

American Legion Post 91

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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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A large, colorful poster for a casino event. The background is dark with fireworks at the top. The text "SAL SQUADRON 91 PRESENTS" is at the top in white. Below it, "CASINO" is written in large, glowing yellow letters. Underneath, "SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2014" is in yellow, and "\$25 TICKETS ON SALE NOW" is in white. A line of text says "Ticket Price Includes: \$100 in Gaming Chips, Casino Munchie Buffet & One Free Drink". The main headline is "HUGE PRIZES!" in white, followed by "\$1,000 CASH" in large white letters, "iPad Air" with the Apple logo, and "STOCKED BOOZE COOLER" in white. Below that, "Black Jack - Roulette - Craps - Casino War" is written in green. At the bottom, "Gaming from 7:00 - 10:00pm" is in white, and "ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT" is in red. The bottom of the poster features images of playing cards (King of Hearts, 4 of Spades, 8 of Diamonds), red 100-value chips, and a silver trophy. A circular logo for "FISHER HOUSE HELPING MILITARY FAMILIES PROUD SUPPORTER" is at the bottom center.



Post 91 Commander
JD Geiser
commander@azlegion91.org

Welcome New & Transferring Legionnaire Members:

- Manny Bojorquez
- Damon Boxley
- Robert Butler Jr
- Thomas Derse
- Wayne Ginn
- Rain Robbins
- Adam Spoerle
- Mikaila Thomas

Commander's Corner



Dear Post 91 family,
Now that the New Year has begun, we have an opportunity to refocus our energy towards our charitable endeavors. So far, in the last six months, we have given approximately \$17,000 to Veteran's causes including over \$1000 for Arizona Standdown in February. With this momentum, we will exceed the previous year's donations. We could not have done this without the support of the Post 91 family. THANK YOU!!

We were honored to have the National Commander visit the post last fall. He was quite impressed with

what we have accomplished, especially for being a smaller post.

The National Commander has called on us, along with all American Legion Posts across the nation, to assist in building up the National Emergency funds. The goal for each post is to donate \$0.50 per legionnaire. With 2.2 million legionnaires in the nation, that would raise 1.1 million dollars for the fund. This is the same fund that helped us locally with the Yarnell fire recovery. It is also used to aid veterans and veteran's causes throughout the nation when immediate action is required.

Now is our time to give back. I am asking for help from our family to exceed the National Commander's request by raising at least \$500 by April 1st. Post 91 will match dollar for dollar all funds donated by membership during the months of February and March. This is an excellent opportunity for our small Post to reach out and support the American Legion at a national level. Let us show our peers what true devotion to our veterans looks like!

For God and Country
JD Geiser
Commander, Post 91
commander@azlegion91.org



Auxiliary President
Kathy McMartin
alapresident@azlegion91.org

Welcome New & Transferring Auxiliary Members:

- Jordan Ortega.
- Emma Nelson
- Skyler Nelson.

2013 membership cards will no longer be accepted. Lets get your 2014 dues paid or you will need to be signed into the Post.

For God and Country
Melynda Smith
Sr Vice President
Membership Chairperson

Auxiliary Announcements



Hello Ladies

Well we are in the 2nd half of our year. Time has really flown by. We will be starting our year end reports before we know it. We need to know the time, mileage and monies you spent on all the projects you have done for veterans, your church, your children's and grand children's schools and your community. We have a lot of events planned from now till the end of April. We will also be sending reports to Department on the projects we have completed throughout the year. We had a lot of success with our reports at Department Convention

last year and are hoping for the same this year.

February 2nd, Super Bowl Sunday, we will be serving breakfast foods at Post 35 for their "4 Chaplains" ceremony. Please join us @Post 35 in Chandler, at 11:30 for breakfast and social time. The ceremony will begin at 12:00. Later that day we will be helping with the "Super Bowl Party" at our home Post. That afternoon the winning ticket will be drawn for the handgun that the Auxiliary is raffling off. If you do not have your tickets, get them now, they are going fast.

We, Post 91 American Legion family, are collecting

clothing items for Arizona Standdown. This is an event for homeless Veterans. The event is held at the Arizona State Fair Grounds Veterans Memorial Coliseum February 14th and 15. The organizers of this event are asking for boxers, white tee shirts, sweat shirts and sweat pants in sizes medium to xxxl. There is a box at the Post for your donations. Please visit the web site, www.arizonastanddown.org to learn more about this worthy project. We will have to have your donation by Tuesday February 11th. so the donations can be collected and sorted by the

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S.A.L. Commander
Aaron Beauvais

salcommander@azlegion91.org

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

Please welcome Squadron
91's newest members for
December 2013:

Tom K. O'Donnel
Mark L. Procter

S.A.L. Squadron 91 News



Casino night is coming up! Tickets are only \$25. \$1,000, iPad Air, Cooler full of booze, and other prizes will be given away. Tickets include \$100 in chips, munchie buffet, and a free drink. All proceeds will benefit Fisher House. See any S.A.L. member for a ticket. Only 100 pre-sale tickets will be available and those that pre-order their tickets have a chance for extra prizes right at the door.

