

# SONS of The American Legion, Detachment of Arizona - Vol 12, ISSUE 1 Feb/Mar 2021



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# **COMMANDER**

# CHUCK TREAT

# Are we there yet?

Is the pandemic winding down? I certainly hope so. We, as a Detachment have

had to cancel so

many activities or altered them to a virtual form that, State Convention and National Convention will be soooooo welcomed!

I miss the interaction of Fall Conference, Camp Out, Detachment Convention and the National meetings. I miss the gatherings when we have the opportunity to see old friends and hear what you have been doing in person.

I hope you are ready to return to "in person" meetings — I know I am!

What I have learned this last year is that with the obstacles placed in front of many of our Squadrons, "You Can't Keep a Good Son Down"!

While the pandemic created obstacles, many of you showed the resourcefulness to adapt and move around those obstacles. Our fellow members back East still give a good laugh at "Parking Lot Bingo."

"Honk your horn and flash your headlights if you are a winner" always gets a good laugh at the ways we have managed to keep our membership up...and to find new needs and to address those needs. In many cases, the Post Family has become stronger — and more cohesive. We found some of our best qualities were hidden and you (members & Squadrons) shined when it was needed and we were able to make a difference.

# Nicely done Arizona!

If you are a little bashful... then I will honk a horn in salute to your winning ways. Many of you have worked the problem and made things better for your Squadron, your Post home and the Detachment.

Now if you are like me, I am restless and anxious to see everyone at the State Convention in Mesa this June. It is overdue and I hope to see you there.

On April 17th, the Detachment will have a "Virtual" Camp Out meeting as per the Call Letters that were mailed out this month (March). We will conduct regular meetings via conference call and I hope to retire that Conference Call phone number soon!

Please submit your candidate nomination letter & form to Detachment Judge Advocate Brad Heck and Detachment Adjutant Jeff Frain before the Camp Out's virtual meeting date.

This next week is the Northern Run in Area C for the Department Legion, Auxiliary, and Detachment. The Legion National Vice Commander will be traveling with the state officers this year, and we look forward to making up for the lost opportunities faced last year.

Following in May, we will have another "Northeastern Run" for the Squadrons in Area C East of Overgaard and North of the Rim. Let us know if your Squadron is interested in a Detachment visitation in

The Delta Hotel by Marriott in Mesa is accepting reservations for the annual Department/Detachment Convention. Please complete the separate Detachment Convention Registration form for those from your Squadron that will be attending.

Last year there was a severe drop in the submittals of the Consolidated Squadron Reports. Please note the form is a fillable PDF starting this year with squadrons completing it on computer and filing with National HQ. The deadline is June 15th for the form to be completed with your Squadrons accomplishments for the June 2020 to May 2021 period. Please include the Detachment Adjutant when you email the form to National.

Until the next Blue Cap News -Thank you for your continuing service to our projects, Veterans and each other.

For God and Country,

Chuck Treat, Detachment Commander 2019-2021

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# Just an old Dinosaur...

The Son's of the American Legion, Detachment of Arizona, Squadron 87 is the first to report a new group added to our Legion Family — Dinosaurs. **They are everywhere at the post.** 

*It all started when a "younger" member* mentioned that this post had nothing but dinosaurs. Members realized this youngster's words were absolutely true.

These enlighten members decided to form a new group, The Dinosaurs and the Post Commander leads this group.

While their by-laws are still being created, I have obtained exclusive information about the group.

Membership acceptance is voted on a membership meeting with a majority vote.

You must have attained at least seventy revolutions around the sun to be a senior Member and receive your membership status and card.



The Senior Dinosaur Membership Card

If you have less than seventy revolutions, you may qualify for another membership class such as:

Dinosaur In Training: A DIT is accepted as a member but has not obtained the required revolutions.

Junior Dinosaur In Training: JDIT, A title given to someone who just doesn't get it.....yet. The Dinosaurs and DITs will be ever hopeful someday they will see the power, knowledge, comradery, dedication, and humor this group values.

I have been informed that their membership cards are still being created.

# Some of the accomplishments the Dinosaurs have made to date:

1. Fundraising for a TV to donate to Joshua Springs Memory Care Unit. The unit's coordinator is a member, and she was telling us of the only TV she has for her residents was of extremely poor viewing quality. Herself and the residents are in lockdown and isolated due to COVID-19 and did not have access to other areas of the facility.

A DIT and also a Sons member, donated a nearly new 55" TV.

Initially members were giving out toy dinosaurs for donations and have nearly collected \$200!

Those funds are going to be used to purchase items for the residents that are not supplied to them. The toy dino fundraiser will be continuing.



How often do you see this at your Post?

# Just an old Dinosaur...continued



- 2. All Dinos want to do is have fun! It is amazing how coordinated and vocal they are! Click here to see and hear one sing! Dinosaurs can sing and cut a rug!
- 3. Dino's with be soon marked with a tattoo to identify themselves to all members and non-members. Tattoos are in the works for our DITs and JDITs.
- 4. Remember the fundraiser from above where patrons donated and received their personal dinosaur. Well, now they are all over the post, to remind ALL who enter that Dinosaurs that inhabit our Post.



Singing out to raise funds and have fun! Membership Drive: Looking for Future Senior Dino Squad Members and D.I.T.'s (Dinosaurs In Training – those with less than 70 revolutions around the sun)

Remember, we are
The American Legion Family
and a priority is to support each other.

Respectfully submitted....Ray Williams, Squadron 87 Bullhead City Adjutant



# AREA A - VICE COMMANDER MARK LAMBERTON

Greetings from Area A

Well, we have left 2020 behind and no doubt everyone is looking forward to a better 2021. We still have some Posts that are closed, some that are open, but their kitchens are closed and some that are open with reduced hours. All these factors affect Squadrons across the Nation and have challenged us to become more creative and/or innovative. One Squadron Commander determined to meet membership goals did a mailout to his Squadron with a return envelope (quite successful). We are all getting used to zoom calls, conference calls etc. (not necessarily liking them) and are looking forward to meeting in person again hopefully soon.

Our programs and organizations that we support continue to operate (in many cases with increased need). Reach out to your contacts and see if there is anything specific your Squadron can help them with.

These are challenging times; they will appreciate it.

"Let your unique awesomeness and positive energy inspire confidence in others".

Mark Lamberton

Sons of the American Legion Detachment of Arizona Area A Vice Commander



On March 20, 2021, Squadron 68 Tommy Morrow and other Squadron members along with RWB and local Masonic Lodge participated with a food distribution joint project with VFW Post 10015 and American Legion Post 68.



As my squadron commander at 91 would say "Howdy Area B". I am so proud to be a member of detachment of Arizona. The hard work and dedication from you all is so awesome and because of that we hit our 80% membership goal requested by national. I like to give a shout out to Squadron 58 from Fountain Hills with 100.9% membership, Squadron 62 from Peoria with 92% membership, Squadron 105 from Phoenix with 90.8% membership, Squadron 61 from Avondale with 89.8% membership, Squadron 27 from Apache Junction with 82.3% membership, Squadron 91 from Chandler with 82% membership and Squadron 39 from Gilbert with 80.9% membership. I like to thank Squadron 46 in Bouse for the invitation to their 25 year anniversary to the Camp Bouse Dedication. Camp Bouse was the second highest secret security program of World War II that General Patton put together. 10,000 solders, scientist and engineers were assigned there and could not leave. It was a great event and the stories they told were fantastic. If you never been, I highly recommend it. It is an amazing part of Arizona and American history. Area B if you are having an event at your post and you would like me to attend, please send me an email at potato480@live.com. Thanks for all you do and keep up the great work.



For God and County, Dan Ashley, Area Vice B Commander.

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# AREA C - VICE CMDR. MIKE BRYANT

Hello fellow Blue Cappers of 'Area C.'

National SAL Membership notified the Detachment of Arizona on March 11, 2021 that Arizona was one of twenty-five Detachments to meet or exceed the March Membership Goal of 80%. Thank you to all Area C Squadrons for helping the Detachment to achieve this Benchmark. Membership is the backbone of our great organization. Outstanding work gentlemen!!!

The shining stars of 'Area C' for March that helped us exceed the goal were:

#1- Sq 90, Black Canyon City - 230.8%

#2- Sq 140, Prescott Valley, - 140.0%

#3- Sq 14, Kingman – 110.8%

#4- Sq 22, Golden Valley - 110.7%

#5- Sq 37, Holbrook – 102.7%

#6- IS A TIE: Sq 42, Grand Canyon AND Sq 88 Dolan Springs – 100.0%

#8- Sq 78, Humboldt-Dewey - 99.0%

#9- Sq 81, Lake Havasu City - 93.8%

#10- Sq 40, Chino Valley - 91.8%

#11- Sq 6, Prescott - 91.7%

#12- Sq 13, Williams - 86.4%

#13- Sq 25, Cottonwood – 85.0%

#14- Sq 86, Heber-Overgaard - 84.2%

Brothers... Now is CRUNCH time!

