

CACTUS WREN REPUBLICAN WOMEN



Phoenix, Arizona

JANUARY 2012



Program for – January 5th Candidates for the U. S. Senate

CACTUS WREN REPUBLICAN WOMEN 2012

ELECTED OFFICERS

President	Sandra Ramsey Lines
1 st VP	Regina Buzzello
2 nd VP	Barbara Cook
Secretary	Mandi Karvis
Treasurer	Marcie Rodriguez

APPOINTED OFFICERS

Corresponding/Roster	Mandi Nilsen
Parliamentarian	Patte Newell
Historian	Sue Williams
Chaplain	Carla Bertilson

STANDING COMMITTEES

Karen Groseclose	Achievement Awards
Barbara Cook	Americanism
Patti Newell	Arrangements & Hospitality
Kathleen Dougherty	Budget & Finance
Yvonne Reed	By Laws
Susan Fair	CWAC
Tina Shaw	Campaign & Political Activities
Judy Sides	Community Involvement
Mary Hoiness	Education (Point/Counterpoint)
Robin Cushman	Fund Raising/Ways & Means
Deborrah Miller	Legislation
Tina Shaw	Membership
Joyce Orr	Newsletter
Jill Jeanes	PAC
Mandi Nilsen	Publicity, Website & Public Relations
Tina Shaw / Sue Williams	Telephone/Outreach
Tara Roesler	Youth Activities & Scholarships



Wil Cardon attended Mountain View High School in Mesa where he was successful, both as a student, and as an all-state wide receiver on the football team. He was recruited by and attended Brigham Young University, later transferring to and graduating from Stanford University. While they had the opportunity to stay in California, Wil and his wife Nicole moved back to Arizona where he worked two jobs for several years, before earning an MBA from Harvard Business School. After graduation, Wil returned to Arizona and took over the family business, *The Cardon Group*, which was originally founded in 1934 by Wil's grandfather, Wilford Pratt Cardon, or "Pat" Cardon as he was better known.

For the last 15 years, Wil Cardon has been diversifying the business, creating jobs, investing in products and properties, and helping start-up companies succeed. This real world experience is why Wil Cardon is the candidate who best understands what businesses need to create jobs and what it will take to get the U.S. economy growing again. In addition to running a successful business, Wil and his family have been dedicated to improving our community. Wil is involved with numerous charitable organizations including the Banner Health Foundation in Phoenix. With the Cardon's help, Banner Health was able to expand their Children's Hospital to provide 248 pediatric beds and six operating rooms. In appreciation for their generosity, Banner Health recently renamed the hospital *The Cardon Children's Medical Center*.

Wil and his wife Nicole live in Mesa with their five children.



Clair Van Steenwyk (aka Van the Radio Man) grew up in Bellflower, Ca. and began his political activity at age 9 by campaigning for Eisenhower door to door. He also began his working career at the same age going door to door delivering flyers for a furniture store.

Vans work history went from jobs such as washing dishes, mopping floors, etc. to becoming an Executive in the Food Industry in California with companies such as, Walmart, Costco, Sams Club, Kroger Markets, Albertsons and others.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members:

It is the end of 2011 and a new beginning for 2012. For me, it is a time to reflect on how fortunate I am to have a great family and good friends ... especially my friends at Cactus Wren. Let me thank the 2011 Board and Committee Chairs for all of their work this past year and their friendship. Many on the Board and Committee Chairs agreed to stay on for the 2012 year. Of that, I am most appreciative. We do have some changes and the members who stepped up to fill the vacant positions deserve recognition: **Marcie Rodriguez** (Treasurer), **Patte Newell** (Parliamentarian), **Sue Williams** (Historian), **Karen Groseclose** (Achievement Awards), **Yvonne Reed** (By-Laws), **Robin Cushman** (Fund Raising & Ways & Means), **Jill Jeanes** (Pac), and last but definitely not least **Mandi Nilsen** (Publicity & Website) has volunteered to prepare the Cactus Wren Roster.

Regarding the Roster, the Board voted to charge \$10 for each business card advertisement in the Roster to help defray the costs of this publication. Money and cards will be collected at the January and February meetings.

A very big "thank you" goes to **Lynne Crane** who designed the invitations to the Non-Event Tea and the members who participated in this event. Cactus Wren made approximately \$640. Community Involvement Chair **Judy Sides** suggested that our 2012 budget include a donation to the Wounded Warrior Project. A vote on the Budget will be taken at the February meeting.

