



L.A.D.S. General Meeting

June 6, 2025

Venue: OZ Bar

Officer Attendees:

Adam, Mark, Scott, and Jeff

Member Attendees:

Liz, Becky, Lonny, Mike B, Brian A, Brian F, Mark, Suzette, Tony B, Kevin T, Evette, Randy G and Rob, Loren, Joey

President / Jeff

Welcome: members & guests

Celebrate Diversity: festive cupcakes provided by Jeff

New Member(s): 59 current members / 23 in past 12 months

June Birthdays: Brian F, Fred, Mark G, Rich, Rob K

July Birthdays: Adam, Jeff, Jim, Lisa, Mark, Mike, & Robert

1-year Anniversary: Albert M (Payson)

L.A.D.S. Membership benefit

- Show bartender membership card to get \$1 off your beverage (restrictions apply)
- May savings: \$573.00

Executive Committee agenda

- Develop financial controls: working on implementing guidelines for expenses, reimbursements, etc. - review Mark's email
- Bylaws: recommendations prior to the next Executive meeting in July and determine next steps - review Mark's email

Member ideas and feedback

- Talk with an Executive Committee member or email to ladspmxaz@gmail.com

Derby Cars: for sale for 2027 5th Annual Tony Perowitz 'Morningwood Derby'

Treasurer position: Scott rescinded his resignation

Vice President / Lisa

PAST EVENTS

Danny Kleven Poker Run & Bar Crawl update

- \$140 raised for L.A.D.S.

Quarterly Poker Tournament



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- Benefit for L.A.D.S. & Charities – raised \$246
- Volunteers: Lisa, Robert, Joey (non-member)

4th Annual Tony Perowitz “Morningwood Derby”

- Benefit for charities – raised ~ \$1,100 (Last year was \$533)
- 23 Derby Cars (record number participants)
 - 1st Place - \$100 + trophy – Darren Mathis / Orvis (name will be added to plaque on wall at OZ Bar – plate ordered)
 - 2nd Place - \$75 + trophy – Last year’s defending champion, Mark Leeper / The Puzzler
 - 3rd Place - \$25 + trophy – Nick / Candy Striper
 - Best Name in Memory of Jerry Evans - \$50 + trophy – Charles / Half Fast
 - Best Name in Memory of Brian Swearingen - \$100 + Trophy – Chris Skowron / Kevinator
- Donations
 - Trophies - Mike Bedrick
 - \$350 cash prizes - Chuck Ropp
 - 9 Raffle prizes - OZ Bar, Bunkhouse, Scott Shepherd, Jeff Granberg, Mike Bedrick, Adam Ahrens, & Michael Chalk
 - 200 Jello Shots - Bunkhouse
 - Hotdogs & Chips - Lisa & Jim
- Volunteers
 - Corey Rowley – host of event
 - Corey’s Pit Crew - Drew Beattie, Dwayne Gingerich, Mike Bedrick, Adam Ahrens, Michael Chalk, Lisa Martin, Scott Shepherd, & Randy Guthrie
- Derby Track Platform – Bunkhouse made and donated the Derby platform. Donation refunds issued to Lisa, Loren & Scott.
- Photos: Bunkhouse provides a dedicated photographer on staff that takes photos throughout the event - at no cost to the organization.

TODAY’S EVENTS

Free Drink drawing: all members who attend today’s meeting get’s one raffle ticket, and if you wear any L.A.D.S. attire, get one extra raffle ticket. Drawing at the end of the meeting.

50/50: Benefit for L.A.D.S. See Mark for tickets. Drawing at end of the meeting.

Cash Splash ‘\$1,000’ Raffle kick off

- Benefit for our charities
- Only 200 tickets will be sold - \$10 each - cash or card
- \$1,000 to one winner / \$1,000 to our charities



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- Drawing: August 2nd (after Bingo)
- Members to sell tickets: individually, Bingo, or on a weekend night

After Meeting Game: Host Jeff

- Pop Culture Trivia – teams of 4 (or 5) people - \$75 in prizes

UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Sunday – Bingo @ 1:00pm – Inside & on the Patio

- Upcoming Specials
 - OZ Bar provides complimentary hotdogs. Side dishes are always welcome
 - Side dish contributors
 - L.A.D.S. Members – Le Long, Sherry Rowley, Jeff Granberg
 - L.A.D.S. Friends – Dave Roberts, Jim Scott, Susan Brasil, Judy Gale, John, & Mike
 - Month of June: **Celebrate Diversity** all month long. Wear Pride colors or attire and get ONE extra Bingo card.
 - June 21 – Father's Day Celebration: all fathers receive ONE extra Bingo card
- 4 Callers needed:
 - June 21 & 28, July 5, and Aug 2
 - **Jeff to send an email requesting callers.**
 - **If no volunteers then Bingo will be cancelled and Jeff wants to post cancellation posters ahead of time.**
- Bingo Shirts update: waiting for \$4 promotion to be offered

Every Day - Specialty Shots @ OZ Bar

- OZ Bar contributes \$1 to L.A.D.S. for every shot sold
 - Shots: *Oatmeal Cookie, Cinnamon Toast, Washington Apple, Apple Jack, B-52, & Irish Frog*
 - May contribution: \$26.00
 - April update: \$28 received (not \$6 as reported in May)

June 11 - HALO Animal Rescue & L.A.D.S.

