



2017

Summer Bulletin

Arizona Federation of Republican Women

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President's Message: Loraine Pellegrino

Dear Members,

Spring has arrived which means our Spring/Summer Meeting is right around the corner!

In Arizona there seems to be an ongoing discussion as to whether we truly have a Spring season or do we simply jump right in to our infamous "dry heat?" Similarly, each year the AzFRW discusses whether to call this upcoming State Meeting "Spring or Summer." Summer won the title, but I assure you that we will be enjoying beautiful Spring temperatures in Flagstaff in May. Please join us!



Delegates and Alternates at Large for the National Federation of Republican Women's Biennial Convention to be held in Philadelphia, September 14-16, will be elected at the Summer Meeting! If you plan on attending the NFRW Convention, then consider campaigning to be elected as a voting Delegate!

As you can see, the May meeting will once again be interesting and educational. It will also be

fun and fundamentally important for YOU to attend!

It was an honor to represent you at the recent NFRW Board meeting in Memphis.

A workshop on the new NOAH database for our membership files and another on using Facebook were offered. I find the President's meeting to be the most valuable as we are brought up to speed on what the NFRW and various committees are accomplishing. We are given guidance to assist State Federations to be more effective and to reach our goals. And State Presidents had the opportunity to share ideas and discuss topics directed at the NFRW and one another.

I am so grateful to have been given this incredible opportunity to represent the AzFRW within Arizona and the U.S.! More news in my report at the Summer Meeting.

Hope to see many of you in the midst of the world's largest ponderosa pine forest next month. Flagstaff here we come!

Don't forget to arrive on Thursday for a wonderful "High Tea" that will be held off site. The Tea held in Prescott last year was an enormous success and we are delivering on our promise to do it again. Thank you to Ahwatukee RW member Carol Wilson for offering her Flagstaff home; Laura Phipps, owner of Zen-Zeu Teas; and to third Vice President Mary Baumbach for planning this special event.

First Vice President Donna Tanzi has been doing a terrific job planning the program for the upcoming meeting and this is what we have so far:

Rae Chornenky will present a workshop on "Why Bylaws Matter." Rae is an attorney and a former AzFRW and NFRW President!

Barry Webb is the author of "**CONFESSIONS OF AN (EX) NSA SPY.**" He will conduct two break-out sessions. One is on said topic and the other is on the origins/strategic differences between Al-Qaeda vs. ISIS.

Luncheon Keynote Speakers will be State Senator Karen Fann and New York Times Best Selling Author Larry Schweikart "**HOW TRUMP WON: THE INSIDE STORY OF A REVOLUTION.**"

The **Nominating Committee** will meet in Flagstaff on Friday, May 19 to interview candidates for the 2018 Executive Committee. Applications have been distributed and also posted on the website. We look forward to new *and* seasoned leaders interviewing for the many positions available.

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Let's Cool Down in Flagstaff!

Last year, Prescott hosted the Summer Meeting. This year, Flagstaff gets the honor! Although the two cities are like night and day—one conservative and the other quite liberal, I know you will enjoy the cool mountain air and the tall pines along with a great round-up of conservative Republican speakers.

Most of us know the importance of our Bylaws. If your club's bylaws are well-written and current, your club gets a STAR. However, most of us know there is room for improvement. So we're turning to **Rae Chornenky** for some help because no one knows more about bylaws than Rae! She will lead a Friday morning workshop on "Do Bylaws Matter?" Don't miss this important session. Your club is sure to benefit from the knowledge gained as a result of attending. Because the absolute fact is that "Yes, Bylaws Matter!"

We have some great ladies representing us in the Arizona State Senate and LD1 is no exception. Therefore, we are happy to announce that

Senator Karen Fann is our Keynote Speaker at our Friday, May 19th luncheon. Senator Fann will speak on the Arizona State Budget.

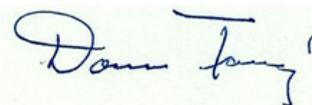
See page 37 of this newsletter for the Summer 2017 Meeting Registration Form.

Our Friday afternoon's break out session is not to be missed. Join us as **author of the recently published book "Confessions of an (EX) NSA**

Spy," Barry Webb, will discuss what has become a timely topic over the last many years. He will address Radical Islam, Islamic Terrorism, Ideology and Future Trends.

As always, Saturday ends our time together. Our luncheon **Keynote Speaker, Larry Schweikart, New York Times bestselling co-author of "How Trump Won"** will leave you energized and ready for the challenges ahead of us as our work continues to keep the GOP focused and the state of Arizona RED!

See you soon,




**Arizona Federation
of Republican Women**
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Do you know an awesome teacher who regularly goes above and beyond for her students? Then tell us about her! She could be named the AzFRW Federation of Republican Women Teacher of the Year for 2017. For details and the nomination form, please see pages 38 and 39 of this newsletter.



From left to right, Rae Chornenky, Elvis, Jan Hermsmeyer and Loraine Pellegrino attended the NFRW Board of Directors meeting at the Peabody Hotel in Memphis.

2017 Important Dates

April 15: Second quarter membership filing and dues must be received by AzFRW Treasurer.

May 18th: High Tea and Fashion, at the home of Carol Wilson in Flagstaff.

May 19 - 20: AzFRW Spring Meeting, DoubleTree by Hilton Hotels, Flagstaff, AZ (This meeting is geared towards convention preparation and elections. **VERY IMPORTANT TO ATTEND**).

June 1: Club Achievement Awards are due!

August 1: Deadline for "Teacher of the Year" nominations.

September 14 - 17: NFRW Biennial Convention, Philadelphia, PA

October 26 - 28: AzFRW State Convention, Mesa, AZ. **See page 40 for the Conference Book Ad Order Form.**

Summer Project:

Flagstaff Family Food Bank & Kitchen

Serving hope to Flagstaff families by providing hunger relief and children's literacy programs

Your donations of nonperishable food items or cash to the Family Food Bank provide food boxes to help needy families stretch their food budgets and the Kitchen to cook and serve up delicious and nutritious food daily for anyone needing a hot meal. In addition the Food Kitchen maintains a children's reading room where youngsters may read and be read to, and take a book home with them for their very own.

Here is a list of the most needed items:

Beans (canned or dried)
Canned Fruit & Vegetables
Canned Soups, Stews, Chili
Cereal (whole grain, low sugar)

Diapers (children's & adults)
Juice (canned, plastic or boxed)
Pasta
Peanut Butter
Rice
Tuna (canned or vacuum packed)

And don't forget the books!

