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Newsletter Deadline:

Please submit your written contribution to Jill Perry at ARWomen@aol.com.

Information must be submitted before the last Friday of each month.



Loraine Pellegrino

President's Message

Dear Friends,

Summer temps are really heating up in the Valley of the Sun and ARW has turned up the political heat as well! It was very exciting to have 15 members attend the AzFRW State Meeting in Phoenix! We accomplished much while enjoying excellent speakers, workshops and spending time with friends.



It was full steam ahead as we hosted a blockbuster General Meeting with Congressman Matt Salmon and AZGOP Chair Robert Graham in May! In addition, we presented our Marjorie Miner Scholarship to a very accomplished graduating senior from Desert Vista High School, Tess Marie Kimura.

KFYI's Talk Show Host Mike Broomhead and Michael Jeanes, Clerk of the Superior Court will be our guests on June 25th. Your attendance at our meetings truly honors our quests as well as your friends on the Executive Board who work so hard to bring you great programs each month. Please remember to invite a friend.

Caring for America Chair, Kathy Diekelman has arranged a Day of Service for members to volunteer at Feed My Starving Children in Tempe on Thursday, June 13. Details for this and much more are included inside this newsletter.

Don't forget to fly the Stars and Stripes proudly in observance of Flag Day on June 14th and we wish all the wonderful men associated with ARW a wonderful Fathers Day!

In Liberty and Freedom,

Loraine Pellegrino

ARW General Meeting

Tuesday, June 25th

Grace Inn – Phoenix
10831 S 51st • Phoenix, AZ 85044

6:30 PM ~ Social Networking
7:00 PM ~ Meeting

Guest Speakers:

Mike Broomhead, KFYI Talk Show Host

Michael Jeanes, Clerk of the Superior Court Maricopa County



Please join us!

Bring a friend!

Event Calendar

ARW Board Meeting

1st Tuesday of the Month

All Members Welcome!

- Thursday, June 6th *Date Change!*
- 4:15 pm
- Hillside Spot Cafe
4740 E. Warner Rd.
Phoenix, AZ 85044
- Please RSVP ARWomen@aol.com

ARW General Meeting

- Tuesday, June 25th
- 6:30 pm - Networking/Socializing
- 7:00 pm - General Meeting
- Grace Inn
10831 S. 51st Street
Phoenix, AZ 85044 *Bring a Friend!*

NFRW Convention 2013

- Coming in September to Louisville, Kentucky!
- Watch for details at www.nfrw.org



Members Are Treasures

Happy June!

The end of the school year, Father's Day, the start of our summer season, vacation time and fun!! Speaking of fun...the ARW nominating committee will be contacting our members to ask for your commitment to our organization. If you are interested in getting involved with our open Committee positions or Board Membership, please say yes.



Thank you for the warm reception given to our May meeting guests, US Congressman Matt Salmon and AZGOP Chairman Robert Graham. We got the real scoop on the issues going through the news cycle. What an information packed night!! Hope you were able to make it. We enjoy your company. Members are truly our Treasures.

*Lucille Fraas,
ARW 2nd VP -
Membership*

Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality...

Commitment is the stuff character is made of; the power to change the face of things.

It is the daily triumph of integrity over skepticism.

- Abraham Lincoln

Happy Birthday!

Members

Nancy Middleton..... 6/04
Lindy Cash 6/05
Melody Murphy..... 6/06
Mary Fritsche 6/16
Judy Krahulec 6/20
Marjorie Miner 6/22
Angela Anderson 6/25

Members

Christine Opheim 6/25
Lisa Pomraning..... 6/30

Associates

Darrell Wilson..... 6/04
Randy Opheim..... 6/21



CELEBRATE!





Sunshine Committee

ARW sends well wishes to ARW Member Jeni White following her recent surgery. We wish you a speedy recovery.

Scheduled City of Phoenix Elections

Council Election – August 27, 2013

Register to Vote!

<http://www.azsos.gov/election/county.htm#Maricopa>

Whether you are interested in working at the polls, voting early or just getting information about City of Phoenix elections, we hope you will find what you need here. If you are unable to find the information you need, have a question or have a suggestion to improve our website, please contact us.

