

Officer Profiles

So members can learn more about our Post 25 leadership, we are providing a Bio for one or two of our Officers each month from the Legion, Auxiliary, and Sons of the America Legion.

Adjutant – James Galczynski



Jim has been a member of the American Legion for 31 years and Post 25 for 5 years. He has been the Post Adjutant for two years. Jim served in the U.S. Navy as a navigator from 1981 to 2004 and retired as a Chief Quartermaster (E-7). He served on 6 ships: USS Roark (FF-1053), USS David B. Ray (DD-971), USS Cleveland (LPD-7), USS Thach (FFG-43), USS Bagley (FF-1069), and the USS Mobile Bay (CG-53). In addition, Jim was stationed at 3 land bases: Assault Craft Unit 5 - Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton California, Tug Boat Operations - Mare Island, CA, and the Naval Leadership Training Unit – Naval Amphibious Base. James lives in Cottonwood and is married to the Post VSO Jamie Galczynski.

Veteran Service Officer – Jamie Galczynski



Jamie has been a member of the American Legion for 34 years and Post 25 for 5 years. She has been the Post Veterans Service Officer for two years. Jamie served in the U.S. Navy as a navigator from 1989 to 1994 (Quartermaster, E-4). She served on the ammunition ship USS Kiska (AE-53) and was stationed at 2 land bases: Assault Craft Unit 5 - Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton California, and PSD - Mare Island, CA. As a civilian, she worked for the US Postal Service and retired as a Customer Service Supervisor. Jamie lives in Cottonwood and is married to the Post Adjutant James Galczynski. They have one child, one grandchild, and one great grandchild on the way. Her hobby is jig saw puzzles.

General Announcements

Membership Changes: Post 25 welcomes the following new members:



ARMY

Luke Sanders – U. S. Army



MARINES

James Cox – U.S. Air Force



NAVY



AIR FORCE

Barry Hightower – U.S. Army



COAST GUARD

Clint Lisk – U.S. Air Force

Post Everlasting: Member and Korean War Navy Veteran Dale Williams of Cottonwood recently passed on. Additional details were not available at the time of Bugle publication.

Meeting Attendance drawing: The next Legion general meeting is **January 15th at 5:30 PM**. Since the attendance drawing winner, **Ernesto Carillo**, was not present at the December meeting, the January drawing will stay at \$100. After it is won, the prize reverts to \$20. The winner has to be present at the meeting and in good standing.

Upcoming Post Activities - January

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

Free Pool – all day every day of the week

Live Country Band – every Sunday 2PM-5PM

In-house Darts – every Tuesday, 7PM

Electronic Bingo Machines (new) – all day Tuesday through Saturday each month

Bar Bingo – every Thursday of each month and Saturday the 20th, 5:30PM

Bill's Chicken Wings – Thursday January 4, 5-6:30PM

Boy Scouts Dinner – Thursday January 18, 5-6:30PM, Spaghetti

Friday Lunch – First three Fridays of January, 12-1:30PM, see Calendar for menu

Friday Fish Fry – First three Fridays of January, 5-6:30PM

Auxiliary Dinner – Friday January 26, 5-6:30PM, Potato Bar and Meal

Raffles SAL Burger Night – Saturday January 20, 5-6:30PM, Burgers, Fries &

Dessert Karaoke – every Friday at 7PM

Legion Meeting – Monday 1/15, 5:30PM

Auxiliary Meeting – No meeting in January

AL Riders Meeting – No meeting in January

SAL Meeting – Saturday January 6 at 12PM

Military News

The Air Force Next Generation Air Dominance (NGAD) program will purchase just 200 or so fighters. These next-generation jets are expected to fly alongside another 300 advanced new Block 4 F-35 Lightnings and at least 1,000 drone wingmen. These wingmen aircraft will use onboard AI to allow them to complete complex tasks as assigned by the pilot onboard the NGAD fighter. They could extend the aircraft's sensor range by flying out ahead, extend its payload capabilities by engaging targets on its behalf, and improve its survivability by absorbing missiles on the crewed fighter's behalf. America's next stealth fighter in active development is going to be very pricey, with some estimates now reaching as high as \$300 million per airframe. See link [NGAD: This \\$300 Million Stealth Fighter Is Worth Every Penny](#)

Time Capsule – Vietnam My Lai Massacre

On January 6, 1971, the Army drops charges of an alleged cover-up in the My Lai massacre against four officers. After the charges were dropped, a total of 11 people had been cleared of responsibility during the My Lai trials. The trials were a result of action that occurred in March 1968. During the incident, 1st Lt. William Calley, a platoon leader in the 23rd (Americal) Division, allegedly led his men to massacre innocent Vietnamese civilians, including women and children, in a cluster of hamlets in Son Tinh District.. Of those originally charged, only Calley was convicted. Many believed that Calley was a scapegoat, and the widespread public outcry against his life sentence moved President Nixon to intervene on April 3, 1971. He had Calley removed from the Fort Benning stockade and ordered him confined to quarters pending review of his case. On August 20, Calley's life term was reduced to 20 years. In November 1974, a Federal Court judge ruled that Calley was convicted unjustly, citing "prejudicial publicity." Although the Army disputed this ruling, Calley was paroled for good behavior after serving 40 months, 35 of which were spent in his own home. Ref. <https://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/army-drops-charges-of-my-lai-cover-up>

Humor for the Month

"People who think they know everything are a great annoyance to those of us who do." Isaac Asimov