Jan Stephenson

Caring for America Chair



Ways & Means

A special congratulations to Joan Harris who was the winner of our yearlong Gun Bag Raffle!

I would like to express my deep gratitude for all the support for the 2017 Angel program. We signed up twelve level-one Angels and five level-two Angels. This program is extremely important to our fundraising budget because it helps us to meet the financial responsibilities of the Arizona Federation. If you have not participated in this program, please consider joining at our May state meeting taking place in Flagstaff. Our organization thanks you in advance!

We are all anticipating an exciting meeting with special events. We begin our weekend on Thursday afternoon with a High Tea (details are on this page). Our members are working hard to make sure this will be an unforgettable day.

In closing, I would like to thank our Region Directors from Region One—Joan Harris and Region Seven—Carol Jones—and their members for hosting this meeting. I especially appreciate your assistance!

Mary Baumbach
3rd Vice President –
Ways & Means

**An AzFRW
Special Event!**

High Tea and Fashion

**Thursday, May 18th, 2017
Two O'clock in the afternoon
At the home of Carol Wilson
2704 Thomas Pollack Flagstaff, AZ 86005
Donation: \$35**

**LAURA PHIPPS,
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TEAS WILL BE OUR
TEA SOMMELIER!
(AZFRW MEMBER)**

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PREPAYMENT IS REQUIRED. SPACE IS LIMITED.
THERE WILL BE A
SPECIAL GIFT FOR ALL WHO
ATTEND!**





Thank You For Becoming A Patriotic Angel!



Level One Angels:

Mary Baumbach
Cindy Casaus
Rae Chornenky
Nancy Cottle
Robyn Cushman
Joan Harris
Jan Hermsmeyer
Ann Hollis
Diane Dee Lee
Susan Marcell
Carmel Scharenbroich
Donna Tanzi

Level Two Angels:

Donna Alu
Kathy Clark
Leah Davis
Terry Giebelhaus
Loraine Pellegrino

Membership Report

Spring is here! Our Clubs have hit the ground running delivering great programs, supporting the community and holding special events. I spent a lovely afternoon at Yuma County RW's Fashion Show & Tea. This sold-out event was a great way for YCRW to showcase their club and raise funds! It was also wonderful spending time with ladies from Palo Verde RW at the Arizona American African Republican Committee (AAARC) Emancipation Proclamation. Palo Verde RW was a sponsor of the festivities and many of their members were in attendance to show their support!

Thank you to all the clubs for submitting their first quarter filings. As of the January 15th filing, we had a total of 1,146 members – way to go ladies! Just a reminder that the second quarter membership filing of 2017 is just



RWOP President Linda Nichols accepts the Winter Meeting Mileage Award from Cindy Casaus. RWOP members drove a total of 2,700 miles one way to Sierra Vista!

around the corner and due on April 15th. If you have any questions regarding your filing, please let myself or Treasurer Susan Marcell know.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Winter Meeting in Sierra Vista. Not only did we have a record number of registered attendees, we welcomed 21 first-time attendees who joined us. Congratulations to Thunder Mountain RW who had the most attendees at the meeting and to RW of Prescott who took home the Mileage Award. See you in Flagstaff next month!

Cindy Casaus 2nd Vice President – Membership



Congratulations to Thunder Mountain RW who had the most attendees and most first-time attendees, shown here!



21! Our Winter Meeting attracted many first-time attendees! It was so wonderful to see you all there!

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Club Achievement Awards are due on or before June 1st!

NFRW forms (two copies) are to be sent directly to President Loraine Pellegrino.

AzFRW forms are to be sent directly to me, Leona Johnston, at the following

address: 11011 N. Zephyr Drive Unit 115, Fountain Hills, AZ 85268. Please see the individual forms for specific instructions.

Leona Johnston,
Awards Chairman



My Two Cents...

Thank you to all Treasurers who have been paying attention to our calendar posted on the AzFRW.com website for dues submission. Unfortunately, I must report that the information contained therein was incorrect.

We've updated the information: second quarter dues are actually due on April 15th.

For those of you who previously submitted your dues, please send an update that includes any new members who joined between your previous submission and the new due date of April 15th.

For those of you who haven't yet sent in your club's second quarter dues, please make sure that I have them by the new date.



As you know, this is a convention year and we will be awarded delegates to the NFRW Convention based on our membership by June 17th, so let's get as many members recorded

as we possibly can.

Thanks for all that you do!

Susan Marcell
AzFRW Treasurer



Here's a Blast from the Past!

Pinal County RW president Mary Preble submitted the photo to the left. It is a picture of a certificate from the NFRW, although the organization wasn't called that back then. Back in the day, our organization was called National Federation of Women's Republican Clubs. We're glad they decided to shorten the name. That was quite a mouth full!

In Flagstaff, Earn Extra Money for Your Club!

At the Summer Meeting in beautiful Flagstaff, tables will again be available for Clubs, vendors who are members of an AzFRW Club, non-member vendors, and candidates.

The cost per table is based on whether a Club receives all profit (\$10/table) or whether a Club-member vendor keeps all profit (\$25/table); all candidates and non-member vendors pay \$50 per table.

The tables will be in a highly-visible space in the corridor and inside the meeting rooms and will be available from 3:00-6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 18; from 8:00-5:00 on Friday, May 19; and from 8:00-noon on Saturday, May 20.

The deadline to reserve table(s) is **Friday, May 5**. Reserve early for guaranteed availability! You may use the Meeting Registration Form located at the back of this newsletter and include the appropriate fee along with your meeting registration and meal fees – or you may reserve a table by emailing Kathy Dolge at arrangements@azfrw.com. Tables will be confirmed upon receipt of the fee.

Thanks to the Clubs that have already reserved vendor tables!

Questions? Kathy Dolge, arrangements@azfrw.com, 602-510-8986.



Available at the Summer Meeting: Mamie Eisenhower Library Program Books

Books appearing on the Mamie Eisenhower Library Program suggested reading list will be offered for purchase at the Summer Meeting. The Mamie Eisenhower Library Program (MELP) is the oldest committee of the NFRW. The committee's goal is to promote both literacy and conservative values.

Nancy Kay Arnold, longtime member of the NFRW MELP Committee, will have tables of books available for your purchase, which when donated, will earn points for your club. These books will be discounted for AzFRW members. Please bring cash or a check to purchase books for donation to school libraries, civic or charitable organizations, or to other entities where books with our conservative values would be a welcomed addition to their shelves!

Get Those Scrapbooks & Newsletters Ready for Judging!

