

Southern AZ Combined Club



Spring 2025 —Newsletter

Legacy West

LUNCHEONS—2025!

***March 12—Golden Corral**

***April 9—Pioneer Picnic**

***May 14—Hungrey Fox**

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!

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

[Ivey May Stamper \(1922 – 02/16/2025\)](#)

[Margaret Jewell Fuller Illig \(1940 – 01/2025\)](#)

[William "Bill" Doane \(1933 – 11/29/2024\)](#)

Please visit the [In Memory Page](#)

**"A picture is worth a thousand words,
but the memories are priceless"**

Please notify our Fellowship Chair Dody Kosky of any illness or passing of Pioneers or their family members. Dody can be reached by email at:

dodkos@msn.com

You can call her at: (520) 490-1163



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/>



Find us on:
facebook®

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome SACC Pioneers to Spring 2025!

Hope everyone is doing well & is looking forward to So Arizona's beautiful spring weather. Our Spring newsletter is full of great information about our club! Check out what's been going on this year!

*We have our volunteer opportunities: Hug-A-Bears * Emerge! * Lap Robes * Pop Tabs * Flag Donation * Medication Bottles * and more*

Ongoing and upcoming fundraisers: Monthly Luncheons, Jim Click Millions for Tucson

*2025 Completed projects so far: Emerge! * Hug-A-Bears * Women who Build and more*

*I look forward to seeing everyone soon at **Golden Corral** for our March 12th luncheon. We have a beautiful raffle prize available this month to go along with our 50/50!*

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.

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

[Click here for information about our luncheons!](#)



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 114 years and counting, so pass this info along. [Click Here](#)

SACC PROJECTS



2025 Chapter 66—AZ Scholarships are now OPEN!

Legacy West Chapter 66 is proud to announce there will be seven \$1000 scholarships available for the 2025-2026 school year. This was made possible thanks to our Chapter 66, the Phoenix Thunderbird Combined Club (P.T.C.C.), the Southern Arizona Combined Club (S.A.C.C.), and the New Mexico Combined Club (N.M.C.C.), Please review the information below for qualifications, requirements and to apply.

Open to **Arizona or New Mexico** Residents – now available

[2025 Chapter 66/PTCC/SACC Scholarship RulesDownload](#)

[2025 Chapter 66/PTCC/SACC Scholarship ApplicationDownload](#)

Please note the following: AZ and NM residents **can also** apply for the US residential application.

Open to **US Residents** – now available

[2025 NMCC Scholarship RulesDownload](#)

[2025 NMCC Scholarship ApplicationDownload](#)



SACC PROJECTS CON'T



Health & Human
Services

2025 Women Who Build – Habitat for Humanity

Women build at Habitat for Humanity Tucson, March 8, 2025. 5 women active and retired from Lumen, Pioneers, helped wire a house today for electricity. It was fun working together as a crew! Great job ladies! Christina Baca, Joella Smith, Mariann Moore, Nancy Byars, and Patti Pace.



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

SACC PROJECTS CON'T



Emerge! 2025 Spring Donations

We are starting off early this year by getting our donations into the hands of Emerge and their clients as soon as possible. We were able to provide diapers, jackets, feminine hygiene products, shoes, luggage, and totes so far this year. Thanks to your generous donations as well as a grant from SACC and the Pioneers Don MacKenzie charitable foundation, we will be able to continue providing this wonderful community partner with the items they need to help during very difficult times.



If you have any items you would like to donate, please contact Anna Patton at (520) 444-1874 or via email at annaaylaamber@aol.com and we can arrange a pick-up.



2025 Hug-A-Bears: A 40 year tradition

For nearly 40 years, the Southern AZ Pioneers club has been making Hug-A-Bears. These bears have become an integral part of the tools our first responders use to help children in need during times of crisis. Every month, the SACC Hug-A-Bears team makes over 100 bears and unfortunately, that isn't enough. Our local firemen and paramedics tell us how without these bears on their trucks and in their ambulances, they would be lost without them as they are a such a big help. One ambulance company advised they use 100 bears a month alone. Without our dedicated volunteers, we wouldn't be able to keep up with the demand.



