

PARADISE REPUBLICAN WOMEN CLUB

GENERAL MEETING JUNE 10, 2017

Attending: Judith Lawrence, Diana Marsh, Elizabeth Brantley, Ardith Hildebrandt, Leona Johnston, Barb McMullen, Janet Hiatt, and Cyndi Love

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by Judith Lawrence. The invocation was given by **Janet Hiatt** who also led us in the pledge. In addition, Janet led us in "Americanism Celebration" by singing four verses of the Star Spangled Banner in celebration of our "Super Patriotic Month."

JUNE 10th GENERAL MEETING:

This is Paradise "Super Patriotic" month in anticipation of Flag Day on June 14th and Independence Day on July 4th. June 14th is also President Donald J. Trump and Sheriff Joe Arpaio birthdays as well as the birthday of the US Army! This is also Paradise last General Meeting before going dark until September 2, 2017.

SPECIAL GUEST

Martha Washington "AKA" Nancy Kay Arnold entertained us with her presentation of her involvement in getting special patriotic books in the hands of children to promote conservative values.

Nathaniel Green, one of Washington's favorite generals was impersonated by **Arthur Cooper**. Nathaniel spoke a little about our American History as part of our American Celebration. Nathaniel also passed out the "Preamble to the Constitution" Post Cards that were collected at the end of the meeting to be mailed to President Trump in time for his birthday on June 14th.

Keynote Speaker was **Barbara Hatch**, the Executive Program Director & Founder of Veterans Heritage Project (VHP). Barbara discussed how VHP connects students with veterans in their communities offering students the opportunity to become immersed in one-on-one personal accounts of heroism and service to our country. They also learn life-long skills, developing a passion for history writing, and civics, and an appreciation of the freedoms which comes through the sacrifices of those who have served our nation.

RECOGNITION

Elizabeth Brantley, 2nd Vice-President/Membership and Publicity Director was recognized by our President Judith Lawrence for her outstanding performance in providing our Paradise Club with top-notch professional website development, management, digital marketing, and social media. Congratulations Elizabeth!!! WE LOVE YOU!

Diana Marsh--- was recognized for her Birthday as we sang Happy Birthday! BEST WISHES, DIANA!

Patriot Décor—A Big “THANK YOU” goes out to the Patriot Table Hostesses who helped us to celebrate Patriotic Month. Thank you again Maria, Sheri, Janet, Angela, Dianne, Judy, and Cyndi.

ELECTION OF STATE DELEGATES--During the June meeting, Paradise Republican Club had an election to vote on 8 Delegates and 8 alternates to represent our club at the AZFRW Biennial Convention in October. However, we only voted on 5 delegates due to member interest at the time of the vote.

HOW TO RESIST THE “RESIST MOVEMENT”---The fight back has just begun! The following are some organizations we can join to get our voices heard.

Media Equalizers Media Matters Accuracy in Media The Revolution

MEMBERSHIPS: **Elizabeth Brantley** announced our new additions for May and June 2017. Paradise Republican Women’s Club proudly welcome Ruth Foster, Kristi Bleeker, Pam Kirby, Monica Yelin, and Carol Ann Smith. This brings our current membership to 77 Active Members, 10 Associate Members, and 3 Men’s Auxiliary Members for a total of 90 members.

TREASURER REPORT: **Ardith Hildebrandt** our treasurer reported that our Paradise Club has over \$10, 068.98 in the bank.

QUEEN OF HEARTS: Amazing! The “Queen of Hearts” continue for yet another month! The jackpot is now up to \$1,546!!!!

MINUTES: **Cyndi Love** gave a condensed report for Paradise Club Minutes of our May General Meeting.

