



AZ Legislative District 8 Republican Committee

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The Lincoln Link – June 2010

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District Meeting – July 8, 2010

7:00 PM - Mustang Library

10101 North 90th Street (south of the Hospital)

Andrews Thomas, candidate for Arizona Attorney General will be our speaker. Beth Price, also a candidate for this office has been invited. Candidate Tom Horne is unable to be with us due to a previous commitment.

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER – DR. JIM BURKE

Wow, the number of e-mails just keep increasing. I attempt to take the time to read them to try and understand the positions of different candidates. I have yet to find a candidate who matches my views exactly. But I know several that are very close and I can support. It is also important to read the perspectives of various organizations such as the NRA. Many times they know something about a candidate that I have missed. As a PC it is also helpful to ask the opinions of fellow PCs about candidates or issues. Each one of us has knowledge that would help others.

That being said, I think it is wrong for your District Board to tell you who you should support or for whom you should vote. Our Board has continually attempted to be as neutral as possible. Our state party has adopted a platform that is available on the state's website – www.azgop.org. If you have not seen our platform, I would strongly encourage you to visit it and go to the platform. This is a good filter to help determine what candidates are truly matching up with Republican principles.

We will continue to have candidates attend our District meetings in July and August. Please try to attend and get to know the candidates personally. An educated decision using Republican principles as a guide is the

best way for all of us to make a decision. The primary election is less than two months away and there is no time to waste in understanding for whom to vote.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN – TRACY MUNSIL

PC APPLICATIONS – FINAL TALLY FOR AUGUST PRIMARY

The official Maricopa County Election Department totals are in – as a District we turned in 289 applications for GOP precinct committeemen to be elected in the August primary. Another 19 write-in candidates turned in paperwork. So, as a district we have 308 individuals vying for precinct committeemen positions. Six precincts will be having contested primaries. When the primary election is completed, we will have 299 PC positions filled by election. We anticipate having 100 state committeemen, based on these PC numbers. Again, many thanks go out to everyone who helped getting PC paperwork completed! Precinct Committeemen are the backbone of the Republican Party and going into 2011, District 8 will be stronger than ever. Thanks to everyone who helped with the PC election effort this year – and best of luck to those candidates in the six contested primaries.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN – CHAD WILLEMS

Andrew Thomas, candidate for Arizona Attorney General will be our speaker for July. We attempted to also have Tom Horne, also a candidate for Arizona Attorney General but, unfortunately, he had a previous commitment in another part of the State. We will try to be more successful and have the two of them at our August meeting.

In addition to the Attorney General candidate, John Huppenthal, candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction will also speak. Margaret Dugan, one of his opponents has already been before District 8 precinct committeemen. A third candidate, Beth Price, has also been invited.

DISTRICT 8 MINUTES - LINDA BROWN, SECRETARY

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman James Burke. Executive officers in attendance were: Chairman Burke, Chad Willems, Tracy Munsil and Linda Brown. Rev. C.T. Wright gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chairman welcomed guests, members, and introduced elected and candidate officials in attendance. Elected officials were Scottsdale City Council Bob Littlefield, Judge Michael Reagan and Constable Dan Ryan. The Chairman also reminded Precinct Committeemen that if they have not yet sent in their yearly contribution fees, to please do so. The secretary passed out forms to the audience for their convenience in sending in their contribution. Arizona Republican Party Chairman Randy Pullen stepped up to the podium and advised the audience that our state is very fortunate to have many qualified candidates running in the primary. He also assured everyone that after the primary, the state party will be standing behind the successful candidate 100 percent and looks forward to winning back CD5. He wished everyone good luck.

State Committeewoman Donna Reagan stated that as of tonight a total of 289 Precinct Committeeman petitions have been submitted to county by the membership committee. The write in deadline was June 9 and the final numbers are not yet available. She extended a warm thanks to Barb McMullen for her efforts and dedication to maintaining the electronic database during the process. Currently there are six contested precincts. They are Fountain Hills 7, Kalil, Peppertree, Pinnacle South, Saltillo, and Sundown.

Chairman Burke (Program Announcement)

Chairman Burke was the moderator for the LD8 Corporation Commission Forum. Participating candidates were: Barry Wong, Brenda Burns, and Gary Pierce. Each of the participants introduced themselves. Candidates were asked three questions. One asked what action they would take to stop cap and trade. Another question was, "On what policy areas would you agree or disagree with Democrats?" Candidates were also asked what other division they would focus on outside of utilities. Each of the candidates provided substantive replies to the questions and followed up with questions presented to them by the audience. In closing, each candidate expressed their qualifications. More details on each of the candidates can be found on their respective websites.

