

Southern AZ Combined Club



Spring 2022 —Newsletter

Legacy West

WE ARE PLANNING PICNIC STYLE LUNCHEONS—Fall 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 Join The Pioneers](#)

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! Fill out this form or 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 Palmer at bpalmer@legacywestpioneers.org. We have added a simple tutorial that might help to fill out and email your completed form!

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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*

David Lee Beem (03/1949—03/2022)

Billy "Arky" Lee Pritchard (01/1948—02/2022)

Angela (Susan) Garcia (07/1952—02/2022)

Geraldine Prince—Wife of Buddy (07/1932—02/2022)

Wayne Hayes (1947—02/2022)

Joe Sierra (- 01/2022)

Dale Hudgel (04/1920—01/2022)

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



Find us on:
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2022 Scholarships Winners Announced.

[Click Here for more info!](#)

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome Pioneers to Spring 2022!

Hello all:

I would like to give you a recap of what has been going on so far this year.

Since January we have still been doing Hug-A-Bears from our homes and keeping up with the demand by cutting, sewing, stuffing and delivering to various organizations. In addition, all year we have been collecting soft and hard goods for our FUNDrive, which has been a good fundraiser for our club. This year so far, we have brought in \$654.32, just by having people clean their closets and garages. We also have been collecting luggage and new clothing for Emerge! which is a domestic violence organization serving the Tucson and surrounding areas. Another great fundraiser we are having great success with is the Jim Click raffle. To date we have sold \$1,225 worth of tickets which is all profit to our club. This year, Jim Click also gave all of the participating 501c3 organizations an additional \$1000. All year we continue to do lap robes that are given out to nursing homes and also at Christmas to clients of Mobile Meals.

We have also announced our SACC scholarship winner as Carson DiMaria. He is attending the University of Arizona and was awarded \$1000. Please see his story below.

In March we had a very nice picnic at Reid Park, and I think everyone was ready to get out and see friends they haven't seen in awhile. We also had our annual Beeping Easter Egg Hunt at the AZ Deaf and Blind School. Our Military chairperson has been collecting items for veterans. So, if you have items such as furniture, hygiene, kitchen items please let Tom Bivens know.

We are hoping to at some point have in person luncheons but may not happen till next year.

Please visit our web site at aztelecompioneers.org for any upcoming events we may have and if you have an idea for a project, please reach out to myself or any of our board members, we would love to help to help them!

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!



SACC PROJECTS



Education

School Mentoring



Education

SACC has a long history of mentoring in our public schools and this year was no exception. Our Pioneers have spent every Monday (as well as other events) mentoring the children in the Amphitheater School District and specifically this year at Amphi Middle School. Along with our community partners at Pantano Christian Church, we also partnered on special projects including packing and supplying backpacks at the beginning of the school year. One of our dedicated Pioneers and mentors, Joe Smothers passed away last year and his son Patrick wanted to honor his memory and decided to join our mentoring group by helping on his days off. On April 12th, the Amphi school board had us attend their meeting and they recognized us with Certificates and flowers. Then on the 25th there was a luncheon for us at a Tucson Police Station and again we were honored. We also thanked Linda Acosta, a fellow Pioneer with a small thank you gift for her continued support. If you are interested in joining our mentoring group, please feel free to contact Sherry Daughtry at (520) 296-2304 or via email at sddaugh@cox.net.



Life Enrichment

Lap Robes



Life Enrichment

These are so beautiful! We have such talented crocheters working on the lap robe project. Thank you Renee Mercer for seven more lap robes!



If you would like to help make or deliver lap robes, please contact Barbara Palmer at (520) 403-4668 or via email at bpalmer@legacywestpioneers.org.



Health & Human Services

Luggage & Tote Donation



Health & Human Services

On May 4th, we were able to deliver another large donation to our community partner and a grateful staff at the [Emerge Center for Domestic Abuse](#).



We loaded up our volunteer vehicle with an amazing amount of items including 95 totes, 28 boxes of feminine menstrual products, 4 planners, 4 deodorants, 7 toothbrushes, 3 toothpaste, 6 hand sanitizers, 2 petroleum jellies, 8 razors, 15 bars of soap, 50 pairs of earrings, 45 pieces of new clothing with tags, 27 purses, 23 pieces of luggage, and 23 pairs of new shoes & slippers.

