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LHRW HAPPENINGS !

I received an email recently asking who I wanted to have for a GOP Presidential nominee. The question wasn't, "Who do you think will be the nominee?" It asked who I wanted.

And it made me speechless. I know, it's a first.

I've been involved for a little while now, and I've learned not to WANT a certain candidate. That's just not how it works. You decide who you will support based on their viability in a campaign. We find ourselves saying, "I like Fred Thompson, but he doesn't have a chance."



When I think about who I want, I immediately have Chuck Norris on the brain. Remember now, it's who I want--not who would be a good President or anything. And that is why I rarely say who I want for a GOP nominee.

Our 2012 candidate has to have political savvy running through their veins. They must know the ins and outs of foreign policy. Economics. The most intelligent and hard core advisors. They need to have many years of DC experience because a newbie can be controlled and pushed around.

They need a glorious fundraising machine to match that of President Obama. One with aggressive and forward-thinking tactics.

Oh, and of course they need star power. Unfortunately that's all Chuck Norris has.

So I wasn't able to answer my friend's email, because honestly I didn't want his serious question to be made into a joke. I was dismayed by the other answers he received, however.

These people who identify themselves as Tea Partiers keep forgetting that the GOP Nomination will go to a Republican. Not an Independent, not a Libertarian, etc. That nomination is ours to give, and so is the money! If a Libertarian wants to run for President then by golly go get the Libertarian friends to raise some Libertarian money and do some door knocking.

Our nominee will be a registered Republican who votes Republican and

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Flag Day

June 14

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spends like a Republican. Maybe he or she won't be so good at kick boxing like Mr. Norris, but they will be able to push our Party back into the White House and do some real KICKING!!

So, I ask you, the Republican Women, who do you want for a GOP nominee?

Shawna Thornton



MEMBERSHIP

Our membership is increasing with a great big Hurrah to Catherine Bruton for bringing in quite a few new members. Don't forget our membership tea on June 4 from 1 to 3 pm at Jane Baker's home (2140 Casper Drive). This is a membership drive but it is also a time for fellowship with club members. If you are planning to attend and/or bringing a guest, please contact Linda Hasslen @ 505-7229 or email @ dahlkh@aol.com so that we know how much food to prepare. We have to have those cute little sandwiches and tea

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SCHOLARSHIPS

President Shawna presented \$500 scholarships to 2 Senior girls - Jennifer Masney and Stephanie Grier - at Lake Havasu High School Evening of Excellence and a \$500 scholarship to 1 Senior girl - Rebecca Dewey - at Telesis Preparatory School Evening of Excellence. The 3 girls have been invited to our June meeting and will inform of us their future plans.

June Luncheon

Our speaker for June is Jan Kassies. Some of you may know this gentleman as he is the manager at the tourist building which is located at the entrance of the English Village. He is there almost every day.

Jan (pronounced with a soft J like the name Juan) is from the Netherlands. His current title is “Director of Visitor Services” so if a visitor has a request, needs some help, wants some information, Jan and his staff are there to help and answer all the questions, provide help and make sure the visitors experience to our city is a pleasant and friendly experience.



We want our visitors to come back right? Well Jan and his staff help to make that happen. In the Netherlands, Jan was a teacher and principal for many years in a local elementary school. After Jan’s arrival in the United States, Jan decided he wanted to do something different, by using his talents and experience managing an organization. His work at the Visitor’s Center in the English Village is ideal as the center is always busy with varied duties as well as interaction with people from all parts of the world not only the United States. He told me he truly enjoys his work at the English Village. Jan is a member of the Western AZ Professional net-workers and the US Travel Association. He will speak to us about some of his experiences and will tell us the favorite places and events that tourists especially like to see and do when they visit the London Bridge and English Village. This information may help the new owners as they plan the changes that will soon occur in this area. Some of you may have attended the public meeting in May that was initiated by the new owners to explain to the public some of the changes that will come to the English Village. Some of you may want to comment on those changes as the plans to build from the new owners come before the City Council in the next few months. So if you are curious to know more about what happening in and about the English Village, come to the luncheon this month – we are lucky to hear Jan’s insight on the Village. This will be an interesting and informative meeting.

If you have not been contacted for reservations, please call Julie Panter at 208-2146 or email her at rundukerun@yahoo.com The menu will be chef’s choice for everyone.

Remember to bring food for our Food for Kidz program!

