

PARADISE REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

GENERAL MEETING - MARCH 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM by President Judy Lawrence. The Invocation was given by Janet Hiatt, followed by the Pledge. In the Americanism moment, Janet told the club about a patriotic group called "Concerned Women for America"

Treasurer's Report Barb McMullen reported that the club has \$9051.31 in our savings, checking and petty cash accounts.

President Judy Lawrence welcomed our newest member, Sheri Lopez and candidates in the audience – Dr Jana Jackson – candidate for Maricopa County Superintendent of Schools, Virginia Korte (Incumbent) and Dan Schweiker – Scottsdale City Council. , Jay Lawrence (Incumbent) – State Representative LD 23 and Helen Purcell (Incumbent) – Maricopa County Recorder. Other dignitaries in the audience were also recognized – Scottsdale City Councilman Linda Milhaven, Jini Simpson – past PRWC President and Paradise Valley town council member, Leona Johnston – past AzFRW President and Dottie Puskar - past program chairman of PRWC Current elected board members were also recognized.

Judy explained our newest fundraiser "Queen of Hearts" game. 52 cards are pinned to a board face down. Tickets are sold for \$1 each – 1 ticket is drawn and the winner gets to turn over 1 card on the board. \$20 for an Ace, \$10 for a face card – the Queen of Hearts wins half of all the money collected from the start of the game.

The club will recognize birthdays by giving those with birthdays that month a raffle ticket –the winner each month will receive a gift basket. Since this was the first month – all those with birthdays in January, February and March were given tickets. PJ Heyliger and Carol Zraket were the winners of two baskets.

Ballots for a "Straw Poll" were on the tables – Barb McMullen will collect them and announce the winner during lunch.

Elizabeth Brantley, our Media Expert, has been keeping the website up to date, sending out our Constant Contact meeting announcements, as well as Facebook. The membership application on the website has been digitized and can be filled out on line. The 2016 Directory is password protected and available on the website.

Achievements: Leona Johnston urged all members to keep their campaign hours. The NFRW is asking for a donation of \$20.16 to fund a bus that will travel from state to state registering Republicans and will end in Cleveland at the Republican Convention.

Diana Marsh has been nominated as 3VP – Ways & Means to fill the position of Ruth Foster who is ill.

Judy then introduced our Speaker Helen Purcell – Maricopa County Recorder. Helen has been the Recorder for the past 27 years and is also an Associate Member of PRWC. She is in charge of recording

all real estate transactions in the county. All transactions from the late 1800s until the present have been electronically recorded. Recording Kiosks are available in 7 library locations throughout the county. Documents can be scanned and recorded on the spot. She is also in charge of Elections and early voting. There are over 2 million registered voters in the county. 81 o/o vote on an early ballot. Questions and answers followed her talk.

Candidates Virginia Korte, Dan Schweiker and Dr. Jana Jackson spoke briefly during lunch.

Donald Trump was the winner of the "Straw Pole"/

Respectfully submitted by Carol Zraket, Recording Secretary