

Southern AZ Combined Club



Winter 2022 —Newsletter

Legacy West

WE ARE PLANNING PICNIC STYLE LUNCHEONS—Spring 2022!

Keep an eye on your email for more 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 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!

2021-2022 Southern AZ Combined Club Officers:

President:	Jan Pitts	(520) 403-1299 sassiejan@gmail.com
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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

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

Randolph (Randy) T Renteria (02/1946 – 1/2021)

Ruth Dee (Pitcher) Seagle (02/08/1924 – 10/29/2021)

Rayeann Noyes (– 10/2021)

Harold Kenton Matthews (06/25/1951 – 09/23/2021)

Maria Diamantoulis (07/25/1959 – 10/01/2021)

Ernest L. Gracia (1949 – 07/21/2021)

Marilyn Figueroa (– 09/02/2021)

Vivian R. Young (1941 – 08/19/2021)

Please visit our [In Memory Page](#)

Please notify our Fellowship Chair Bonnie Stahlbush of any illness or passing of Pioneers or their family members. Bonnie can be reached by email at:
bstahlbush@comcast.net .

You can text or call her at: (520) 390-4795

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/>



2022 Scholarships are now available.
[Click Here for more info!](#)

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Goodbye from the Past President!

Here we are, the beginning of 2022, and it seems the last 2 years have flown by, but also drug on forever. We have adjusted, maintained our projects, met via Zoom and conference call, provided the items for those we wished to help with social distancing, sanitation and love. My hope is that you all have found new and rewarding ways to answer the call of those in need, even though we haven't been able to gather in close knit groups as we like.

In 2020 and 2021, we continued supporting the children of the Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind by creating the Easter baskets and delivering them to the school. Staff there handed out the baskets. Our school supply and scholarship projects went on, along with Hug-a-bears, lap robes, Seeds for the Bees, Military collections, Soft goods fundraising, and luggage for clients of the Emerge! Domestic Violence Center. We were able to give books to needy and deserving 2nd and 3rd graders, again delivering the zip lock bagged books to the schools. These and other projects have kept the spirit of Pioneering alive and well. The past two years have really been a proving ground for the resilience of Pioneering, and I am very proud of all we have accomplished.

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as your club President. Please welcome and support Jan Pitts as she takes the reins for the next year.

Patti Pace pacepea@aol.com
Past President, So. AZ Combined Club

Welcome Pioneers to 2022!

I will be your incoming President for 2022. I am looking forward to having a productive year as we had in the past. It has been difficult to get together in person but we have been making it work as best we can. I am hoping we can at least have several more picnics at the park as we did in October of 2021. It seems to have gone over very well and people were anxious to get out and see friends and catch up!

We are continuing our projects such as Hug-A-Bears, Lap Robes, Emerge!, School Supplies just to name a few, and most important our fundraising. If anyone has any ideas for new projects, please let me or a member of our board know. We are always looking for good ideas. I would like to encourage all of you to volunteer where you can and to report your volunteer hours to me to show Headquarters that So. AZ is all about being in the community and doing what we can to make it better, even in these tough times!

Thanks for your continued support!
Jan Pitts sassiejan@gmail.com
President, So AZ Combined Club

p.s. Remember to email me each month with your volunteer hours!

Please welcome our:
S.A.C.C. 2022 Board of Directors



**DON'T MISS
YOUR SHOT
TO STOP COVID-19**

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SACC PROJECTS



Education

School Supply Drive



Education

2021 and school was back in session. After being at home last year, the kids were more than excited to get back to school and see their friends and teachers. The So. AZ Combined Club was able to help supply several schools with many needed items. All the schools were overjoyed and very appreciative of our efforts to help them get back to the new “normal”. Our project leaders were able to obtain supplies for 4 schools this year. Education is one of our favorite impact areas and we are excited to help again in 2022! For more info or to help with this years project, please contact Ayla Patton (520) 240-6546



C E Rose Elementary
Roberts—Naylor K-8
San Xavier Mission School



Life Enrichment

Mobile Meals Stocking & Lap Robe Delivery



Life Enrichment



2021 was another successful year. We were able to deliver over 100 gift bags that included a stocking filled to the brim with goodies and necessity items as well as a lap robe made and donated by our members. Mobile Meals of Southern AZ and their clients were thrilled with this special holiday expression of caring.



