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Finance Officer	Lisette Eckman
Sergeant-at-Arms	Bill Wood
Chaplain	Cliff Anderson
Judge Advocate	Dax Carlisle
Property Trustee	Vacant
Historian	Lynn Halbert
Service Officer	Joe Cook
Executive Board	Chuck Thayer
Executive Board	Robert Terstegge
Past Commander	Terri Collins

## Unit Officers

President	Dolcey Aul
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice	Kenzie Gans
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice	Christy Gans
Treasurer	Karen
	Thompson
Secretary	Shelly Sperl
Chaplain	Marilyn
	Zabowsky
Sergeant-at-Arms	Linda Sutton
Historian	Jennifer
	Turner-Jones
Executive Board	Marcia
	Schweiss
	Stacy Adams
	Lisette Eckman
	Marie Martin
Past President	Jennifer
	Turner-Jones

## AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

Greetings Fellow Riders and members of our Legion Family-  
Congratulations to the new E-board members for the Riders!

Travis Haas “Gator” - Director  
Christy Gans “Hot Lips” - Assistant Director  
Brenda Allord “Twisted” -Secretary  
Mike Cummings “Warthog” - Treasurer  
Brian Kempker “BK” - Chaplain  
Robert Terstegge “T” - Ride Captain  
Matt Wolfman “Wolfman” - Sergeant-At-Arms

Thank you for the opportunity to be the incoming Director for 2025/2026! I am really looking forward to working with everyone and continuing the excellence that is the ALR. Working together as a team, we will be able to accomplish anything. Let’s make accomplishing our goals fun!

Ride Safe / Stay hydrated  
Travis Haas “Gator”  
Post 36 American Legion Riders Director

## Squadron Officers

Commander	Don Jones
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Brian Kempker
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander	Lance Bymers
Adjutant	Joe Roberts
Finance Officer	Kevin Smith
Chaplain	Edward Seright
Historian	Edward Seright
Sergeant-at-Arms	Jeremy Allen
Advisor	Don Bracken
	Robert Cuestas
E-Board	Jim Chamberlin
	Austin Jones

## Chapter Officers

Director	Gator
Vice Director	Hot Lips
Secretary	Twisted
Treasurer	Warthog
Chaplain	BK
Sergeant-at-Arms	Wolfman
Ride Captain	T

## Post 36 Information

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## 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.**  
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## FROM THE CLUB MANAGER

### Report for the Month of May 2025

**Total Sales** \$26,107.17

**Cost Of Liquor:** \$9,145.51

**Cost of Doing Business** \$17,258.35

(Payroll,Taxes,Entertainment,Janitorial Etc.)

**NET PROFIT FROM BAR** \$8,848.32

**Transferred to General Fund** \$8,848.32

July is here and we are once again in the throes of another Sonoran Desert summer. Temperatures have been brutal and we are still praying for our summer Monsoons to grace us with its presence. I hope everyone is staying cool and safe.

We had our new Officer Installation ceremony on 6/14/25 and our new officers are now in place. Many thanks to all of our new officers for the Legion, The Auxiliary, The Sons and Our Riders for stepping up and giving their time to lead this Post in the new fiscal year. New Commander Paul Foster is rarin' to go to bring new ideas and activities to Post 36. Also many thanks to Past Commander Terri Collins and her board for all of their hard work to make us a better place. The annual State Convention was held the last weekend of June and was attended by many Post 36 members. Thanks to all!

We will be celebrating the United States' 249<sup>th</sup> birthday on The 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The Sons have volunteered to cook hamburgers and hot dogs during the day and since the 4<sup>th</sup> falls on a Friday this year, we will be having our usual Friday evening fish fry and entertainment will be provided by fan favorite Desert Knights Band. I'm sure the band will be playing some patriotic songs so come out and celebrate our great Country with us!

The Legion General Membership meeting will not be going dark in July and August this year, so come out on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month and support and meet our new Commander Paul Foster and his new board and share any ideas that you may have.

As always, many many thanks to all of our officers, staff, volunteers and our beloved members for all they do for Your American Legion Post #36!

For God and Country,  
Kevin J. Smith

## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Thank you for electing me as your new Post Commander. I promise you I will do my due diligence to make Post 36 a warm and welcoming place for all. I would like to thank Terri Collins for her leadership and friendship over her tenure. She is a class act. I hope I can do as well as her. I would like to welcome all the members who had renewed and welcome all new members to Post 36. We have a lot going on but I promise you that we, as a team, will accomplish the goals we have set out to complete. One of my first goals is to re-establish Bingo, so that we are always financially in the black. I have set up a committee to help us reach that goal. It may take a while but please be patient. Also, one of our goals is to make the dining hall 100 percent non-smoking. This takes away all the confusion about when one can smoke in the dining/meeting room. The Membership has passed the No Smoking rule for the dining room during June general meeting, effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to smoke, please go to the lounge area and have a smoke along with a beverage. Again, I would like to thank and welcome all the new officers and hope we can continue the work that was previously started.