Queen of hearts is still going. At the time of this writing the jackpot is over \$9,200! All proceeds from the raffle benefit S.A.L programs like the families

we support during the holidays, CWF, Fisherhouse and many other local and national organizations. Tickets are only \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20. Watch for the new red shirt friday t-shirts coming soon to the post. We will even have special designs for the women if they don't want a t-shirt.

Big Two Toyota located at 1250 S. Gilbert Rd. Chandler, Arizona has agreed to donate \$100 to all vehicle purchases that are referred from Post 91. Contact April Jacob the Internet director at 480-580-7067 and let her know that you were referred to Big

Two Toyota by Post 91 and they will take care of the rest if a vehicle is purchased. This does not have to be from a member of Post 91, it could be someone from another post, family, friends or even neighbors. This is an easy way to make a donation to the post if you or someone you know is in the process of buying a new vehicle.

Aaron Beauvais
Squadron 91 Commander
salcommander@azlegion91.org



A.L.R. President
Terry Schroeder
president@azlegion91alr.org
THWR (*That's How We Roll*)

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

No New Members

Legion Riders News



Greetings Post 91

The Legion Riders of Post 91 have been very busy helping out veterans and their families. We presented a \$2500 check to Joan Cisco, CEO of Veterans First, to go towards the building of Sallies Place. Sallies Place will be affordable housing for single female veterans with children. We are donating \$1000 to a Marine veteran who lost both of his legs and suffered multiple shrapnel wounds when he stepped on an IED in Afghanistan in 2011. He has been selected by Homes for our Troops to have a home built for him and his wife. We donated

\$250 to Casino Night at our Post to benefit the Fischer House. We bought \$500 worth of jeans for the Arizona Stand Down. We spent \$500 to sponsor two children for the ALECA Camp in Flagstaff. We also spent \$1000 to sponsor an AL baseball team.

I would also like to congratulate the following Legion Riders on their accomplishments.

Bob Krumwiede for being selected the Area B American Legion baseball chairman.

Ernie (Ironbutt) Ponicki for coming in second on the "Get To Know Your Post's"

ride. Ernie got stamped at all 48 Post's throughout the state in nine days.

Wes Burns, who was initiated into the 40 & 8 La Societe at the Mid-Winter Cheminot and Wreck in Wickenburg.

During the month of December ALR Post 91 Riders donated 501 hours of their time, rode 2823 miles and spent \$414 of their personal money to help charitable causes.

Terry Schroeder
ALR 91 President
president@azlegion91alr.org
THWR (*That's How We Roll*)



Club Manager
Tim Harvey
manager@azlegion91.org

Post 91 Club Hours:

Mon-Sat - Noon – Close
Sunday – 9AM – Close

**BAR BINGO – KARAOKE
LIVE MUSIC – GREAT TIMES**

**Thanks for Having Fun
at Post 91!**

Club News

Texas Hold'em Is at Post 91 – Post 91 now hosts Texas Hold'em every Wednesday at 7:00pm and every Sunday at 1:00pm. Only a \$3 buy-in!! Win points for prizes and other great stuff. Stop in either Wednesday evening or Sunday afternoon and check in with either Kathy or Toni. They will be happy to explain the game.

2014 Is Here – Do you have your 2014 Membership Card? If not you will need to be sponsored by a current member each time you visit our Post. The rules are the rules... It's that simple.

Casino Night 2014 – Save the date. Saturday February 15, 2014. SAL Squadron 91 will be hosting a Casino Night Fundraiser with all proceeds benefiting The Fisher House Foundation. This Casino Night will be bigger

and better than ever! Bigger Prizes, More Gaming Action, More Fun! Advance Discount Tickets are on sale NOW. Learn more about The Fisher House Foundation at www.fisherhouse.org

NASCAR at Post 91 – Football will be over soon and now it's time for all the Race Fans to gather each week at the Post for some great fun! The Daytona 500 starts the race year off on Sunday February 23rd. Cheer for your favorite driver and Crank It Up! Who knows, there may even be some unannounced NASCAR Race Day Specials each week. Let's continue to make Post 91 Fun each and every Sunday.