Thank you to everyone who helped get this done and we look forward to next year's stocking stuffing drive! If you are interested in this project, please contact Mo Ryan at (520) 870-0777.



Health & Human Services

Luggage & Tote Donation



Health & Human Services

We were able to complete another large donation to our community partner at [Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse](#). Some of the items we donated were 35 pairs of shoes, 15 pieces of luggage, 64 totes, 57 pieces of new clothing, 11 purses and a few other items. This project has been made possible in part from a grant from the Pioneers Organization and our semiannual soft good donation!



Anna Patton and Patti Pace had the honor of delivering these items and Kristina was there to graciously accept these items from us. 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.



Health & Human Services

Marana Clothing Bank



Health & Human Services



Thanks to our soft goods drive, we were able to donate gently used children's clothing, shoes and backpacks to the Marana Unified School District's Clothing Bank!

Please contact Anna Patton at (520) 444-1874 for more info.

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Life Enrichment

Beacon Foundation



Life Enrichment

Pioneer volunteers delivered 100 holiday bags to Amy Carlson of the Beacon Group in Tucson on December 7th. They will be used to package other donated personal items to Adults with Disabilities who are working through the Beacon Foundation.



This will provide some holiday cheer to these hard-working individuals. Many acted quickly to bring this project to a conclusion, "answering the call of those in need." Thank you to the board of Southern AZ Combined Club, Legacy West Pioneers and to our volunteers Anna Patton, Jan Pitts and Patti Pace for completing this in record time!



Life Enrichment

Sabino Canyon Rehab & Care Center



Life Enrichment

On December 9th volunteers with the Pioneers' Southern Arizona Combined Club along with Amphi Middle School students got together and wrapped lap robes. They will be given to patients at sabino rehab center On December 15th. Our volunteers were joined by the Superintendent of Amphitheatre school district and two school board members. It was a wonderful experience for everyone.



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.



Health & Human Services



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



Health & Human Services

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

For additional details, please contact Ayla Patton at (520) 240-6546



2022 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.

We will be assembling 125 buckets! Each bucket will be filled 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 again this year. Anyone interested in volunteering to fill and package buckets, please contact Sherry Daughtry at (520) 296-2304.



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SACC FUNDRAISING EVENTS

2021 Spring & Fall FUNDrive

WOW! This year's Spring & Fall FUNDrive was a smashing success. Thanks to your generous donations to our FUNDrive, we were able to accomplish the following:

- Raised \$544.25 selling soft goods and small household items to SAVERS.
- Raised \$115.00 selling donated items online via Facebook Marketplace.
- **GRAND TOTAL FUNDRAISED: \$659.25**



A HUGE thank you to all our members. So many people donated and collected from their friends, family and neighbors. This enabled us to raise a lot of money for the club. A special thank you goes out to our project leader Anna Patton and her dedicated helpers. We will be announcing our Sprint 2022 FUNDrive soon!

Jim Click Millions for Tucson Raffle 2022 is Coming Soon!

The 2021 Jim Click Millions for Tucson Raffle was an enormous success. We were able to raise \$2150 for our club this year! When you buy tickets, you are supporting your Pioneer community and knowing that the funds collected will be helping those in need in our community. Please contact Pricilla Lujan at (520) 298-5400 or via email at: palujan@Q.com. 2022 tickets will be available this spring!

Affinity Partnership Benefits Hello Loyal Pioneers!

Good news! There are some discounts and special offers recently opened up to all, and using these discounts benefits our Pioneers organization! Below is a link to a list of the companies who support our Pioneering mission by paying royalties to Pioneers when people use their services. Clicking on their link lets them know a Pioneer promoted them. Please save this site and share with all your friends and relatives! This is an easy way to help our organization and help your friends, too. There is no obligation when you click on a company's link, and comparing prices is strongly encouraged! Help keep Pioneering healthy and strong for the next 100 years!

We are at 110 years and counting, so pass this info along. [Click Here](#)

Our Impact Areas



Education



Life Enrichment



Health & Human
Services



Environment



Military



*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.
Use this button to support Chapter 66 Pioneering*