Our next Membership Goal is April 14, 2021 which is 90% and all paper transmittals must be in by April 9, 2021.

The remaining nine Squadrons of Area C, I am fully aware you are working very hard on your membership. Area C came in at 83.56% — so Great Work Gentleman — you should be proud of your efforts.

In Area C we have 175 new members + or – but we also have 331 + or – members that we have failed to renew. As you can see, even under these trying times we are still recruiting new members so reach out to each and every member by any means possible and help them to renew.

Our state is slowly easing restrictions. Vaccines are available in greater and greater numbers daily. Everyone remains vigilant and above all when the vaccine becomes available to you, please get vaccinated. We are starting to see more Posts in Arizona opening and resuming meetings. I am receiving flyers and notifications from Squadrons who are planning upcoming events and fundraisers, and this is great news.

If you get these event notifications into me, or directly to BlueCap-News@aol.com, we will make every effort to publish them in the Blue Cap News print and email editions.

Mike Bryant

Detachment Vice Commander, Area C

602-463-1828 / email; bryantmikesal86@gmail.com

# **Detachment Chaplain - Tim Abrahamson**

Stressed? Anxious? Sick? Worried about Covid? Burned out? Don't like your job?

My granny would say "Suck it up! You can't get the rainbow without the rain!"

It's easy to complain and focus on the bad parts but it's important to remember the

Irish proverb, "Everything will be alright in the end…lf it's not Alright – it's not the End."

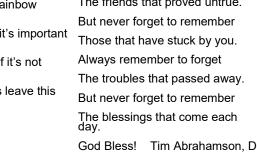
For those of us that have had friends and loved ones leave this world recently:

Always remember to forget

The things that made you sad.

But never forget to remember The things that made you glad. Always remember to forget The friends that proved untrue. But never forget to remember

God Bless! Tim Abrahamson, Detachment Chaplain





# **Detachment Judge Advocate - Bradley Heck**

Great News; Our Constitution and Bylaws Committee headed by Matt Griffis is putting final touches to the "Updated" Constitution, Bylaws, and newly created Standing Rules. Some of our needed changes were discovered due to "The Year From Hell", so the Committee has been working hard on making those needed changes and also make updates to clarify some of the problems from the past. Matt's Committee of Ed Cleary, Greg Mekula, Mike Bryant, and Bradley Heck have been working hard on this project.

**Bradley Heck** 

c) 602-679-2723

# **NEC Report 12-10-2020**

# **Greetings SONS!**

..coming soon to a Squadron near you - NORMALCY

..under Executive Order 2021-06 Governor Doug Ducey has further lifted some coronavirus restrictions around our state as more people get vaccinated and case numbers continue to trend downward. On March 24, 2021, Gov. Ducey announced that due to reaching health benchmarks:

Events of more than 50 people will no longer need approval of local governments. Events should follow safe practices and CDC recommendations.

Business guidance's will transition from requirements to recommendations.

Restaurants can resume "normal operations."

Local mask mandates will be phased out.

Doesn't mean we are out of the woods yet, so use some common sense and beware of your environment and surroundings.

National would like more emphases on membership renewals, use of updated on-line forms and encouraging more Squadrons to turn in a **Annual Squadron Data Report – SDR (new form) – due May 1, 2021** 

# NEW S.D.R. FORM 2021

This is a new form SAL squadrons will be required to complete and submit each year. The new SDR serves two purposes:

- 1) It is a catalyst that will enable individual membership online renewals on mysal.org. Provided the member's squadron submits an SDR, those members will be able to renew their membership online starting in the 2022 membership year (July 2021). Upon completing the SDR, adjutants are required to send a copy to their detachment and national headquarters. Once national receives your SDR, your squadron per capita is recorded and will enable those squadron members the ability to renew their membership online. Squadrons that do not submit an SDR will not have member renewal capabilities until their form is submitted and recorded
- 2) After the first year, submitting an annual Squadron Data Report (SDR) will keep your per capita up to date and give your members the ability to renew their membership online. The SDR does have an annual due date of April 15th, but that will not start until 2022. The SDR is new. I understand it will take some time to trickle down to each of your squadrons to complete and return it. SDRs for 2021 will be due May 15, 2021. Currently, our operations center is in the final stages of a major software upgrade that will be available after April 1st. Between now and then, forward the attached SDR to all your squadrons and emphasize the importance of completing the SDR and the shortfalls if they do not.

Consolidated Squadron Report - CSR (revised) due 3rd Friday of July. This year it is due July 16, 2021

The CSR was recently revised to make it easier to complete and can be submitted online for free or sent via USPS for the cost of stamps and a slow process. Over the years, CSR reporting has been less than desired. Every squadron, district, and detachment must make every effort to complete their CSR; it justifies our existence. In comparison, posts complete the Consolidated Post Report (CPR), the CSR equivalent. Post CPR reporting year over year is over 70%. The SAL CSR reporting year over year is far below half of that percentage. You will notice the CSR was also converted to an online format versus printing because the return rate of paper CSRs did not justify the cost of printing them. Last year, only 800 paper forms were returned out of 6,400 sent out.

The SDR and CSR forms can be found on our Detachment of Arizona website at www.azsal.org or at www.legion.org/publications (under Internal Affairs tab), www.legion.org/sons/publications, and www.legion.org/sons/adjutants. Access and submission via mysal.org will not be available until after April 1, 2021when the new mysal.org will be live.

Please reach out to me if I can be of help to you, MattGriffis.AZSAL@gmail.com

Matt Griffis / AZ NEC

520-289-5113

DETACHMENT CONFERENCE CALL
2ND TUESDAY'S @ 7 PM
PH# 508-924-3315 - NO CODE



# NEW-S.D.R. FORM 2021

# ANNUAL SQUADRON DATA REPORT (SDR)

20 \_ Membership Year

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# IMPORTANT NOTICE

Complete and return this form to your Detachment and National Headquarters no later than April 15th. Failure to meet this deadline may prohibit your members from renewing their membership online through mysal organd cause Renewal Notices to be mailed with incorrect information.

# 2021 Department Convention is a GO!

The American Legion - Department of Arizona Convention Hotel Information Department of Arizona 2020 Department CONVENTION runs from Thursday, June 24 to Sunday 27, 2021 at Delta Hotels by Marriott Phoenix Mesa 200 N Centennial Way, Mesa, AZ 85201.

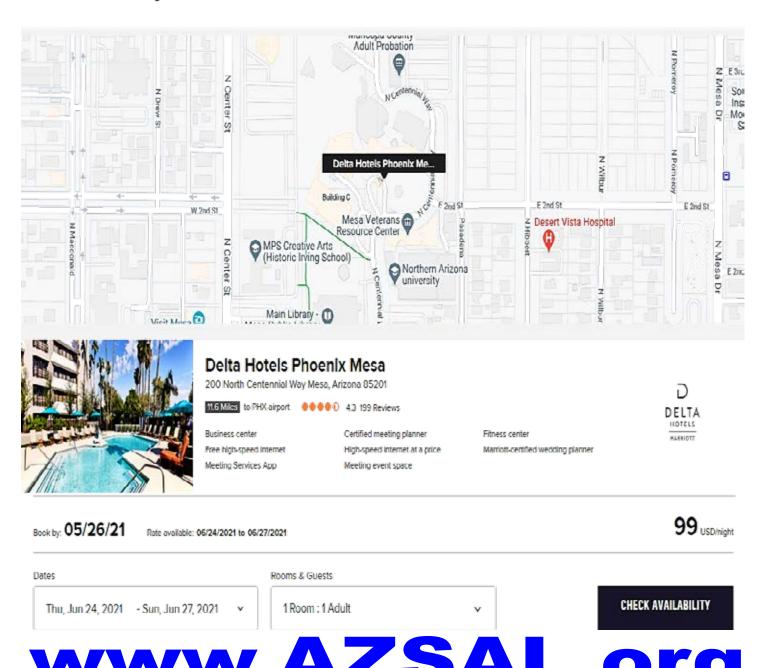
The rate offered is; \$99.00 USD per night plus tax Last Day to Book: Tuesday, May 26, 2021 or when sold out. REMINDER: CONVENTION runs from Thursday, June 24 to Sunday 27, 2021.

If unable to connect internet you may call 480-464-5026 Mention American Legion Group rate. You will be emailed a fillable form to send back to hotel with Credit Card information. They are not able to take credit card information over the phone.

