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CHANDLER REPUBLICAN WOMEN

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Sheila Brooks

Region VI Director, Sharon Pittard and I represented CRW at the AFRW Winter Quarterly meeting held in Yuma, Feb. 2nd and 3rd. Sharon was a workshop presenter and her topic was ""How To's for Club Members". The guest speakers throughout the quarterly were excellent.

March MEETING

Our March 20th meeting will be held at the Vision Gallery in Historic downtown Chandler. Our guest speaker will be the Honorable Joseph Arpaio, Sheriff of Maricopa County. He will discuss immigration and other issues. Seating is limited so try and come early.

Our April speaker will be Leona Johnson, Second Vice-President of the AFRW. Mark April 17 on your calendars.

Our Annual membership luncheon held on Saturday, February 10th at the home of Deanna Huffman was very successful and I am pleased to announce that the following long time members were recognized:

First President of CRW - Sue Sossaman; former Presidents of CRW Jennifer Huppenthal, Marcella Peters, Bobbie Shelton, Thelma Steele and Charter Member, Joyce Hammack.

On February 16th, I attended the Lincoln Day Dinner for East Valley Precinct Committeemen and CRW Member, Sharon Pittard, was awarded the Lincoln Day Bust, and CRW member Marilyn LaFoe was recognized as the Volunteer of the Year for District 21. Congratulations to both of these women who are great assets to AFRW as well as our club!!

The AFRW newsletter should be forthcoming and it will have all the details regarding the next quarterly April 20/21. Due to lack of good accommodations for those in the western part of the state, the meeting will be held at the AFI resort in Laughlin.

The following self explanatory information is from an email sent to me from our AFRW President, Noreen Thomas: "The reservation deadline that is published in the AFRW newsletter is not negotiable - it is the DEADLINE!!! There will no longer be ANY REFUNDS!! The AVI Resort will not add any meals after April 1st. Our members must understand that they need to make their plans in advance."

Please continue to bring new members into the club, and join us for our monthly meetings as the speakers are excellent!

A LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR FOR ARIZONA

A group has announced plans to form a committee to determine if a referendum should be submitted to the voters to add the office of Lieutenant Governor.

There are 43 states that have Lieutenant Governors. Arizona is not one.

Arizona has had three governors leave office for various reasons in the last 25 years, and at least one Governor was replaced by a person from another political party.

The Secretary of State would become Governor under Arizona's present Constitution. The duties of the Secretary of State are numerous including handling filings, register organizations, trade names, supervise elections and is the custodian of the Great Seal of Arizona and affixes the Seal to all official documents.

Arizona received an increase of two seats in the United States House of Representatives in 2002 and will possibly receive another two in 2012. Of the other six states without a Lieutenant Governor none received any additional representatives in Congress.

Two was the most seats attained by any state and Arizona was only one of four states to achieve this number increase.

The other three states are Texas, Florida and Georgia. All of those states have Lieutenant Governors.

The 2000 Census ranks Arizona 20th in population, and we have had a large and significant growth in population since that date and undoubtedly will have a greater increase before the next redistricting in 2012.

A Lieutenant Governor should be more experienced than a Secretary of State or Senate President. Governorship requires a "hands on" understanding of education, transportation, health care, pardons, law enforcement, taxation, economic security, business and many other duties.

If the State of Arizona would have had a lieutenant governor possibly the Alternate Fuels disaster of 2000, which cost the taxpayers and state \$483,000,000 might have been avoided.

Is it time to amend our constitution adding a provision for a Lieutenant Governor?

What is your opinion?

For further information contact Frank C. Schmuck @global.T-Bird.edu

Club News

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING – TUESDAY, MARCH 20

Programs *by Becky Groves*



The Chandler Republican Women's Club is pleased to announce its guest speaker for the March 20th meeting will be Sheriff Joe Arpaio of Maricopa County. It is an honor to have Sheriff Arpaio present the program. He will cover several areas of concern while focusing on the topic of immigration. Due to a lack of space, seating is limited to the first forty guests. The meeting will be held in Historic Downtown Chandler at the Vision Gallery, 80 San Marcos Place at 7:00 p.m. Social time begins at 6:30.

Don't miss it and bring a guest.

Memberships *by Deanna Huffman*



Thanks to all who attended this year's membership luncheon. As a first-time attendee myself, I very much enjoyed speaking with the membership especially those women I had not had the chance to meet. I'd like to extend a very special thank you to our special guest speakers, Barbara Mundell, Presiding Judge of the Maricopa County Court System and Leona Johnston, 2nd Vice-President of AFRW for taking time to visit with us. I am not the only one that took away useful information from your speeches. And a gracious appreciation to the membership for all the yummy options served at the event.