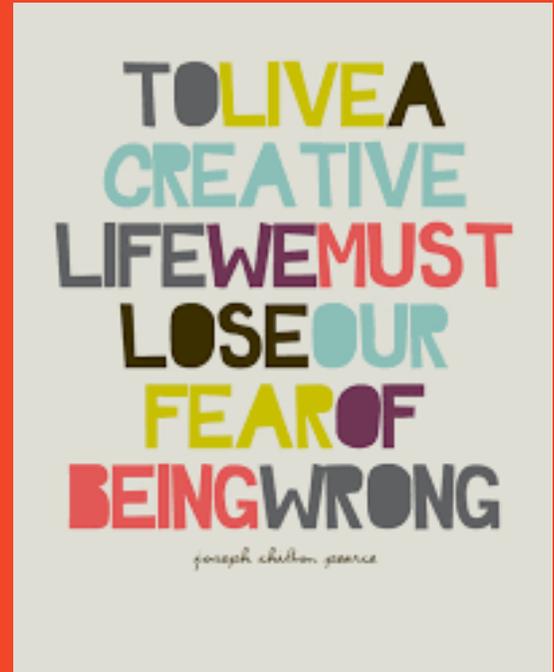
It's time to begin thinking about AzFRW's Biennial Convention, *Forging Our Future*. You will find criteria for the Scrapbook and Newsletter Awards on the AzFRW Members Only portion of the AzFRW website, middle of the page, under the *Awards* category. Winners will be selected for BOTH contests for both digital AND paper entries. The guidelines are challenging but not impossible!

For scrapbooks:

- The time reference is between convention deadlines so that club scrapbooks flow best – July 2015-June 2017.
- Both paper and digital entries will be bound, tangible books. Digital entries are either created on a computer with the pages printed for viewing or sent to a book-printing service such as Shutterfly.
- Scrapbooks will be displayed at the convention as space and time allows for all to admire.

For newsletters:

- The time reference for newsletters is the term of the State President – January 2016 through September 2017 – just prior to the convention.
- If your club newsletter is sent as a pdf file to members, CLUBS are requested to PRINT ONE copy as your entry for judging. Email submissions will NOT be accepted. (The award chairman is NOT responsible for printing YOUR club entries!)
- THREE of your club's BEST newsletter examples are requested. The judging criteria is comprehensive. You may find some months harder than others to include ALL requested information.
- "Digital" newsletters are those that are ONLY sent AS an email blast. Many clubs use services such as Constant Contact or MailChimp. If you rely on this method AS your newsletter (not realistic to print), you may EMAIL your THREE best entries to Lezlee Alexander at garthandlee@cox.net OR you may submit them at the convention on a thumb drive. (A laptop will be available for judging.)



JUDGES will be requested from clubs NOT entering these award opportunities. Your assistance in awarding our clubs for their AMAZING efforts in these categories is greatly appreciated! Awards will be presented at the Awards Luncheon.

Thanks to ALL clubs for taking the time to share news about your club's activities via newsletters and recording your club's history! Even if you don't enter the contests, your efforts in documenting club activities are appreciated!

If you have questions, please contact Lezlee Alexander at garthandlee@cox.net.

A Free Republic — and How to Keep It

Priscilla Poese/Americanism Chair

Graduation season, usually occurring in April, May, and June, unfortunately often means that college graduates hear speakers ranging from liberal to radical. Not so at Hillsdale College. In May, 2016, Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas delivered a commencement address titled “Freedom and Obligation.” His message to the graduating students also can be worthwhile for all of us as patriotic Americans, and included the following remarks:

“So much has changed since I left college in 1971. Things that were considered firm have long since lost their vitality... Hallmarks of my youth, such as patriotism and religion, seem more like outliers, if not afterthoughts. ...One of the messages constantly conveyed in those days was...that if you did not discharge your responsibilities, there could be no independence, no self-sufficiency, and no freedom. ...So there was always, to our way of thinking, a connection between the things we valued most and our obligations or efforts. There could be no freedom without each of us discharging our responsibilities. ...Today we rarely hear of our personal responsibilities in discussions of broad notions such as freedom or liberty. It is as though freedom and liberty exist wholly independent of anything we do... It is all too commonly thought that we all deserve the same reward or the same status... This is why we hear so often about what is deserved or who is entitled. ...And isn't this same sense of entitlement often applied today to freedom?”

“At the end of the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Benjamin Franklin was asked what the gathering had accomplished. ‘A republic,’ he replied, ‘if you can keep it.’ ...So many who have gone before us have [dedicated] their lives to preserving and enhancing our nation both in war and in peace... America’s Founders and many successive generations believed in natural rights. To establish a government based on consent of the governed, as the Declaration of Independence makes clear, they...structured that government so that it could

not jeopardize the liberty that flowed from natural rights. Even though this liberty is inherent, it is not guaranteed. ...Over the lifespan of our great country, many occasions have arisen that required this liberty, and the form of government that ensures it, to be defended if it was to survive. At the risk of understating what is necessary to preserve liberty and our form of government, I think more and more that it depends on good citizens discharging their daily duties and obligations. ...

Today there is much more focus on our rights and on what we are owed, and much less on our obligations and duties... If we are content to let others do the work of replenishing and defending liberty while we consume the benefits, we will someday run out of other people’s willingness to sacrifice — or even out of courageous people willing to make the sacrifice.

“...Some of you will most assuredly be called upon to do very hard things to preserve liberty. All of you will be called upon to provide a firm foundation of citizenship by carrying out your

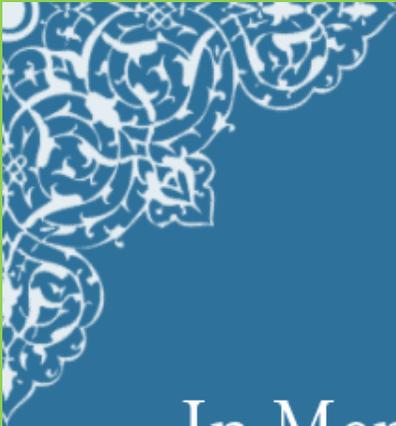
obligations in the way so many preceding generations have done. ...[Y]our efforts will help to form the fabric of a civil society and a free and prosperous nation where inherent equality and liberty are inviolable.”

One of Ronald Reagan’s most well-known quotes is, “Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction.” Each new generation in our country needs to learn the responsibility, the duty, that goes hand-in-hand with the rights we are blessed to enjoy (not the “rights” created by activist judges, the ACLU, and aggrieved special-interest groups), in this free, constitutional republic called America.

