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### MEETING INFO

Legionnaire General:  
2nd Thursday 6:00 PM

Legionnaire E-Board:  
1st Wednesday 6:00 PM

S.A.L General:  
3rd Sunday 12:00 PM

A.L.A. General:  
1st Thursday 6:30 PM

A.L.A. E-Board:  
As required

A.L.R General.:  
3rd Sunday 9:00 AM

House Committee:  
Last Monday 6:00 PM

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## 1st Annual Post 91 Bus Tour

Post 91 would like to thank everyone who took part in our inaugural "Hit the Road, Jack" Post 91 Bus Tour.

We were able to visit six posts throughout the day:

- Post 138 – Tempe
- Post 41 – Phoenix
- Post 117 – Phoenix

- Post 58 – Fountain Hills
- Post 39 – Gilbert
- Post 35 – Chandler

All of us at Post 91 would like to thank those posts for their hospitality. Hopefully, we can do this again next year.

In addition, a huge thank

you goes out to Tim Harvey and everyone involved in planning and managing this event. Tim made a great MC and managed to keep us all entertained on the bus between stops.

Be sure to see some of the event photos on the big screen TV at Post 91.





Post 91 Commander  
JD Geiser  
[commander@azlegion91.org](mailto:commander@azlegion91.org)

**Welcome New & Transferring  
Legionnaire Members:**

- Rudy Amaya
- Gary Gardner
- Thomas King
- Jesse Saenz



Auxiliary President  
Kathy McMartin  
[alapresident@azlegion91.org](mailto:alapresident@azlegion91.org)

**Welcome New & Transferring  
Auxiliary Members:**

None reported

## Commander's Corner



We had our hopefully annual Post 91 Bus Tour on April 6th. It was a great and fun time had by all. It was good public relations for Post 91. It was also a great camaraderie for the Post 91 family.

I would first like to thank Tim Harvey for spearheading and putting everything together. I would also like to thank everyone that attended for representing Post 91 with excellence.

Elections for Post 91 officers is Thursday, May 9th from 12 pm - 5:59pm. In order to vote in the election, you MUST have a current 2013 membership card for Post

91, and a valid photo ID. The balloting process will be explained on May 9th.

Here are your candidates for commander in alphabetical order:

- J.D. Geiser
- Eric McGregor
- Brad Ness
- Ernie Ponicki

Here are your candidates for the executive committee in alphabetical order:

- John Nevins
- Bill Pless
- Joe Remeika
- David Ulm, Sr.

Mike Simon is your Sr. Vice and Jim Faltermeier is your Jr. Vice by acclimation.

Look in the near future for information on upcoming events.

For God and Country  
JD Geiser  
Commander, Post 91



## Auxiliary Announcements



Hello Ladies. Welcome to summer and the wonderful summer heat.

Although the weather is heating up, our year is cooling down. We have had a very busy year. Not much special going on for the next couple of months just business as usual.

We do have elections of officers at our May 2nd meeting. Please come and vote. May is also Poppy month. We will need volunteers to distribute poppies. Please let us know if you will be able to help.

We are in the middle of doing year end reports and

that puts the heat on compiling all of our records. We are hoping to bring some awards home from convention in June--will keep you posted on that.

We do have our "Awards Night" April 29, @ 6:00. We are serving a Spaghetti Dinner for \$5.00. Many of our members will be receiving acknowledgment for all they have done for their Post and Unit. We are lucky enough to have many of our District Officers attending as well as Chandler Fire Chief Jeff Clark, and our Girls State pick for 2012, Lizzi Bradley.

May is Poppy month. Taken from the American Legion

Auxiliary Unit Handbook: "The idea of the poppy as a memorial flower to those who died in the 1st World War appeared as naturally as the little wild flowers that emerge from the soil and grow in the fields of France and Flanders. The flower was the one touch of beauty that survived amid the terrible destruction of war. The soldiers of all nations came to look upon the poppy as the living symbol of the sacrifices that had been made by their fellow soldiers who had died in the war.

Auxiliary members distribute poppies in their communities

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S.A.L. Commander  
Tim Harvey  
[salcommander@azlegion91.org](mailto:salcommander@azlegion91.org)

#### Welcome New & Transferring S.A.L. Members:

Brandon J Vilardo

## S.A.L. Squadron 91 News



#### Meeting Day Change -

Beginning this month our monthly meeting will move to the Third Sunday of each month starting at 12 Noon. Our next regular meeting will be on Sunday, May 19th at Noon at the post. This change was at the request of many members and approved in our April meeting. We hope that this will increase our meeting attendance going forward. Please attend your meetings to see how/when you can help.

#### 2013-2014 Elections -

Elections will take place in our May meeting for Squadron Commander, Sr. Vice Commander and Jr.

Vice Commander. If you have an interest in any of these positions please plan on attending this meeting.