Or copy/paste into your browser... https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1613675505959&key=GRP&app=resvlink

You will be emailed a fillable form to send back to hotel with Credit Card information.

# The American Legion



Please do not use old forms. Note new at the door Registration increase



# AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA CONVENTION JUNE 24-27 2021

# S.A.L. PRE-REGISTRATION - \$10.00 REMINDER: AT CONVENTION - \$20.00

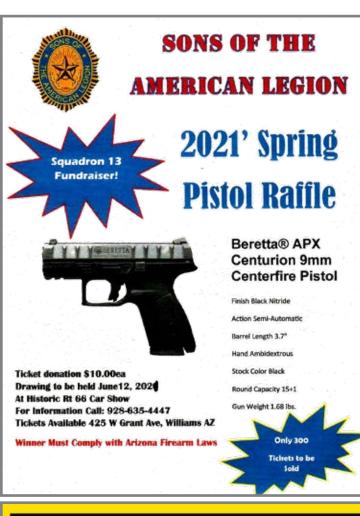
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# PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE JUNE 4, 2021 PLEASE DO NOT MIX LEGION WITH SAL NO REFUNDS OR SUBSTITUTIONS



# AMERICAN LEGION POST 13 MOTORCYCLE RAFFLE

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Drawing to be Held June 12, 2021 At Historic Route 66 Car Show

Tickets Available at 425 W Grant Avenue, Williams AZ 86046 928-635-4447

> Donation \$20.00 per ticket All proceeds to benefit Veteran Services

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY









Space is limited







Loyalty Day is observed on May 1 in the United States. It is a day set aside "for the reaffirmation of loyalty to the United States and for the recognition of the heritage of American freedom".

Prescott Valley American Legion Post 140 in cooperation with Little Dealer Little Prices of Prescott Valley proudly bring you POST 140 LOYALTY DAY CELEBRATION 2021.

This will be a family event, with food, fun and entertainment on May 1st 2021 at 7:00pm till the fun ends (approximately 10-11pm).

We will have games for the kids, live entertainment, door prizes, raffles, silent auction and MORE!!!

Tickets will be available for a donation to Post 140 at \$10.00 each. Food, door prizes and live entertainment will be included in the ticket donation.

More information coming soon! We look forward to seeing you there.

# **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

# JOE ROBERTS

Hello Arizona blue cappers,

I hope this issue of the Blue Cap News finds you all well and healthy. It seems like a lifetime ago that we all gathered together for a conference or convention. I truly hope that streak of absence comes to an end this year. We have always been a very social organization and we feed on that and become energized when we gather. That said, you are all doing an outstanding job in membership as we face these challenges!

Kudos to all of you for achieving our latest National target of 80%. Fantastic job!! Even with all of the restrictions we are facing, you have all stepped up and done what is necessary to reach our goals. Coming soon are targets for 90% and 100%. Let's all keep pushing to hit that 100% mark before Detachment Convention. If we all do our part, we can do this together.

And speaking of working together for a common goal, I want to make a challenge to all of you. The Sons of The American Legion is very much a team organization. It takes all of us to truly succeed. We

have to support one another and do our part for the benefit of the team. If you can do something to help out your Area Vice Commander, do it! If a squadron is struggling and you can visit that squadron to show support, do it! Sometimes all it takes is a show of unity between squadrons to help get them over the top. We have lots of experienced, inspired squadron officers out there that could bring something to the table when another squadron needs help. Let's all help one another.

Finally, I want to remind and encourage all of you to take advantage of mysal.org to process your membership. It is such a valuable tool to simplify and speed up the membership process and this will likely end up being the only way to process membership eventually. Better to get on board now and know what to do, than wait and be forced to learn it in a hurry. As always, thank you for all you do to make this organization successful. Until next time...

Joe Roberts, Detachment Membership Director, Arizona



# **Bob Hath**

Hello Blue Cappers,

I know this past year has been a trying time for all of us, but I think there is finally light at the end of the proverbial tunnel. I know many posts and squadrons are getting creative by social distancing, wearing face covers and still be able to raise funds to support their home post and community. We do not want your hard and creative work to go unnoticed. The Detachment of Arizona wants to recognize those individuals and squadrons with the Son of the Year Award, the Richard Kepler Award, and the James Ashley Memorial Award.

The Son of the Year Award is presented annually to a Son (or in some cases more than one) for their outstanding contribution to their post or squadron. The individual must be in good standing and have at least 2 consecutive years with their post and squadron.

2020). The amount is then prorated based on the squadron's membership totals 6/30/2020.

least 2 consecutive years with their post and squadron.

The Richard Kepler Award is named for Past National Commander Richard Kepler who served our organization in 1979. The award is given to the squadron who has contributed the most monies to their community in a calendar year (January 1 – December 31,

The James Ashley Memorial Award named for his outstanding efforts to raise funds for CWF and other worthwhile causes. Jim served our organization as a Detachment Commander.

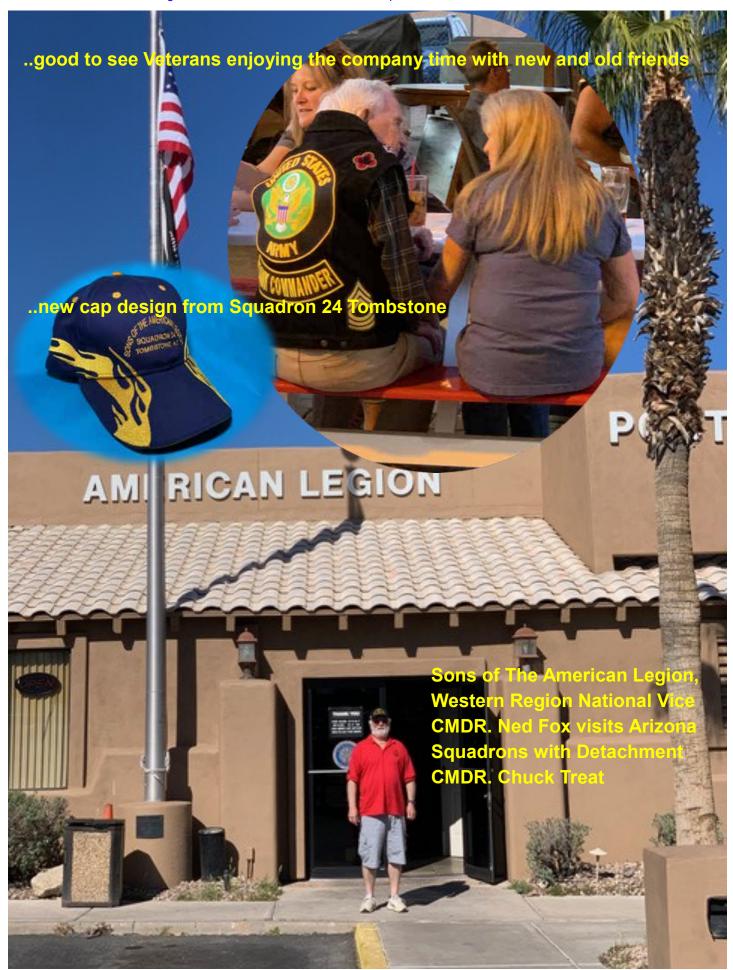
Over the years the number of applicants has been few. Without your help we cannot recognize those Sons who work hard and have dedicated their time to the organization.

The award applications will be found on www.azsal.org. The deadline for all these awards is May 16, 2021 with the hope to present the 2020 recipients as well as the 2019 recipients at this years' state Convention in June. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

PDC Bob Hath, Awards & Trophy Chairman, 480-650-1445







# VA&R and VAVS Reporting By Joe Miller

Credit: Latest Blog from U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs Vantage Point Source- Dr. Richard A. Stone MD

No matter how you measure it, VA has dramatically improved access to health care for Veterans. The total amount of care delivered is up. Since VA implemented the MISSION Act in June 2019, the number of visits with providers in VA's community care network is up. Veteran satisfaction is up. And average wait times for VA care are well under MISSION Act eligibility standards for community care in every category.

VA's front-line staff – physicians, nurses, schedulers, administrative teams, janitors and food service personnel – have been incredible during the COVID-19 pandemic. They have carefully balanced the need to provide Veterans with health care while keeping them as safe as possible.

Here are the facts: VA medical centers never closed, dedicated staff across the nation keep showing up to work every day, and requests for time off among VA staff is at record lows. Veteran trust in VA health care reached all-time highs of over 90% during the pandemic and the willingness of Veterans of all demographics to get the COVID-19 vaccine is a real example of that trust in action.

# Safety first

While taking proactive steps to avoid unnecessary face-to-face appointments, VA completed more than 66 million Veteran visits, including face-to-face, telephone and video visits.