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In Memory

London Bridge Republican Women wish to remember Laura Smith who passed away recently. The club donated to the AzFRW Scholarship in Laura's memory.

If you would like to help AzFRW support the next generation of Republican women with a scholarship, then consider making a donation in memory of your special person.

To do so, please contact Susan Marcell, Treasurer.

sometimes
memories sneak out
of my eyes
and roll down
my cheeks



Scenes From Our Winter Meeting in Sierra Vista!



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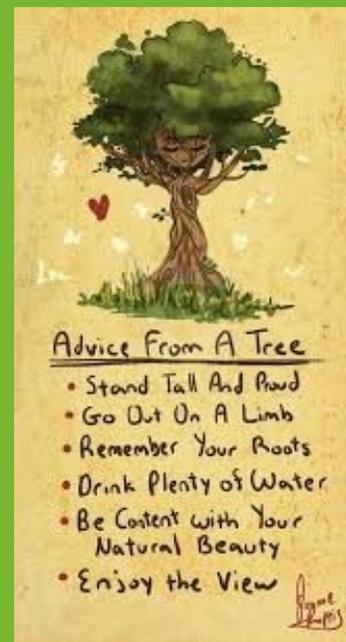


AzFRW Winter Bulletin Correction



The photo to the left was accredited to Yavapai RW in the AzFRW 2017 Winter Bulletin. It is actually a photo from RW of Prescott. The editor apologizes for the error.

Prescott High School Color Guard presents the colors at the RWOP Toys for Tots event.



Region I

Director: Joan Harris

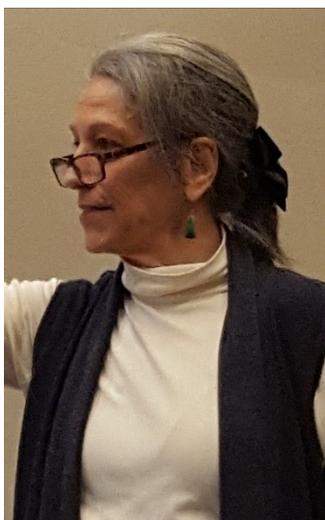
Clubs: Flagstaff RW, Verde Valley RW, Yavapai County RW



Flagstaff RW: Chaplain Annie Booth, left, and member Billie Banning admire the celebratory cake at our gala January Inauguration party.



Flagstaff RW: Chaplain Annie Booth with the Junior ROTC Color Guard at the Inauguration Party.



Flagstaff RW: At our February meeting, FRW member Rosa Dierks provided a first-hand presentation of her trip to Cuba .

Energized by the overwhelming Republican victories in the 2016 elections, Flagstaff RW has declared “The Year of the Elephant Stampede” and invited all Republican Women to join us. The stampede started off with a “yuge” Inauguration party, and hasn’t slowed down yet. In addition to a variety of interesting and informative programs and Caring for America projects, activities include preparing to host the AzFRW Summer Meeting.

In January, in keeping with the Inaugural theme, Prescott Mayor Harry Oberg and wife Jeanna Tendall treated Yavapai County RW to a first-hand account of the festivities at the Nation’s Capitol. Mayor Oberg also reported back from the Mayor’s Conference.

February saw unanimous approval of Yavapai County RW’s revised club bylaws as presented by the hard-working Bylaws Committee. A number of local non-profit organizations sent representatives to the March meeting to make members aware of opportunities to support their community. Future programs will include social media training and patriotism issues, as well as other timely topics.

The women of Verde Valley continued their outstanding programming. Focusing on critical social issues, they heard presentations on border issues, human trafficking, and the epidemic of drugs in Yavapai County and the state of Arizona.

It was with sadness that we learned of Verde Valley RW’s decision to dissolve their club. These hard-working, dedicated ladies have contributed much to the overall success of the Republican Party in Arizona and the Nation as a whole. So we say to them “Thank you,” and au revoir for now.



Region I (cont.)

Director: Joan Harris

Clubs: Flagstaff RW, Verde Valley RW, Yavapai County RW



Flagstaff RW: William "Billy" Weldon, Commander, Region VI, Military Order of the Purple Heart (left), and Coconino County Republican Committee Chairman Jeff Oravits, right, brought us up to date about the proposed Flagstaff Veteran's Home at the March meeting and other Veteran's issues.



Verde Valley RW: Andrea Kadar gave a presentation on the Arizona border situation at the January meeting.



Verde Valley RW: Lieutenant Tom Boeltz spoke on human trafficking at the February meeting.



Verde Valley RW: At the March meeting, Yavapai County Attorney Sheila Polk updated the club on illegal drugs in Arizona and Yavapai County.



Verde Valley RW: VVRW President Chris Lutz, left, and VVRW Treasurer Sandie Butler, right, donating the club PA system to American Heritage Academy teacher, center.



Yavapai County RW: Prescott Mayor Harry Oberg and wife Jeanna Tendall provided an inside view of the Presidential Inauguration and the Mayor's Conference – informative and fun!



Yavapai County RW: Deb McCasland, Yavapai College Governing Board, District 2 (left), and YCRW President Patt Parker.



Yavapai County RW: Juliana Goswick of Big Brothers and Big Sisters with Eddie Cochran, our newest Student Associate Member.



Yavapai County RW: Quincie Castleberry from Court Appointed Special Advocates (left) and YCRW member Ruby Leach.

Region II

Director: Jo Ann Evans

Clubs: Grande Valley RW, Pima County RW, RW of Pinal County, Oro Valley RW, RW of San Tan Valley, Tucson RW

It seems like only yesterday when we were in Sierra Vista. All the clubs in Region II are looking forward to the 2018 local and county elections. The Region II clubs are focused on membership as well as encouraging women to be involved in the AzFRW.

The Grande Valley Republican Women of Casa Grande have four new members and have changed the day and time for their meetings. The club had a booth at the Pinal County Fair and are working to educate women on the workings of local government. They will be dark for the summer.

The Pinal County Republican Women hosted several local officials as speakers during the last quarter, and Christina Sandefer, Executive Vice President of the Goldwater Institute, discussed the "Right to Try" legislation. This club will be dark this summer.

The Pima County Republican Women were major organizers of the Lincoln Day Dinner, attended the "Freedom Expo" held in March, and will have a booth at the Pima County Fair in April. Their monthly meeting rotates between luncheon and dinner. Their programs included the local Justice of the Peace and County Supervisor Steve Christy. The club also has several new members.

