

# L.A.D.S

## “Happenings”



September 2023



**Welcome Campers!! Oh and the rest of you members are welcome too!!**

Happy September Amigos!

Man, is Christmas creeping up on us or what! No I'm not gonna skip Halloween and Turkey day, it just seems like this year is flying by. While September is event lite, one of the years biggest events is on tap...you guessed it CAMPOUT!! With this years Wizard of OZ theme it promises to be a good one.

**Lads Executive Board**

### Snapshot (Smile!) – September Scroll Down for More Info!

#### EVERY SUNDAY!!

Every Sunday Bingo! 1pm at Oz Bar. Win Cash and Support L.A.D.S Charities.

#### Sept. 9

General Meeting. After meeting Game w/ Andre!!

#### Sept. 12

NFL returns to Bingo! Free card with NFL apparel and Hot Dogs!

#### Sept. 15

Follow the Yellow Brick Road to Campout!! 15<sup>th</sup> thru the 18<sup>th</sup>, beware the Flying Demon Monkeys!

# Hello and Welcome!



Welcome to the September issue of L.A.D.S Happenings. Well, I think that everyone has recuperated from their Vegas hangovers and of few of you even came home winners!! Looking through the pictures I saw a lot of people having a lot of fun, especially Nicole! It had been a few years but, the Vegas trip seems to have come back in a big way. Thank you to all who participated!

Now we turn our attention to campout which is coming up fast. All the details are laid out for you in the newsletter below, so grab your sleeping bag, your best camping buddy and hit the road!

We want to thank each and every one of you for your contributions to our L.A.D.S. charities and to the overall health and vitality of our group. You are all an essential part of what we do.

Happy September, lets hope for a cooling trend!

**Corey**

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**General Meeting/After Meeting Game/After Meeting Game with Andre DuBroc!**

**Saturday Sptember 9<sup>th</sup>!**

- **General Meeting at 1:00 PM**
- **Discussion about 2023 Camp out!**
- **After Meeting Game with Andre Du Broc!!**
- **Shameless buffoonery and cheap shots provided by Tony Bartoli!**

***ALL MEMBERS AND  
NON MEMBERS  
WELCOME!***



## Bingo Goes Gridiron

### **Every Sunday During Football Season**

- Wear your NFL apparel and get a free Bingo Card!
- Free Hot Dogs!
- Watch as Angela Cotta wins every single game...
- A plethora of handsome callers!



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### September Birthdays

**Brandon Ochoa**  
**Brian Swearingen**  
**Keyth Fitzgerald**  
**Michael Martinez**



“Let us celebrate the occasion with wine and sweet words.”

-Plautus



Los Amigos Del Sol  
2023 Campout Registration Form

Wizard of OZ 'Campout'



**When:** Fri, Sept 15, 2023 – 2:00pm thru Mon, Sept 18, 2023 – 11:00am  
**Where:** Upper Wolf Creek Campground – Prescott, AZ

Early Bird Fee		Regular Fee	
By Sept. 10, 2023		After Sept. 10, 2023	
LADS Member:	\$25.00	LADS Member:	\$35.00
Non-LADS Member:	\$35.00	Non-LADS Member:	\$45.00



Cash • Credit Card • Venmo • Check Accepted (add 3% fee for credit card or venmo)

- L.A.D.S. PROVIDES**
- Private Campsite
  - Games & Prizes
  - Firewood
  - Gas Grill (2 burners) w/ Propane
  - Dishwashing supplies (water/soap/sponges)
  - Charcoal/lighter fluid
  - Coffee, condiments & Cups

- CAMPERS RESPONSIBLE TO BRING THEIR OWN**
- Tent, Trailer, or Motorhome
  - Food & Snacks
  - Beverages (Alcoholic & Non-alcoholic)
  - Water
  - Shovel/rake/broom for campsite

**One registration form per person**  
Submit payment and registration form to any LADS member or visit [www.ladsaz.org](http://www.ladsaz.org)  
Call Brian Alexander @ 602-320-0949 for more information

I agree to hold Los Amigos Del Sol harmless, not liable and not responsible, for any personal injury; that may befall me during the event referred to as Los Amigos Del Sol annual campout.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Optional T-Shirt for \$15 – Size \_\_\_\_\_

**Our theme this year is Wizard of OZ. If you want a t-shirt add \$15 to the campout fee.**  
**Forest Preserve Requirement: Dogs must be kept on a leash or confined to campsite.**

<b>Internal Use Only</b>		
Date Paid _____	Amount _____	Received by _____

# October Look Ahead Campout Survivor Party! 11AM at OZBar



- Pictures
- Food
- Games
- Prizes
- Recognitions!!

