PARADISE REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 18, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President Judith Lawrence. The invocation was given by Janet Hiatt who also led us in the pledge.

President Judith Lawrence discussed 'What's in a Cup," and how to handle sore losers. She also announced the "Spirit of America" Pro Trump Rally that will be taking place at the AZ State Capitol Grounds on Saturday, March 4, 2017. Paradise Republican Women will car pool to event from the Paradise Meeting at Gainey Ranch Golf Club for those interested in attending.

Paradise Republican Women's Club cordially recognized and welcomed our New Members for February 2017:

Jane Dell'Artino Nancy Shulby David Alger:

In addition, other guests and candidates were also recognized. Vicki Alger and her husband Dave Alger who are both petitioning to run for political offices. Tracy Livingston introduced herself as a candidate for the Superintendent of Public Instruction. Tracy is also the wife of David Livingston a member of the AZ House of Representatives. Linda Milhaven with Scottsdale City Council was also present and spoke about the new City Manager and Mayor Lane appointed subcommittee.

Marnie Thompson received a President's Award for her hard work with the Trump Campaign and she spoke passionately about how she was appreciated by the Trump Transition Team at the inauguration and how grateful she was that we as a people came together to get President Trump elected.

The AZ State Republican Women's Club Spring Meeting is May 19-20, 2017 in Flagstaff, AZ at the Doubletree Hotel. There is one delegate for every 10 members. Paradise Republican Women's Club is allowed 9 plus the automatic delegates.

The Republican Women's Club National Convention is September 14-17, 2017 in Philadelphia, PA at Philadelphia Marriot Downtown.

Our guest speaker for this meeting was Nick Simonetta, a lobbyist of Pivotal Policy Consulting. He presented "Lobbyists: Who's to Bless and Who's to Blame?" He explained and helped us to understand the role of lobbyist since it is a part of our responsibility to educate and familiarize ourselves with the lobbying procedures. Nick shared 4 qualities of a great lobbyist. They are as follows:

- 1. Be forth right
- 2. Quick Study and understand complex issues
- 3. Become an expert on the legislative process and how members operate
- 4. Relationship Development Understanding what is important to others.

Mr. Simonetta's presentation was followed by questions from Paradise Women.

We ended the meeting with the Queen of Hearts Game in which "The Queen" has not been turned over yet! Going forward, we will allow 3 drawings per meeting until your heart is won!

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Cynthia Love, Recording Secretary