Oro Valley. No Report. – Dark for the summer.

The Tucson Republican Women have a new President, Roslyn Bayard, and five of their members attended the Arizona GOP State meeting as delegates. Historian Larry Schweikart spoke at their March meeting about his published history of the United States, and introduced his new book, "How Trump Won." The club is volunteering at the Pima County Fair.



Grande Valley RW: Rae Carr and Barbara Vaade.



Grande Valley RW: Booth at the Pinal County Fair.



Pinal County RW: Executive Director of the Goldwater Institute, Christina Sandefer, speaks to the group.

Region III

Director: Judy Langer

Clubs: Graham County RW, Huachuca Area RW, Thunder Mountain RW

Usually in an off election year, new membership is rather slow, but this year we've noticed a considerable up-tick in club membership. It is evident that there is renewed enthusiasm in the Republican Party. The clubs have had great speakers and very good attendance. We all pray for this trend to continue.

Graham County Republican Women is focused on the Constitution. Carol McAtee, principal of Thatcher High School, spoke about whether or not the Constitution is being taught in our public schools. They also will invite other Graham County school representative to speak.

Huachuca Area Republican Women have had interesting speakers. Sheriff Mark Dannels always draws a large crowd as well as Craig Mount, Sierra Vista City Councilman.

The clubs pray for President Trump and Vice President Pence. Many of us do so at home as well.

Thunder Mountain Republican Women celebrated their 44th charter birthday with cake and champagne!



Ladies of Region III sent 75 postcards to President Trump..



Cochise County Republican Committee Lincoln Day Dinner: J.T. Harris and Arizona Senate Majority Whip, Gail Griffin.



Huachuca Area RW: February 2017, Craig Mount, City Councilman, and Iris Lynch, HARW 2nd VP

Region III (cont.)

Director: Judy Langer

Clubs: Graham County RW, Huachuca Area RW, Thunder Mountain RW



Huachuca Area RW: At the 2017 AzFRW Winter meeting in Sierra Vista, HARW attendees pose with Mayor Mueller.



Huachuca Area RW: At the HARW March meeting, speaker Sheriff Mark Dannels, Sue Mitchell (HARW president) and Melissa Wirthlin, Constable.



At the AzFRW Winter meeting in Sierra Vista, Saturday's luncheon featured an Immigration panel. From left to right: local ranchers Scott Arena, John Ladd, Peggy Davis and Cochise County Attorney Brian McIntyre.



Thunder Mountain RW: Jonathan Paton, former State Senate President and current political strategist, talks to TMRW about the importance of judicial selection in the state and country.

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RULE 2: BE NICE TO YOURSELF



**YOU ARE NOT UGLY.
YOU ARE NOT STUPID.
YOU ARE DOING GREAT!**

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Region IV

Director: LaJuana Gillette

Clubs: Colorado River RW, Kingman RW, Lake Havasu RW, London Bridge RW, Rio Colorado RW, Yuma County RW

The six clubs in Region IV hosted the Sierra Vista meeting this year and did a wonderful job. All six clubs are working to increase their membership and their efforts are paying dividends! All are recording their hours and working on their Awards and Achievements. Members sent post cards to the White House to tell President Trump that we are still with him and think he is doing a great job.

LHRW has held two fundraisers, a Bunco party and a garage sale. They are very proud of two of their members, Chris and Don Bergen, who just received The President's Volunteer Service Award!

LBRW continues to hand out "26 Club" money at every meeting. The club's card finding game continues and participants will want to attend both upcoming meetings to see if they've won. Their "Each One to Bring One" program has added sixteen new members! They are continuing to support the PACE program which educates students about the Constitution and love for America.

LBRW Members were involved in the very successful LDD with Mike and Kelli Ward. A Bunco party is scheduled for the fall.

CRRW members continue to increase their membership numbers. They are involved in several community projects.

RCRW hosted a very successful annual Fashion Show and are busy recruiting new members.

KRW is holding a raffle for a "Dinner for Eight" at Cella Winery located north east of Kingman. The club has purchased a park bench to be permanently placed in Locomotive Park with a plaque. They have a membership contest for \$100.00. Bring in a new member and get five tickets to be added to the pot!



Yuma County RW: The Future is So Bright! From left to right: Claudia Baker, June Choate, Tammy Wren, Apryl Brand, Ute Edge, Dr. Connie Uribe Donato, Val Cook, CoraLee Schingnitz, Nancy Smith, Charlotte Planer.

Region IV (cont.)

Director: LaJuana Gillette

Clubs: Colorado River RW, Kingman RW, Lake Havasu RW, London Bridge RW, Rio Colorado RW, Yuma County RW



Kingman RW: At the KRW March meeting: Nancy Moschcau, AzFRW President, Loraine Pellegrino, and Region IV Director, LaJuana Gillette.



Lake Havasu RW: Lake Havasu Republican Women held their Winter Bunco in February. Pictured are Ways and Means Chair Gaynell Crews, center, and front row, left to right, club members Deb Bergren and Ruth Navin. Proceeds are helping to fund their Caring For America projects.



Lake Havasu RW: Lake Havasu Republican Women hosted a Trump Inauguration Party at Niko's Grill and Pub. Pictured left to right are President Sue Donahue and club members Shawna Menser and Deb Bergren.



Lake Havasu RW: Lake Havasu Republican Women had a membership drive at their annual garage sale. Two new members joined at the event.



Lake Havasu RW: Lake Havasu Republican Women held their annual garage sale with proceeds going to their Caring for America projects.



Yuma County RW: From left to right, Renee Smith Arizona Western College Executive Director, Anne Booth; YCRW President; Sara Rosevear, Treasurer; Ema Lea Shoop, Parliamentarian; Betty de Santis, Secretary; Bonnie Knight; Lynn Dalbey (recently deceased); Kim Hamersley, First Vice President Elect.

Region V

Director: Susan Cohen

Club: RW of Prescott



RW of Prescott: In March, forty-five RWOP members spent the day at the Arizona State Capitol. The event was hosted by Senator Karen Fann and Representatives Noel Campbell and David Stringer of LD1. Lunch was graciously provided by Arizona's largest and longest serving electric company, APS. Their visit included paying tribute to the USS Arizona Memorial on the Plaza.



RW of Prescott: Save the Date! Lt. Col. Allen West, former Florida congressman, will be our keynote speaker on August 12, 2017 at Prescott Valley Event Center in Prescott Valley, AZ. Stay tuned... details to follow.



