

ARIZONA STATE VETERANS HOME (TUCSON)

I mainly get volunteers from districts 2 and 3. The State Veterans Home is used by districts 2,3,4 and 5. Units 8,24,36,45,59,66,68,109,125,131 and 132. I also get volunteers from The Sons of The American Legion and other organizations such as The VFW and The Moose Lodge . I also get donations from the units listed and a few other units. I have even gotten the last few Department State Commanders and district 2 Commander involved in some of the activities. We do activities such as once or twice month art and crafts. The third Thursday of the month is Birthday parties. Second Tuesday of the month is Pizza and Beer parties.

October we had Fall Carnival for Halloween . Face painting and games and train rides and cotton candy and popcorn and horses .Food and snow cones and cake walk with DJ being the MC and playing his tunes. The residents look forward to this every year. This is one of the biggest money makers for the home. We raises almost three thousand dollars.

November I had the units help me with deserts for Veterans Day celebration . We try and get local politicians to come out and speak. Give back to the Veterans. At end of month we decorated Christmas trees through out the home, The staff and residents love it when they see us working on the tree in the main lobby.

December is a busy month my co chair and I try and get gifts and stockings . My one brother plays the Grinch. The staff and residents love it . I try and get the units to bring food and goodies to eat.

February is super bowl month. It is a big deal at the home. We go all out with snacks and food. The residents love to hear my one brother talk sports . They get involved with him.

April pot plants and flowers . They like getting their hands dirty. It nice they can see something grow out of nothing.

May we hosted a bike show. I made 30lbs of Coke bbq beef along with my mother and one brothers help for sandwiches and 25lbs of potato salad, Riders from The American Legion and The Moose Lodge came out and supported me. It was to honor Armed Forces Day and end of nurses week. We was able to donate \$300 to The Veterans Home to help with funding and such. We haven't had one in over 8 years. The older residents that are still around remember it.

No I in Team! I couldn't do what I do without the help of volunteers

Respectfully Submitted by:

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