Shuffleboard – Does anyone have an interest

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in running Shuffleboard Tournaments each Sunday at the Post? We need to utilize our table and could use a volunteer(s) to help put the Tournaments together. Please let me know if this is something you can help with and Thanks.

Tim Harvey
Club Manager
manager@azlegion91.org

SAL Membership News

Currently, Squadron 91 has 32 new members, 92 paid up members and 62 unpaid members. These numbers raises Squadron 91 membership to 76%.

If you know any SAL member that has not payed his dues, please remind them to get off the stick.

Also, we are always looking for good new members so, if you know any that qualifies, ask them to join. Keep up the good work.

For God and Country
Frank Ramirez
Senior Vice-Commander
S.A.L. Squadron 91
salsrvice@azlegion91.org

Auxiliary (cnt'd from Pg 2)

event organizers. Thank you in advance for all you do.

We will have a guest speaker at our March 6th meeting. Arizona State Representative for District 17, J. D. Mesnard we be at our meeting to let us know what is going on at the State level and answer any questions you may have regarding Arizona government. His visit will be open to anyone that wants to meet him and ask questions of him. Please come to the meeting and have your questions ready.

We will be nominating new officers at our March meeting and our April meeting with elections at our May meeting. This is your Auxiliary and we need your choices.

March we will have our annual Chili Cook-off. The date is March 23rd. More on

that next month, but mark your calendar now!

New members will be initiated at our April 3rd meeting. Please mark your calendar. All new members will be personally contacted regarding initiation.

In April, Post, Auxiliary, American Legion Riders and S.A.L. will be hosting an awards night dinner. More on that date next month.

Kathy McMartin
Unit 91 Auxiliary President
alapresident@azlegion91.org

Calendar of Post 91 Events

February 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Tues - Fri 3-9 Saturday 12-10 Specialty Pizza Calzones, Steaks Hot & Cold Subs Salads & More	TUESDAY  \$6.91 MEXICAN BUFFET	WEDNESDAY  \$5.99	THURSDAY  \$6.91 ITALIAN BUFFET	FRIDAY  Fish Fry \$5.95	1 CASH BALL BINGO 4:00-6:30pm Karaoke 7:00-11:00pm Kitchen - 12-10
2 Texas Hold-em' 1:00pm SUPER SUNDAY Tailgate Party	3 Open Noon to close	4 Pull Tabs 12-6pm CASH BALL BINGO 6:30-9:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	5 Poker - 7:00pm ALR 91 Social 6pm-8pm Legionnaire E-Board 6pm Kitchen - 3-9	6 CASH BALL BINGO 6:30-9:00pm Auxiliary General 6:30pm Kitchen - 3-9	7 Karaoke 8:00-Close Kitchen - 3-9	8 CASH BALL BINGO 4:00-6:30pm Karaoke 7:00-11:00pm Kitchen - 12-10
9 Texas Hold-em' 1:00pm	10 Open Noon to close	11 Pull Tabs 12-6pm CASH BALL BINGO 6:30-9:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	12 Queen of Hearts Drawing - 7pm Texas Hold-em' 7:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	13 CASH BALL BINGO 6:30-9:00pm Legionnaire General 6pm Kitchen - 3-9	14 Karaoke 8:00-Close Kitchen - 3-9	15 CASH BALL BINGO 4:00-6:30pm Casino Night 7:00-10:00pm Kitchen - 12-10
16 A.L.R. General Mtg. 9am S.A.L. General Mtg. 12pm Texas Hold-em' 1:00pm	17 Open Noon to close	18 Pull Tabs 12-6pm CASH BALL BINGO 6:30-9:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	19 ALR 91 Social 6pm-8pm Queen of Hearts Drawing - 7pm Poker - 7:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	20 CASH BALL BINGO 6:30-9:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	21 Karaoke 8:00-Close Kitchen - 3-9	22 CASH BALL BINGO 4:00-6:30pm Karaoke 7:00-11:00pm Kitchen - 12-10
23 Texas Hold-em' 1:00pm	24 Open Noon to close House Committee 6pm	25 Pull Tabs 12-6pm CASH BALL BINGO 6:30-9:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	26 Queen of Hearts Drawing - 7pm Texas Hold-em' 7:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	27 CASH BALL BINGO 6:30-9:00pm Kitchen - 3-9	28 Karaoke 8:00-Close Kitchen - 3-9	

Post 91 Meeting Schedule:

Legionnaire E-Board	1 ST Wednesday - 6:00pm
Auxiliary General	1 ST Thursday - 6:30pm
Legionnaire General	2 ND Thursday - 6:00pm
S.A.L. General	3 RD Sunday - 12:00pm
A.L.R. General	3 RD Sunday - 9:00am
House Committee	Last Monday - 6:00pm