RW of Prescott: Associate RWOP Member Quang Nguyen spoke at our March luncheon about his experience coming to America as a Vietnamese War Refugee when he was only 12 years old. He fondly refers to all Viet Nam Veterans as HIS Founding Fathers.



RW of Prescott: Vice President of Membership Carie Hughes (standing) and her team enthusiastically greets guests and members at each and every luncheon. Their membership directory was completed on time and under budget!



RW of Prescott: Past RWOP President and current Prescott City Councilwoman Billie Orr interviewed Prescott's new Chief of Police Debbie Black and newly hired City Manager Michael Lamar at January's Luncheon to help members understand city operations and leadership in Prescott.

Region VI

Director: Nancy Cottle

Clubs: Ahwatukee RW, Chandler RW, Mesa RW, Tempe RW



Ahwatukee RW: ARW members Laura Phipps, Carol Jacobsen, Kathy Diekelman, Debbie Smith and Carol Wilson.



Ahwatukee RW: ARW joined the effort to flood President Trump with postcards of support. On March 14th, ARW members penned a few postcards after we concluded our Executive Board meeting. Pictured: Jennifer Szatkowski, Viola Klype, Kathy Diekelman, Priscilla Poese, Mary Baumbach, Loraine Pellegrino and Nancy Dombrowski.



Ahwatukee RW: In March, Americans for Prosperity were ARW's featured speakers. Our members and many first-time guests enjoyed their presentation on their grassroots efforts and advocacy. Pictured: Americans for Prosperity's, Leslie White, speaks to our group. She also became one of Ahwatukee's newest members that night!



Ahwatukee RW: Say BINGO! ARW members partake in some Bling Bingo in Sierra Vista. Pictured: Mary Pellegrino, Mary Baumbach, Leigh Ann Baumbach and Terry Giebelhaus.



Ahwatukee RW: ARW kicked off the New Year with Speaker JD Mesnard!

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Region VI (cont.)

Director: Nancy Cottle

Clubs: Ahwatukee RW, Chandler RW, Mesa RW, Tempe RW



Ahwatukee RW: In February, ARW welcomed the Goldwater Institute's Christina Sandefur. Her presentation included an overview of The Right to Earn a Living Act and the importance of Education Savings Accounts (ESA). Pictured: Christina Sandefur (fourth from right) with some of our ARW members and associates.



Ahwatukee RW: ARW member (and AzFRW sponsor) Judy Berg is all smiles as she shows off her Trump socks at January's meeting!



Ahwatukee RW: More than a dozen Ahwatukee RW members and associates had a wonderful time at the Winter State Meeting in Sierra Vista! Top row, left to right: Cindy Casaus, Carol Jacobsen, Terry Giebelhaus. Bottom row, left to right: Mary Baumbach, Loraine Pellegrino, Mary Pellegrino, Priscilla Poese.



Region VI (cont.)

Director: Nancy Cottle

Clubs: Ahwatukee RW, Chandler RW, Mesa RW, Tempe RW

Chandler RW: On Tuesday, March 21st, Chandler Republican Women hosted another *Purse Your Luck* event, this time at Seville Country Club in Gilbert, Arizona. The event was hugely successful, with thirty one gorgeous purses donated, as well as thirty one fabulous prizes—all donated and worth more than \$425—allowing CRW to raise over \$2,500 from this one event! The *Purse Your Luck* event was sponsored by Nothing Bundt Cakes in Gilbert, who provided funds to cover the cost of the food. The company's owner, Jan Newton, donated 100 mini-Bundt cakes to share. There wasn't a single mini-cake left at the end of the night (they were THAT good!).



Region VI (cont.)

Director: Nancy Cottle

Clubs: Ahwatukee RW, Chandler RW, Mesa RW, Tempe RW



Mesa RW: Dr. Craig Idso, world renowned expert on climate and CO2, shared information and statistics regarding the CO2 hoax that the liberals are spewing



Mesa RW: In January, Senate President Steve Yarbrough and Speaker JD Mesnard discussed the state of the legislature and explained some of the major, most current bills and effects of initiatives passed in the last election.



Mesa RW: In February, Constatine Querard and Marcus Kelly presented pros and cons of the National Popular Vote issue.



Mesa RW: At the AzFRW Winter meeting in Sierra Vista, representatives from four Region VI clubs were in attendance. Six of these ladies are from MRW!



Region VI (cont.)

Director: Nancy Cottle

Clubs: Ahwatukee RW, Chandler RW, Mesa RW, Tempe RW



Tempe RW: Stephanie Stoker, TRW Membership Chair, was a guest on CNN – all due to a lot of media attention garnered from the club's Facebook page. As an invited guest on The Messy Truth with Van Jones, Missy represented the Conservative side very well. The exchange between Stephanie and Trevor Noah, who was the main guest for that show, is also available for viewing via YouTube for anyone that searches for "Messy Truth Trevor Noah."



Tempe RW: From left to right, Stephanie Stoker, Darryl Jacobson Barnes, and Jessica Merrow with friends at the January Arizona GOP Meeting.



Tempe RW: TRW supports School Choice!

Region VII

Director: Carol Jones

Clubs: Arrowhead RW, Central RW of Phoenix



Arrowhead RW: Arrowhead RW welcomed State Treasurer Jeff DeWit to tell members all about his experience as COO of the campaign that helped elect President Trump!



Arrowhead RW: LOTS of new members at Arrowhead RW's February meeting!



Arrowhead RW: ARW learned of the challenges of war as member Jana Jackson shared her experiences from visiting Carpi, Italy and the town's stories of African-American soldiers respectfully burying Jewish children who had died from injuries sustained in concentration camps. It was a meeting filled with song, joy, and pride for these heroes!



Arrowhead RW: Arrowhead RW members donated Socks for Vets which were distributed at the Arizona StandDown in February. Member Ginny Schick helps bundle socks for distribution.



Arrowhead RW: The BEAUTIFUL MAN James T. Harris as March's speaker!

Region VII (cont.)

Director: Carol Jones

Clubs: Arrowhead RW, Central RW of Phoenix



Arrowhead RW: Leaders from ARW and Central Republican Women of Phoenix with speaker James T. Harris at the March combined meeting.



Arrowhead RW and Central RW of Phoenix: March brought James T. Harris to the Valley thanks to the assistance of CRWOP member Alice Lara for a COMBINED Arrowhead/CRWOP meeting! The laughs were many and the crowd record breaking as MANY guests joined the fun as well. #wearshades – need we say more?



