

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

Welcome to Spring! A few days ago, I thought maybe summer was jumping the line and was going to try to be our next season, but it cooled off a tiny bit and now feels more “correct”. If I were still in Minnesota, the tulips and irises would just be starting to poke up through the ground and would signal that spring was arriving. In April, the Riders have a couple of things happening. First, we have a quarterly meeting in Mesa on the 12th, which gives us a chance to travel and visit with other Riders. On the 19th, the Riders have our annual Bike Night. Live entertainment by DJ Bennie, yummy food by Texas Road House, raffle prizes, games and a 50/50 drawing. Please don’t let the title fool you, everyone is welcome. Festivities begin at 5pm and will wrap up at 9pm; or maybe longer depending on the level of fun! Also, this weather is perfect for riding, so please be aware of more motorcycles being on the roads.

Ride safe and smart,
Brenda Allord “Twisted”
Post 36 American Legion Riders Director

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

To fold and assemble the Sentinel for mailing. See the calendar for date & time. Come join us and get in on the fun! Thank you in advance for your precious gift of your time. REMEMBER, YOU GET A DELICIOUS DONUT FOR BREAKFAST!

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POST 36
Terri Collins
COMMANDER**

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UNIT 36
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SQUADRON 36
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FROM THE CLUB MANAGER

Report for the Month of Feb 2025

Total Sales	\$23,661.18
Cost Of Liquor:	\$8,301.07
Cost of Doing Business	\$15,384.40
<u>(Payroll, Taxes, Entertainment, Janitorial Etc.)</u>	
NET PROFIT FROM BAR	\$8,276.78
Transferred to General Fund	\$8,276.78

Welcome to April, the height of spring in the Sonoran Desert. Time to get out and see our beautiful desert in bloom. There are still a great many places to see this spectacle such as Saguaro National Park East and West!

March was a good month here at the Post. We celebrated St. Patrick's Day and thanks to Luis Gonzalez and Scott Tomecsko, we had a traditional corned beef and cabbage dinner that was wonderful. Thanks to all who joined us for that day and thanks to all of the volunteers that made that day special. Also thanks to Ed "Grizz" Seright for doing dishes and Bonnie Proulx for serving.

April promises to be another busy month at your American Legion Post. Easter falls on Sunday the 20th and we once again will be having an Easter Brunch from 11:00 until 2:00 for only \$11.00 per plate. I'm sure it will be a great spread of food.

Sunday the 27th is our Volunteer Appreciation Day! Without all of our awesome volunteers, this Post would cease to exist. Be sure to come down from 2:00 until 4:00 to enjoy some free pizza. Our volunteers are appreciated 365 days a year, not just this one day. We are very lucky to have so many people who donate their time and energy in so many ways to make this place a warm and fun place to be.

As usual, we have a full slate of Friday night live bands and an awesome fish fry and we are back to having two steak nights on Saturday evenings. Be sure to check the Sentinel calendar for all of the activities that we provide. All of our members and guests are extremely appreciated for their patronage.

For God and Country,
Kevin J. Smith

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

COMMUNICATION IS KEY

Hello and welcome to our new members. Thank you for being a part of our family.

As of March 10, 2025, here are the membership standings:

New 41, PUFL 162, Renewal 728, HQ Transfers 7, retained 85.66%.

Total 938. Our goal of 1,051 (90% for March 12) we are at 89.25%, members short of 90% is 15 and short of 103% is 144.

The numbers are posted weekly on Thursdays so log on to see the most current numbers. Please Do Not Give Up, keep pushing the 3 R's, Recruit, Renew and Retain. Keep up the great job on membership and thank you! Here is the link to see our Legionnaire numbers: www.azlegion.org along with very helpful resource links. You may also find links to the S.A.L., Riders and Auxiliary.

This cannot be stressed enough, so it remains in my message, The LIT: Legionnaire Insurance Trust, free and low-cost insurance programs. Check it out at www.thelit.com Note: If you find a program that fits your needs and sign up, you must keep your membership current to keep the benefits. Legion College,

www.legioncollege.org as I said in my last article this will provide you a wealth of knowledge and incredible history on The American Legion. If you are interested in attending and need help with your next step, please reach out to one of our Post Officers for more directions on steps to take.

VOTING is one of a Legionnaires privileges and should not be taken lightly. We are at that time once again. The first step is in place. The sign-up sheet has been posted on the Legion Bulletin Board. I encourage all who are interested in running for a position to put your name up for the position you are interested in. Please be part of the solutions and not part of the problems. New ideas and voices are encouraged by doing just that. Our elections will be held May 13th. New Officers will be announced at our General Meeting. Please contact the S.A.L., Riders and Auxiliary for their sign-up sheet and voting date.

Quote, unknown: April Fool's Day is cancelled this year as no made-up prank could match the unbelievable stuff happening in the real world right now.

