



Elephant Tales

JUNE 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

General

Membership

Meeting

Tuesday

June 21st

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:

3rd Tuesday of the month -unless notified

Time we meet:

**Meet & Greet -
6:30 p.m.
Meeting - 7:00 p.m.**

Dear Members and Associates,

I hope you all had a wonderful Memorial Day with your family and friends. We are so fortunate to be able to celebrate this and other holidays because of the great sacrifice of the brave men and women of this country who have given their all for our freedom.

Our program Chairman, Carol Clesceri has planned a wonderful program for the meeting this month. June 14th is Flag Day and a local Girls Scout troop will present the colors as well as give us a presentation about the flag. Other dynamic speakers are scheduled for the evening. Wear your red, white and blue as we celebrate our country and the flag.

Next year we will be working in the trenches for upcoming National Elections. Because of the additional workload, the Board has decided to go dark for July and August this summer and will reconvene our general membership meetings in September with the kickoff. The board has planned interesting and informative Fall meetings which you won't want to miss!

Join us June 22, 2011, between 6 pm and 8 pm at Floridino's for a night of camaraderie, food and fun. Let's get together to support our local Chandler business and Chandler Republican Women. Floridino's restaurant will donate 20% of your meal ticket on this evening to the Chandler Republican Women. Let's make this a fun evening and help out with a very easy fundraiser too.

I hope to see all of you at our June meeting.

Ann


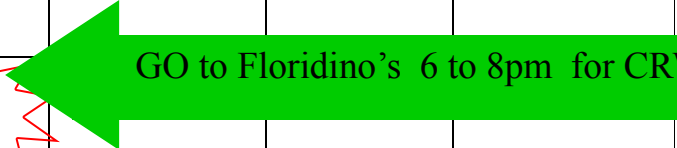
Tuesday , June 21st Meeting

Celebrating Flag Day



Don't miss this month's meeting - we're celebrating Flag Day! We will open our meeting with a presentation of colors by a local Girl Scout troop and we will be handing out flag etiquette booklets. Our guest speaker will be National Committeewoman, AZ Republican State Committee, Sharon Giese who will be speaking to us about the focus and direction of the Republican Party for 2012. Come join us and bring a guest!

JUNE MEETING 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5	<i>Membership Meeting Tues—June 21st - 7p.m.</i> 	7	8	9	10	11
12			15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	 GO to Floridino's 6 to 8pm for CRW		
26	27 <i>Board meeting</i>	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 May board meeting date is **Monday night, the 27th.**

HELP WANTED: apprentice needed to learn publisher software in order to help with publishing political club newsletter/must be strong of heart/willing to learn and republican/very rewarding work/some experience helpful but not necessary/please send inquiries to dmarshak1313@yahoo.com.

AzFRW NEWS

REGION VI—SHEILA BROOKS

It was with great excitement that we have learned that the NFRW Nominating committee met and unanimously nominated Rae Lynne Chornenky of Arizona as President to serve during the 2012-2013 term of office. Other officers are from Louisiana, California, South Carolina, Texas, Oklahoma and Missouri. The election will be held at the 36th Biennial Convention in Kansas City, this September. Many Chandler Republican members know Rae Lynne, a most successful attorney who has been involved with AzFRW and the NFRW for many years.

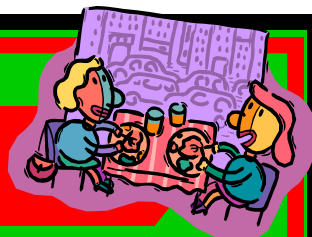
Four members of CRW will be attending the AzFRW Summer meeting in Flagstaff, June 10-11. Those women are: Ann Caswell, President, Susan Helsel, 2nd VP, Sharon Pittard, Past President, and myself.

I am pleased to note that more than 115 members of the Arizona Federation have signed up to attend this event. This time, the Regions are not hosting, but the AzFRW Executive Board is. Instead of a silent auction, we have been asked to bring items that we - the contributor - set a price on. With a person either buying the item or placing a bid, I foresee this as being a fantastic way for us to get rid of "gently used/new items while having a fun time -- nothing like women trying to outbid one another!!!! I share this tidbit of information with you, to assure you that the State meetings are not all work and no play!!!!

With that being said, I urge you to try to attend part or all of the AzFRW Biennial - November 3-5, Fort McDowell Raddison Hotel, adjacent to Fountain Hills. *SJB*



CRW Fundraiser at *Floridino's*
pizza & pasta



Help SUPPORT Chandler Republican Women by eating at Floridino's on Wednesday June 22nd. Enjoy an evening of camaraderie, food and fun while supporting a local business that gives back 20% of your bill to CRW. Just be sure to mention that you're with CRW.

Date: Wednesday Evening - June 22

Time: between the hours of 6 to 8 pm

**Where: 590 N. Alma School Road in Chandler - located at the Southwest corner of Alma School Rd and Galveston
www.floridinospizzaandpasta.com to see their menu**

- Enjoy your friends - Eat great food - Help local business and CRW - contact Ann Caswell at 602 516-3232 or crwoment@q.com for information

CARING FOR AMERICA - Nancy Conner:

HELP A VET: A pick-up service that assists Vietnam Veterans visits the Chandler area every Thursday. They will pick up furniture, small appliances, clothing, exercise equipment, etc. For information call 480-655-8387. They do not accept any food donation or money.



Membership by 2nd Vice President, Susan Helsel

There is a membership form on page eight 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. **IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!**



You still have time to get in on this raffle. Check with Ann @ 602 516-3232

AzFRW is raffling off a \$350.00 Southwest Airlines gift card at the summer meeting. They sell for **\$5.00** each or **5 for \$20.00**. If you are feeling lucky or would just like to help the AzFRW, please contact Ann Caswell in order to get your ticket(s) before the slated June 10th & 11th state meeting in Flagstaff



ANOTHER REQUEST!