See you there !!! Eva White



Ronald Reagan Quotes

One way to make sure crime doesn't pay would be to let the government run it

Government always finds a need for whatever money it gets

To sit back hoping that someday, some way, someone will make things right is to go on feeding the crocodile, hoping he will eat you last -- but eat you he will

Arizona's Employer Sanctions Law

editor's note - the following article was written by our club's Legislative committee chairperson, Sarah Hall

In 2007, an Arizona Republican led Legislature passed a bill with bipartisan effort from then Governor Janet Napolitano to ensure that no businesses in Arizona knowingly or intentionally hired or employed illegal immigrants. The law is officially called the Legal Arizona Workers Act, known to many as Arizona's Employer Sanctions Law. The law states that business owners in Arizona can risk losing their state and local licenses if they knowingly or intentionally hire undocumented workers. Licenses could be suspended for 10 days or longer for a first offense and revoked altogether for a second offense. Employers under the law are required to check the legal status of their new hires using E-Verify, a free online federal program that checks names and identification documents to ensure that new employees are eligible to work.

The legislature was passed and signed into Arizona law during the 2007 legislature session. It took affect on January 1st, 2008 despite numerous attempts by opponents to stop it. In July of 2007, a coalition of advocacy groups and business interests challenged the law's constitutionality by bringing a federal lawsuit against Governor Napolitano and the State Attorney General saying the law would affect foreign-born workers and other workers of color because they would be less likely to be hired, more likely to lose their jobs, and in many cases would need to take additional steps to prove their employment eligibility. The lawsuit however was dismissed by a Federal Judge in December of 2007. U.S. District Judge Neil Wake ruled that the business and Latino groups aimed their legal fire at the wrong targets in suing the Governor and the State Attorney General. Instead, they should have brought their complaint against the 15 county attorneys charged with enforcing the law.

Not surprisingly, the plaintiffs acted quickly to appeal and re-file the suit naming all of the state's county prosecutors as defendants and moved for a temporary restraining order to forestall the effective date of the law. Judge Wake denied the restraining order attempt at the end of December just weeks before the law took affect. In February 2008, Judge Wake rejected the plaintiffs' arguments regarding the constitutionality of the Act. He did not decide whether the Act applied to all workers or only those hired after December 31, 2007. That issue, according to Judge Wake, would have to be decided through future litigation. The plaintiffs decided then to take their argument to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. In September of 2008, nine months after the law was in effect, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals sided with Judge Wake and upheld Arizona's Employer Sanction Law. The last step for the plaintiffs was then to take it to the U.S. Supreme Court. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled on May 26th, 2011 with a 5-3 vote to uphold the employer sanctions law because it fell within existing federal law and within the Arizona's authority to license business.

With the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling, many are now wondering if this will pave the way for SB1070 being upheld by the high court. Only time will tell what will happen in regards to SB1070, but I am sure a good majority of people will agree with me when I say that the recent Supreme Court ruling is a step in the right direction. The way I look at it is if illegal's have no incentive to come to America illegally, they won't. Arizona is taking those steps to ensure this is the case, and it starts by banning them from obtaining jobs that American citizens need, and by punishing those businesses that knowingly hire illegal's instead of natural born citizens. A victory was had with this ruling. We can only hope more are to come.



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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1	2	3	4 Rep Forum 10 a LHRW Tea 1 pm
5	6 LBRW 6 pm	7 Rep Men 6:45 a	8	9	10 AzFRW Qtr Mtg Flagstaff	11 AzFRW Qtr Mtg Flagstaff
12	13 LHRW 12 pm	14 Rep Men 6:45 a Flag Day	15	16	17	18
19 Father's Day	20	21 Rep Men 6:45 a	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Rep Men 6:45 a	29	30		



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Lake Havasu Republican Women
General Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2011

Meeting called to order at 12:00 P.M. by President Shawna Thornton
Invocation: Dolores George led the members into prayer
Pledge of Allegiance: Jane Baker announced it was Armed Forces Day

No corrections were made to the April minutes which were put in the May newsletter.
No corrections were made to the Treasurer's Report that was made available to each member at their table. Both the minutes and Treasurer's report were filled for review.
Shawna introduced the guests and dignitaries to the members.

