

THE VERDE VALLEY BUGLE CALL

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THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



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Commander's Message

Here we are half way through 2023! Time is flying by. I just want to say I'm honored to be your Commander again with Nancy Hay as my Vice Commander. I'm looking forward to the next year and hope to see you at the Post. Check the calendar for upcoming events. Join us for bar bingo or our great fish fry! The photo below is of all of us who attended the AZ American Legion Convention last week in Oro Valley. These are the people representing you from Post 25. Congrats to Jamie Galczynski for being awarded Outstanding Service Officer Award! We are so proud. Come visit us soon. Bill Tinnin, Commander Post 25



From left to right: James Galczynski (Legion Adjutant), Nancy Hay (Legion First Vice Commander), DeDe Dexter (Legion Finance Officer), Jamie Galczynski (Legion Service Officer), Lisa Young-Tinnin (Auxiliary President), Billy Wright (SAL Commander), Dave Hay (Riders Director), Fran Wright (Auxiliary First Vice Commander), Bill Tinnin (Legion Commander), Evie Perhne (Auxiliary E-Committee), Doug (8-Ball) Keatts (Sergeant-At-Arms, SAL and Riders).

General Announcements



The 75th anniversary of the Toys for Tots organization plaque is presented to Nancy Hay at the American Legion Post 25 May meeting as a thank you for the continuing support of the Verde Valley Toys for Tots organization. Last year over 2000 children were presented with over 8000 Christmas gifts, including bikes. It isn't possible unless there is a huge amount of support from local businesses and members of organizations such as the American Legion. A similar award was presented to the Post 25 Riders at their June meeting. The award was presented by Keith Vogler for Krys Vogler, who has led the Verde Valley Toys for Tots organization for 19 years.

Membership: *Post 25 welcomes new member Army Veteran Don Wyman.* Note that starting July 3rd members can renew to get their 2024 membership cards and get the Early Bird stamp. Early Bird stamp runs from July 1st to Nov 11th. Membership dues are \$45 for 2023 and may be paid [on-line](#), by mail to American Legion Post 25, 480 S. Calvary Way, Cottonwood, AZ 86326, or in person at the Post (see Commander Bill Tinnin or Adjutant James Galczynski).

Tech Support Committee: This new group will ensure the requirements of new Standing Order SO-9, Cyber Security, are implemented to protect important electronic records and prevent financial loss to the Post. Responsibilities include computers, the Point of Sale System, and password control. The message display monitor above the bar is now maintained by this committee. If you would like to have photos from your time in the service displayed, then contact either Rick Shriver or Jack Schooley when you see them at the Post or send an email to techsupport@alpost25az.org

Want to Live on a military base? As part of the base housing privatization process legislated by Public Law 104-106, the Defense Department states that when the number of vacant homes on any base rises above a certain level, the base contractor can rent them to anyone. The program is available only on some bases so check with the associated base housing office for details. For more information and base locations see: [Military Base Housing For Veterans](#) Jamie Galczynski, VSO

Post Library: The "Military Order of the Purple Heart 2022 Member Directory - 90th Anniversary" has been donated by Dave Bickel and is available to peruse at the Post or sign out. The Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH) is a congressionally chartered (Title 36 USC Chapter 1405) United States war veterans organization with a membership of approximately 45,000 veterans. It is unique in that its members are exclusively men and women who have received the Purple Heart award while serving as a member of the U.S. Military. See <https://www.purpleheart.org/> for more information.

Attendance drawing: The Legion general meeting is **July 17th at 6PM**. Since the attendance drawing winner was not present at the June meeting, the July drawing will stay at \$100. After it is won, the prize reverts to \$20. In order to win, the member has to be present at the meeting and in good standing.

Member Messages

Any member can submit a non-political message or a military story from his/her time in the service. Currently there are over 550 Legion family members at Post 25, so your message will get wide distribution. Send your submittal to newsletter@alpost25.org by the 28th of the month to ensure it is included in the next issue of the Bugle. What would you like to share?

Upcoming Post Activities

The Post calendar is at <https://alpost25az.org> and <https://www.facebook.com/AmLeg.Post.25>



Pot Luck Dinner – July 4th 4:30-7PM, bring a dish and celebrate!

NOTES: SAL lunches and dinners are canceled for the next 2 months.
Thursday night dinners have been indefinitely canceled.

Live Country Band – every Sunday 2PM-5PM

In-house Darts – every Tuesday, 7PM

Free Pool – all day every day of the week

Bar Bingo - every Thursday of each month, 6PM

Fish Fry – first 3 Fridays of each month, 5-6:30PM

Karaoke – every Friday at 7PM

Auxiliary Unit Meeting – Monday July 10th, 5:30PM

Legion Meeting – Monday July 17th, 6PM

Concealed Carry Weapon (CCW) Class – Saturday July 15th, 9AM-1PM

Register at <https://www.safearizona.com/events/categories/ccw/>

Post members use discount code “ALP25” (credit card not necessary)

Time Capsule - 81 Years Ago

Gene Autry, known as the "Singing Cowboy" was an American actor, musician, singer, composer, rodeo performer, and baseball club owner for more than three decades beginning in the early 1930s. He also was a pilot for the U.S. Army Air Force during WWII. Interestingly, Gene was the co-pilot on a New York to Los Angeles flight when two GIs were bumped from the passenger list so Elliott Roosevelt's dog Blaze could ride in their seats. Elliott was President Roosevelt's son and the incident created such a public outcry that Elliott nearly lost a promotion to Brigadier General. Autry enlisted in July 1942 as a Staff Sergeant and spent most of WWII in the China-India-Burma (CBI) theater for the Air Transport Command. He was discharged in September 1945, one month after the war ended. ("WWII - 4129 Strange and Fascinating Facts by Don McCombs and Fred Worth", 1983)

Thought for the Month

Men say that women should
come with instructions...

What's the point of that?
have you ever seen a man

Actually read the
instructions?