VA's proactive decision to postpone elective procedures and cancel routine in-person appointments saved Veterans' lives. VA was an early adopter and pioneer in the area of telehealth and quickly ramped up the use of virtual care, primarily video and phone visits. VA's use of video visits increased by more than 1,700% within fiscal year 2020 – growing to an excess of 160,000 video visits each week.

For Veterans with urgent care needs, we (the VA) continue to provide that care in a timely manner – an average of 1.1 days for an urgent referral within VA and 1.4 days for an urgent referral to a community provider. Our emergency departments remain open and staffed for Veterans who need emergent care. Veterans also have the option to use the emergency department in their community when that's their best or nearest option.

# **Transparent access**

Some critics want you to believe that VA isn't measuring and reporting wait times or providing Veterans with a choice to receive care through our network of community care providers. That just isn't true. Unlike any other U.S. health care system, VA posts wait time information for its locations of care for anyone to see. You can go to www.accesstocare.va.gov and search by facility, town or zip code to see exactly how long Veterans have waited for similar appointments. This transparency helps Veterans and their caregivers make educated decisions about their care.

Veterans receiving care within VA facilities who have established relationships with their provider wait an average of 4.3 days for primary care; 3.3 days for mental health care appointments and 11.7 days for specialty care. For new patients seeking an appointment with a new provider or for a new issue within a VA facility, average wait times are 15.3 days for primary care, 10.3 days for mental health and 20.4 days for specialty care.

When VA doesn't provide a service or Veterans choose to wait because they don't want a telephone or telehealth visit, Veterans have the option to use VA's community care network.

# Actively engaged

We have all been impacted and inconvenienced by the pandemic. At VA, we have worked tirelessly to keep our Veterans and staff safe. That has been, and continues to be, the highest priority from the day we first heard of the virus.



For care in VA, whether Veterans cancel their own appointments or VA cancels the appointment for safety reasons, VA carefully reviews each cancellation to ensure Veterans who need care receive it. VA has reviewed more than 96% of all appointments canceled since January 2020, ensuring that those canceled appointments from early in the pandemic were reviewed first. VA wants to make sure that Veterans have the opportunity for an inperson appointment, had a telehealth visit or no longer need care.

VA has already provided at least one vaccine to nearly 2 million Veterans and staff. In all, VA has administered more than 3.2 million doses to Veterans, employees and Federal partners.

The first groups vaccinated included older and the most vulnerable Veterans. As supply continues to grow, many VA locations have begun vaccinating younger Veterans. VA has been communicating with Veterans throughout the pandemic, using phones, direct mail, secure email and text messaging. To make vaccine scheduling more convenient, VA recently began offering Veterans a text messaging option to schedule appointments.

VA will meet the needs of Veterans who deferred their care during the pandemic and are now ready. Part of this preparation includes referral coordination teams at each facility. They will coordinate care when a provider refers a Veteran for care with a specialist, either in VA or in the community. These teams will ensure Veterans are informed of their options for care, including face-to-face, video and phone, and then get their appointment scheduled quickly.

As VA prepares for life after COVID-19, our objective remains unchanged – to provide the highest-quality care for Veterans when and where they need it.

Veterans have more options for health care today than at any time in history and most continue to choose to receive their care in VA.

On a Side note: I want to Call attention to The C.H.A.M.P. Group, here in Arizona, for their Quick Response to the Southern Arizona Veteran Health Care Services request for some basic needs during their recent Covid-19 Inoculation Drive. Their response was quick with Water and Snacks delivered to be available to those involved in the recent and continuing activity in Tucson, Arizona. Thank you.

For God & Country Joe Miller VAVS Rep Southern AZ & VA&R Reporter



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# Detachment of Arizona

# S.A.L. Permanent Member Plan Application

All Information in this Section should be identical to the information on your membership card. Please Print Legibly — Incomplete forms will not be processed and delay enrollment.

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Total PMP Enrollment Fees

By signing below and paying the necessary dues and fees, I agree to the terms of the Detachment of Arizona Permanent Member Plan listed below:

- There will be no refund, at any time, for any reason.
- 2. You may transfer your membership to any permanently chartered Squadron within the Detachment of Arizona. A signed Member Data Form with cover letter must be submitted, along with a non-refundable \$5.00 fee.
- there will be NO refund. You will then be responsible for paying your dues annually to the Squadron and Detachment gaining 3. If you choose to transfer to a Squadron outside of the Detachment of Arizona, this agreement becomes null and void and
- 4. Should you transfer your membership back to the Detachment of Arizona, you will again be responsible for paying your annual dues, unless you choose to pay the full price again for Permanent Membership.

# Permanent Membership Plan



Areas in Yellow are often missed and PMP Application is rejected for failing to follow the specifics of the PMP plan. Please ask if you are not certain you are completing the form as required.

Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Arizona 4701 North 19 Avenue, Suite 200 Phoenix, AZ 85015-3799

# **The Nickname:** "Permanent Membership Plan" **or** "PMP" **The Official Name is:** "S.A.L. Permanent Member Plan"

This Pamphlet is designed to give you an overview of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Arizona's Permanent Membership Plan. This plan is similar in nature to the American Legion's Paid Up For Life (*PUFL*) program, with a few differences.

The PMP program is not run or administered by the Sons of The American Legion National Organization. It is run solely by the Detachment of Arizona. Also, the amount due is not determined by your age, but rather by a set calculation involving your Squadron dues.

Please read through all of the information to understand how the program is administered and how it works.

# SAL Permanent Member Plan Details

# One

Permanent Membership shall be issued by the Detachment of Arizona only and supervised by a Permanent Membership Committee. The Committee shall consist of at least (5) voting members. The Detachment Adjutant, Detachment Finance Officer and Detachment Membership Chairman are automatic appointments. Detachment Liaisons to the Sons of The American shall be ex-officio members of the committee without a vote. The Detachment Commander shall appoint the two remaining members of the Committee. The Committee shall elect amongst themselves a Committee Chairman.

## Two

Permanent Membership shall only be sold through permanently chartered Squadrons of the Detachment of Arizona. No memberships will be sold directly to individuals. Each *PMP* application will have a separate check issued by the Squadron payable to "S.A.L. Permanent Member Plan."

### Three

To qualify for Permanent Membership, a member must be in good standing with his Squadron, paid current Detachment and National Dues and possess a Sons of The American Legion membership number at the time his enrollment is issued.

### Four

Squadrons will remit to the Detachment the entire amount for permanent membership, payable to the "S.A.L. Permanent Member Plan," according to the following formula:

(Squadron dues x 18.5) +\$40.00 = Total Amount Due

For calculation purposes, the amount of Squadron Dues shall be the amount a senior or highest annual dues paid to the Squadron, with no discount given for "junior" or "dual" members. A receipt for the application and payment shall be mailed to both the member and the Squadron.

# **Five**

All Applications are to be made in triplicate. Upon completion and signing, the original is filed at Detachment Headquarters, the duplicate is returned to the Squadron and the triplicate is mailed to the enrolled Permanent Member.

### Six

Detachment Headquarters will issue the regulation membership card at the beginning of each year, or on a date established by the Committee.

# Seven

Annual Squadron Dues exceeding the Detachment and National per Capita shall be credited to the Squadron at the beginning of the membership year or on a schedule that is reduced by 5% each year. Therefore, at the end of 20 years, the Squadron will no longer receive a credit of excess dues.

# PMP Sample Chart of Dues & Fees

Squadron Dues	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$30.00
PMP Calculation Base (18.5)	370.00	462.50	555.00
Detachment Admin. Fee	+ 40.00	+ 40.00	+ 40.00
Total PMP	\$410.00	\$502.50	\$595.00

# Eight

Refunds are not made for any reason, even upon death of the member and even if the death occurs one day after the purchase of the "S.A.L. Permanent Member Plan."

## Nine

Because the Permanent Membership Plan is a contract between the member and the Detachment of Arizona, it is not transferrable outside of the Detachment of Arizona and such transfer of membership outside of the Detachment of Arizona will render the Permanent Membership Plan null and void with zero residual value.

However, transfers within the Detachment of Arizona are permitted. Permanent Member transfer requests to another Squadron within Arizona shall be made in writing directly to the Detachment Adjutant (a letter, separate of the member data form normally used for transfers), to the Permanent Membership Committee.

Transfer of membership from your current Squadron to a new Squadron of record and PMP transfers are two separate processes that occur simultaneously; *both* must be completed to fully complete the transfer of:

A Your membership of record with national, and

**B** Payment of dues by Detachment via the Permanent Member Plan. A signed Member Data Form by the member and the gaining Squadron shall serve as written notice when accompanied with a short & simple cover letter to the PMP Committee.