In January, the Board Meeting will be held at a new location: Dillon's Restaurant, 8525 North Central Avenue (on Central south of Dunlap). We hear the food is very good.

The Board joins me in wishing you a very happy and healthy New Year.

Sandra Ramsey Lines —*President,*
Cactus Wren Republican Women—

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Van has a Political Talk Radio program in Phoenix, and previously in California, Idaho and Florida. He's interviewed many of the Republicans in the last election cycle and campaigned for some. He is also a PC and State Committeeman along with his wife Jean.

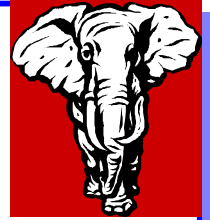
Van decided to come out of retirement to run for the U.S. Senate this year when approached by a group of other Conservative Republicans, who wanted someone they believed would actually not compromise Constitutional Conservative Values in the name of progress.

BOARD MEETING

For Jan. 12th, 2012

Meeting time is at 600 p.m.

Dillon's Restaurant
8525 North Central Avenue
Phoenix—South of Dunlap



Van believes by applying simple business practices to the Federal Government, making all Departments, Agencies and Laws both Past and any Upcoming Legislation must be in total compliance with the Constitution. This simple practice when implemented will dramatically shrink the size and cost of Government, Freeing Up Our Economy.

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Born in southeastern Wisconsin, **Bryan Hackbarth** and his wife Lourdes own and operate a cleaning contracting business in Youngtown, where they have lived since 1999. As the former mayor, from May 2003 to December 2006 he created business improvements that brought more businesses into Youngtown and had the opportunity to hone his skills by attending the Southwest Leadership Program for the Institute for Local Government, as well as studying Public Policy and Management in local and state government, through the University of Arizona.

It is this experience that has lead Bryan to be concerned that our country's lending institutions are preventing small businesses from being allowed to compete fairly on the marketplace...and Bryan understands small business issues.

Bryan is a supporter of every member of our military branches, whether active duty or retired. He supports their work abroad and at bases throughout Arizona and the United States and will do what he can to insure they are given the respect and honor they so rightly deserve.

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Douglas McKee grew up in Darien, Connecticut and received his Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science from Southern Connecticut State University. Prior to his moving out West he was working on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange where he was employed by a private specialist firm. His passion for the great outdoors brought him to Arizona in 1991 when he traded in his Wall Street attire for a good pair of work boots and a new career in the construction industry. He started Grand Canyon Development, a general contracting firm in 1994.

Growing evermore concerned about the direction that our country is heading in and his desire to keep our Republic alive for his five children, he has decided to exchange his work boots for his old Wall Street attire. This time he plans to wear it in Washington D.C. where he hopes to represent the fine people of Arizona in the U.S. Senate. Doug has nearly thirty years of experience in the private sector and knows first hand what the people of Arizona and the

MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Tina Shaw

Just another reminder it is again time to renew your membership for fiscal year **2012**. Dues are still just **\$30.00** per year. Right now of today's date we only have about 15 members that have sent their renewal checks. I am trying to report to the state at least 50 members. **SO SEND THOSE CHECKS, DEADLINE IS**

JANUARY 10, 2012.

Please send checks to: **Marcie Rodriguez**
6626 W Briles Road
Phoenix, AZ 85083-1041

Also if you are now receiving your newsletter by snail mail and would like to receive it by email. Please send a notification to our newsletter chairman, **Joyce Orr**. Her email address is: Orr-jb@msn.com. This will save on our overall expenses and save the environment from killing more trees.

Please check your information in our **2011** roster. If there are any corrections, additions, deletions and changes, please send them to Mandi Nilsen email: mandileah@gmail.com or mail her to address: **3314 N 68TH Street #200, Scottsdale, AZ 85251-6236**. This way they can be printed correctly for the **2012** roster.

Thank you all again for your kind support for Cactus Wren

Tina Shaw —Membership Chairman—

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people of the United States want and need. He is a true people's candidate because he comes from the people and he wants to bring your values to Washington and not bring Washington's values to you.

Doug knows where government should begin and where it should end. These boundaries were drawn in the final draft of a document known as The Constitution of The United States of America at the first Constitutional Convention which concluded on September 17, 1787. These lines, having been intentionally blurred by continued changes in policy has inspired Doug to get out among his fellow citizens to deliver the message of liberty, to unify as Americans, to rally behind the Constitution and reestablish our cherished Republic.

