



# Elephant Tales

APRIL 2011

Chandler Republican Women

**Mission Statement:** We are dedicated to electing Republicans to office at all levels of government. We strive to make politics a real and vital force in the lives of Arizona women who want to have a voice in their future. We encourage and help women to become leaders in government within the Republican Party and in the community.

## President's Note by Ann Caswell

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★ **General** ★  
★ **Membership** ★  
★ **Meeting** ★  
★ **Tuesday** ★  
★ **April 19th** ★  
★ **At the BOYS AND** ★  
★ **GIRLS CLUB** ★  
★ **MEETING INFO:** ★  
★ **Where we meet:** ★  
★ **Boys & Girls Club of** ★  
★ **the East Valley** ★  
★ **300 E. Chandler Blvd.** ★  
★ **Chandler, AZ** ★  
★ **When we meet:** ★  
★ **3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the** ★  
★ **month -unless noti-** ★  
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★ **Time we meet:** ★  
★ **Meet & Greet -** ★  
★ **6:30 p.m.** ★  
★ **Meeting - 7:00 p.m.** ★  
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Dear Members,  
In this time when everything seems to be under extreme scrutiny it is important for us to be an extraordinary club and people of integrity.

While I was attending a recent class we were talking about being extraordinary people and people of excellence. By definition extraordinary means to go beyond the ordinary order of things, exceeding the common, special or remarkable.

As a club, we are trying to be extraordinary. We need to be educated and informed in order to be prepared to make a difference. An example of this is the women who volunteered at the 2011 Ostrich Festival booth sponsored by CRW and LD21.

Our objectives were to register voters, reach out to the East Valley community and invite them to the Republican base and CRW.

I would like to thank the women who participated at the Festival and helped to make a difference: Marilyn Lafoe, Carol Clesceri, Elaine Leibowitz, Marcella Peters and Karen Lambourne. You are remarkable and did a extraordinary job.

I quote Ronald Reagan; *"If you're afraid of the future, then get out of the way, stand aside. The people of this country are ready to move again."* Let's keep the Republican principles alive and well - and keep registering voters.

You don't want to miss the Centennial celebration of Ronald Reagan's birthday at our next membership meeting on April 19th. **Invite your friends and family** to join in the fun. Western wear is optional and a short video tribute will be shown. Birthday cake will be served to commemorate this event as well!



Along with the Ronald Reagan birthday celebration, at this meeting we will host two great speakers that will explain why Precinct Committee persons are so important to our Republican turnout and support at elections.

