



AZ Legislative District 8 Republican Committee

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The Lincoln Link – November, 2010

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District Meeting – November 20, 2010

8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Scottsdale Bible Church Chapel

7901 East Shea Boulevard

Chapel is EAST of Church

This is our mandatory meeting. There will be no speaker. We will have election of officers and election of State Committeemen who will represent District 8 for the next 2 years at Maricopa County Republican meetings and the Arizona Republican Party mandatory meetings.

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER – DR. JIM BURKE

Wow! I cannot believe how fast the last two years have gone. On November 20th we will have our Organizational Meeting and it will be the last official meeting of my two year term as Chair. It has been great to meet so many nice people and get to know how important the Republican Party is in their lives.

For the last two years I have also served on a national board for the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education. This board oversees all the education activities for physicians in this country. I have been fortunate to be asked to serve as Chair of this Board. It will mean many more trips to Chicago and many teleconferences in between. I view it as a way to serve fellow physicians and ultimately improve the care that is provided to patients in this country. Unfortunately I will not have the time to perform this duty and continue to serve in a leadership role in the District. I will certainly attend as many meetings as I can and continue to work as a PC.

I want to thank all of you who have supported me over these last two years. I especially want to thank Chad and Tracy – two individuals that I really did not know prior to two years ago. They have been very supportive and helpful.

In preparing for the November meeting, you will see that we have a very strong slate of candidates running for office. I know that our District will have good leadership in the next two years that lead up to a key election when we will have a Republican elected as President.

Thank you all once again and I look forward to seeing you all on November 20th and then at the Holiday Party.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN – TRACY MUNSIL

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your 1st Vice Chairman for the past two years. It's been a joy getting to know and working with so many hard-working, principled, energetic Republicans. Like Jim, I've taken on additional responsibilities – as a full-time lecturer in political science at Arizona State University -- and will no longer be able to serve in a leadership capacity for the District. Your involvement in the GOP, in the District, and in Arizona politics matters. So, keep working hard – I'll always be proud to be counted among the District 8 precinct committeemen. And good luck to the new officers.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN – CHAD WILLEMS

There is no meeting this month.

DISTRICT 8 MINUTES – BARBARA MCMULLEN, INTERIM SECRETARY

Chairman Jim Burke called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Chaplain C.T. Wright gave a prayer on “Unity” and then led us in the pledge. Chairman Burke then welcomed the elected officials in the audience.

Bret Mechum from the AZGOP was unable to attend, but Donna Reagan, Member at Large for CD5 for the AZGOP gave information on the “Victory Office” located at 4110 N. Goldwater - Suite 209B. She urged all PC's to consider volunteering to help with the final push towards electing our Republican candidates. The Party is instituting a program to make sure of voter security on Election Day. They are looking for attorneys and non-attorneys. Training is tentatively set for Oct. 30th. Donna also indicated that in a poll conducted by the AZGOP that the Republican candidates are shown to be leading over their opponents. The District participated in a door hanger project promoting the Republican slate that was very successful. The Fountain Hills Republican Club made 1000 door hangers for two districts in Fountain Hills.

2nd Vice-Chair Chad Willems introduced Doug Hebert who spoke on voting “NO” on Medical Marijuana Proposition 203. For more information, go to the website: www.keepazdrugfree.com. Members can then e-mail the fact sheet prepared by KeepAZDrugfree to their friends.

Business Meeting

Secretary's Report - Barb McMullen: The minutes from the September 9, 2010 meeting were accepted as distributed in the District Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report - Kathy Littlefield:

Chairman Burke spoke to the members of the details leading to the Board asking for the resignation of the former treasurer, and the filing of charges against the former Treasurer with the Scottsdale police. The Board is in the process of preparing a financial policy which should provide safeguards for the District's finances. This will be shared on the District website.

Treasurer Kathy Littlefield had two reports printed for the members to share. One was for September 2010 and the other was for Combined Years (January 1, 2009 – October 13, 2010)

September 2010 Report

YTD

Beginning Balance – Sept. 1, 2010	\$ 11.34	\$1399.69
Total Revenue	\$3780.00	\$6,716.08
Total Expenses	\$3272.00	\$7,596.43
Ending Bank Balance –Sept. 30, 2010	\$ 519.84	
Petty Cash	\$ 50.00	
Total Balance	\$569.84	

Combined Report

January 1, 2009 –October 13, 2010

Beginning Balance – January 1, 2009	\$6410.07	
Total Income 2009	\$8867.00	
Total Expenses 2009	\$13,877.38	<i>(includes unexplained checks totaling \$5700.00 written for cash)</i>
Ending Balance – December 31, 2009	\$1399.69	
Beginning Balance-January 1, 2010	\$1399.69	
Total Income to date 2010	\$8867.00	
Total Expenses to date 2010	\$8266.06	<i>(includes unexplained checks totaling \$1050.00 written for cash)</i>
Ending Balance as of October 13, 2010	\$3034.71	

Report filed.

Kathy thanked Chairman Burke for the contributions that he made from his campaign fund that helped with providing the District with operating funds. She also thanked the bank staff for helping her with records needed to reconcile the check book with the bank statements. She also stated that the entire Board has indicated that they are willing to testify at a court trial if necessary. At this time it appears from the financial records that \$6800.00 is missing but she estimated because no cash deposits were made that the missing amount could be higher. She answered questions and concerns from the members.