**Update Bylaws** – We have updated the Squadron 91 Bylaws. A vote will take place in the May meeting for approval. A copy of the updated Bylaws will be posted to the Post 91 website ([www.azlegion91.org](http://www.azlegion91.org)) in the Sons of the American Legion section. There will also be a copy placed in the SAL drawer of the podium at the post.

**State of Arizona Detachment Commander** – Squadron 91 in very proud to announce that our very

own Bob Hath (aka Scooter Bob) has been nominated for the State of Arizona, Sons of the American Legion Detachment Commander. Bob has served as Squadron 91 Commander and currently serves as District 12 Area B Detachment Vice Commander. He has done a tremendous job representing each of the Squadrons in Area B. Once elected at the state convention in June, Bob will be the only member from the Post 91 family to achieve the top elected position within the Detachment of Arizona. The entire Post 91 family wishes Bob much success!

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A.L.R. President  
Dave Andersen  
[president@azlegion91alr.org](mailto:president@azlegion91alr.org)  
THWR (*That's How We Roll*)

#### Welcome New & Transferring A.L.R. Members:

Ruben Buitrago

## Legion Riders News



I want to start out by thanking everyone who has assisted us with the donations we have made most recently. Theresa Vodika was able to get a washing machine donated to the Mana House who so desperately needed one. We were able to deliver it to them March 30th with the help of several ALR members. Mana House was extremely appreciative for the donation!

During the Chandler food drive we met a woman who donated most of her unopened food to us because she was moving. In speaking with her we found out her disabled

husband was retired Air force and they were forced to move from the home they were renting because the owner was putting it up for sale. She also explained they did not have a place to stay for several days because their new apartment was not ready. The members of ALR 91 decided to rent a Hotel room for her and her husband and their handicapped son so they had a temporary place to stay for several days.

It always surprises me the donations we receive for Veterans and their families from the public. On occasion you will see us

loading and unloading Wheel Chairs and other items from our ALR trailer where we keep them until they are picked up by needy Veterans organizations.

ALR 91 has a long history of donating and helping others. We have a very good reputation among the ALR and American Legion for the work we do to help others in need, we hear it all the time from other Posts, non American Legion entities and the public.

That's how we roll! THWR

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## Club News

**Thanks to everyone that attended the "Hit the Road Jack Daniels" Post 91 Bus Tour.** A great time was had by all and I believe that we did an awesome job in representing Post 91 at each of our stops. A BIG THANK YOU goes out to Kevin and Debbie for making all of the Jello Shots and to Ron for helping keep the blue shirt crowd under control and on time. Pictures of our excursion are up and rolling on the monitor in the post. Thanks also goes out to each of the posts that hosted our group, we appreciated the hospitality. Thank You to Posts 138, 41, 117, 58, 39 and 35.

I get it...I get it, so small bags of Cheez-Its and Gardettos wasn't enough food for our seven hour excursion. We will get that taken care of on our next trip.

**And speaking of next trips... Post 91 will be hitting the road again on June 8th.** That's right we've got another Bus Trip planned. The First Ever (and probably the last) **Post 91 - Laughlin River Run bus trip** is coming up very soon. We will be departing from our Post on Saturday June 8th at 8:00am

### A.L.R. (continued from pg 3)

During the Month of March the ALR Post 91 rode a total of 3692 Miles, donated 646 hours and \$924 personally. Thanks to all who participated. For those ALR members that don't participate, please find an hour or two out of the 720 hours in a month of your personal lives. It really is rewarding and fun to join in with the group.

There is a lot happening in May, including the State AZ ALR camp out in Globe the first weekend in May, the Balboa Hospital ride, and the ALR 39 Bike night in combination with Post 91 and 35. Please check our ALR Calendar for dates, times and for further information!

<http://azlegion91alr.org>

The weather is nice out there, get out and enjoy it, ride that Motorcycle and be safe!

Dave Andersen  
ALR 91 President  
[president@azlegion91alr.org](mailto:president@azlegion91alr.org)  
**THWR** (*That's How We Roll*)



and heading to Laughlin, returning on Sunday June 9th. The trip includes round trip coach, one night at the Aquarius Hotel & Casino, Post 91 T-shirt and beverages on board. Can Laughlin handle Post 91? We will find out very soon.

**BAR BINGO – KARAOKE – LIVE MUSIC – GREAT TIMES**  
**Thanks for Having Fun at Post 91!**

Tim Harvey  
Club Manager  
[manager@azlegion91.org](mailto:manager@azlegion91.org)



### Auxiliary (continued from pg 2) S.A.L. (continued from pg 3)

the Saturday before Memorial Day. Volunteers distribute the poppies and all of the donations received are used to help the veterans and their dependents."

When you see someone distributing poppies, please be generous.