Paul Foster  
Commander Post 36

### Welcome New Members

Mark Weiss  
Richard Kothe  
Tanis Cloutier  
Joseph Bonewitz  
Ron Hines  
Walter Fesh  
Russ Phillips  
Eugene Penta  
Frank King

Nicholas Oliboni  
Stan Ross  
Michael Plooy  
Daniel Hopkins  
Wayne Hopper  
Raymond Skoda  
Daniel Snyder  
Robert Smith

## AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 36

Hello Legion Family,

I hope everyone is ready for this Arizona heat cause it's here! Now would be a great time to come into our post for cool A/C and a cold beverage. The Auxiliary would like to thank everyone that donated for the Poppy fund; we did pretty well. Father's Day Brunch was fantastic and everyone had a great time. I could not of pulled it off without the great volunteers. I appreciate you all.

We will still be doing meals during the summer so make sure you check out the event calendar and join us for some great food. Everyone stay safe and stay cool. Looking forward to seeing all your smiling faces around the post.

For God and Country  
Dolcey Aul  
Unit 36 President

### FROM 2<sup>nd</sup> VICE

Let me begin with congratulations to all the Legion Officers. Please review our July Sentinel calendar for our Friday and Saturday night meals and entertainment. Don't forget SAL dinners, Rider Wing, Lee's Ribs and Auxiliary dinners, and many other that we have in store for you in the incoming year. If there are any ideas for meals you would like to see on the calendar, please put your suggestions in the "Suggestion Box" in the front entrance foyer or see me directly.

For God and Country  
Robert M Cuestas  
2nd Vice Commander

## YOUR POST ADJUTANT

Good day Legion Family. I hope this finds you in good health and spirits. If not, we here at Post 36 will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Some of our members are veterans of the Korean War; others have a family member from it. In order to honor these veterans and their families, I would like to talk about the war for a moment. Did you know that we are in the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that conflict? The Korean War began on June 25, 1950, when the Northern Korean People's Army invaded South Korea in a coordinated general attack at several strategic points along the 38th parallel, the line dividing communist North Korea from the non-communist Republic of Korea in the south. North Korea aimed to militarily conquer South Korea and therefore unify Korea under the communist North Korean regime. The conflict was one of the first major proxy wars of the Cold War. Fighting ended in 1953 with an armistice but no peace treaty, leading to the ongoing Korean conflict. After the end of World War II in 1945, Korea, which had been a Japanese colony for 35 years, was divided by the Soviet Union and the United States into two occupation zones at the 38th parallel, with plans for a future independent state. Due to political disagreements and influence from their backers, the zones formed their governments in 1948. North Korea was led by Kim Il Sung in Pyongyang, and South Korea by Syngman Rhee in Seoul; both claimed to be the sole legitimate government of all of Korea and engaged in border clashes as internal unrest was fomented by communist groups in the south. On 25 June 1950, the Korean People's Army (KPA), equipped and trained by the Soviets, launched an invasion of the south. The UN Security Council denounced the attack and recommended member states to repel the invasion. UN forces comprised 21 countries, with the United States providing around 90% of military personnel. Combat ended on 27 July 1953 with the signing of the Korean Armistice Agreement, which allowed the exchange of prisoners and created a Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) along the frontline. No peace treaty has been signed, making the war a frozen conflict. We take a moment to recognize our Korean War Veterans: military deaths – over 36,500, wounded – over 100,000, MIA – approximately 8,000, 1.8 million U.S. military served in Korean theater.

Let us always remember and honor these brave men and women.

Thank you,  
*BK*  
Post 36 Adjutant



### **COW PASTURE GOLF**

July 6	Fred Enke	6:47am
July 13	Haven	7:00am
July 20	El Rio	6:28am
July 27	Fred Enke	6:28am

Any Questions, call JC 520-834-0375

### **KATA GOLF CLUB**

July 2	Randolph	6:45am
July 9	Del Urich	6:26am
July 16	El Rio	6:19am
July 23	Fred Enke	6:09am
July 30	Del Urich	6:26am

Any Questions, call Tom Gallagher 520-954-4895

### **HOW ARE WE DOING?**

#### **A report from our Finance Officer:**

	<i>Income</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Profit/(Loss)</i>
March	\$21,953.03	\$23,242.76	(\$1,289.73)
April	\$21,997.44	\$25,248.41	(\$3,430.97)
May	\$27,051.38	\$21,835.22	\$5,216.16

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

### **S.A.L. COMMANDER**

Welcome to July 2025!!! This is my last Sentinel article as SAL Commander; it has been quite a journey! Thank you all for the support you have given the SAL and me; we couldn't do it without your involvement. Please support the incoming officers as you have supported the SAL and me. I want to thank my Board, as they are the ones who make the events we hold successful. It takes a village for us all to be successful. Look for our events coming in August: poker tourney, blood drive and other activities. I hope to see you there. Congrats to our incoming board. Commander Don Jones, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander BK, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander Lance Bymers, Finance Kevin Smith, Adjutant Joe Roberts, Chaplain and Historian Grizz, Sergeant-At-Arms Jeremy Allen, Eboard Jim Chamberlain and Austin Jones Advisors Donald Bracken and Robert Cuestas.

Good Luck Gentlemen!!!

For God and Country,  
Lance Bymers  
Squadron 36 Commander

### **Let Us Forever Remember Our Post Everlasting Members**

John Thiel	5/30/25	Jerry Barber	6/2/25
Tom Sneider		Danny K Ray	4/15/25
Don Ellwin	6/17/25		