Thank You

To all the supporters of the
"Tea Party" Non-event! At last
count we were at \$640

Lisa Atkins—Betsy Bayless—C. M. Bertilson—Regina Buzzello—Barbara Cook—Marjorie Cook-Dixon—Lynne Crane—Kathleen Dougherty—Kathy Eaves—Cecil Edwards—Aileen Ten Eyck—Dede Falbo—Karen Grose-close—Joan Heskett—Mary Hoiness—Cindy Huie—Jill Jeanes—Ruth Kassner—Anne Lynch—Joyce Orr—Myna Owens—Helen Purcell—Bette Rambo—Sandra Ramsey Lines—Yvonne A. Reed—Marcie Rodriguez—Tina Shaw—Donna Singler—Pamela S. Wright—Sue Williams

Legislative Update

Deborrah Miller

Once again the silly season is almost upon us. The 2012 Legislative Session is scheduled to begin on January 9th. Before then, the staff at the Arizona Legislative Council has been very busy preparing bills for both Senators and Representatives. All proposed legislation must first be submitted to the legislative council staff as a bill request. The legislative council is not allowed to create a file or draft legislation without the specific authorization of a legislator in the form of a bill request. Private citizens may submit a bill request, but must first obtain authorization from a legislator, as the bill must be generated from a legislator. The actual bill drafting process begins with the drafter obtaining the objectives for a legislative proposal either from the legislator who is sponsoring the bill or from the legislator's authorized agent. The drafter, a staff member with the Legislative Council, then converts the sponsor's request into proper form, style and legal terminology and fits the proposal into the framework of existing statutory law. The drafter reviews pertinent provisions of relevant sources and advises the legislator of any known conflicts or problems. The legislative council then delivers the bill in draft form to the sponsor for review. The final review and decision making process as to the contents of the bill rests with the legislator. Once the legislator approves, they must then request to have the legislative council prepare the bill for introduction in either the House or the Senate.

The Arizona Legislative Council provides a manual for use by legislators and their staff to help guide them through the process of creating a bill. You can view this 161 page document at:

<http://www.azleg.gov/alisPDFs/council/2011-2012%20Bill%20Drafting%20Manual.pdf>

Please remember that you can provide comment on any legislation as it makes its way through the legislature by registering at any "Kiosk" in either the House or Senate building. I would encourage each member to register, as this ensures your voice is heard.

Now, get your pop-corn and soda ready, it should be quite a show this year!

ANGELS ON PATROL

As we continue our support of this wonderful organization in 2012 we will be collecting selected items for the Angels on Patrol back packs each month beginning in March.

Toiletries such as shampoo, soap, tooth brushes, etc..

Bring to any meeting.



We meet at the **HILTON GARDEN INN, PHOENIX**
 (1 block south of Indian School Road and
 west of Central Avenue)
 4000 North Central Avenue, Phoenix 85012
 The social hour begins at 5:30 PM and the business meeting
 will follow the 6:30 dinner and program.



For reservations, call 623-934-9730, Tina Shaw
 Cancellations must be made no later than Tuesday or
 you will be billed. Reservations should be in no later
 than **Sunday Night**.

A reminder: If you attend without making a reservation, you
 will **NOT** be guaranteed a dinner. You may
 however, enjoy coffee or tea.



January Menu

Chicken Cordon Bleu
Rolls, Coffee & Tea



JUST A REMINDER

Items for our post holiday auction in February
 are needed. Please bring items to any
 general meeting or board meeting.

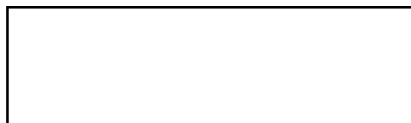
CALL TO VOTE in FEBRUARY

This is a **CALL TO VOTE** on the 2012 Cactus Wren
 annual budget. Pursuant to our By Laws as stated below.
 To be voted on and discussed at the
February 2nd, 2012 general meeting.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS
 Section 1.

- C. The annual budget shall be voted on by the general membership at its February meeting. The call to vote on the budget shall be mailed at least two weeks prior to the February meeting.

The vote will be on the 2012 budget drafted by your Board of Directors at its December 15th board meeting. The budget will be made available for review before the February 2nd meeting upon request.



c/o Joyce Orr
 538 West Vaughn Street
 Tempe, AZ 85283-3509