Have a wonder month of May.

Our next meeting will be May 2nd at 6:30 P.M. Please plan to attend.

Kathy McMartin  
Unit 91 Auxiliary President  
[alapresident@azlegion91.org](mailto:alapresident@azlegion91.org)

### Squadron 91 Receives

**Accolades** – Our squadron received many accolades during the annual SAL Campout last month in Cottonwood. Bob Hath presented two checks to our Detachment Commander on behalf of Squadron 91. \$1,000 to The Fisher House Foundation, Inc. and \$500 to Child Welfare Foundation. Great job and my thanks to Bob and all of the Squadron 91 members! This is the reason that we all joined the American Legion family.

**2013 S.A.L. Membership Update** - Squadron 91 is currently at 97% of our membership goal.

Have a great month and we look forward to seeing you at our next monthly meeting.

Tim Harvey  
Squadron 91 Commander  
[salcommander@azlegion91.org](mailto:salcommander@azlegion91.org)

# Calendar of Post 91 Events

May 2013

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| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday  |
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| <b>WEDNESDAY is BURGER &amp; a BEER NIGHT</b><br><br>Get a Burger, French Fries and a Domestic Beer (12oz) for only <b>\$ 5.99</b><br><i>Wednesday's from 5pm to 8pm!</i> |  | <b>FRIDAY Fish Fry \$5.95</b><br> | <b>1</b><br>Legionnaire E-Board 6pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9 | <b>2</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Auxiliary General 6:30pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9 | <b>3</b><br>Karaoke 8:00-Close<br>Kitchen - 3-9  | <b>4</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 3:00-5:30pm<br>Karaoke 7:00-11:00pm<br>Kitchen - 12-10       |
| <b>5</b><br>Shuffleboard 1p  | <b>6</b><br>Open Noon to close                         | <b>7</b><br>Pull Tabs 12-6pm<br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9  | <b>8</b><br>Kitchen - 3-9                            | <b>9</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Legionnaire General 6pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9  | <b>10</b><br>Karaoke 8:00-Close<br>Kitchen - 3-9 | <b>11</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 3:00-5:30pm<br>Karaoke 7:00-11:00pm<br>Kitchen - 12-10      |
| <b>12</b><br>Shuffleboard 1p   | <b>13</b><br>Open Noon to close                        | <b>14</b><br>Pull Tabs 12-6pm<br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9   | <b>15</b><br>Kitchen - 3-9                           | <b>16</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9                            | <b>17</b><br>Karaoke 8:00-Close<br>Kitchen - 3-9 | <b>18</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 4:00-6:30pm<br>Live Music 7:00 - 10:00pm<br>Kitchen - 12-10 |
| <b>19</b><br>A.L.R. General Mtg. 9am<br>S.A.L. General Mtg. 12pm<br>Shuffleboard 1p  | <b>20</b><br>Open Noon to close                        | <b>21</b><br>Pull Tabs 12-6pm<br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9   | <b>22</b><br>Kitchen - 3-9                           | <b>23</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9                            | <b>24</b><br>Karaoke 8:00-Close<br>Kitchen - 3-9 | <b>25</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 4:00-6:30pm<br>Karaoke 7:00-11:00pm<br>Kitchen - 12-10      |
| <b>26</b><br>Shuffleboard 1p   | <b>27</b><br>Open Noon to close<br>House Committee 6pm | <b>28</b><br>Pull Tabs 12-6pm<br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9   | <b>29</b><br>Kitchen - 3-9                           | <b>30</b><br>NOT SO BINGO 6:30-9:30pm<br>Kitchen - 3-9                            | <b>31</b><br>Karaoke 8:00-Close<br>Kitchen - 3-9 |  |

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| <b>Post 91 Meeting Schedule:</b><br>Legionnaire E-Board 1 <sup>ST</sup> Wednesday - 6:00pm<br>Auxiliary General 1 <sup>ST</sup> Thursday - 6:30pm<br>Legionnaire General 2 <sup>ND</sup> Thursday - 6:00pm<br>S.A.L. General 3 <sup>RD</sup> Sunday - 12:00pm<br>A.L.R. General 3 <sup>RD</sup> Sunday - 9:00am<br>House Committee Last Monday - 6:00pm | <b>Post 91 Bar Hours:</b><br>Mon-Sat - Noon - Close<br>Sunday - Noon - Close | <b>Post 91 Kitchen Hours:</b><br>Tue - Fri - 3 - 9 PM<br>Saturday - Noon - 10 PM |
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Be sure to check the post web site(s) regularly for the latest news, events and happenings

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[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CHANDLERPOST91](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CHANDLERPOST91)  
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Post 91 is now accepting used cell phones, power cords and accessories. These items will be sent to a company that recycles them and uses the money received to buy prepaid phone cards. These cards are sent to our troops overseas. Put a note on the phone if you need it wiped clean to remove any personal information.