Post 91 Bar Hours:

Mon-Sat - Noon - Close
 Sunday - Noon - Close

Post 91 Kitchen Hours:

Tue - Fri - 3 - 9 PM
 Saturday - Noon - 10 PM

Be sure to check the post web site(s) regularly for the latest news, events and happenings

WWW.AZLEGION91.ORG
WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CHANDLERPOST91
WWW.TWITTER.COM/AZLEGION91



ALR 91 President Terry Schroeder and Bill Pless presented a \$2500 check to Joan Cisco, CEO of Veterans First, to go towards the building of Sallies Place. Sallies Place will be affordable housing for single female veterans with children.

WILL YOU...



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\$5 RAFFLE TICKETS

Progressive Weekly Raffle Presented by Squadron 91

Drawings Held Every Wednesday at 7:00pm

New tickets will go on sale for the following weeks drawing immediately after each drawing.



Ernie (Ironbutt) Ponicki won second place on the "Get To Know Your Post's" ride. Ernie got stamped at all 48 Posts throughout the state in nine days.



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2014**

11:00am - 3:00pm

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**Post 91
Karaoke with Kim**

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



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

**50 cents off all drinks
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Post 91 Meeting Schedule

**Legionnaire E-Board
Legionnaire General
Unit 91 Auxiliary
Squadron 91 S.A.L.
Post 91 Legion Riders
House Committee**

**1st Wednesday @ 6:00pm
2nd Thursday @ 6:00pm
1st Thursday @ 6:30pm
3rd Sunday @ 12:00pm
3rd Sunday @ 9:00am
Last Monday @ 6:00pm**



Get Involved TODAY!

Chaplain's Reports

Legionnaire Chaplin Report

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

Jim Fuller, Carol Brown and Tedeigh Boswell who are all recovering from medical issues.

Bless our men and women in the military that are serving throughout the world and some in harms way.

For God and Country
Terry Schroeder
Legionnaire Chaplain

Auxiliary Chaplin Report

Our deepest condolences to Carol Wuertemburg and family in the recent loss of her mother.

Please keep Tedeigh Boswell in your thoughts and prayers as she is recovering from a recent heart attack.

We sent off twelve birthday cards to the Veterans Home this month.

For God and Country
Melynda Smith
Acting Auxiliary Chaplain

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

advertising in this newsletter, web site advertising and in-house advertising in our facility. If you are interested in advertising with us, please

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February 2014 Newsletter

2013-2014 LEADERSHIP

Legion Officers

Commander: John "JD" Geiser
Senior Vice: Mike Simon
Jr. Vice: Jim Faltermeier
Finance Officer: David Ulm
Adjutant: Gillian Burns
Sgt @ Arms: Shawn Corey
Chaplain: Terry Schroeder
Historian: Robert Krumwiede
Judge Advocate: Glenn White
Service officer: Kyla Lout

Elected E-Board Members:
David Ulm
Dennis Masters
Joe Remeika
Past Commander: Randy Soutiere

Auxiliary Officers

President: Kathy McMartin
1st Vice: Melynda Smith
2nd Vice: -Vacant-
Secretary: Carol Arias
Treasurer: Barbara White
Historian: Theresa Vodika
Chaplain: Kathy Pless
Sgt @ Arms: Carol Wuertemburg
Elected E-Board Members:

Amber Nelson
Robyn Krumwiede
LeAnn Taylor
Past President: Barbara White

S.A.L. Officers

Commander: Aaron Beauvais
Senior Vice: Frank Ramirez
Jr. Vice: Mikel Robinson
Finance Officer: Gary Barros
Adjutant: David Ulm Jr
Sgt. @ Arms: Jim Sampley
Chaplain: Steve Heaven
Historian: David Vilardo
Past Commander: Tim Harvey

A.L.R. Officers

President: Terry Schroeder
Vice President: Aaron Beauvais
Jr. Vice President: David Vilardo
Secretary: Leo Gabryelski
Treasurer: David Ulm
Sgt @ Arms: Bill Wehrle
Road Captain: Ernie Ponicki
Membership Chair: Tina Gabryelski
Chaplain: David Ulm Jr
Historian: Bob Krumwiede
Past President: Dave Andersen

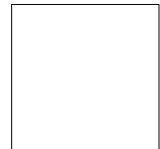
Other Leaders:

Club Manager: Tim Harvey
Communications: Leo Gabryelski
House Committee Chair:
Jim Faltermeier

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



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CHANDLER AZ 85224



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