



L.A.D.S. GENERAL MEETING

February 7, 2025

Venue: The Rock

PRESIDENT / JEFF

Welcome: Jeff, Suzette, Liz, Jim, Mikey G., Mike C., Tony, Rob, Brian, Mark, Joey, Loren, Gene, Rich, Morris, Josh, Kevin, Randy, Brian, James, Scott, Todd, Adam

New Member(s): Brian Finch

- 54 current members

February Birthdays: Le L, Liz A, & Matt N

Member Suggestions:

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

L.A.D.S. 2026 Membership Card

- Distributed
- Show bartender on your 1st drink

Audit Results:

- Volunteers: James C, Tony, and Gene
 - No discrepancies noted

Vote for 2025 Awards:

- **Volunteer** to hand out ballots/pencils
- Harry Hester "Member of the Year" award
 - \$100, one-year free membership and an acrylic award
- Jack Leffel "Friend of L.A.D.S." award
 - \$100 and an acrylic award
- Humanitarian Award in Memory of Char
 - \$200 and an acrylic award

Nominations accepted for 2026 Officers - Provide nomination tracking form to Secretary

- President- **Jeff was nominated by Rob**
- Vice President- **Lisa was nominated by Scott**
- Treasurer- **Scott was nominated by Gene and Mike C. nominated himself**
- Public Relations- **Mark was nominated by Lisa**
- Secretary- **Adam was nominated by Lisa**
- Historian- **Mark was nominated by Jim and Randy was nominated by Brian**

VICE PRESIDENT / BRIAN

PAST EVENTS (6)

Santa Goofed Auction

- Raised \$291



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- Thank you, Tony & Josh for auctioning gifts and to everyone who brought a gift and to those that bought a gift

January Executive Committee Meeting

TODAY'S EVENTS

After Meeting Event/Game: What Do You Know About L.A.D.S.?

- Host: Jeff – \$75 in prizes

UPCOMING EVENTS for Feb – March – April

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

- Congratulations to Michael Chalk- \$404 LADS-ball Jackpot winner
- Monthly Specials
 - Feb 8 is last Sunday for Hotdogs
 - Thru Feb 8, wear any “sports-themed” item for an extra Bingo Card
- Thank you to our January volunteers: Jeff, Lisa, Adam, Gene, Scott & Brian
- Thank you to Kevin for donation of new, large number, bingo cards
- **We need volunteers** for Bingo callers and assistance to set up/tear down
 - Bingo caller needed for;
 - March 15-
 - March 22- **Suzette**
 - March 29- **Adam and Mike**
 - April 5- **Lisa**
- Bingo Shirt update: shirt color and design finalized – sample shirt will be available in a few weeks

Every Day - Specialty Shots @ OZ Bar

- OZ Bar contribute \$1 to L.A.D.S. for every shot sold
 - Shots: *Oatmeal Cookie, Cinnamon Toast, Washington Apple, Apple Jack, B-52, & Irish Frog*
 - January contribution from OZ Bar: **\$6**

Feb 14 –Anniversary Party – Saturday – 1:00pm - Aunt Chilada’s “Garden Patio”

- Theme: Golden Anniversary
 - Evite invitations texted to all members and friends – RSVP required
 - 75 confirmed guests as of 2/7/25
- Agenda: **Cocktail hour** (1-1:30), **food buffet** (1:30-2:30), **awards & charity distribution** (2:30-3:00), **and a fun event hosted by Adam** (3:00-3:45)
 - DJ: Dwayne
 - ‘Free’ Photobooth
- \$320 in prizes for games and raffles



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- **Suzette and Liz** check guests in and distribute drink coupons & raffle chances
- **Thank You** to the Anniversary Committee: Adam, Lisa, Tony, Jeff, Mark, Corey & Brian

February 20 – Quarterly Poker Tournament – Friday – 7:00pm

- Volunteers: Brian, Lisa, Jeff, **Liz**
- Cash prizes for 1st & 2nd Place winners
- 50/50 and Roll the Dice and promote specialty shots
- Donations accepted (\$5 suggested)
- Promotion: poster | website | tabletops | Banner | Dakboard | GayPHX.com | Facebook

March 7 – Annual Meeting – Saturday - 1:00pm - OZ Bar

- 2026 Officer Elections
 - Ballots will be distributed to membership
 - 2 tellers to count ballots
 - Absentee ballots will be emailed to membership March 2nd
 - Must be returned no later than March 7th 1:00pm
- Storage Clean-up / Inventory
 - Evan & Jeff (date TBD)
- Charity nominations accepted
 - Requirement: 501(3)(c) organization
- 2026 SOS Committee:
 - What is SOS?
 - 3 volunteers needed
 - Lisa, Rob & Scott are current committee members
- Annual Financial Statement posted on website
- 2026 Campout – Sept 18-21: Planning and Theme search begins- **Campout committee will be established**
- After Meeting Event: Game - \$75 Budget (includes prizes & supplies)
 - 40 Games to choose from or create your own – list will be emailed to host
 - **We need 1 volunteer to host the game- Lisa will host**