This donation was made such a success in part due to a grant from PioneersVolunteer.org, our spring soft goods drive and of course from all our generous members. This is one of our favorite projects and we look forward to doing it again this fall! If you would like to donate any items or would like additional information, please contact Anna Patton at (520) 444-1874. [Emerge Wish List](#)



Education

Readers 4 Life



Education



Mike and Mary Rhodes took 177 books to LuLu Walker Elementary school Feb 16, 2020 and gave them to Karen Wadhams the Assistant Administrator who will see that they are handed out to all of the 2nd and 3rd grade students. The books came at a good time because this week they are celebrating Love Of Reading Week. Thank you Mike and Mary for all your hard work!

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Life Enrichment

2022 Beeping Egg Hunt



This was a great year for Pioneers, and the Arizona School for the Deaf and Blind. On March 16th, Pioneer volunteers gathered in the park outdoors to assemble Easter baskets for the kids. We coordinated with Dean Sarah at ASDB. She let us know we would be able to have an in person hunt this year!

On the day of the hunt, March 31st, Pioneers gathered at the outdoor grassy area near the cafeteria and laid out the baskets. This year, the children would be coming in small groups to hunt for their eggs and exchange them for baskets. This worked out well and the kids had a great time. The Easter Bunny was able to hand out suckers and pose with the children for pictures. If you would like more info, please contact Sherry Daughtry at (520) 296-2304



Life Enrichment



2022 SACC Scholarship Winner

Carson Di Maria was awarded a \$1000 scholarship from **Legacy West SACC**. Carson is beginning his sophomore year at the University of Arizona majoring in Mechanical Engineering. Carson has been involved in volunteering through Boy Scouts, National Honor Society, and Honors Student Council, including, hygiene kits, watershed program on Mount Lemmon, AZ Community Food Bank, and Beads of Courage.



SACC UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING

TOTES, LUGGAGE & NEW PERSONAL 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—We're Back! New Day

The Hug-A-Bears workshop is back on at the Northminster Presbyterian Church, located at 2450 E Ft. Lowell Rd. We had to change the day of the week so now it will be on the 3rd Thursday of the month (starting May 19th) at 12:30 to 4 PM in the community room.

We hope to see anyone that would like to come and join us. Please bring any supplies you may have been working on at home. If you are interested in this project, please contact Sherry Daughtry at (520) 296-2304 or email at sddaugh@cox.net



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SACC UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING CON'T

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 bpalmer@legacywetpioneers.org. The need is there and we need you!



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

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	Erasers	Kleenex boxes
Rulers	Staplers	3-ring binders
Scissors	Crayons	Sharpies (black)
Dry erase markers		Lined paper – wide ruled
Hand sanitizer		Pencils (No.2 and Colored)
Markers		Copy Paper (White & Colored)
Spiral notebooks & composition books (wide ruled)		

For additional details, please contact Ayla Patton at (520) 240-6546 or email ayla.patton34@gmail.com



POP TABS

Collect pull tabs from soda and cat food cans to donate to the Ronald McDonald House. Contact Georgienne Vance (520) 323-0254 for more details.

GROCERY BAGS

Tom Bivins is collecting clean folded grocery bags, these bags will be turned into sleeping mats for homeless veterans. To donate or for more information, please contact him at (575) 802-3135.

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SACC FUNDRAISING EVENTS

2022 Spring FUNDrive

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

Raised

\$424.32 selling soft goods & small household items to SAVERS.

\$230.00 selling donated items online via Facebook Marketplace.

GRAND TOTAL FUNDRAISED: \$654.32

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 team of helpers. We will be announcing our Fall 2022 FUNDrive soon! For more info, call Anna at (520) 444-1874.



Millions for Tucson Raffle 2022

It's that time of year again! You could win one of 3 prizes during this years Jim Click Millions for Tucson Raffle. Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. This is a huge fundraiser for SACC as 100% of the money collected for the sale of these tickets stays with SACC to be used for projects within our community. If you are interested in buying a ticket, please contact Pricilla Lujan at (520) 298-5400 or email her at palujan@Q.com.

YOU COULD WIN



One of three great prizes:
**NEW 2022 FORD MAVERICK
LARIAT HYBRID,**
two round-trip, first-class airline
tickets to anywhere in the world
OR \$5,000 cash!

(Restrictions apply to airline tickets: Please see Millions for Tucson Raffle Rules)

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*