This year, we lost one of our dedicated sewers, Ivey Stamper. She sewed these bears right up until almost her 103rd birthday. Ivey's daughter told us that working on these bears helped keep her going all these years. Ivey will be truly missed by our Hug-A-Bears team and filling her sewing shoes will be a big task. If you would like to help us sew, stuff or even distribute these bears, please contact Sherry Daughtry at (520) 247-2061 or sddaugh@cox.net.

SACC UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING

We Need Your Yarn & Fleece!

Too much yarn and fleece cluttering the nooks and crannies of your home? Tired of thinking “some day” I’ll make (insert project here), but that day left years ago?

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

We would be happy to dispatch one of our many elves to come pick up your donation. Feel free to contact Larry Mingo at (520) 954-1367

Pioneers Answering the Call!



SEWERS NEEDED FOR HUG-A-BEARS

We are in need of volunteers to sew together our pre-cut bears. This is an at home task and something even our novice machine sewers can do! If you are interested in helping with this amazing project, please reach out to Sherry Daughtery at (520) 247-2061 or sddaugh@cox.net

ps: if you have any supplies you would like to donate, we are happy to take your flannel, cotton, and stuffing to help

Hug-A-Bears

New Time & Location



JOIN US

2025 SCHEDULE:
3rd Wed of each month
from 10a-2pm

Sunwest Federal Credit Union
7901 E Speedway Blvd.
Tucson, AZ 85710



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SACC UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING CON'T



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 April 17th, 2025 9:00am
(volunteers 8:30am — Meet in courtyard by cafe).

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



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).



Military

To donate a flag, contact Cathy Greer: (520) 780-9071

E-Mail: cgreer2434@aol.com



2025 SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The new school year is right around the corner! We will be buying school supplies again this year to donate directly to public schools in the Tucson and surrounding areas. Listed are some of the school supplies that we are in need of. We would like to collect all items by July 26, 2025!

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



Education

If you would like to drop them off or arrange for a pick-up, please contact Anna Patton by phone (520) 444-1874 or email at annaaylaamber@aol.com.

[Click Here to Visit Our Amazon Wish List](#)

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!

SACC UPCOMING PROJECTS / VOLUNTEERING CON'T

What do you throw away? T4TT needs your help!

- 35 millimeter film containers
- Art Supplies (new and used)
- Baby Food Jars
- Baskets
- Bottle Caps (all kinds and sizes)
- Calendars - Pictures 2023 or newer
- Coffee Cans (metal) with lids
- Copy Paper (white & color)
- Corks
- Colored Pencils
- Craft kits and misc. crafting items
- Dry Erase Markers & Boards
- Egg Cartons (cardboard)
- Fabric & Feathers
- Golf Tees & Pencils
- Jewelry & Beads
- Keys & key chains
- Magnets
- Metal lids from OJ cans
- Office Supplies (file trays, staplers, post it notes)
- Old Flash drives
- Paper towel & Toilet Paper tubes
- Pencil grips
- Pringles Cans with lids
- Promotional Items(stress balls, key-chains, etc)
- School Supplies (pencils, pencil cases, markers, paint, glue, crayons, tape)
- Sharpeners (electric & manual)
- Small tools
- Small furniture (chairs, file cabinets, bulletin boards, bookshelves)
- Tissues & Empty Tissue Boxes
- Toothpicks
- Washers & Nuts
- Velcro & Zip ties
- Ziploc snack bags (new)



T4TT is a Pioneer Community Partner

Treasures 4 Teachers of Tucson
6800 N. Camino Martin #124
Tucson, Arizona 85741
(520) 425-3956
store@t4teachers.org

Legacy West
pioneers
a volunteer network

SUPPORTING PACC

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!



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.



Totes, Luggage & New Clothing Items

Your unwanted totes & luggage are needed for Emerge!

Our local domestic violence shelter is in need of your unused totes & luggage. When their clients arrive (many with young children), the most common way to arrive is with all their items in a plastic garbage bag. We can help change that by donating our gently used luggage and totes. Emerge is also in need of many critical items. [Check out their needs list here.](#)



SACC Fundraising



WIN ONE

OF THREE GREAT PRIZES!



TICKET PRICE
\$25 EACH OR 5 FOR \$100
Raffle benefiting Tucson charities
100% of funds raised stays here.