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Thanks for your support

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**Tues - Fri 3~9**  
**Saturday 12~10**

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**Calzones, Steaks**  
**Hot & Cold Subs**  
**Salads & More**



**Post 91  
Karaoke with Kim**

**Friday 8:00 to close  
Saturday 7:00 to 11:00**

**NOT SO BINGO**



**Tues & Thurs @ 6:30 PM  
Saturday at 4:00 PM**



**Shuffleboard  
Tournament**

**Every Sunday @ 1 PM  
\$5.00 Buy in  
Blind Draw  
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# Karaoke Saturdays at Post 91

**Karaoke Saturdays Are Here!** - The club will now have karaoke from 7:00-11:00pm on Saturdays immediately following Not So Bingo.

Win some cash during bingo then stick around and sing till your hearts content!

Kim will be hosting karaoke on Friday and Saturday

evenings at Post 91.



**Monthly Birthday Celebration** - If you have a birthday in April, let Post 91 help you celebrate with **LIVE MUSIC and FUN**. This month's "Birthday

"Celebration Party" will be on the third Saturday with **Live Music by Albert Hamper**, Drink Specials (for the birthday peeps) and Cake.

Bring your friends and celebrate your big day at the post!

# Not So Bingo

Post 91's Not So Bingo continues to be a great success. If you haven't tried it, you don't know what you're missing.

The SUPER BALL JACKPOT is currently at \$500.00, and is up for grabs every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday! All you have to do to win is:

1. Buy into the SUPER BALL

jackpot for \$2.00 per session.

2. Bingo on the lucky SUPER BALL number.

Come on down to Post 91 and try your luck today - you just may end up going home with an extra \$500.00 in your pocket!

All proceeds from Not So Bingo are used to support

Veterans and their families in our community, so come on down and give it a try - you may just be our next SUPER BALL winner!  
**You've got to PLAY to WIN!**



# Shuffleboard

**Shuffleboard Tournaments Continue Every Sunday at Post 91** - The tournaments continue each Sunday starting at 1:00pm, arrive a little early to sign-in.

\$5.00 buy-in, blind draw, double elimination and 100% payout. If you haven't played you're missing out on the fun!

Thanks to our friends and

neighbors from the Chandler Elks for helping to coordinate these tournaments.

You can also **Bring a Friend** with you! Show them how much fun we have and see if they would qualify to become a member of our family. Just remember to sign them in as a "guest" at the podium, and keep in mind that all guests are the

responsibility of the member signing them in.



# Chaplain's Reports

## Legionnaire Chaplin Report

The tragedy in Boston.

Please keep the family and friends of the following in your thoughts and prayers.

For God and Country  
Terry Schroeder  
Legionnaire Chaplain

CPO Brett Shadle,  
Navy Seal Team 6, who was killed March 28 in a training exercise in AZ.

Kevin Griffin,  
Post 39 member, whose wife Lisa recently passed away.

## Auxiliary Chaplin Report

Boston tragedy.

We are thankful all is well with our Auxiliary sisters this month.

Please keep our Military in your hearts and prayers and out of harms way and home soon.

Please keep Kevin Griffin Post 39 in your prayers after the loss of his wife Lisa.

For God and Country  
Melynda Smith  
Auxiliary Chaplin

20 birthday cards sent to the Veterans Home this month.

Prayers and thoughts to the families and friends of the

# Post 91 Business Sponsors

Please support our business sponsors. Their advertising dollars help us to offset the cost of publishing this newsletter and to provide support for Veterans and

their families in our community.

**Business owners:** we offer sponsorship opportunities by way of printed

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**Legion Officers**

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*Chaplain:* Terry Schroeder  
*Historian:* Robert Krumwiede  
*Judge Advocate:* Glenn White  
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*Elected E-Board Members:*  
John Nevins  
Ernie Ponicki  
Joe Remeika  
*Past Commander:* Randy Soutiere

**Auxiliary Officers**

*President:* Kathy McMartin  
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Kathy Pless  
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**S.A.L. Officers**

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*Adjutant:* Aaron Beauvais  
*Sgt. @ Arms:* <Vacant>  
*Chaplain:* David Ulm Jr  
*Historian:* <Vacant>  
*Past Commander:* Bob Hath

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*Sgt @ Arms:* Ernie Ponicki  
*Road Captain:* Bill Pless  
*Membership Chair:* Tina Gabryelski  
*Chaplain:* David Ulm Jr  
*Historian:* Randy Bunch  
*Past President:* David Baker

**Other Leaders:**

*Club Manager:* Tim Harvey  
*Communications:* Leo Gabryelski  
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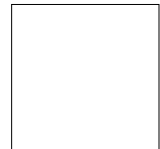
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