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: CRWOP officers with Maricopa County Treasurer Royce Flora. Left to right: President Robyn Cushman; Treasurer Flora; Second Vice President Jan Webb; Secretary Carmel Scharenbroich; and First Vice President Alice Lara.



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: CRWOP officers with radio talk-show host Terry Gilberg. Left to right: Treasurer Lei Lani Cortez; President Robyn Cushman; Terry Gilberg; First Vice President Alice Lara; and Second Vice President Jan Webb.

Region VII (cont.)

Director: Carol Jones

Clubs: Arrowhead RW, Central RW of Phoenix



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: CRWOP's vendor table at the MCRC Statutory Meeting with the Honorable Kelli Ward, Sherene Robinson, Monique Bontrager and Lynn Drabik.



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: CRWOP First Vice President Alice Lara and Men's Auxiliary member George Ortiz and radio host James T. Harris on their internet radio talk show.



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: AZGOP Chairman Graham presented CRWOP President Robyn Cushman with the Team Player Award.



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: CRWOP membership table at the James T. Harris event with Region VII Director Carol Jones and Membership Chair Jan Webb .

Region VII (cont.)

Director: Carol Jones

Clubs: Arrowhead RW, Central RW of Phoenix



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: CRWOP phone bankers display their well-deserved Team Player award. Left to right: Carla Bertilson, Alice Lara, Jan Webb, Robyn Cushman, Melissa Bankston, Kathy Hedges, Susan Fair; not pictured Regina Buzzello and Monique Bontrager.



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: Congratulations to CRWOP Treasurer Lei Lani Cortez on her marriage to John Forrest, a CRWOP Men's Auxiliary member!

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Central Republican Women of Phoenix: CRWOP at AzFRW Winter Meeting. Top, from left to right: Alice Lara, Robyn Cushman, Kathy Hedges. Bottom, left to right: Carmel Scharenbroich, Carol Jones, Robyn Cushman and Alice Lara.



Central Republican Women of Phoenix: CRWOP and ARW joint meeting with radio talk-show host James T. Harris. CRWOP officers include, left to right, Second Vice President Jan Webb; Secretary Carmel Scharenbroich; First Vice President Alice Lara; James T. Harris and President Robyn Cushman.

Region VIII

Director: Allison Mary

Clubs: Lincoln RW, Palo Verde RW, Paradise RW

Lincoln RW has started the year with some impressive guest speakers! Secretary of State, Michele Reagan; Maricopa County Attorney, Bill Montgomery; ASU Center for Political Thought and Leadership Director, Dr. Donald Critchlow; Red Light Rebellion Founder, Breanna Vales; and John Raeder from the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family. The club's Membership Drive has been very successful. Because I was the club's top membership recruiter, I won a free dinner at the March meeting!

At the beginning of the year, Palo Verde RW (along with Central RW of Phoenix) were presented with "Team Player" awards by the AZGOP!

Palo Verde RW also is successfully promoting their Politics Uncorked—a Mix & Mingle monthly Happy Hour. Add this gathering to the already established monthly Morning Coffee Chat group and Palo Verde continues to attract new members. Both groups provide a forum for open discussions of political topics and a way to make new friends.

Palo Verde Outreach is working hard to endow the ASU Center for Political Thought and Leadership with at least one \$1,000 annual scholarship via a university endowment. Contact Joan Lang at wandjlang@gmail.com to purchase a raffle ticket to win a luxury shopping spree (drawing to be held at Palo Verde RW's May luncheon). And make plans to attend the October 28th Right and Bright event where the keynote speaker is Kimberley Strassel, member of the Wall Street Journal's editorial board and author of *The Intimidation Game: How the Left is Silencing Free Speech*. More details to come!

Paradise RW is meeting for brunch instead of lunch! This change, plus offering terrific speakers, is increasing meeting attendance. An AZGOP Chairman Candidate Forum, an understanding of what is and how lobbying and lobbyists influence the political process and ASU Center for Political Thought and Leadership presentations have started 2017 out with a bang!

The Region VIII clubs were very well represented at the February AzFRW Winter Meeting in Sierra Vista! Thank you for attending.

It's Great To Be From Region VIII!

Allison Mary, Region VIII Director



Members of Region VIII at the AzFRW State Winter meeting in Sierra Vista, Arizona.

Region VIII (cont.)

Director: Allison Mary

Clubs: Lincoln RW, Palo Verde RW, Paradise RW



Lincoln RW: Smiling Region VIII Director Allison Mary and Second Vice President and Treasurer Pat Kaufman and welcoming guests before the club's March dinner meeting.



Lincoln RW: John Raeder, from the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family (GOYFF), spoke on what the State of Arizona is doing about the problem of human sex trafficking.



Palo Verde RW: The club is making new friends at our monthly Politics Uncorked Happy Hours. This lady from Canada was in the restaurant and wanted to know what we were doing. We told her and she is now one of newest members!



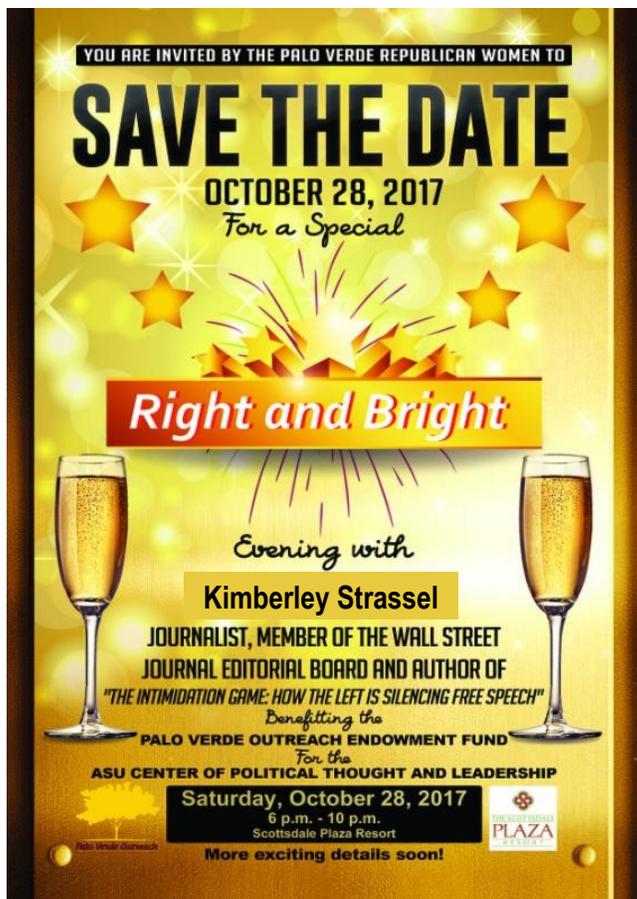
Paradise RW: ASU Political Thought and Leadership's Dr. Donald Critchlow spoke at Paradise RW's March meeting.