### *Financials as of August 1<sup>st</sup>*

- Charities - \$2,118.27
- Vegas – \$1,710.99
- Campout - \$289.18
- General Fund - \$4,569.87
- Total - \$8,688.13

For detailed report, please email your request to [treasurer.lads@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.lads@gmail.com).

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# 65 SEPTEMBER HOLIDAYS

1	National Cherry Popover Day	15	Make a Hat Day
2	International Bacon Day	16	American Legion Day
2	VJ Day, WWII	16	Collect Rocks Day
3	Skyscraper Day	16	Step Family Day
4	Labor Day First Monday of month	16	Mayflower Day
4	Newspaper Carrier Day	16	Mexican Independence Day
5	Be Late for Something Day	16	National Play Doh Day
5	Cheese Pizza Day	16	Working Parents Day
6	Fight Procrastination Day	17	Citizenship Day
6	Read a Book Day	17	Constitution Day
7	National Salami Day	17	National Apple Dumpling Day
7	Neither Rain nor Snow Day	17	National Women's Friendship Day
8	International Literacy Day	18	National Cheeseburger Day
8	Pardon Day	19	International Talk Like A Pirate Day
9	Teddy Bear Day	19	National Butterscotch Pudding Day
10	Grandparent's Day	20	National Pepperoni Pizza Day
10	Sewing Machine Day	20	National Punch Day
10	Swap Ideas Day	21	International Peace Day
11	911 Remembrance	21	Miniature Golf Day
11	Make Your Bed Day	21	World Gratitude Day
11	No News is Good News Day	22	Business Women's Day
12	Chocolate Milk Shake Day	22	Elephant Appreciation Day
12	National Video Games Day	22	Hobbit Day
13	Defy Superstition Day	22	Native American Day
13	Fortune Cookie Day	23	Checkers Day
13	National Peanut Day	23	Dog in Politics Day
13	Positive Thinking Day	23	Oktoberfest begins in Germany
13	Uncle Sam Day	24	National Cherries Jubilee Day
14	National Cream-Filled Donut Day	25	National Comic Book Day
		26	Johnny Appleseed Day
		27	Crush a Can Day
		28	Ask a Stupid Question Day
		28	Good Neighbor Day
		29	Confucius Day
		30	National Mud Pack Day

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Together for the Fun of It!

Remember When...



## Presidential Pardon

Musings from L.A.D.S. President Jeff Grandberg

What happens in Vegas gets talked about.....

I think everyone had a good time on the bus trip to Vegas a few weeks ago. Our trip started off with breakfast burritos donated by Skip & Scott; and they were delicious. There were lots of beverages served by Brian, Terri, Casey, and Beth, who by the way, Beth came all the way from Rocky Point to join in on the fun. Thank you, OZ Bar, for providing the liquor on the bus. On the way to Vegas we listened to music, provided by our friend Naomi. Although she was one of the 'younger' ones on the bus, she has good taste in music that everyone enjoyed. We played trivia and gave out lots of prizes. We also gave away thousands of dollars in scratcher tickets. BTW, did anybody win anything?

Congrats to Angela who won the \$100 'Early Bird' drawing. I heard she spent some of that money on Bingo at The Plaza Casino. I did not hear her brag that she won anything although I could be wrong. There was a group of us (Brian, Tony, Andre, Jeff, Donald, Angela, Beth, and I think a couple of others) that played Bingo for one hour. In the one hour of time, our table won over \$1,000. Brian was the big winner with coverall and \$750. Me and Angela were the big losers. BTW Brian, thank you for that \$10 beer. Several people went to shows, drank alcohol in an Ice Bar, and frequented gay bars.

We all got back safely and for the most part – had to go back to work to replenish our bank accounts. This trip could not have happened if not for several people who made this trip possible and enjoyable. Thank you to our 14 L.A.D.S. Members and 27 L.A.D.S. Friends who went on the trip. A Big THANK YOU to our volunteers to make this happen; Brian, Beth, Terri, Casey, Scott, Skip, Kevin, and to everyone else who helped us load supplies and unload supplies and clean the bus when we got back Sunday afternoon. And finally, to Brandon, OZ Bar Manager, *who unfortunately was unable to go*, who helped me organize this trip.

L.A.D.S President – Jeff Granberg

## Curio Corner



[Together for the Fun of It!](#)

A place to showcase the talents of our community. A place to submit photos of your art work, writing, letters to the editor. When people submit, each week I shall pick one piece to showcase. Let's show the community our creative side! Without further adieu I give you...

### **The Photography of Doug Edwards**



Doug Edwards is a resident of Phoenix, Arizona. He has worked as a professional photographer for his art, weddings and commercial photography for companies like Nordstroms. He works in color and black and white and sometimes creatively uses filtering to enhance visual creativity. For custom pieces or a to look at his portfolio you can email Doug at [up2early54@gmail.com](mailto:up2early54@gmail.com).