GRAND PRIZE
NEW 2025 KIA CARNIVAL HYBRID SX PRESTIGE



2ND PRIZE
TWO ROUND-TRIP, FIRST CLASS AIRLINE TICKETS TO ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD*



3RD PRIZE
\$5,000 CASH!

The Jim Click Automotive Team is presenting a NEW 2025 Kia Carnival Hybrid SX Prestige 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. With your \$25 contribution 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 120,000 tickets which will be sold. The drawing will be held on December 11, 2025.

Entries must be received by December 5, 2025 at Raffle Headquarters.

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

*Restrictions apply: Please see Millions for Tucson Raffle Rules | millionsfortucson.org | Raffle Management Headquarters: 1926 E. Ft. Lowell, Suite 102, Tucson, AZ

YOU COULD WIN



*Image for illustration purposes only

One of three great prizes:
NEW 2025 KIA CARNIVAL HYBRID SX Prestige,
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)

NEW 2025 KIA CARNIVAL HYBRID SX PRESTIGE MILLIONS FOR TUCSON RAFFLE RULES

- The Jim Click Automotive Team is presenting a NEW 2025 Kia Carnival Hybrid SX Prestige (or most current model year, based on availability) and two other prizes to the entire community. All 501(c)(3) organizations in the Southern Arizona region are invited to participate in the raffle of this donated vehicle in 2025.
- Charitable organizations may request and sell raffle tickets to community supporters, donors, and anyone else who wants to win a NEW 2025 Kia Carnival Hybrid SX Prestige! Purchase of tickets is NOT limited to Arizona residents and businesses.
- Proceeds from the sales of tickets will be retained by each selling non-profit organization in the community.
- A maximum of 120,000 tickets will be distributed for fundraising purposes. Tickets will be sold at \$25 each or 5 for \$100.
- All organizations taking part in this community fundraiser will be responsible for accurately reporting the number of tickets sold and total funds raised to the Millions for Tucson Raffle management team.
- Entry deadline: All raffle ticket entries must be received by December 5, 2025 at Raffle Headquarters. The raffle ticket drawing will be held on December 11, 2025 at a location to be announced.
- The Millions for Tucson Raffle is a community-wide fundraising campaign to benefit the charitable 501(c)(3) organizations whose base of operations is located in Southern Arizona. Organizations must provide a copy of a "letter of determination" from the IRS as confirmation of their 501(c)(3) status to the raffle management organization for verification of raffle participation eligibility.
- Persons must be 21 years of age or older to purchase or win. The winner will be responsible for dealer doc fee, all taxes, registration, and travel to claim the vehicle.
- Employees of the Jim Click Raffle Management Team, their spouses and family members, are not eligible to participate.
- Winners consent to be photographed and for their name and likeness to be used by the Jim Click Automotive Team and/or the representing public relations agency (Russell Public Communications) for publicity and advertising purposes.
- Color and options on the NEW 2025 Kia Carnival Hybrid SX Prestige are subject to Jim Click Automotive Team's discretion.
- Winner of the grand prize has the cash option of 75% of the MSRP of that grand prize.
- Second prize award of two round-trip, first-class airline tickets to anywhere in the world subject to conditions; winner must provide flight details 90 days in advance with flexibility. Winner pays all taxes, fees and surcharges. Other conditions may apply. Airline tickets subject to maximum \$10,000 per ticket.
- Winner of each prize must claim prize within 90 days of drawing.
- Ticket stubs must be returned to the charity from which it was purchased as soon as possible to be eligible for the drawing.
- The raffle is being sponsored by Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson, an Arizona non-profit corporation.



The 2025 Jim Click Millions for Tucson Raffle Tickets are here!

SACC are selling tickets again this year! Tickets are \$25 each or 5 for \$100. ALL of the money (100%) collected for these Click raffle tickets stays with your SACC Pioneers to support our local community. We are encouraging all our Pioneers, volunteers and their friends and family to support this fundraiser. When you buy your tickets, you are supporting our efforts to help the local community through our ongoing projects. Tickets will be available at all upcoming lunches & picnic events. You can also buy directly by contacting our fundraising chairperson, Priscilla Lujan at (520) 298-5400 or palujan46@aol.com



*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*