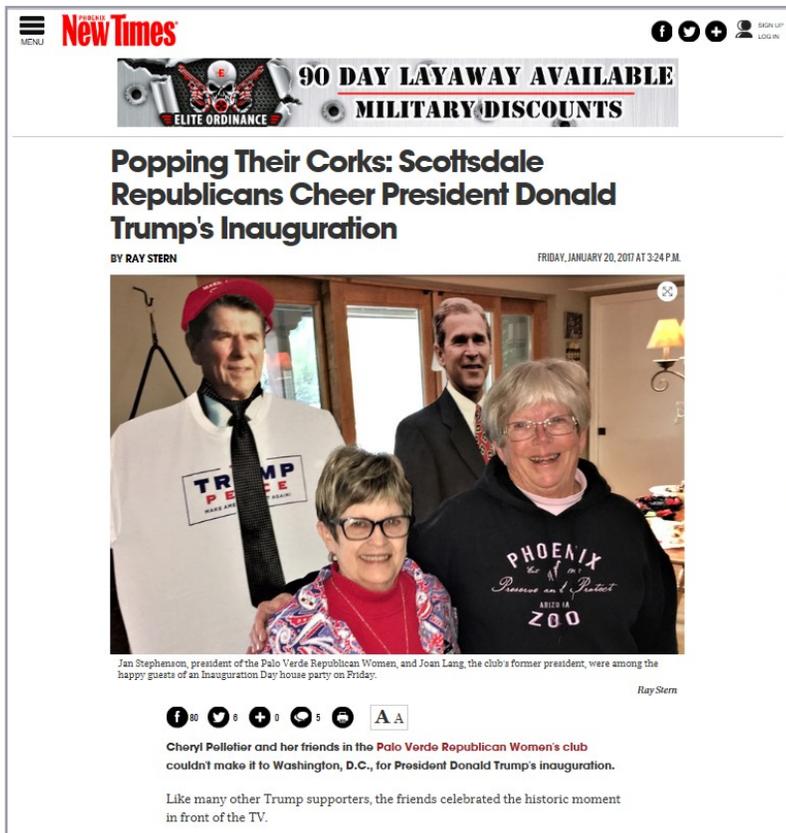
Palo Verde RW: Board members from Palo Verde RW display their "Team Player" award presented to the club at the 2017 AZGOP Chairman's Dinner. Back row, left to right: Joan Lang, Sherry Gray. Front row, left to right: Anita Rodriguez, Jan Stephenson.

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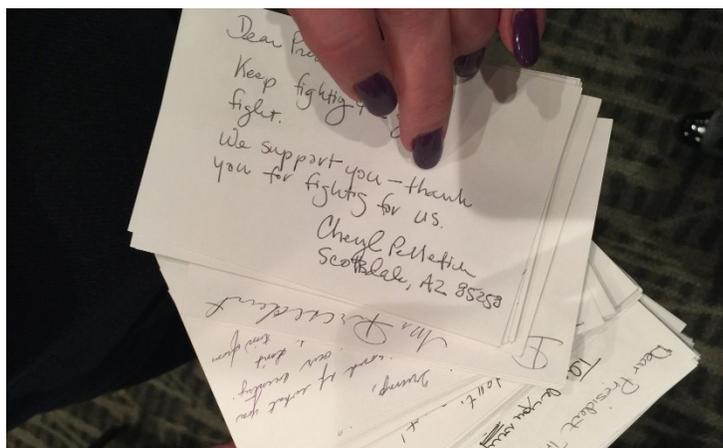
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Palo Verde RW: What better way to assist young conservatives than with an annual scholarship (or two)? Our goal is to establish an endowment to award annual scholarships to students taking part in the ASU Political Thought & Leadership series. To establish an endowment, the club must deposit \$25,000 into the university's endowment pool—if we are able to raise \$50,000 we will be able to fund two \$1,000 scholarships per year! We hope you will join us on October 28th! Do it for our kids!



Palo Verde RW: Our January 20th Inaugural party, hosted by Cheryl Pelletier, was attended by New Times reporter Ray Stern. A positive story at NewTimes.com was the result!



Palo Verde RW: At their March luncheon, members and guests wrote 175 postcards to show support for President Trump.

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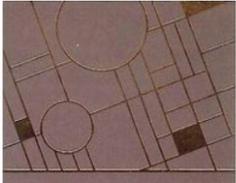
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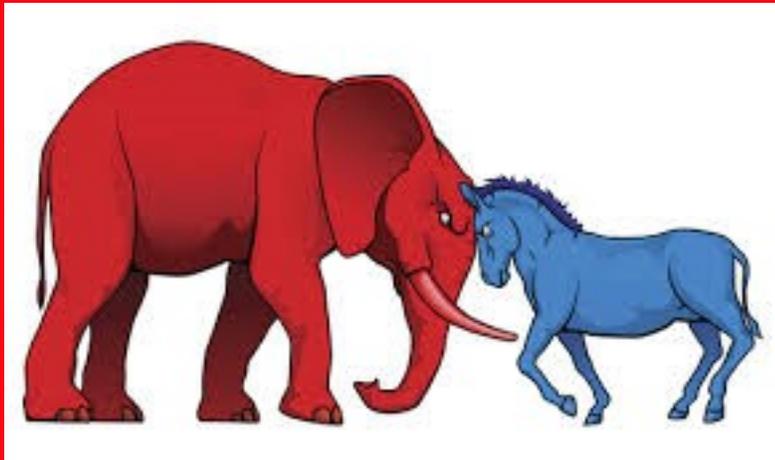
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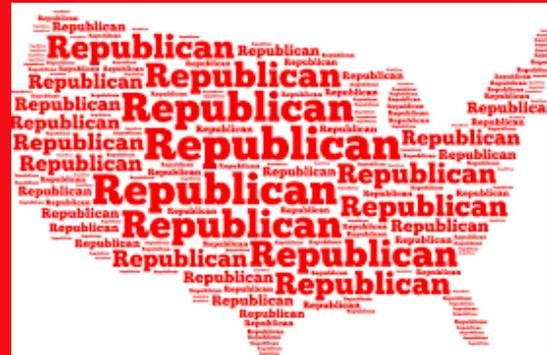
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