- All transfer requests shall include a nonrefundable fee of \$5.00 payable to the S.A.L. Permanent Member Plan.
- Upon approval of transfer, only the amount of the excess dues shall be paid to the gaining Squadron. The gaining Squadron will not be entitled to any reimbursement until the transferring member is reported on the National Membership Roster and the next membership year processing of cards is completed.
- A signed Member Data Form by the gaining Squadron will serve as acceptance of the Permanent Member. Gaining Squadrons will attach to the Member Data Form a letter of notice from the member authorizing the change of Squadron in the PMP records.

The Detachment Adjutant will attach a copy of the letter to the losing Squadron's copy of the Member Data Form as official notice the transfer is in process for a Permanent Member Plan enrollee.

### Ten

A Squadron can vote to bestow an "Honorary" Permanent Membership by either following the same procedure as regular Permanent Member Plan (PMP Plan) or use the traditional method where the Squadron follows the National Legion procedures (must adhere to both Legion and SAL National and Department processes) where the Squadron chooses to pay the Detachment and National per capita amounts for the life of the member through a regular Squadron and subsequently a Post binding motion.

An "honorary" membership issued by a Squadron through the PMP plan is transferable to other accepting Squadrons. The Honoree is not obligated to repay any amounts to the losing Squadron for transfer.

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# **GI Josh Update**

# **TOM LUCAS**

Josh Dog Chairman Thomas W. Lucas II

We have approximately 700+ Josh Kits in stock. We hope to go back to attending the Yellow Ribbon Deployments for our deploying troops and their families.

We will keep everyone informed when we return to these "inperson" events. We hope you will join us then

Thomas W. Lucas II, SALazCMDR1819@aol.com GI Josh Chairman, 2019-2021



# **Commander Ken's Homecoming**

Saturday May 22, 2021 4:30-6:00 PM Cocktails/Presentations Dinner — 6:00 PM

> Apache Post 27 1018 S. Meridian Rd Mesa, AZ 85120

Seating Limited to first 120 - RSVP No Later Than May 10th, 2021 Choice of Meals - \$15.00



Roast Beef Mashed Potatoes and Green Beans



Salmon Mashed Potatoes and Green Beans

Meal includes dinner salad & roll. Dessert provided by the American Legion Auxiliary

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Please	e Select Your Meal(s): qty Roast Beef Dinner dty Salmon Dinner Make selection	- - 1S
	nner Ticket \$15.00 @ total qty. Total Amount Due: \$0	
	Please make checks payable to Cindy Queen.  Mail to: Cindy Queen	
	4718 S. Adelle Circle Mesa, AZ 85212	



Brats on the Patio Saturday, April 24th 5:00pm to 7:00pm

And...



Chicken and Ribbs, Mmm Good!
Saturday, May 1st
5:00pm to 7:00pm



(602) 538-6523 Squadron 29 Glendale Earl E Mitchell Legion Post 29 6822 N 57 Dr, Glendale

**Arizona** 

2021 Membership Goals at each Benchmark

				As of 17 N	larch 2021		Next							
District	Area	City	Squadron	17 March	17 Mar 2021 2021 % of Goal	100% Goal for 2021 Membership	Shipping 9 Apr 14 Apr 2021 90% Goal	Shipping 7 May 12 May 2021 100% Goal	Shipping 21 Jul 28 Jul 2021 105% Goal					
11	Α	Phoenix	Sqd 1	101	45.91%	220	198	220	231					
12	Α	Tempe	Sqd 2	48	81.36%	59	53	59	62					
7	С	Flagstaff	Sqd 3	53	76.81%	69	62	69	72					
5	Α	Globe	Sqd 4	51	100.00%	51	46	51	54					
11	Α	Phoenix	Sqd 5	78	116.42%	67	60	67	70					
8	С	Prescott	Sqd 6	121	91.67%	132	119	132	139					
2	Α	Tucson	Sqd 7	24	60.00%	40	36	40	42					
4	Α	Florence	Sqd 9	77	120.31%	64	58	64	67					
3	Α	Douglas	Sqd 11	63	72.41%	87	78	87	91					
11	В	Wickenburg	Sqd 12	105	72.92%	144	130	144	151					
7	С	Williams	Sqd 13	19	86.36%	22	20	22	23					
7	С	Kingman	Sqd 14	41	110.81%	37	33	37	39					
6	С	Winslow	Sqd 15	14	38.89%	36	32	36	38					
1	В	Yuma	Sqd 19	65	74.71%	87	78	87	91					
7	С	Golden Valley	Sqd 22	73	110.61%	66	59	66	69					
3	Α	Tombstone	Sqd 24	174	92.55%	188	169	188	197					
8	С	Cottonwood	Sqd 25	85	85.00%	100	90	100	105					
12	В	Mesa	Sqd 26	75	76.53%	98	88	98	103					
12	В	Apache Junction	Sqd 27	623	82.30%	757	681	757	795					
5	Α	Morenci	Sqd 28	34	94.44%	36	32	36	38					
11	В	Glendale	Sqd 29	95	70.37%	135	122	135	142					
6	С	Springerville	Sqd 30	22	<b>22</b> 59.46% 37 <b>33</b>		33	37	39					
5	Α	Safford	Sqd 32	73	87.95%	83	75	83	87					
12	В	Cave Creek	Sqd 34	203	73.82%	275	248	275	289					
12	В	Chandler	Sqd 35	131	77.51%	169	152	169	177					
2	Α	Tucson	Sqd 36	150	78.95%	190	171	190	200					
6	С	Holbrook	Sqd 37	38	102.70%	37	33	37	39					
12	В	Gilbert	Sqd 39	301	83.38%	361	325	361	379					
8	С	Chino Valley	Sqd 40	56	91.80%	61	55	61	64					
12	В	Phoenix	Sqd 41	106	69.28%	153	138	153	161					
7	С	Grand Canyon	Sqd 42	33	100.00%	33	30	33	35					
12	В	Scottsdale	Sqd 44	96	74.42%	129	116	129	135					
1	В	Bouse	Sqd 46	11	64.71%	17	15	17	18					
2	А	Sierra Vista	Sqd 52	48	67.61%	71	64	71	75					
4	А	Coolidge	Sqd 54	30	78.95%	38	34	38	40					
7	С	Ash Fork	Sqd 57	6	26.09%	23	21	23	24					
12	В	Fountain Hills	Sqd 58	241	102.99%	234	211	234	246					
2	Α	Tucson	Sqd 59	58	118.37%	49	44	49	51					
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11	В	Avondale	Sqd 61	114	89.76%	127	114	127	133		
11	В	Peoria	Sqd 62	230	92.00%	250	225	250	263		
12	В	Phoenix	Sqd 65	67	25.87%	259	233	259	272		
2	Α	Green Valley	Sqd 66	275	63.66%	432	389	432	454		
2	Α	Tucson	Sqd 68	10	29.41%	34	31	34	36		
6	С	Payson	Sqd 69	48	57.14%	84	76	84	88		
8	С	Humboldt	Sqd 78	96	98.97%	97	87	97	102		
8	С	Yamell	Sqd 79	76	67.86%	112	101	112	118		
7	С	Lake Havasu City	Sqd 81	182	93.81%	194	175	194	204		
6	С	Overgaard	Sqd 86	128	84.21%	152	137	152	160		
7	С	Bullhead City	Sqd 87	53	100.00%	53	48	53	56		
7	С	Dolan Springs	Sqd 88	29	100.00%	29	26	29	30		
8	С	Black Canyon City	Sqd 90	30	230.77%	13	12	13	14		
12	В	Chandler	Sqd 91	150	81.97%	183	165	183	192		
8	С	Camp Verde	Sqd 93	66	78.57%	84	76	84	88		
5	Α	Solomon	Sqd 95	21	84.00%	25	23	25	26		
4	Α	San Tan Valley	Sqd 97	12	120.00%	10	9	10	10		
		Headquarters	Sqd 100	3	100.00%	3	3	3	3		
11	В	Phoenix	Sqd 105	108	90.76%	119	107	119	125		
12	В	Phoenix	Sqd 107	116	69.05%	168	151	168	176		
2	Α	Vail	Sqd 109	226	80.71%	280	252	280	294		
12	В	Phoenix	Sqd 117	133	93.66%	142	128	142	149		
2	Α	Green Valley	Sqd 131	183	74.69%	245	221	245	257		
4	Α	Oro Valley	Sqd 132	33	106.45%	31	28	31	33		
4	Α	Maricopa*	Sqd 133	0		14	13	14	15		
11	В	Laveen	Sqd 134	15	71.43%	21	19	21	22		
12	В	Tempe	Sqd 138	49	69.01%	71	64	71	75		
8	С	Crown King***	Sqd 139	0		21	19	21	22		
8	С	Prescott Valley	Sqd 140	14	127.27%	11	10	11	12		
11	В	Glendale**	Sqd 144	0		12	11	12	13		
		68 Squadrons with Member	ship Cards	6089	78.76%	7731	6957.9	7731	8120		

Next Membership Benchmark is April 9, 2021 at 90% Is your Squadron moving us forward to the Detachment Goal or holding other Squadrons back?

# SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 91 & ALA UNIT 91



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2021

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# Nominated Officer Data Page PLEASE Print ALL information in Blue Boxes

2022 Membership Year [2021-2022]

Your Name	Office You are Seeking:	
☐ Yes ☐ No Letter of re	ecommendation received prior to nomination?	
Name on your CURRENT Membership Card	Membership Number	
Your Mailing Address	Your Cell Phone Information	
Your e-mail Address	Your Home Phone Number	
Squadron Number	Squadron Phone Number	
Current Squadron Commander	Squadron Commander Phone Contact	
Current Squadron Adjutant	Current Squadron Adjutant Phone Contact	
Current Post Commander	Current Post Commander Phone Contact	
Name you Prefer to have used:	Your SAL Cover Size:	

Date: 1 April 2021

From: David A. Smith, Post 100 Commander

1234 Any St

Yourtown, AZ 85003 (345) 678-9012

To: Commander Treat, Detachment of Arizona Commander

Detachment of Arizona

4701 N 19 Ave Phoenix, AZ 85015

**Detachment Commander Treat:** 

Benny Franklin is a member of Squadron 100 and is a member in good standing. Post 100 endorses Benny for any elected Detachment Position for which he may be nominated.

Sincerely,

# David Amwell Smith

David A. Smith Post 100 Commander (345) 678-9012 American Legion Post 100 1234 Any St Yourtown, AZ 85003 (345) 678-9012



Sample Letter of Endorsement by Commander on Post letterhead:





# ALLECA Class 2021

# Matt Griffis Director

UPDATE: April 1, 2021

# ALLECA Class 2021 is a GO!

Applications are rapidly coming in. We are over half way to our goal of 50 filled slots for the class. ALLECA staff has been steadily fielding phone calls and emails from schools, ROTC Instructors, parents and even a film production company that wants to produce a short documentary about ALLECA.

Something new this year will be brand new issued uniforms for each student. Your generous donations and sponsorship fees are greatly apricated so don't stop. Our camp cost this year is anticipated to be \$30,000.00 for lodging, meals, equipment, uniforms and insurance for 50 cadets and 20 staff. We can accommodate up to 50 students to stay with-in COVID policy (the lodge sleeps 100).

Our website WWW.ALLECA-AZ.ORG has been updated with a cleaner look; applications can be downloaded for registering. I am always available for contacting, thank you for your help to keep our great program going forward.

Matt Griffis, Director, Allecadirector@gmail.com,

520-289-5113, www.alleca-az.org

# <u>June 12 to June 19, 2021</u>



.. motivation to move with a purpose!

- WWW.ALLECA-AZ.ORG
- ONLINE APPLICATIONS
- DEADLINE MAY 1, 2021
- AGES 11 THRU 19 YEARS
- SIGN UP TODAY!
- PH# 520-289-5113
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# www.ALLECA-AZ.org

### What is C.H.A.M.P. Foundation

Champ Foundation is a 501(c)3 formed to benefit the Tucson Fisher House specifically. Donations made to CHAMP are made available for the Fisher House Manager to address the needs of the guests of the facility as soon as they are deposited.

Donations made to Fisher House Foundation in Rockville MD is primarily used to raise the multi-million dollar amounts to build new Fisher Houses. Fisher Houses are built using a 50/50 model of fundraising: 50% of the donations for a Fisher House must be generated by the local community where the house is to be built. In turn, Fisher House Foundation matches that 50% to complete the \$4-6 million required to build each house. This ensures a vested interest in the success of the Fisher House after it is open and running with ongoing community support of its mission.

Champ was formed to fulfill the local community ongoing support of Fisher House Tucson in that same spirit. Either way, your money is supporting Veterans and Active Duty personnel and their families as their medical needs are being addressed by the VA and the military medical systems.

## Our Objective

Public trust is of the utmost important success to our mission.

The foundation does not have any paid employees. All of the Board of Directors are volunteers, dedicated to the success of the foundation.

The foundation will maintain proper records and meeting minutes according to the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Our 501(c)3 status is located on the Arizona Corporation Commission website under C.H.A.M.P. Foundation #22113237

All funds that are received, deposited and distributed will be accurately documented and recorded through the foundation financial branch opened in the name of CHAMP Foundation in Tucson Arizona.

A "Confirmation Letter of Receipt" will be mailed to all donors which will include the C.H.A.M.P. Foundation EIN #for tax deduction purposes.



CHAMP Foundation PO Box 750 Cortaro AZ 85652-0750

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# CHARITIES HELPING AMERICAN MILITARY PATRIOTS

WWW.CHAMPFOUNDATION.ORG



## Mission Statement

Charities Helping American Military Patriots... A nonprofit organization, created for the collection of donated monetary funds from the public, to be used for an identified cause that supports veterans and their families.

### Our Goal

To provide a simple and convenient method of collecting and disseminating donated funds to a designated cause, event or charity that has been approved by the Board of Directors.

To maintain a transparent and honest working relationship with supporters of the foundation.

To maintain a secure handling of all proceeds that are entrusted into the foundation, ensuring that such proceeds are distributed to the designated cause, event or charity.

# Charities Helping American Military Patriots

### SAVAHCS Fisher House Strategic Plan

# MISSION STATEMENT

C.H.A.M.P. is a nonprofit organization, created for the collection of donsited monetary funds from the public, to be used for the SAVAHCS Fisher House that supports veterans and their families.

### STRATEGIC GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- 1.1 To provide a simple and convenient method of collecting and disseminating donated funds to the SAVAHCS Fisher House which has been approved by C.H.A.M.P. Foundation Board of Directors.
- 1.2 To maintain a transparent and honest working relationship with supporters of C,H,A,M,P. Foundation.
- 1.3 To maintain a secure handling of all proceeds that are entrusted into the C.H.A.M.P. Foundation, ensuring that such proceeds are distributed to SAVAHCS Fisher House.
- 1.4 Public trust is of the upmost important success to our mission. C.H.A.M.P. Foundation does not have any paid employees. All Board of Directors are volunteers, dedicated to the success of the C.H.A.M.P. Foundation. C.H.A.M.P. will maintain proper records and meeting minutes according to the Arizona Corporation. Commission. All funds received, deposited and distributed will be accurately documented and recorded through the firancial brainsh opened in the name of the C.H.A.M.P. Foundation in Tucson, AZ.

  C.H.A.M.P.

### SAVANCS FISHER HOUSE SUPPORT OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 Support Fisher House guests during time of crisis.
- 2.1.1 Purchase groceries and nourishing food items monthly.
- 2.1.2 Provide prepared meals and/or water cases quarterly.
- 2.1.3 Provide holiday meals to enhance guest morale.
- 1.4 Purchase personal items as needed for comfort and stress-relief. C.H.A.M.P.
- 2.2 Support SAVAHCS Fisher House needs.
- 2.2.1 Purchase and deliver household items that would increase operational requirements of the house as needed.
- 2.2.2 Provide financial support for large structural projects as needed.
- 2.2.3 Purchase and replace aging furniture and appliances as needed.
- 2.3 Veteran Centered Experience
- 2.3.1 Participate in at least two outreach events annually to educate the community about the Fisher House mission.
- 2.3.2 Through social media channels, encourage the community to participate in annual Fisher House events, promote fundraising efforts, and share Fisher House guest testimonials bi-weekly to increase awareness of veterans in need.
- 2.3.3 Provide practical tools and web applications daily through www.champfoundation.org to facilitate monetary donations from the public



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# **Children & Youth (Child Welfare Report)**

# **Dan Ashley**

Hello to all the Squadron's in Arizona. With all the craziness we got going on this year and last. I am very proud to say Arizona is still strong supporting the Child Welfare Foundation program. Currently we are third in the nation with \$10,205.26 donated so far. Florida is in second with \$14,902.85 and in first is Colorado with \$15,980.00. Great job everybody and I know we can become number one in the nation. Shout out to Squadron 62 for their \$1,000.00 donation to CWF when I was at their meeting. Don't forget the cutoff date to get credit for this year's donation is 5/31/21. I would like to thank each and every one of you in Arizona as your CWF chairman these past four years. Together we help a lot of people and set records that made us shine as a detachment. Thanks again and you all rock!!! With that, it is time for a new CWF chairman. If you are possibly interested for the position, please reach out to the commander or myself:). You all are an Amazing Detachment and keep up the great work.