Welcome to our new members, Tina Beattie and Kathi Frankel. Our membership currently stands at 47 members and 16 associates.

Please contact me for the latest roster or with contact information for future members.

Ways and Means *by Ann Caswell*

We continue to have our raffles at our meetings. More information later about fund raisers.

CHANDLER REPUBLICAN WOMEN HONORED

Sharon Pittard, Regional Director of Region 6 of the AFRW and a member of the Chandler Club was awarded the coveted Lincoln Day Bust at the Annual Lincoln Day Dinner held at Mesa Community College on February 16, 2007. Mrs. Pittard was presented her award by State Republican Chairman, Randy Pullen.

Sharon received this award for her many years of service as a precinct committee woman in District 20 and for her dedication to the Republican Party. The Lincoln Bust is awarded to only one person in the East Valley each year. In order to receive this honor a person is required to meet an extensive list of criteria and achievements, and is chosen by vote of all of the District Chairmen in the respective legislative districts.

Marilyn LaFoe, also a member of our club, was awarded the volunteer of the year award for her services in District 21.

Congratulations ladies. We are all very proud of you.

Club member Diane Ortiz Parsons was elected First Vice-President of the Maricopa County Republican Party at the annual meeting held in January, 2007.

We wish her much success in her two year term.



Sharon Pittard receiving the Lincoln Bust from Randy Pullen

CHANDLER REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

Checking Account Balance	2/1/2007	\$9,271.51
February Receipts		295.00
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Total Income		\$9,566.52
Less Disbursements:		159.37
Checking Account Balance	2/18/2007	\$9,407.15

AFRW DAY AT THE LEGISLATURE

When: Tuesday, March 20, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the State Capitol.

Tentative Agenda: 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Reception for Republican Elected Officials and AFRW members. A continental breakfast of coffee cake, Danish, Bagels, Fresh Fruit Juice & Coffee will be served.

10:00 to 11:45 p.m. Group 1 to the House of Representatives
Group 2 to the Senate
or committee meetings

11:45 Group Photograph. "Seeing Red." We are requesting that all attendees wear **RED** jackets, sweaters, blouses or dresses. We want everyone to know that the **Republican Women** have arrived.

12:15 Sack Lunch: Deli Sandwiches on specialty breads, chips, soft drinks and water and cookie.

1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Group 1 to the Senate
Group 2 to the House of Representatives
or tour State Treasurer's Office

2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Self guided tour of the Old Capitol, Code Talker Exhibit, Museum and Gift Shop. There will be time for visits with your own representatives during the day.

For Continental Breakfast and Sack Lunch Reservations make \$15 checks out to CRW and send them by March 12th to:

Donna Marshak
1315 Steamboat Bend
Tempe, AZ 85282

We would like to car pool together, so be sure to send in your reservations.

Any questions call Marsha Atkin 480-917-1795.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

CHANDLER REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

February 10, 2007

The Annual membership meeting was held on February 10th at the home of Deanna Huffman. The Invocation was given by Marcella Peters and the Pledge and Americanism Thought was given by Alesha Nicole Corey.

Treasurer, Donna Marshak, reported that she had met with Lynn Fisher for a review of the books and that they were in order.

Guests introduced were:

- Sharon Giese - Republican National Committeewoman
- Leona Johnston - 2nd VP - AFRW
- Sharon Pittard - Region VI Director AFRW
- Bill Mundell - Arizona Corporation Commission
- Keith Frankel - Justice of the Peace - San Marcos District

Kathi Frankel was welcomed as a new member.

Judge Barbara Rodriguez Mundell, Presiding Judge of Maricopa Superior Court was the keynote speaker.

The second speaker was Leona Johnston - 2nd VP AFRW - who spoke about her experiences as an elected officer of the Arizona Federation of Republican Women.

The Club recognized long time members of the organization by giving them flowers. A very special thank you to those members who are:

- Joyce Hammack - Charter Member
- Jennifer Huppenthal - Past President
- Marcella Peters - Past President
- Bobbie Shelton - Past President
- Thelma Steele - Past President
- Sue Sossaman - First President of CRW

Raffle and door prizes were conducted by Ann Caswell, 3rd VP.

President, Sheila Brooks, extended a thank you to all the members for putting on the luncheon. A special thank you to Deanna Huffman for hosting the luncheon.

Respectfully submitted:

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