5400, or palujan@q.com for more details.



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

Our Impact Areas



Tickets are available now!