# **SQUADRON 140 DONATION RAFFLE**













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**Detachment Action List** 

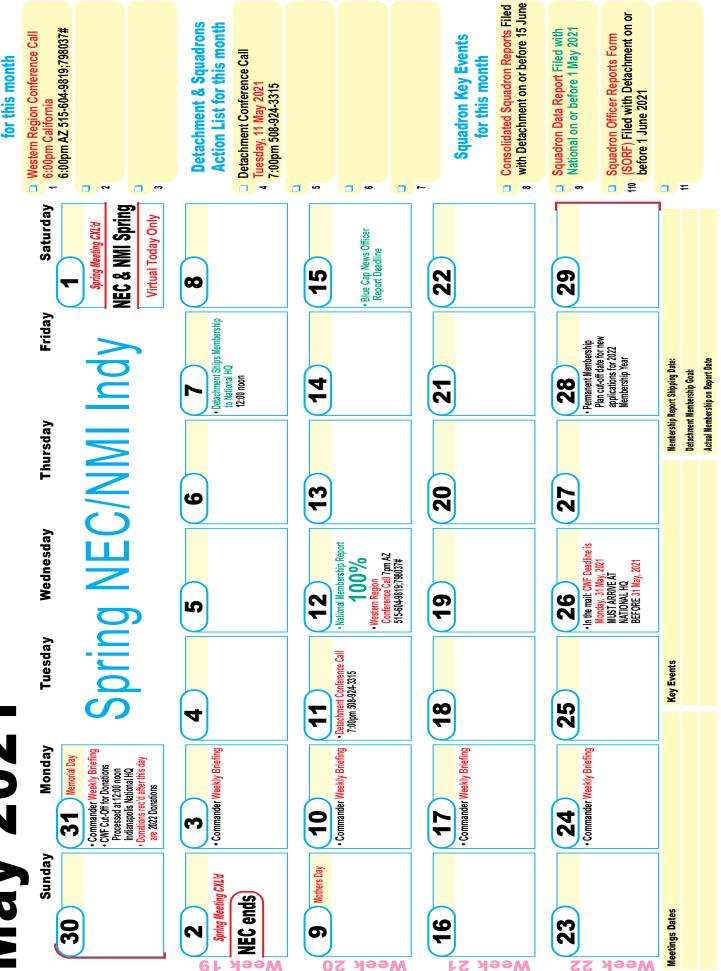
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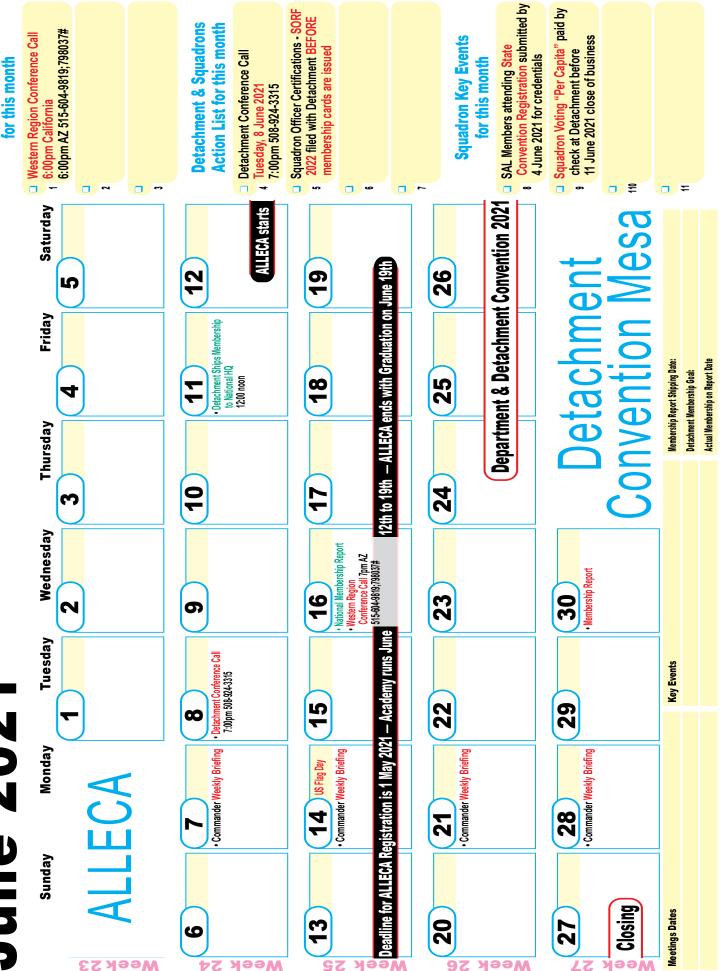
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**Detachment Action List** 



# **June 2021**

**Detachment Action List** 



# July 2021

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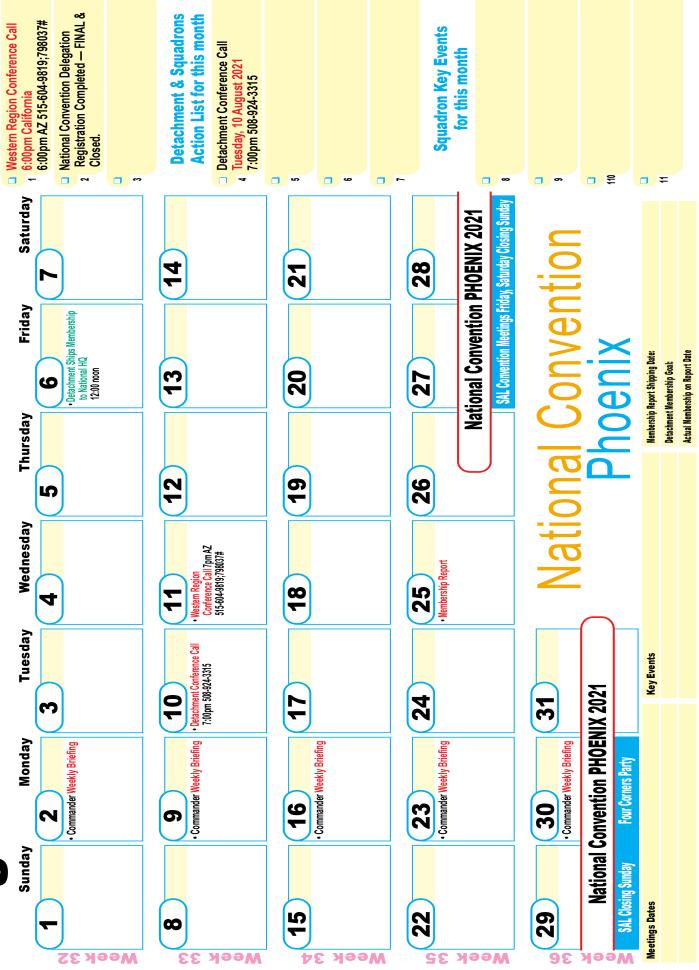
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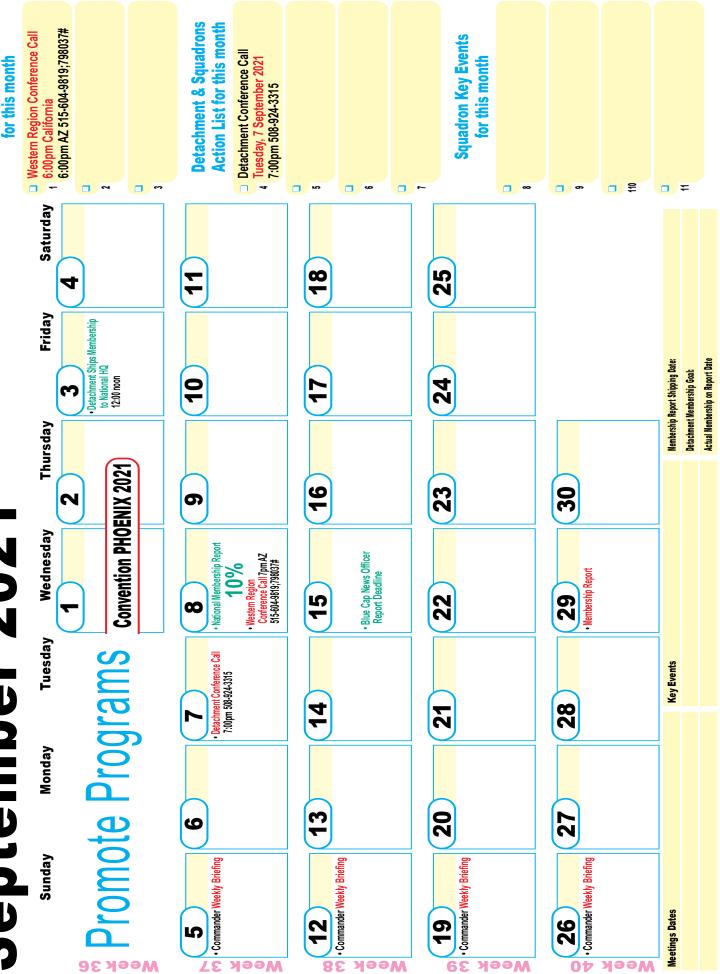
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# Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Arizona Camp Out 2021 in Virtual Session

To: All Elected Detachment Officers

All Past Detachment Commanders

**Detachment Appointed Officers** 

All Squadron Commanders

All Squadron Adjutants

From: Charles Treat, Detachment Commander

Jeff Frain, Detachment Adjutant

Issue

Date: March 17, 2021 by USPS mail and by e-mail to General Meeting Roll Call list

# Official 2021 Detachment Executive Committee Call

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 1, of the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Arizona, I, Charles Treat, Detachment Commander, hereby call for the Annual Camp Out Executive Committee Meeting to be held via Conference Call on *Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., in virtual conference via telephone* at telephone number *(508) 924-3315* for the purpose of Detachment of Arizona Executive Committee Business.

