

Los Amigos Del Sol

"LADS HAPPENINGS"

Spring 2025 Newsletter



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Quarterly Newsletter

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A NOTE FROM L.A.D.S. PRESIDENT

Hello Amigos,

WOW! We just finished a great year in 2024 with so many fun events and great success raising money for our charities – over \$14,000. I cannot wait to see what 2025 brings us. So many thank-you's go out to our L.A.D.S. members and to those who volunteered to help make these events possible. We also would like to thank our L.A.D.S. friends who support us throughout the year. None of this could have been done without any of you.

As we begin our journey towards our 50th Anniversary in February 2026, I would like to first shout out a big THANK YOU to Andre. Andre did a tremendous job with leading our membership for the past year. We had over 100 events that brought together old friends and new friends for good fun and laughter. At the same time, we also had a record-breaking year raising money for our charities. Andre, unfortunately, needed to step down as President of L.A.D.S. This is just another chapter in Andre's life, or 'a notch on his belt' as my grandpa would say. (If you do not know of Andre's other 'chapters' and 'notches', ask him to share a story.) Again, Thank you Andre!

I am excited to step into the role of President again. I have been a member of L.A.D.S. for almost 25 years now, and looking forward to this coming year. We welcome our returning Executive Committee with Brian A (Vice President), Mark L (Public Relations) and Randy G (Historian). We have two new people on the committee I would like to introduce – welcome Lisa M (Secretary) and Scott S (Treasurer).

Everyone - Keep your eyes and ears open as we start planning for our 50th Anniversary Celebration. This is going to be epic! I believe we are the oldest LGBTQI group in Arizona. L.A.D.S. is only successful as a social organization because of our supportive membership and the friends that support us. Thank you EVERYONE for your continued support of L.A.D.S. throughout the year.

Sincerely,
Jeff Granberg



UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, April 5th @ 1:00pm
GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY, April 12th @ 1:00pm
DANNY KLEVIN POKER RUN AND BAR CRAWL

SATURDAY, May 3rd @ 1:00pm
GENERAL MEETING

*Following the meeting will be the 2025 Salsa Challenge
(\$5 Tasting Fee)*

SUNDAY, May 4th @ 1:00pm
CINCO DE MAYO TACO BAR

FRIDAY, May 9th @ 7:00PM
QUARTERLY POKER TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, May 24th @ 2:00PM
**3RD ANNUAL TONY PEROWITZ "MORNING
WOOD DERBY RACE"**

SATURDAY, June 7th @ 1:00pm
GENERAL MEETING

September 5th - 8th
2025 ANNUAL CAMPOUT

All upcoming events are scheduled to occur at Oz Bar, with
the exception of the Annual Campout, which is held at
Upper Wolf Creek Campground

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- Keep it fun.
 - Keep it friendly.
 - Keep it L.A.D.S.

EVERY SUNDAY: BINGO @ 1:00pm
*Win CASH while supporting L.A.D.S. Charity
Partners*





PAST EVENTS

SUNDAY, January 4th
Santa Goofed Auction

The Santa Goofed fundraiser was a fun and successful charity auction where participants bid on wrapped mystery gifts—all for a great cause! The twist? Santa "goofed," so no one knew exactly what they were getting until after winning their bid. Some gifts were fantastic surprises, while others added to the holiday hilarity.

Thanks to the generosity and enthusiasm of everyone involved, we raised \$550. The event brought plenty of laughs, friendly competition, and holiday cheer, making it a memorable way to give back this season.

A huge thank you to all who participated, donated, and helped make Santa Goofed a success!





PAST EVENTS

FRIDAY, February 7th 7:00PM
QUARTERLY POKER TOURNAMENT



The recent Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament was a huge success, bringing together players for a night of fun and friendly competition—all for a great cause. Thanks to the enthusiastic participants and generous contributions, the event raised \$591 for charity. Every chip played helped make a difference, proving that poker isn't just about the cards—it's about the community coming together to support those in need. Congratulations to Patrick B. on winning 1st place and Terri H. for coming in second!





PAST EVENTS

SATURDAY, February 22nd @ 1:00PM
L.A.D.S 49th Anniversary Celebration



Congratulations to our:

- 2024 Harry Hester LADS Member of the Year, Lisa Martin!
- 2024 Jack Leffel Friends of LADS, Eva Luna!
- 2024 Humanitarian Award (in memory of Char), Doug Edwards!