Terri Collins
Commander Post 36

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 36

Hello Legion Family,

April is here and ready for summer. We have some fun things going on in April for our post. Great dinners! On April 3rd is the Auxiliary's world famous Chicken Fried Steak; April 10th will be Joe's Tacos; we will be having Stuffed Peppers on April 17th; you won't want to miss these dishes. April 19th will be Bike night hosted by the American Legion Riders it will be a fun night. We are still looking for volunteers for that night. You can reach out to Rider's Director Brenda or myself. Any help would be greatly appreciated. We have a beautiful quilt for raffle that was made and donated by Marcia Schweiss. It's handmade and beautiful. It's called "I'm Coming Home". We will have tickets available 1 for \$5.00 or 3 for \$10.00 The drawing will be on Memorial Day so don't miss the chance to win this beautiful Quilt! We have flyers at the post showing this beautiful Quilt. Our next Auxiliary meeting will be April 8th @ 6pm would love to see you there and support our post. Please everyone stay safe and enjoy the warm temperatures.

For God and Country
Dolcey Aul
Unit 36 President

FROM 2nd VICE

Hello everybody. Hope everyone was able to come to the Post for our St. Patrick's Day corned beef and cabbage dinner. Thanks to Louie, Scott, Grizz, and Bonnie for all the help. Our menu this month will be: Friday Fish Fry; April 5th Pulled Pork sandwiches; April 12 - no dinner due to private party; April 19th the Auxiliary and Riders are having Bike Night all the details are in the Riders part of the newsletter; and then on April 26th - Steak Night. Please come out and join us for fun and entertainment. A reminder, the April House Committee meeting has been moved to March 29th at 9AM - everyone is welcome

For God and Country.
Cliff Anderson
2nd Vice Commander

S.A.L. COMMANDER

Welcome to April Legion family!!! It's been a busy month with the SAL, we have March Madness brackets happening and the 5 Star program was held at Post 109. The next 5 Star program is going to be May 3rd at 1:00 in Sierra Vista, Post 52. Plan on carpooling and maybe some surprise visits to other posts. Nominations for the SAL board will be accepted in April with our election being held at our May board meeting. Please consider volunteering. We are also busy with planning for the Freedom Golf Tournament either July 5 or 6 at Dorado Country Club. Also, the Commanders Tournament is scheduled for September 6, 2025. Please save these dates in your calendars. We have two scheduled blood drive dates. May 30th and October 10th in the Annex. Please consider donating. This comes under our 4 Pillars for National Security. Look forward to seeing you all at the Post!

For God and Country,
Lance Bymers
Squadron 36 Commander

Welcome New Members

William Ferguson
Joseph Hauge

Paul Whittenburg
Albert Cox

Let Us Forever Remember Our Post Everlasting Members

Don "Stump" Murrich	1/14/25
Dena Duarte	2/26/25
Dwight "Harry" McKay	3-21-25
Franklin Grimm	2/16/25
Johnnie Schappachar	6/14/24

YOUR POST ADJUTANT

Dear Legion Family,

COME OUT TO VOTE

Good day everyone. First, I would like to announce that our Bylaw Committee has reviewed and made proposed changes to our Bylaws. Most of the changes are minor and simply updating on how we do business these days (electronic funds, digital media etc.), fix typos in the text, and organizing the Bylaws to read better. Two major changes:

1. Succession of command with commander and vice commanders.
2. Clarifying duties of all officers

Our Judge Advocate has sent out the complete proposed Constitution and Bylaws electronically. Further, a hard copy is on our bulletin board in the Post. In addition, if you would like, I can print out a copy for you; just swing into the Post. Please read the changes.

On April 8 at our scheduled monthly meeting, you the membership, will vote on approval of the Constitution and Bylaw. I encourage all to be there as these are YOUR Bylaws.

Be informed, give your opinion, and vote.

Also, are you interested in leading our Post in 2025-2026? Do you have ideas to benefit us all? Would you like to see us grow and become bigger and better? The sign-up sheet for Post 36 Officers is now on the bulletin board. Come in and run for an office; many from which to choose.

Elections will be May 13.

Any questions...please come in for a chat.

Thank you,

BK

Post 36 Adjutant

COW PASTURE GOLF

April 6	El Rio	7:05am
April 13	Haven	6:36am
April 20	Fred Enke	7:06am
April 27	Del Urich	6:07am

Any Questions, call Rich Schweiss 520-403-6218

KATA GOLF CLUB

April 2	Dell Urich	7:04am
April 9	El Rio	6:47am
April 16	Fred Enke	6:28am
April 23	Randolph	7:13am
April 30	El Rio	6:19am

Any Questions, call Tom Gallagher 520-954-4895

NOTICE

American Legion Post 36 golfer nominations are being accepted for the 2025/2026 Golf Council. Cut off for nominations is April 20.

Voting will be the week of April 21-27.

Any questions please see Mark Kasic or Buddy Medina

HOW ARE WE DOING?

A report from our Finance Officer:

	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Profit/(Loss)</i>
Dec	\$28,058.19	\$29,004.97	(\$946.78)
Jan	\$27,398.48	\$31,804.19	(4,405.71)
Feb	\$35,887.84	\$29,509.95	\$6,377.89

Profit/Loss varies due to dates of deposits, purchases. Etc.