All Detachment Officers are required to be present.

# Official 2021 Annual Detachment Convention Meeting Call

On behalf of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Arizona, I, Charles Treat, Detachment Commander, hereby call for the Annual Camp Out General Meeting to be held **Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., in virtual conference via telephone** at telephone number (508) 924-3315 for the purpose of Detachment of Arizona Business consisting of 2022 Nominations, and general business of the Detachment.

All Detachment Officers are required to be present.

The Detachment Camp Out General Meeting is in accordance with the Uniform Code of Procedure and will convene at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, April 17, 2021.

Detachment Officers unable to attend ANY or ALL meetings must notify either the Detachment Commander, Charles Treat or the Detachment Adjutant, Jeff Frain at 480•881•7497 PRIOR to the meeting date.

# Detachment Executive Committee Meeting Agenda Detachment Camp Out 2021

In Virtual Meeting Session, (508) 924-3315

Meeting Start: 9:30 am

Meeting Roll Call of Detachment Officers and PDC's

Old Business

Judge Advocate Bylaws New Business

Good of the Sons **Meeting Closed: (time)** 



# **SAL Preamble**

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To preserve the memories of our former members and the association of our members and our forefathers in the Great Wars:

To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the Community, State and Nation:

To combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses;

To make right the master of might;

To promote peace and good will on earth;

To safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;

To consecrate and sanctify our friendship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness;

To adopt in letter and spirit all of the great principles for which The American Legion stands;

And to assist in carrying on for God and Country.

# Detachment General Meeting Agenda Detachment Camp Out 2021

In Virtual Meeting Session, (508) 924-3315

Meeting Start: 10:00 am

Opening Ceremony:

Colors

Opening Prayer POW/MIA Ceremony

Pledge of Allegiance

Preamble

**Roll Call of Officers**, Past Detachment Commanders & Squadrons

Rules of the Convention meeting (Judge Advocate)

**Meeting Guests:** Department Commander, Department Auxiliary President, National Guests

**Reading of previous Executive Committee minutes** (from this morning)

Reading of Camp Out minutes (From April) Financial Report, Year to Date, Finance Officer

Commander's opening comments

Vice Commander reports

AREA A – Membership, Area achievements, etc

AREA B – Membership, Area achievements, etc

AREA C – Membership, Area achievements, etc

# **Committee reports**

- Judge Advocate Bylaws
- Chaplains Report
- N.E.C. Report
- VAVS Chairman
- Finance Committee Report, Finance Chairman
- Membership Chairman
- Americanism Committee Report

Baseball

Scouting

Alleca

Boys State

 Children & Youth Report, Chairman Child Welfare Foundation, CWF Chairman G.I. Josh, GI Josh Chairman

- Legislative Committee Report
- Any other committee reports
- Awards
- Adjutant

**Old Business** 

**New Business** 

Meeting suspended for nominations Nominations of 2022 Officers

General Meeting resumes

For the Good of the Sons

Announcements

Closing Ceremony:

Prayer Salute

**Meeting Closed: (time)** 





# Sons of The American Legion Detachment of Arizona Convention 2021 Sons of The American Legion

To: All Elected Detachment Officers

All Past Detachment Commanders

All Squadron Commanders
All Squadron Adjutants

**Detachment Appointed Officers** 

From: Charles Treat, Detachment Commander

Jeff Frain, Detachment Adjutant

Issue

Date: Published: April 1, 2021 & June 1, 2021



Detachment Officers unable to attend ALL meetings must notify either the Detachment Commander, Charles Treat or the Detachment Adjutant, Jeff Frain at 480•881•7497 PRIOR to the meeting date.

# Official 2021 Detachment Executive Committee Call

Pursuant to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Arizona, I, Charles Treat, Detachment Commander, hereby call for the Annual Detachment Convention Executive Committee Meeting to be held in person on *Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. at the Delta Marriott in Mesa Arizona* for the purpose of Detachment of Arizona Executive Committee Business.

All Detachment Officers are required to be present.

# Official 2021 Annual Detachment Convention Meeting Call

On behalf of the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Arizona, I, Charles Treat, Detachment Commander, hereby call for the Annual Camp Out General Meeting to be held in person **Saturday, June 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.** at the **Delta Marriott in Mesa Arizona** for the purpose of Detachment of Arizona Business consisting of 2022 Nominations, and general business of the Detachment.

All Detachment Officers are required to be present.

The Detachment Convention General Meeting is in accordance with the Uniform Code of Procedure and will convene at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, June 26, 2021.

# Official 2021 Detachment Post Convention Organizational Meeting

The Detachment Convention Executive Committee Post Convention Organizational Meeting will convene immediately after the Detachment General Meeting for approval of appointed Officers and Committee positions. All Detachment Officers and Appointees are required to be present.

# Installation of All SAL Officers

All Elected Detachment Officers are required to attend the formal Officer Installation on the following Sunday (June 27) after the close of business of Detachment Convention. Installation will be performed during the Department of Arizona Closing Session in the General Session meeting Room. Attire is BUSINESS FORMAL with SAL Cover. Photographs will be taken for the Blue Cap News. Should you have questions as to what to wear, please contact either the Department Adjutant or The Detachment Adjutant. You are representing SAL at an American Legion Function. Please dress appropriately.

# Detachment Executive Committee Meeting Agenda Detachment Convention 2021 Delta by Marriott, Mesa, Arizona

Meeting Start: 8:30 am

Meeting Roll Call of Detachment Officers and PDC's

Old Business Judge Advocate Bylaws

New Business Good of the Sons **Meeting Closed: (time)** 



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# Detachment Executive Committee Meeting Agenda Post Convention

# **Detachment Convention 2021**

Delta by Marriott, Mesa, Arizona

Meeting Start: 20 Minutes after the close of the General Meeting

**Roll Call (NEW Officers)** 

**Old Business** 

**New Business** 

Chairmen and Appointed Officers Motion to Accept with povision to fill vacancies

# Good of the Sons

Review Sunday's Dress Code, Time, Location and who needs to attend

Contact information page and cover sizes of all newly Appointed Officers and Chairmen

Officer Expense Reports and Duties Outlined

Adjourn / Meeting Close: (time)

# Detachment General Meeting Agenda Detachment Convention 2021 Delta by Marriott, Mesa, Arizona

Meeting Start: 9:00 am Opening Ceremony:

Colors

Opening Prayer POW/MIA Ceremony

Pledge of Allegiance

Preamble

**Roll Call** of Officers, Past Detachment Commanders & Squadrons

Rules of the Fall Conference meeting (Judge Advocate) **Guests:** Department Commander, Department Auxiliary

President, National Guests

**Reading of previous Executive Committee minutes** (from this morning)

**Reading of Camp Out minutes** (From April) **Financial Report**, Year to Date, Finance Officer Commander's opening comments

**Vice Commander reports** 

AREA A – Membership, Area achievements, etc AREA B – Membership, Area achievements, etc AREA C – Membership, Area achievements, etc

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**Boys State** 

- Children & Youth Report, Chairman Child Welfare Foundation, CWF Chairman G.I. Josh, GI Josh Chairman
- Legislative Committee Report
- Any other committee reports
- Awards
- Adjutant

# **Old Business**

## **New Business**

• 2022 Fiscal Budget Approval

Meeting suspended for additional nominations and Detachment Elections Election of of 2022 Officers

General Meeting resumes

# For the Good of the Sons

Announcements

Closing Ceremony:

Prayer

Salute

Meeting Closed: (time)