The secretary welcomed attendees to join the District on Facebook at Arizona LD8 Republican Committee. This is a fun forum to share and exchange district information. The secretary motioned for members to adopt the minutes of May 13, 2010. The members concurred.

Chairman Burke's Announcements of Club Meetings

Chairman Burke restated that the board is now accepting names for the three committees now forming: nominating, audit and special events. Those interested, please provide anyone of the board members with your name and contact information. Committees need to be determined no later than 60 days from the date of the district organizational meeting.

Barb McMullen announced that the Paradise Republican Women's Club will be hosting a gubernatorial luncheon (\$35) on June 12 at Gainey Ranch Golf Club. Also, an LD7, 8 and 11 Open House (\$10) is scheduled on June 15 at the Plaza Hotel.

Candidates in the audience were permitted time to address the audience. Those in attendance were Dana Saar, candidate for Maricopa County Community College GB D2; CD5 House candidate Chris Salvino's representative, Teresa. LD8 house candidates were Ray Mahoubi, Eric Ullis, Michelle Ugenti's husband Frank who stated Michelle was unable to attend due to a prior commitment to attend a Tea Party fund raiser, and Paula Pennypacker, who welcomed \$5 contributions for her clean elections race.

Jim Ward's wife, Dawn stated that Mr. Ward was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict but encouraged participates to vote for Jim. Bob Littlefield announced that he is running to keep his seat on the Scottsdale City Council and stated that due to the sudden loss of Tony Nelsens, the candidates are down to six so there will be no primary. Dan Ryan indicated that currently he is running against one opponent in his campaign for Constable.

The next district meeting will be July 8. With no further announcements, Chairman Burke motioned adjournment. Attendees concurred.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Submitted by: Linda M. Brown, *Secretary*

Dated: June 10, 2010

TREASURER'S REPORT – REX ROUTH

DISTRICT 8 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE TREASURER'S REPORT

As of
6/30/2010

	June	YTD	Prelim 2010 Budget
Beginning Bank Balance	\$8,522.14		
Revenues:			
Contributions	-	135.00	3,250.00
Fundraisers	-	2,993.00	6,000.00
Name Badges	30.00	170.00	500.00
Misc. Income	-	12.00	500.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 30.00	\$3,310.00	\$10,250.00
Expenses:			
Supplies, Printing & Postage	12.00	478.88	1,200.00
Election Expenses	-	-	1,000.00
Rentals		302.50	1,000.00
Food & Supplies Fundraisers	26.85	2,510.90	4,500.00
Donations	-	-	1,500.00
Executive Committee	-	7.85	350.00
Events Committee	-	-	575.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 38.85	\$3,300.13	\$10,125.00
NET INCOME	\$ (8.85)	\$ 9.87	\$ 125.00
ENDING BANK BALANCE	\$8,513.29		
PETTY CASH	\$ 50.00		
TOTAL CASH BALANCE	\$8,563.29		

PLEASE REMEMBER TO MAKE YOUR 2010 CONTRIBUTIONS

STATE REPORT – DONNA REAGAN

No report from the State Party.

FOUNTAIN HILLS NEWS – BOE JAMES

The Fountain Hills Republican Club had another active month. The June 19th meeting featured United States Senate candidates, former Congressman J.D. Hayworth and Jim Deakin, CD 5 candidates Susan Bitter Smith and Dr. Chris Salvino and County Attorney candidate Rick Romley. Other candidates present gave brief remarks at the end of the meeting. Dr. C. T. Wright announced his candidacy for another term on the Fountain Hills Unified School District governing board.

Senator John McCain held a Town Hall meeting at the Community Center on June 12th with over 250 in attendance. This was not a Club sponsored event but many club members were present. The Tea Party has also been active in our area with many Republican candidates and club members attending Tea Party events.

Our July 17th meeting will feature Brenda Burns, Gary Pierce and Barry Wong, the three Republican candidates for State Corporation Commission. Gubernatorial candidate Buz Mills, State Treasurer candidate Barbara Leff and County Attorney Candidate Boyd Dunn will speak briefly. At our August 21st meeting Ward Connerly will speak on the Arizona Civil Rights initiative which is expected to be on the November ballot.

The Fountain Hills Republican Club meets at 9:00 AM on the 3rd Saturday of each month at the Fountain Hills Community Center, 13001 North La Montana.

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