Larry Hagan, Chair of the District Audit Committee introduced the committee members Joan Parker and Linda Rizzo who went over the records prepared by the Treasurer. The records were accurate. A copy of the report was given to Chairman Burke to be placed with the financial records.

Nominating Committee Report – Barb McMullen: The following will be on the slate for election as 2011-2012 District Officers: Chairman – Shawn Dow, Fountain Hills 1 and Jim Ward, Pinnacle South; 1st Vice-Chair – Barb McMullen, Kalil; 2nd Vice-Chair – Boe James, Fountain Hills 8; Secretary – Doug Little, Vista Verde and Camilla Strongin, Exeter; Treasurer: Joan Parker.

She will be compiling a list of the names of candidates for State Committeemen that will be sent to the membership for corrections if necessary. The deadline for submission is October 14, 2010, at midnight. If an individual sent an e-mail and his or her name is not on the list, they should contact her. The Call for the meeting will be prepared for mailing on October 29th which will include brief resumes of the office candidates and the names of the candidates for state committeemen. Since we have 299 elected precinct committeemen, we are eligible to elect 100 state committeemen. The Organizational Meeting will be held Saturday, November 20th at the Scottsdale Bible Church Chapel.

Paula Linker – 2010 Election Volunteer Coordinator spoke about the Victory Office.

Boe James, Fountain Hills Republican Club announced their upcoming picnic.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm
Barb McMullen, Interim Secretary

TREASURER – KATHY LITTLEFIELD

Treasurer's Report as of 10/31/2010:

Beginning Balance: 10/1/10		519.34
Income:		
Contributions	4520.92	
Name Badges	<u>150.00</u>	<u>4680.92</u>
Expenses:		
Name Badges	91.13	
Bank Fees	12.00	
Election Exp.	300.00	
Room Rentals-library	228.50	
Establish Petty Cash	<u>50.00</u>	<u>681.63</u>
Ending Balance 10/31/10		\$4,518.63

Thank you to the following members who have made their Contributions in September and October:

Barb & Bill McMullen
Joe Romack
Sharon Erickson
Linda Rizzo
Martha Kimberley
Paula Ricehouse
Bob & Kathy Littlefield
Dina Galassini
Bob & Shirley Bachman
Frank September
Archie McGill
Virginia Long
Kathryn Angelis
Robert King

A Special Thanks To Our Chairman's Circle Donors:

Jim Burke
Michele Reagan
Pat Kaufman
Linda Milhaven

If you have any questions regarding your donations to District 8 or any other item on the Report, please do not hesitate to call me
480-951-2549.

FOUNTAIN HILLS NEWS – BOE JAMES

The Fountain Hills Republican Club congratulates all the General Election winners. We are happy to continue to support Representative John Kavanagh, Senator-elect Michele Reagan and to welcome Representative-elect Michelle Ugenti.

Thursday, November 11th will find many FHRC members commemorating Veterans Day at the Fountain Hills Veterans Memorial. Representative John Kavanagh is the keynote speaker for the event which will start at 11 a.m., the traditional time for such ceremonies. Everyone is invited to commemorate our Veterans.

The club's October 16th meeting was the Annual Picnic held in Fountain Hills' beautiful Golden Eagle Park. Sheriff Joe Arpaio was the keynote speaker and he energized and entertained the crowd of over 180 people. Many other candidates spoke including Congressman-elect David Schweikert, County Attorney-elect Bill Montgomery, Corporate Commissioner-elect Brenda Burns, Treasurer-elect Doug Ducey, and, of course, our 3 LD 8 winners. All attendees enjoyed good food, good speeches and good companionship. LD 8 PC's Rich Rutkowski, Valerie Giramberk, and Harold Denomme and Bruce Hansen did a stellar job with the grilling. Pictures of the picnic are on the club's website at <http://www.FHRepublicanClub.org>.

The FHRC hosted a well attended Victory Party on Election Day, November 2 at the Fountain Hills Holiday Inn. Michelle Ugenti and John Kavanagh made it their victory party. Other political winners such as Bill Montgomery and Michele Reagan dropped by before heading to the AZ GOP Victory Party at the Hyatt. This was a inaugural event for the FHRC, but I expect it will become a tradition in the future. The party was not inaugurated to replace any other Victory Party, but to complement and supplement those parties and to reward Fountain Hills Republicans who can not or will not drive to downtown Phoenix in the evening or night. Over 250 attended the party at one time or another. Pictures are at <http://www.FHRepublicanClub.org>.

Our next FHRC meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 20th, the same day as our LD 8 Organizational Meeting, so there will be a number of FHRC members giving their proxies to others. The keynote speaker will be Brett Mecum, the AZ GOP Executive Director. The December 18th meeting will be a special Christmas program.

All Fountain Hills Republican Club meetings are open to all LD - 8 PC's, prospective PC's, their guests, and all other Republicans. FHRC meetings are an excellent way to meet and greet elected officials, to hear more about the issues facing our state, and to learn about other political matters. They are also a great way to network with fellow Republicans in a social setting. All are welcome.

The FHRC normally meets the third Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. in the FH Community Center, 13001 N. La Montana Dr., Fountain Hills, AZ 85268. Anyone desiring more information may visit the club's website at <http://www.fhrepublicanclub.org>, or contact Boe James, club president at FHRepublican@yahoo.com or 480 588-7612.

Facebook users can also visit the club's Facebook page Fountain Hills Republican Club at <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=373474498622>. Twitter users can follow FHRepublican at <http://twitter.com/FHRepublican>.