

Southern AZ Combined Club



Winter 2024 —Newsletter

Legacy West

LUNCHEONS—2024!

*March 13 * April 10 * May 8*

Keep an eye on your e-mail 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! Sign up online or print & fill out this [form](#) & send it to Barbara Palmer via email to bpalmer@legacywestpioneers.org, via Fax (520) 531-0349, or mail it to her at 241 E Belcourte Place, Oro Valley, AZ 85737. We have added a simple tutorial that might help to fill out and email your completed form!

2023-2024 Southern AZ Combined Club Officers:

President:	Mo Ryan	(520) 870-0777 marleneseverson@msn.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*

Ken Kleikamp (1945—12/2023)

Jose Ortiz (- 12/2023)

Daniel Keeth (1951—11/2023)

Kenneth McMullan (- 11/2023)

Alfonso Zamorano (1948—11/2023)

Barney Richards (1934—11/2023)

Siegfried Sobotto (1937—09/2023)

Reva Jo Sumpter (1925—05/2023)

*Please visit the [In Memory Page](#)
"A picture is worth a thousand words,
but the memories are priceless"*

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:

bjstahlbush@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/)



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome Pioneers to Winter 2024!

Hope everyone is doing well & had a wonderful Holiday Season. Our winter newsletter is full of great information about our club!

*We have our volunteer opportunities: Hug-A-Bears * Emerge! * Lap Robes * Pop Tabs * Habitat for Humanity * Easter Egg Hunt * Flag Donation * Medication Bottles * and more*

*Ongoing and upcoming fundraisers: Monthly Luncheons * Luck of The Irish 50/50 Raffle * and more*

*Fall 2023 Projects Completed: Stocking Delivery * Emerge! * Soft Goods * Hug-A-Bears * and more*

I look forward to seeing everyone soon at our March luncheon. We have many projects and fellowship opportunities on the horizon.

You can keep up to date with everything going on by visiting our [upcoming events](#) webpage.

Welcome back!

*Mo Ryan marleneseverson@msn.com
President, So AZ Combined Club*

[Click here to see our upcoming events and luncheons!](#)



2024 Scholarship Applications Now Open

In Arizona, there will be 3 \$1000 scholarships available. These were made possible thanks to our Chapter 66, Phoenix Thunderbird Combined Club (P.T.C.C.) and the Southern Arizona Combined Club (S.A.C.C.). Additionally, anyone graduating from Apache Junction HS is eligible for the Madalyn Rollins scholarship. Please check with Apache Junction High School to apply.

In New Mexico, there will be two \$1000 scholarships available made possible by the New Mexico Combined Club (N.M.C.C.).

[CLICK HERE FOR THE 2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS](#)

SACC PROJECTS



Life Enrichment

2023 Stocking Delivery to Mobile Meals of Southern Arizona

December 13, 2023. We've had a long time relationship with Mobile Meals of Southern Arizona and their clients. Often, these stockings are the only gift they receive at Christmas time. We cut and sewed all the stockings then volunteers filled them with goodies. We bagged them with handcrafted blankets by more volunteers. This year we gave out 125 stockings and blankets this morning and we went to their new location at 3355 W. 6th Ave. this is a project that we love to do and enjoy every year.



Volunteers Are Always Needed Make a Pledge to Join an Event or Sign-Up a New Member

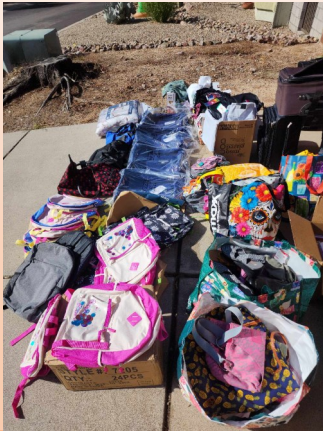
SACC Pioneers has a long and valued tradition of helping out in our local community. Members and Volunteers are the life blood of any organization and SACC is no different. For 2024, we would like to encourage our membership to volunteer at one of our ongoing projects, or even create a new one. The benefit to our community is a value that cannot be expressed in words alone. If you are unable to help, that's ok, consider signing up a new member to become a Pioneer. We are welcoming anyone and everyone who has a passion for volunteerism. For more information, please feel free to contact any [SACC Board Member](#) or email us at AZ66Media@gmail.com

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Emerge! November Fall Donation – 2023



Thanks to the many donations via our member and the 2023 Pioneer Don MacKenzie Charitable Funds Grant, we were able to drop off another large donation to the [Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse](#) including luggage, duffle bags, toys, tote bags, new clothing, purses, shoes, personal hygiene items, and so much more! A huge thank you to our dedicated volunteers and project leader, their dedication helps make this project a huge success!



2023 – Readers 4 Life Prince Elementary

November 21, 2023: PACC brought books to kindergarteners and 8th graders from Amphi Middle School and Prince Elementary. There were 81 kinders, and 44 8th graders. The middle school kids helped the kinders pick a book and then sat with them and read to them. The 8th graders were able to pick 2 books for themselves. Rocky the Reader for Life Raccoon visited with the kids. Many kinders came up to Rocky to shake his paw or give a hug!