AzFRW needs your **trinkets, costume jewelry and collectibles**. They plan to use these items to sell at the fundraiser table at the upcoming state meeting in June. Would you dig around to see what you can find? It is a terrific way to help out by cleaning out. Remember that your junk is someone else's treasure. Donate today.

Get your collectibles and trinkets to Ann, Sheila, Sharon or Susan before the 9th of June!

602 516-3232

DON'T FORGET!!!!!!

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

If you are in the midst of cleaning (that was supposed to happen last Spring) 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, (602) 516-3232 if you have items to donate. We need your cleanouts in order to make this sale a success.

Financial Report by Treasurer, Marla McCall

CHANDLER REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Financial Statement May 1, 2011 to May 31, 2011



Balance: May 1, 2011	\$10,418.27
Total Income:	<u>\$68.00</u>
Balance:	\$10,486.27
Total Expenses:	<u>\$413.75</u>
Balance: May 31, 2011	\$10,072.52



CRW goes dark for the month
of July and August

In order for the CRW board to better serve you, it was voted that Chandler Republican Women go dark for the two summer months of July and August. This is a very old tradition going back to when many of our members would leave the hot valley for cooler climates and reconvene in September. There is a good program yet to come in June, so we hope you will **come to the JUNE meeting** to help celebrate Flag Day and to hear what Sharon Giese, our Arizona National Committeewoman, has to say about the direction of where the Republicans are headed.

Without a regularly scheduled meeting in July and August, it was decided that a flyer sheet of newsworthy items will be sent throughout the summer via email. We hope that you will all have a restful and peaceful summer with your families. The board looks forward to saying au revoir & "stay cool" in June & then seeing each of you again in September when everyone is refreshed, invigorated and ready to gear up for a time of fundraising and informative meetings.

Chandler Republican Women - May 17, 2011— General Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: President Ann Caswell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club. Ann welcomed members and guests.

The Invocation was given by Lynne Hartke, Chaplain.

The Pledge of Allegiance and Americanism thought was given Nancy Conner. Nancy shared information about traditions and holidays to remember military and veterans.

Announcements:

Ann reminded members of the AzFRW summer meeting to be held in Flagstaff June 10-11, and room reservations need to be made by May 19th.

Program: 1st Vice President Carol Clesceri introduced:

Anne Theodosis, USO representative at the Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport. Anne showed a video, A Veterans Montage of Past and Present, which high lighted all areas of military service. The military/veterans hospitality room opened October, 2006. Funds are needed to move the hospitality room to terminal 4 which would provide a larger area of 5,000 sq. ft. Donations can be made through www.uso.org/donatearizona. Don Taylor, a USO volunteer and veteran, provided a history of the USO which was incorporated in 1941, nine months before the war. The USO is located in 13 countries.

Tom Forese – LD21 State Representative gave an update on happenings in the legislature. The budget is set for the next two years, pension reform is in process – unions have no place in Arizona. Arizona will not become like Wisconsin. Taxes were cut to stimulate job growth. Because of tax cutting, Arizona has moved from 42nd to 8th most conservative state.

Opportunity Drawing: Sheila Brooks won the beautiful glass elephant.

BUSINESS MEETING

Minutes:

The April 19, minutes were approved as corrected.

Reports:

President Ann Caswell – Encouraged members to attend the AzFRW Convention, Nov. 4-5, 2011. AzFRW is having several fundraiser to provide funds for the convention. There will be jewelry items as well as a SW Airline ticket. Pictures of the jewelry items are on the back table. Tickets are available.

1st Vice President Carol Clesceri – shared themes for future meetings: June – Flag Day, the Girl Scout council will present colors and do the flag salute, July and August - dark (no meetings), September - Immigration, October – Robert Graham to speak about the issues in his book , “Job Killers, The American Dream in Reverse”, November – Constitution, December – Installation of officers.

2nd Vice President Susan Helsel - reported 47 members, 19 associate members.

3rd Vice President Darcy Lightfoot – absent

Recording Secretary Karen Noblitt – excused

Treasurer Marla McCall - \$10,060.52 balance in checking.

Old Business:

1. Republican Roundup – Thank you note from Paul Brierly
2. Thank you to Nancy Conner and Carol Clesceri for creating the basket donated to the Roundup

New Business:

1. Nominating committee –A motion was made by Marcella Peters, 2nd by Diane Ortiz-Persons that Sheila Brooks and Nancy Conner serve on this committee. The motion passed.
2. Sheila Brooks reported that NFRW had a good slate of officers for 2012-2013 with Rae Lynne Chornenky-Arizona nominated as President. The NFRW Convention will be in Kansas City, Sept. 29 – Oct. 2, 2011.
3. Members are invited to the board meeting on Monday, May 23, 6:30 p.m., at the home of Ann Caswell, 817 W. Rockrose Way, Chandler.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Marla McCall, substitute for Karen Noblitt - Recording Secretary

Some upcoming dates for your 2011 Calendar

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

June 21 - General Membership meeting at the Boys and Girls Club

June 22 - CRW fundraiser at Floridino's - Chandler

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

September 29—October 2, 2011 NFRW 36th Biennial Convention -Kansas City, Missouri

Fall Rummage Sale - Date to be announced

November – Chili cook off – possible voter registration booth.

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

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

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 is the password for the NFRW website. Log on and take a look around.
login: federation password: nfrw1938

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? _____

Active Membership	\$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.
Associate Membership	\$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:
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2nd Vice President, Membership
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CRW
Membership
Meeting June
21st at
The Boys and
Girls Club
Chandler, AZ

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