See you on the 19th.  
Ann



## Chandler Republican Women

### General Membership

#### Meeting

Tuesday, April 19th

Ronald Reagan

Centennial Tribute



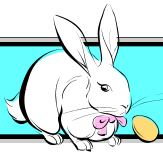
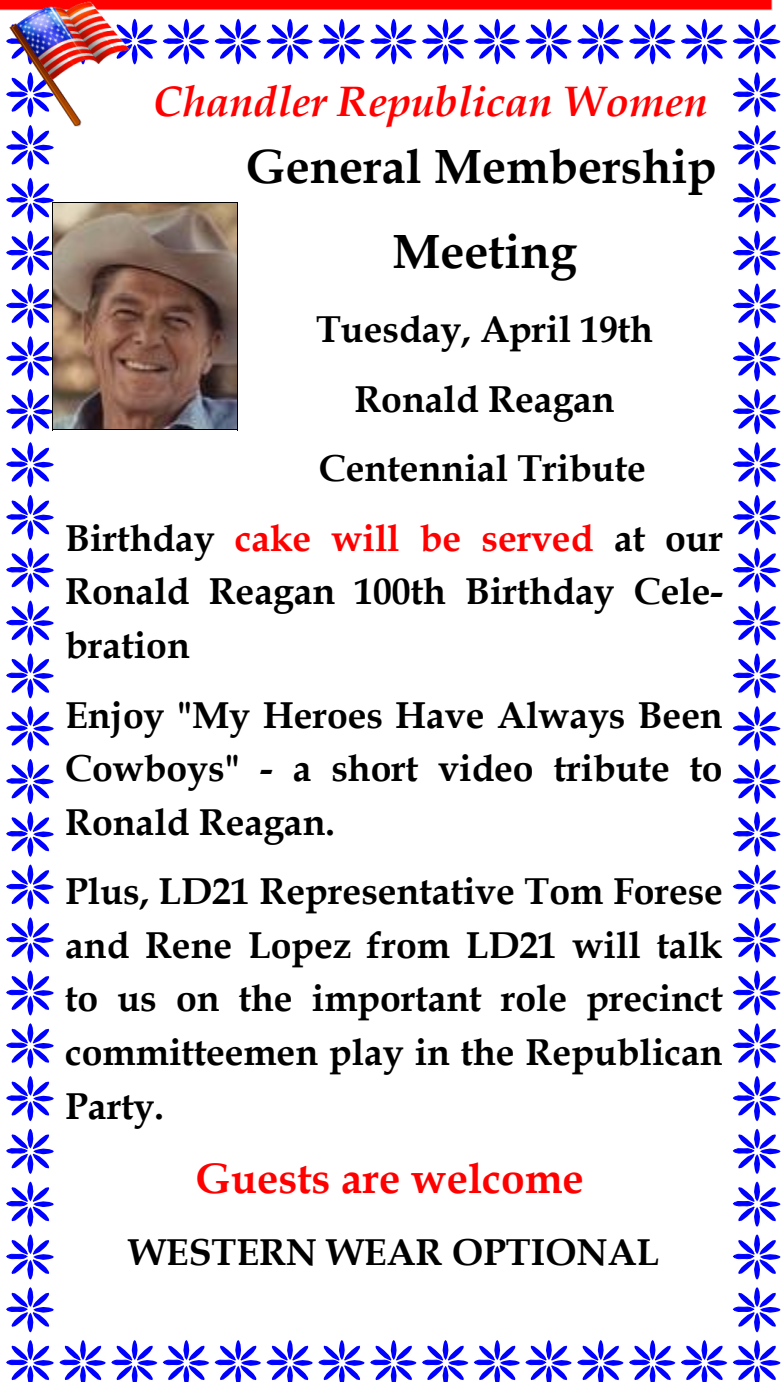
Birthday **cake will be served** at our Ronald Reagan 100th Birthday Celebration

Enjoy "My Heroes Have Always Been Cowboys" - a short video tribute to Ronald Reagan.

Plus, LD21 Representative Tom Forese and Rene Lopez from LD21 will talk to us on the important role precinct committeemen play in the Republican Party.

**Guests are welcome**

**WESTERN WEAR OPTIONAL**



## April 2011

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3	4	5	Membership Meeting Tues – April 19th - 7p.m.		8	9
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

The Board meeting is open to all CRW members who would like to attend. It is held the Monday after the Membership Meeting at President Ann Caswell's house, 817 W Rockrose Way, Chandler, AZ 85248. The time is 6:30pm. For questions please contact Ann Caswell at 602-516-3232. The April board meeting date is Monday night, the 25th.



## Membership by 2nd Vice President, Susan Helsel

A VERY SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER OF CHANDLER REPUBLICAN WOMEN --- MORGAN HUPPENTHAL!!!!!! MORGAN IS THE SECOND DAUGHTER OF MEMBERS JOHN AND JENNIFER HUPPENTHAL TO JOIN. HER SISTER BROOKE IS ALREADY A MEMBER, SO NOW IT'S A FULL FAMILY AFFAIR & WE COULDN'T BE PROUDER. WELCOME MORGAN!!!

There is a membership form on page seven of the newsletter. Do you know of anyone that would like to join the Republican Women? Please give her (or him) our membership application and suggest that she attend a meeting. We are trying to break our record for 3rd quarter membership numbers by reaching our goal.

# Region VI Director's Report



The most interesting news not only for AzFRW members, but Republicans in the State of Arizona is the fact that in March at the NFRW Board of Directors meeting held in Arlington, Virginia, **Phoenix was chosen as the site for the 2015 NFRW convention.** This event will be held at the Desert Ridge JW Marriott in Scottsdale. Arizona was one of four contenders, with Dallas, TX, New Orleans, LA and Las Vegas, NV also in the running. AzFRW President, Leona Johnston, will have more information in the ensuing months, but if anything will energize the Republican women of Arizona, this surely is it!!!!

June is just around the corner, and the Summer meeting will be held in Flagstaff, and I truly hope to see as many of you there that can possibly attend. AzFRW 1st VP, Deborrah Miller has been in charge of programs for these State meetings, and she does an outstanding job and one always learns something they didn't know before! Come and support your Arizona Federation .