New Business: Shawna announced the names of all the Patrons of our club and handed out rose's to each one of them to thank them for being a Patron Member.
Shawna mentioned that at the last executive meeting it was brought up to donate copy paper to the LHUSD and Telesis that was not to exceed \$600. Chris Bergen asked how the paper was distributed to each school. Shawna mentioned that Staple's is the one who delivers the paper to the district office and Shawna will write a letter to the school district and Telesis informing them on how we wish to have the paper distributed. Sue Donahue made the motion, it was seconded and it was unanimously passed to donate copy paper to the LHUSD and Telesis not to exceed \$600.

Shawna mentioned that we have a very diverse club and was proud to hear that we had 5148 volunteer hours for this past year. She also mentioned that it was time to get nominations in for the Teacher of the Year. She mentioned that the paper work was on the back table and could be filled out and sent in to AFRW. The person being nominated has to be a woman. Shawna also mentioned that at the last executive board meeting the board unanimously voted to donate \$100 to Dodie Londen in Robert Johnston's name. He was very dedicated to supporting Republican Women. Shawna also mentioned that she got an email from Noreen Thomas, our Region 4 Director, that our website was the only updated website in Mohave County.

Old Business: Shawna is still looking for three people to head up the nominating committee. If anyone is interested they need to contact Shawna ASAP.

Speaker: Eva White introduced our speaker today. Jo Navaretta was our speaker who was here to talk to us a little bit about her extensive background in education and also about the LHC ASU Campus.
Jo started her speech by first off thanking LHRW for their paper donation. She sits on the LHUSD Governing Board and knows that there is a current freeze on classroom spending for this school year so any and all donations are appreciated.

She then started off by giving us a little background on her educational experience. She has been on the LHUSD Board for about 18 years. In 1992 she was appointed by the mayor to a committee that was dedicated to looking into bringing a 4 year University to Havasu. In 2004, she was one of the founders of the Havasu Foundation for Higher Education (HFHE). The first spot the Foundation had picked out to put a campus was on the North Side of town. That didn't work out. Their 2nd spot was on the South Side of town. However when the economy hit, everything took a turn for the

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worse. It was going to cost about \$50 million to develop the Campus. In a down turned economy, that doesn't sound feasible. In November of 2009, the LHUSD Governing Board decided to close Daytona to save money. Jo thought that Daytona would be a perfect location for a four year university. So she contacted ASU and tried to form an intergovernmental agreement between the school district, LHC, and ASU to let them use Daytona to house a four year university. ASU did a feasibility study to see what the economic impact would be to have an ASU campus in Havasu. After the feasibility study was done, ASU decided it would go for it if the Foundation could raise \$2 million for start up costs. The Foundation agreed. They would need to raise \$1.3 million for a facility make-over and infrastructure. The remainder \$700,000 would go for operating costs for the next 3 years. So far the Foundation has raised about \$850,000 from those in Havasu alone. They plan on reaching out to other areas like Kingman and Bullhead. The President of ASU will be here on Wednesday (May 18). If they can get as close to \$1 million as possible, ASU could give them the go ahead to start construction. The HFFE will head up the remodel of Daytona to transform it into ASU. The cost to pay ASU and their procurement department was estimated to be 30-40% more. The HFHE could find in-kind contributions to offset some of the costs.

Jo mentioned that a local campus will save local students upwards of \$10,000 a year versus going to the Tempe Campus. They plan to attract California residents through the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) Program with Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming. Through WUE, students in western states may enroll in more than 140 two-year and four-year college institutions at a reduced tuition usually set somewhere between the residential price and the out of state tuition price.

Next Jo opened it up for questions. Her first question was what kind of degrees will be offered there. Jo was not sure what would be set in stone or what wouldn't, but she did say that some of the degrees being mentioned were business, health services, wildlife, etc, and right now they would all be undergraduate students. Jo mentioned the school could hold roughly 1000-2000 students and once the school exceeded 2000 they could build up for more space. Sylvia Thompson mentioned she wasn't sure if she liked the idea of a 4 year University in Havasu. She was afraid that too many college students would turn the town into a liberal, Democrat town. Jo assured her that the economic benefits were great but did not comment on the Democrat vs Republican comment. Jo mentioned that there will be donation forms on the back table if anyone wanted to donate towards the \$2 million needed or that they could donate online.

New Business: Noreen Thomas mentioned that AzFRW was doing a raffle for a \$350 Southwest Airlines gift certificate. The tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Sue Donahue mentioned that she had membership cards for the NFRW and to come see her after the meeting to pick one up.

Ruth Mock won the free lunch

Bea Evans won the 50/50 which was priced at \$31

Meeting adjourned at 1:05p.m.

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