March 15 - St Patrick's Day Bear-e-okee - Sunday – 3:30 to 7:30pm

- Hosts: Corey, Brian (member) & Paul (non-member)
- Fundraiser for L.A.D.S. Charities
- Prized for best costume
- Donations appreciated: gift cards, gift basket(s), certificates
- **We need 2 volunteers:**
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April 4 - General Meeting - Saturday - 1:00pm – OZ Bar

- Vote for 2026 Charities
 - Invite Charity Reps to speak
- Campout planning: Planning & Theme search continues
- Treasurer files 2025 taxes by April 15th
- After Meeting Event: Game - \$75 Budget (includes prizes & supplies)
 - 40 Games to choose from or create your own – list will be emailed to host
 - **We need 1 volunteer to host the game**

2026 April Executive Committee Meeting – Wednesday - Place, Date & Time TBD

April 18 - Danny Kleven Poker Run & Bar Crawl - Saturday - 1:00pm

- Fun event where we start at the host bar and visit 5 other bars. At each bar purchase one beverage and receive a poker card voucher, then return to host bar and get poker cards to determine winners, win raffle prizes, and enjoy some food.
- Chairperson: **need 1 person to coordinate event- Lisa will coordinate the volunteers and contact the bars**
 - Chairperson to contact bars to confirm participation – need information prior to March General Meeting
 - Bars asked to donate gift cards to be used as raffle prizes
 - Chairperson will also assist at the event
- Poker Run Cost \$15
 - \$7.50 goes to prize money
 - \$7.50 goes to L.A.D.S.
- Van cost: \$15 (members) & \$20 (non-member)
- Food: 6' Sub sandwich, chips, potato salad, & cookies
- **We need 9 Volunteers for:**
 - 1 volunteer needed to **coordinate food** – L.A.D.S. pays for food-**Scott**
 - 1 or 2 volunteers needed to **distribute Poker Card Vouchers** to all bar's morning of event **Randy, Joey, Loren, Gene, Morris**
 - 2 designated drivers needed to **drive vans** (\$15 poker entry waived) **Brian & Rob**
 - Drivers to pick up vans Sat morning and return them Sunday morning
 - Chairperson and 4 volunteers needed after visits to **determine poker winners**
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FUTURE EVENTS

4th Annual 'Tony Perowitz Morning Wood Derby' – Saturday - May 30 - 1:00pm

- Derby cars available for purchase
 - \$20 carved and \$15 uncarved (\$10 race entry fee included)
- Venue? We would like 1-2 volunteers to research other venues. Info needed by end of Feb. **Suzette & Adam will volunteer- Jeff will set up a Zoom call it was suggested that maybe we could have cameras and have it on the TVs at Oz**
- **Raffle tickets will be sold for door prizes donated by Mark B. and Adam**

Bus Trip – Palm Springs – July 24-26 (Friday – Sunday)

- Committee:
 - Brian – Chairperson
 - Rich – Hotel
 - Morris – Bus
- Accommodations: hotel ZOSO | Bus: CharterUP, LLC
- Cost:
 - Double Occupancy: Member - \$235 | Non-member - \$250
 - Single Occupancy: Member - \$360 | Non-member - \$375
- Includes: Round trip to Palm Springs, 2-nights hotel, and snacks & open bar to/from Palm Springs
- Registration: available March 7th – L.A.D.S. website or paper registration form

Treasurer | Scott

Financials as of 02/01/2026

- General Fund - \$3,379.42
- Charities - \$12,744.59
- Campout - \$368.25
- Anniversary Party - \$3,503.26
- Total - \$19,995.52

Monthly detailed financial report: available upon request

Donations: Ignacio and Adam donated to our charities and L.A.D.S.

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

- Register Los Amigos Del Sol as your charity organization
- Instructions can be found on our website



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- Currently we have ~35 households participating

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

- T-shirt, tank, muscle, polo, and hoodies available
 - Prepayment required to order.
 - Option to include 1st name on complimentary member shirt

Membership Dues:

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

Public Relations | Mark

Secretary | Lisa

Historian | Randy

Closing | Jeff

- **Happy 50th Anniversary**
- **Humanitarian efforts** - If you are involved in any projects outside of L.A.D.S., please share them with us so we can celebrate them together
- **Free Drink drawing:** all members who attend our General Meeting get one raffle ticket, and if you wear any L.A.D.S. shirt, get an extra raffle ticket. Today's ticket will also be good for a prize at this afternoon's game. **Rich was the winner**
- **50/50-** **Loren was the winning of \$45**

Next General Meeting: Saturday | March 4th | OZ Bar | 1:00pm

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