JULY 19th—PARADISE MOVIE REVIEW

Paradise Republican Women Club presents the Paradise Movie Review “America: Imagine the World without Her” by Dinesh D’Souza. We voted to move forward

on this event in addition to depositing \$500 to hold the space. This event is open to all republicans and will take place on Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at the Sunridge Canyon Golf Club @ Wicked 6 Bar and Grill, 13100 Sunridge Dr. Fountain Hills, AZ 85268 from 5 pm to 9 pm. Registration opens at 4:30 pm. Coordinators for this event is **Cyndi Love** and **Elizabeth Brantley**. We are expecting 30 to 75 participants but can have up to 100.

AUGUST 2017

Politics Unplugged: This event is all about playing the constitutional game slated for the month of August and is still in the planning stages. Judy suggested inviting TARS to this function as well as Governor Ducey, Legislators and others to participate. **Judith Lawrence** is the coordinator of this event and will keep us informed over the summer with an August date and details.

SEPTEMBER 2017

Capitol Museum Tour: This event is hosted by AZ Secretary of State, Michele Reagan for a group of AzFRW Clubs and will take place in September 2017. No date has been selected. **Judith Lawrence** will keep us informed over the summer.

Paradise General Meeting: Our Paradise Republican Women Club Meeting resumes on September 2, 2017.

FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN MEETINGS:

May 19-20, 2017---AZFRW Summer Meeting was in Flagstaff at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel. The following Paradise Executive Board Members attended: Judith Lawrence, Diana Marsh, Dee Lee, Leona Johnston, Barb McMullen, Joan Parker, and Cyndi Love.

The nominating committee selected Cyndi Love as the slated candidate for 2nd Vice President/Membership to be voted on at the AZFRW Biennial Convention in October 2017.

Cyndi Love was also recognized by AZFRW President Lorraine Pellegrino for her outstanding achievement as "PC of the Year for LD-23."

Diane "Dee Lee", Paradise Corresponding Secretary and Cyndi Love, Recording Secretary were both voted as Alternate Delegates-At-Large for the 39th Biennial NFRW Convention.

September 14-17, 2017---39th Biennial NFRW Convention is at the Philadelphia Marriot Downtown, Philadelphia, PA. See details at www.NFRW.org/event. Several Paradise Executive Board Members plan to attend and participate. We invite all members to join us and attend the convention as guests.

October 26-28, 2017---AZFRW Biennial Convention is at the Phoenix-Mesa Hilton in Mesa, AZ. Our Paradise Club voted (5) delegates and we still need 3 more delegates and eight (8) alternates. If you were not at the meeting to vote and interested in becoming a delegate or alternate, please contact President Judy Lawrence at paxdrum@yahoo.com.

ACHEIVEMENT AWARDS---Leona Johnston congratulated our Paradise Club for achieving a total of 24,286 campaign volunteer hours over a 2 year period. Marney Thompson had the most hours with 6940, Lori Urban came in second place with a little over 6,000 hours, and Cyndi Love came in 3rd place with over 4000 hours.

PARADISE NOMINATING COMMITTEE 2017: We selected 3 Paradise General Club Members to join 2 Executive Board Members on the Nominating Committee to find Paradise Club Officers for 2018. The team of five will meet over the summer and choose a slate of officers to nominate and vote on in the fall. Members of the Nominating Committee are: Cyndi Love, Chairman, Diana Marsh, Tiffany Uhlik, Connie Stanfield, and Angela Shellenberg. The committee met with Barb McMullen immediately after the meeting ended and will meet over the summer to select candidates for Paradise Officers.

REVISION OF BI-LAWS—We voted on the revised bi-Law changes made to Article II prepared by Barb McMullen, parliamentarian. (It shall be the policy of the club to refrain from supporting any candidate in a primary election contest. This applies only to the Club, individual members may support any Republican candidate of their choice). All members were emailed the bi-law revisions in advance and received an individual hard copy at our June meeting prior to the vote in favor.

PHOTO SHOOT---Paradise Club did a photo shoot of members in RED and PATRIOTIC Shades to forward to NFRW.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Cynthia Love, Recording Secretary