Sheila Brooks, Director  
AzFRW Region VI

## Financial Report by Treasurer, Marla McCall



### CHANDLER REPUBLICAN WOMEN

March 1, 2011 to March 31, 2011

Balance: March 1, 2011		\$10,788.19
Total Income	\$ 50.00	
		_____
Balance:		\$10,838.19
Total Expenses:	\$571.16	
		_____
Balance: March 31, 2011		\$10,267.03

### 5 APR 2011 - National Federation of Republican Women Applauds 'Revolutionary' House Budget Proposal

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – Sue Lynch, president of the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW), issued the following statement in support of the FY 2012 budget proposed today by the U.S. House Budget Committee.

"Today, House Budget Chairman Paul Ryan of Wisconsin unveiled a revolutionary budget proposal that is perhaps the boldest plan we've seen in decades. The National Federation of Republican Women is fully behind this budget proposal, which will address our nation's critical financial situation by cutting \$6 trillion in federal spending over the next 10 years. Our message to Democrats is stop wasting our time and playing the blame game in order to score political points. Let's get serious about putting America back on the road to prosperity."

## Chandler Republican Women - March 19, 2011— General Meeting Minutes

**WELCOME:** Ann Caswell, President

**INVOCATION:** Marsha Atkin

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & AMERICANISM THOUGHT:** Nancy Connor

Thomas Paine- "Common Sense"- Separation from the British Empire. Sold over 120K copies in only 3 months.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS** - Ann Caswell

Ann started with a quote, "'We should never despair, our Situation before has been unpromising and has changed for the better, so I trust, it will again.'" --George Washington

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Ann Caswell

- **Maricopa County Republicans Lincoln Day Luncheon** - March 26, 11 am check-in, 11:30 am ceremony starts. El-Zaribah Shrine Auditorium, 552 N. 40th St, Phoenix, AZ. \$25 per person received by March 21, \$35 thereafter to venue capacity. Table sponsorships \$200. Purchase tickets by credit call by calling 623-977-4532.

- **AZ TARS** (Teenage Republicans) have an event on Fri. 3/25. It will be a private tour of the Historic O'Connor House in Tempe.

**PROGRAM** - Carol Clesceri

Intro Speaker -J.D. Mesnard-LD21 State Representative

Main Speaker -Rae Lynn Chornenky-NFRW 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Opportunity Drawing - Elaine Leibowitz

**BUSINESS MEETING**

Approval of minutes for February 19, 2011.

### Reports

President - Ann Caswell - Ann encourages everyone to attend the conventions, get to know your senator and representatives. Talk to them, get involved.

1<sup>st</sup> VP - Program Chairman - Carol Clesceri. Next month's program will be Tom Forese LD 21 Representative and Rene Lopez regarding the Precinct Committeeman Training. Good feedback from the Chandler Ostrich Festival visitors who were registering to vote and some even changing parties!

2<sup>nd</sup> VP - Membership Chairman - Susan Helsel- excused. 43 Members & 19 Associates.

3<sup>rd</sup> VP - Ways & Means Chairman - Darcy Lightfoot - excused.

Recording Secretary - Karen Noblitt

Corresponding Secretary - Elaine Leibowitz sent correspondence to Alesha and Darin Shebesta, George Brown, Lynn Fisher.

Treasurer - Marla McCall- excused

### Old Business

Copies of the Bylaws and Standing Rules are available at the check-in table.

### New Business

1. Looking for people interested in the Publicity Chairwoman position.
2. Elaine Leibowitz is looking for volunteers to help with the 2010-2011 scrapbook.
3. Sheila Brooks: Fund raising at the Biennial meeting in November. All 6 club Presidents in my Region were sent a picture of the 3 pieces of jewelry that will be a major fundraiser, & each club President will be receiving tickets for her members to begin selling. Note: the Biennial is a very costly event and that participation by all members is needed.
4. Board meeting is the Monday after the Membership meeting at 6:30pm at Ann Caswell's home, 817 W. Rockrose Way, Chandler, AZ 85248

Meeting was adjourned at 8:17p.m.

Submitted by, Karen Noblitt - CRW Recording Secretary

## Some upcoming dates for your 2011 Calendar

April 30 - Republican Roundup \$25. Please call 480 813-4458 for details

May - Cinco De Mayo event

June - AzFRW Summer Meeting, FRI and SAT, June 10 & 11, 2011, Flagstaff

July - 4th of July Celebration, possible voter registration booth.