It was announced that we raised \$14,906 dollars for CHARITY in the last year, the most ever!





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PAST EVENTS

BINGO WINNERS!!!!





January Birthdays

- Andre Du Broc
- Jay Alkhazraji
- Randy Guthrie

February Birthdays

- Le Long
- Matt Newton
- Robin Price

March Birthdays

- Dan Bartle
- Paul Alben
- Scott Shephard
- Todd Donahue

April Birthdays

- Becky Kinningham
- Josh Alton
- Kevin Tullock
- Michael Chalk
- Blake Perotti

May Birthdays

- Brian Alexander
- James Compston

June Birthdays

- Jim Odell
- Rob Kietzke
- Mark Grieve





Welcome to our new members

- Casey D.
- Mark G.
- James C.
- Blake P.



2025 Executive Leadership Team

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STATE OF FINANCES

as of 3/1/2025

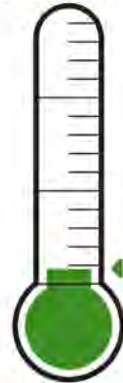
- **Charities - \$835**
- **Campout - \$348.53**
- **General Fund - \$3,538.36**

Total - \$8,620.74

**pending 2024 check to Halo is
currently uncashed*

2025 L.A.D.S Annual Charity
Fundraising

\$15,000



Raised
\$836



For a detailed financial report, please email your request to treasurer.lads@gmail.com



FRY'S COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

Did you know that you can link your Fry's Account to LADS?

The steps are simple!

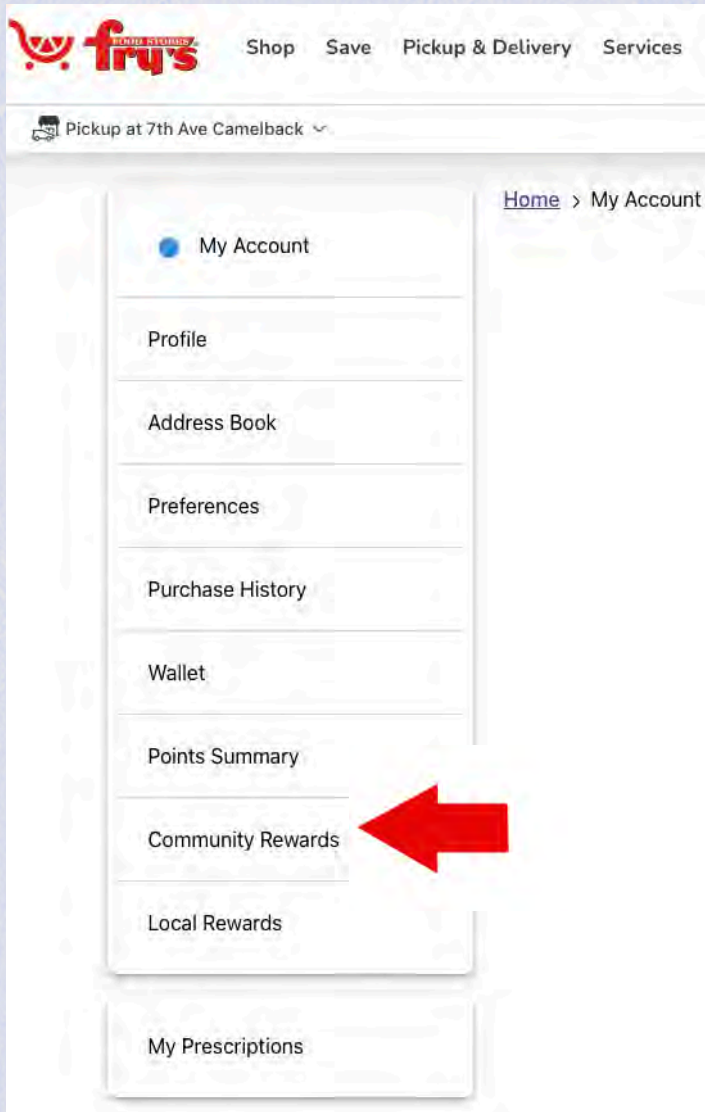
Step 1: Log into your Frys account (frysfood.com)

Step 2: In the upper right, select your Name then My Account

Step 3: On the left hand side, select Community Rewards

Step 4: Search for Los Amigos Del Sol or use DK155

Step 5: Select ENROLL



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