



# AZ Legislative District 8 Republican Committee

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## ***The Lincoln Link – August 2010***

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**District Meeting – August 11, 2010  
7:00 PM - Mustang Library  
10101 North 90<sup>th</sup> Street (south of the Hospital)**

**This month's meeting will be electing the Nominating Committee. You must vote for five Precinct Committeemen to be on this committee. Only one per precinct may serve on the committee.**

### **CHAIRMAN'S CORNER – DR. JIM BURKE**

The campaign mail keeps coming! Yesterday I received my early ballot. Yet somehow some of my friends and neighbors don't realize that the primary election is only three weeks away. Part of our role as PCs is to make sure we get the vote out in our Precinct. It's a goal for my Precinct to increase the vote count in the Primary from two years ago. But time is slipping away! Let's make sure we get our neighbors and friends to the polls.

At the District meeting on August 12<sup>th</sup> we will be electing the Nominating Committee. As per our Bylaws, the Nominating Committee shall consist of five Precinct Committeemen. No more than one member may come from a single precinct. The job of the Committee is to identify candidates for officers to be voted on at the District Organization Meeting. This year the meeting will be held on Saturday November 20<sup>th</sup>. The time and place will be announced later.

Part of the duties of each PC is to recruit and train leaders of the Party. Once the Nominating Committee is determined, part of our job is to help them develop a slate of candidates you believe would be good leaders for our District for the next two years. I believe that any PC who wants to run for office should have the opportunity to have his or her name on the ballot. So let's all help make sure we have the best leadership possible for District 8!

## **FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN – TRACY MUNSIL**

### **STAY ENERGIZED FOR THE AUGUST PRIMARY – AND INTO THE GENERAL!**

By now, many of you already have voted or are about to vote – thanks to the permanent early ballots that arrived in the mail this week. As precinct committeemen, it is important to GOTV – Get Out The Vote! As PCs, we should all be talking to our neighbors and friends, working our precinct lists, and reminding people in our precincts to complete their early ballots or to go to the polls to vote on Aug. 24 if they don't plan to vote early.

This is crunch time in the primary campaigns, so be sure to take some time between now and Primary Election Day to help out your favorite Republican candidates – work the phones, donate time and money, volunteer at State GOP headquarters, talk to your circle of influence about the importance of electing Republicans. If you are on Facebook, be sure to use its networking power to support GOP candidates and causes. It's great to see the D8 representation among the many candidates for office. Good luck to everyone from the district who is on the primary ballot.

Once the primary is over, the work is far from done. As we all know, the political landscape is unpredictable this election cycle, and we cannot afford to take any race for granted. Between now and the general election, be sure to get involved – and stay involved. Know that your efforts on behalf of our district and GOP candidates will be appreciated, and the time you put in will make our communities, our state, and our nation better places to live, work, and raise our families. Thanks for all you do – GO GOP!

## **DISTRICT 8 MINUTES - LINDA BROWN, SECRETARY**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Second Vice Chairman Chad Willems. Executive Officers in attendance were Chad Willems and Linda Brown. Rev. C.T. Wright opened with the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

The program consisted of John Huppenthal, Superintendent of Public Instruction candidate and Andrew Thomas, State Attorney General candidate. Sen. Huppenthal stated he is currently chair to the Education Committee at the state Senate. He stated that his interest in politics began at a very early age as he often engaged in reading. If elected, he seeks to increase literacy and engage parents. Those in attendance were permitted an opportunity for a brief Q&A. Sen. Huppenthal also invited attendees to visit his website at [www.johnhuppenthal.com](http://www.johnhuppenthal.com). Sen. Huppenthal's opposition in the GOP primary is Margaret Dugan.

Andrew Thomas, candidate for State Attorney General, said he was a classmate of President Obama's at Harvard. He is a 20-year resident of Arizona and former county attorney for 5 ½ years. Mr. Thomas believes he has the requisite experience to be elected as the state's chief law enforcer. He stated he supported Russell Pearce in SB1070 and possesses strong conservative values. Thomas' opponent in the GOP primary is Tom Horne. Superintendent Horne had a prior engagement and could not be present.

The secretary reminded members that the minutes are included in the monthly Newsletter that is emailed to members and later posted on the district website at <http://d8azgop.org/>. The Secretary motioned that the June 2010 meeting minutes be adopted. Members concurred.

John Rosado (LD-4) took the podium to announce he is running for the CAP board. [Bob Littlefield](#) also asked for voter support in the November 2 election as Scottsdale City Council. [David Schweikert](#) was in attendance earlier. [Ray Mahoubi](#) greeted the audience and thanked them for their support in his campaign for the LD8 house seat. [Michelle Ugenti](#), also a candidate for the LD8 house seat invited volunteers to help with posting signs in the community.

Barb McMullen, Vice Chairman of Operations/Membership Utilization, stated that we now have 299 elected for Precinct Committeeman. This will allow up to 100 elected state committeemen at the November District Organization meeting.

No other announcements were made, the meeting was called for adjournment. Attendees concurred. Meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.

Submitted by Linda M. Brown

Dated: July 10, 2010

### **Secretary Linda Brown's Note to LD-8 Precinct Committeeman**

Members: Due to my recent move and change in LD8 Precincts, I no longer maintain current PC status and have since stepped down from my duties as secretary. It has been a pleasure serving you. Linda M. Brown

### ***FOUNTAIN HILLS NEWS – BOE JAMES***

The Fountain Hills Republican Club had another active month. The July 17 meeting featured a forum/debate with the three candidates for the Arizona Corporation Commission: Brenda Burms, Gary Pierce and Barry Wong. State Senator Barbara Leff, candidate for State Treasurer, also spoke. At the conclusion of the meeting a straw poll was taken. The results of the poll are available on the club's website <http://www.the-republicanclub.org>.

On Aug. 21 Ward Connerly will speak about the Arizona Civil Rights Initiative, Proposition 107, which will be on the November ballot. Ward is an American political activist, businessman and former University of California Regent. He is the founder and chairman of the American Civil Rights Institute.

To assist FHRC members and others, the webmaster, John Hepburn, has added new pages for candidates' events at <http://www.FHRepublicanClub.org/sebsites.html>. Check out these pages and the newly updated FHRC website.

The Fountain Hills Republican Club is planning a Victory Party in Fountain Hills on Election Night, Nov. 2. More details in the coming months.

The Fountain Hills Republican Club meetings are open to all LD-8 Precinct Committeemen, prospective PCs and all other Republicans. The meetings are an excellent way to meet and greet the candidates and to hear more about their positions. They are also a great way to network with fellow Republicans All are welcome. The meetings begin at 9:00 AM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at the Fountain Hills Community Center, 13001 North La Montana, Fountain Hills. The next meeting is Saturday, Aug. 21.