September 29 – October 2, 2011 NFRW 36th Biennial Convention

**Kansas City, Missouri**

**Fall Rummage Sale**

November - Chili cook off - possible voter registration booth.

November - AzFRW Convention , FRI and SAT, November 4 & 5th

**Fort McDowell Radisson Hotel and Convention Center**

10438 North Fort McDowell Road • Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, AZ 85264

December - Chandler Parade of Lights



### STAY INFORMED

Maricopa County Republican Committee (MCRC) posts short daily briefings covering a broad spectrum of local, state, and national political news of the day. In addition to the briefs, an updated calendar is also posted informing you of events being held by the various Republican clubs and organizations. To sign up to receive these briefs, just send your email address and the legislative district you reside in (i.e. LD20 or LD21) to Frosty Taylor at the following address: [RepComm@cox.net](mailto:RepComm@cox.net)

Members that would like to see our club information on the State web page may check out this linked-in page to the AzFRW web site. <http://www.azfrw.org/clubs/chandler.htm>  
This is a very informative web site and is updated regularly.



**Here's a thank you note to Chandler Republican Women that helped to register Voters at the Chandler Ostrich Festival in March 2011.**

Dear LD21 PC's and Friends,

Last weekend, LD 21 and the Chandler Republican Women sponsored a Booth at the 2011 Chandler Ostrich Festival. Our objectives were to register new voters, recruit PC's, sell our wares and reach out to the citizens of the East Valley, inviting them into our Republican base.

We did great; our objectives were met, and exceeded by the commitments of our volunteers. I want to thank everyone who showed up and made a difference! On behalf of the 2011 Ostrich Festival Committee, we want to say "thanks" to the following volunteers:

***ANN CASWELL, CAROL CLESCERI, MARILYN LAFOE, KAREN LAMBOURNE, ELAINE LEIBOWITZ, and MARCELLA PETERS.***



Again, thanks to all,  
Bob Kampfe

**Start saving your items for our Fall garage sale**

If you are in the midst of Spring cleaning please remember to put aside some of your donations for CRW's sale that we have coming up in the Fall. We will find a place to store your treasures and will happily pick up any thing you want to donate. Call Ann Caswell, (480) 792-1127 if you have items to donate. We need your junk in order to make this sale a success.

**SCENES FROM TUCSON'S  
AzFRW SPRING MEETING**



**CRW's Sharon Pittard with Corporation Commissioner Gary Pierce at the AzFRW Spring meeting in Tucson.**

**Region VI Director Sheila Brooks and CRW President Ann Caswell, join three other president from the East Valley.**



**L to R. Ann Caswell, Chandler RW; Sue Pullar, Tempe RW; Loraine Pellegrino, Ahwatukee RW; Sheila Brooks, Region VI Director; and Margo Treece, Gilbert RW.**

# Chandler Republican Women

## 2011 Membership Application or Renewal Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code + 4: \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_

E Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Republican? \_\_\_\_\_ Precinct Committeeman? \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>Active Membership</b>	\$25.00	Open to any woman who is currently registered as a Republican in the State of Arizona. Includes full voting rights and the opportunity to hold office.
	<b>Associate Membership</b>	\$15.00	Open to any woman or man who is currently registered as a Republican in the State of Arizona but holds active membership in another club in Arizona <u>or</u> who is registered as a Republican in another state. Also open to any woman or man who is registered as a Republican in the State of Arizona and who supports the objectives of the club. Associate members cannot vote or hold office.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*NOTE: by signing this form, I authorize release of my name and my email address to this club, to AzFRW and to NFRW.*

**YES! I'm here to help and want to make a difference! Please fill out the interests survey below indicating all areas in which you would be willing to help:**

	Awards/AzFRW/NFRW		Legislative Issues
	Budget/Finance		Membership
	Bylaws or Parliamentary		Newsletter
	Campaigns		Parades
	Caring for America		Programs
	Computer Skills		Publicity and PR
	Fair Booth/Registering Voters		Scholarship
	Hospitality		Ways & Means

Please make check payable to:  
**Chandler Republican Women**  
*Annual dues payable by  
 January 1st*

Mail this form and your check to:  
**Susan Helsel**  
 2nd Vice President, Membership  
 1720 E. Libra Drive  
 Tempe, AZ 85283  
 (480) 777-2017

CRW  
Membership  
Meeting  
Tuesday  
April 19th  
Boys and Girls Club  
Chandler, AZ

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**TO:**