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Soft Goods Fall Donation – 2023

Thank you to everyone who has continued to donate to our Soft Goods collection project. Our project leader, Anna Patton, has had to make a few changes in this project due to her commitment to being a new Grandma! We are still collecting your soft goods and small hard good items and putting them to good use in our community. Below is a sort that happened in our project leaders garage and driveway this fall. We were able to separate your donations and pass them along to several community partners in the area so they could be put to good use right away.

Those partners include:

[Sister Jose's Women's Center](#)

[Hope Women's Center – Coolidge](#)

[Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse](#)

[Pima Animal Care Center](#)

[UnhousedNeighbors.org](#)

[TUSD Children's Clothing Bank](#)

[Casa Alitas – Catholic Community Services](#)

[Treasures 4 Teachers of Tucson](#)



2024 HUG-A-BEARS



Yes, Hug-a- Bears has continued through the Fall months and the demand is ever growing. We were short of stuffers and are still in need of volunteers that can stuff bears. That's our bottle neck right now. We've used up our supply of noses and eyes. Thanks to one of our member who has generously kept us in stuffing all year, we can continue making the bears for traumatized children. Can you believe we have a 102 years young member who can sew 200 bears a month? Believe it; Ivy Stamper has done a fabulous job keeping us supplied in bears to stuff and get in the hands of the child that needs something to hug. Come join us on the third Thursday of the month at Northminster Presbyterian church located on the corner of Ft Lowell and Tucson Blvd at 12:30pm till 4pm. You might find some of your retired friends there too and get reacquainted. For more information, please contact Sherry Daughtry at (520) 296-2304

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SACC UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING

Your SACC Pioneers are in search of a new board members. For more info, please contact our Club President, Mo Ryan at (520) 870-0777 or via email at marlenesteverson@msn.com



WE WANT YOU!

SUPPORTING PACC



There has been an update to our pill bottle collection efforts. We will now be donating any empty prescription medication bottles to PACC for use with their animal fostering, adoption care. Cathy Greer will be our new point of contact. Thank you again to everyone and keep up the good work!



LAP ROBES—WE NEED VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPLIES!

SACC is low on our fleece and yarn supply. How about donating those unused balls, skeins, and even partial skeins to us for our Lap Robe project? We are also making lap robes out of fleece, which are cut and tied to together.

Feel free to contact Larry Mingo at (520) 954-1367

We are happy to pick-up your donations! Thank you to everyone for your help!



POP TABS

Collect pull tabs from soda and cat food cans to donate to the Ronald McDonald House.

Feel free to bring these to any event or hand them off to a board member and they will make sure they get to Georgienne Vance for delivery. Please feel free to contact her at (520) 323-0254 for more details.



SACC UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING CON'T

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.

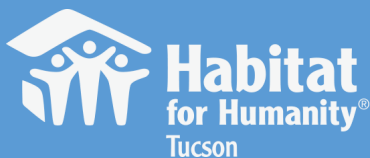


As you may or may not know there is a new USS Arizona currently being built. It will be a Virginia-class nuclear attack submarine slated to enter service in late 2025.

Veteran service organizations across the state of Arizona have a new project in that they are collecting the brass grommets from retired American flags that will eventually be melted down and recast as the new ship's bell for the USS Arizona (SSN-803).



To donate a flag, contact
Cathy Greer: (520) 780-9071
E-Mail: cgreer2434@aol.com



In April 2024, SACC will again be volunteering for a Habitat Build in the Tucson area. We are putting together a team of volunteers to help with this project.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Cathy Greer at: (520) 780-9071 or via e-mail at cgreer2434@aol.com



The Hunt is on!

The annual **Beeping Easter Egg Hunt** is almost here!

Where: **AZ School for the Deaf and Blind**
1200 W Speedway Blvd, Tucson AZ

When: **Thursday March 28th, 2023 9:30am**
(volunteers 8:45am — Meet in courtyard by cafe).

To Volunteer Contact: **Sherry Daughtry (520) 296-2304**
(520) 247-2061



SACC FUNDRAISING EVENTS



Welcome to our Chapter 66 Luck of the Irish 50/50 Raffle!

We appreciate your support of our chapter and club projects serving our communities.

Meet the Organization

Pioneers is a network of volunteers who effect immediate, tangible change in local communities.

Chapter 66 provides support in our local communities in **Arizona** and **New Mexico**, answering the call of those in need. Visit our websites to see more about our projects and how you can become involved.

aztelecompioneers.org ♦ legacywestpioneers.org ♦ pioneersvolunteer.org

Prizes

Cash: three prize winners split 50% of total donations

[Visit To Purchase Tickets](https://go.rallyup.com/chapter66raffle) <https://go.rallyup.com/chapter66raffle>

Raffle

Entry sales start:

February 19, 2024, at 9:47 am MST

Available until:

March 17, 2024, at 11:59 pm MST

Drawing date:

March 18, 2024, at 12:00 am MST

Purchase entries for a chance to win any of the prizes listed above!



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*