- Jeff & Lisa are meeting with HALO to discuss how we can work together

June - Meeting with OZ Bar Management – Date/time TBD

July 4 – General Meeting – CANCELLED (and will not be rescheduled)

July 16 – tentative Quarterly Executive Meeting

July 24 – 26 - Bus Trip to Palm Springs – Friday thru Sunday



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- **SOLD OUT** – 3 people on waiting list
- Must be paid by June 21st
- Departure morning (Friday)
 - 8:00am - check-in begins at OZ Bar
 - Do not leave your car at the OZ Bar parking lot.
 - 8:00am - load supplies (no guests allowed to get on bus) - need 4 volunteers
 - 8:30am - guests allowed on bus
 - 9:00am - bus departs
- Virtual committee meeting: June 9th – 6:30pm
 - Chairpersons: **Lisa & Robert** – responsible for guest sign-ins on departure in Phoenix & Palm Springs, coordinate supplies, movie on the bus, get volunteers for bartending/serving guests on bus, key contact person for bus driver.
 - Hotel - **Rich**
 - Bus – **Morris**
 - Registrations: **Jeff**

July 26 – Bingo Cancelled (due to PS Bus trip)

- Start announcements July 5th
- Post 'Bingo Cancelled' signs on all posters July 19th
- Notify Eva to update DakBoard poster

August 1 - General Meeting – Saturday - 1:00pm – OZ Bar

- Campout Planning
- Fry's Community Awards Awareness Month
 - Household participation
 - 2024 – 29 Households
 - 2025 – 33 Households
 - 2026 – 39 Household
 - The back of our **Bingo Frequent Player Card** now includes instructions on how to sign up for this program
 - Fry's Gift Card give-away: looking for gift card donations
 - Give away at August General Meeting and every Sunday in August
- After Meeting Game: host needed | \$75 budget
 - 40 Games in library
 - **Mark L volunteered to host the game.**

August 21 – Quarterly Poker Tournament – Friday – 7:00pm – OZ Bar



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- Benefit for L.A.D.S. & Charities
- Prizes – 1st Place - \$100 & Poker medallion | 2nd Place - \$50
- \$5 suggested donation · 50/50 | Roll the Dice | Shot Specials
- Volunteers: 3 needed
- **No Volunteers spoken at this time.**
- Marketing: poster | website | tabletops | Banner | DakBoard | GayPHX.com | Facebook

Sept 18-21 – Upper Wolf Creek Campground - Friday – Monday

- Campout Cost
 - o Includes campsite, firewood, games/prizes, and morning coffee
 - o NOTE: Costs below include credit/debit card fees

	Member	Non-member
By 9/13	\$25	\$35
After 9/13	\$35	\$45
Optional T-Shirt \$20		

- Campout Fun & Games:
 - o Friday evening: volunteer needed
 - o Saturday mid-morning: volunteer needed
 - o Saturday afternoon: **Suzette and Liz volunteered to host this game.**
 - o Sunday mid-morning: Jeff
- Chairperson: **Robert** – responsible to check in guests at campout, coordinate and transport supplies, and coordinate 4 games/prizes.

Nov 21 – Giving Thanks Luncheon & Blind Art Auction

- Suggestion to hold event at OZ Bar, The Rock, & Beattitudes
- Open for discussion
- Vote on venue

Live Vote Completed.

Oz - zero votes

Rock - 16 votes

Beattitudes - zero votes

Treasurer | Scott

Financials as of 05/01/2026

- General Fund - \$3,668.23
- Charities - \$2,322.04
- Campout - \$368.25



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- Palm Springs - \$5,979.89
- Poker Run - \$139.98
- Derby - \$60.00
- Total - \$12,538.39

Monthly detailed financial report: available upon request

iPostal expires 6/30/26

Pitching in for L.A.D.S.:

- ~~No updates~~

If you shop at Fry's Foods.....

- Benefit for L.A.D.S. – no cost to join
 - **About \$65 per quarter average is donated from Fry's and this program.**
- Register Los Amigos Del Sol as your charity organization
- Instructions can be found on our website

L.A.D.S. attire for sale:

- T-shirt, tank, muscle, polo, and hoodies available
 - Prepayment required to order

Membership Dues:

- You will receive an email from GoDaddy when membership dues are due

Public Relations & Historian | Mark

Secretary | Adam

Closing | Jeff

Recap of upcoming events

Humanitarian efforts - If you are involved in any volunteer projects outside of L.A.D.S., please share with us so we can celebrate them together

Adam has volunteered 3 times at St Marys in May, multiple times at Phx Theater company, and June 5th St Vincent De Paul food services.

Lisa June 5th St Vincent De Paul food services.



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Free Drink drawing. - Tony B won!

50/50. - \$156 raised - \$76 to the winner - Tony B won!

Next General Meeting: Saturday | August 1st | OZ Bar | 1:00pm

Adjourn