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Treasurer's Report

Profit & Loss May 2013



Beginning Balance

05/01/13 \$5,138.00

INCOME:

Caring for Community Project (UMOM)..... 7.00
Garage Sales..... 75.00
50/50 Raffle 71.00
Polo Shirts/T-Shirts..... 20.00
Newsletter Advertising..... 75.00
Total Income \$248.00

Total \$5,386.00

EXPENSES:

Caring For Community (UMOM)..... 54.00
Coffee Mugs 14.00
Gift Basket/Auction 24.27
Name Badges 8.20
Scholarship Fund Donations..... 502.18
Travel & Meetings: AzFRW State Meeting..... 112.14
Travel & Meetings: NFRW Convention 391.80
Total Expenses..... \$1,106.59

Total \$4,279.41

PETTY CASH

Petty Cash 20.00
Total Petty Cash \$20.00

Ending Cash Balance 05/31/13 4,299.41

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Happy Father's Day from ARW!



ARW Marjorie Miner Scholarship Awarded

ARW awarded the Marjorie Miner Scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 to Desert Vista High School graduating senior **Tess Marie Kimura** at the General Meeting at the Grace Inn – Phoenix on May 28, 2013.

Marjorie Miner praised all of the students who applied for the Scholarship stating that five worthy applicants were received this year. All of the applicants met the qualifications for Volunteer Service, Extra Curricular Activities, Organization or Club Memberships, History of Employment and Future Education Goals.



The Scholarship Committee consisted of Marj Miner, Mary Baumbach and Sandy Money.



Congratulations to all Scholarship Applicants!

“Ahwatukee Republican Women congratulates our Marjorie Miner Scholarship applicants and all the graduates within our ARW family! Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you.

You worked so hard while you were in school, and now that graduation is here, take pride in everything you’ve achieved and everything you are.”



Class of
2013

Left to right: Marjorie Miner, US Congressman Matt Salmon, ARW Marjorie Miner Scholarship winner Tess Marie Kimura, AZGOP Chairman Robert Graham and ARW President Loraine Pellegrino

Please Join Us to Make a Positive & Patriotic Presence!

Ahwatukee Republican Women together with our Legislative District 18 Republican friends have secured a booth at the

Red, White & Boom Fireworks Festival

Wednesday, July 3rd • 3:00 pm to 11:00 pm
Ahwatukee Country Club • 12432 S. 48th Street • Phoenix, AZ 85044
Gates Open at 3:00 pm ~ Fireworks at 9:00 pm ~ **Admission is FREE!**

Please help us to have a positive and patriotic presence at this important event in our community. We will be registering voters and disseminating information about ARW and our new LD 18 GOP. Our candidates will also be on hand.

Even if you can join us for ONE hour of your day it would help to make this a success for Republicans in Ahwatukee!





***ARW* Seeking Candidates for the 2014–2015 Executive Board**

Ahwatukee Republican Women is beginning the process of selecting a Slate of new Officers for the term beginning January 2014–December 2015.
All positions are for a two year term and OPEN.

The Candidate Application and the ARW Bylaws have been distributed to members via email. Please bring a completed application to any ARW meeting up until September. Applications may also be emailed to the Nominating Committee. See contact information is below.

The elected officers of this organization shall be:

- President
- First Vice President (Programs)
- Second Vice President (Membership)
- Third Vice President (Fundraising)
- Recording Secretary
- Corresponding Secretary & Newsletter Editor
- Treasurer

Timeline of events:

- The committee will contact ARW members now thru September to seek candidates willing to be nominated for positions on the ARW Executive Board for 2014-2015.
- The committee shall make a report to members at the October meeting.
- Voting will be at the ARW Biennial Meeting in November.
- New officers will be installed at the ARW Christmas Party on December 3, 2013.
- New officers will assume their duties beginning January 1, 2014.
- The term of office is two (2) years, or until a successor is elected or appointed.



If you are interested in serving on the Ahwatukee Republican Women Executive Board or would like more information about Elected Officer duties, please contact any member of the Nominating Committee listed below or email ARWwomen@aol.com:

Marilyn Astroth ■ 480-496-5829 ■ Lmastroth@q.com

Carol Hageman ■ 480-759-0488 ■ carol.hageman@gmail.com

Kathleen Tubbs ■ 480-893-9150 ■ ktubbs09@cox.net

Caring for America

Seeking Volunteers for Feed My Starving Children Packing Event!

Thursday, June 13th
9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Caring for America is dedicated to assisting local charities with various activities and fundraising. In the past we have been involved in such events as collecting toys for the Arizona Military Families Foundation in Phoenix and food for Shepherd's Warehouse in Tempe. There is such a need in the community, especially in this difficult economic time. I have had the pleasure of delivering to the charity and all have been so grateful for our efforts!

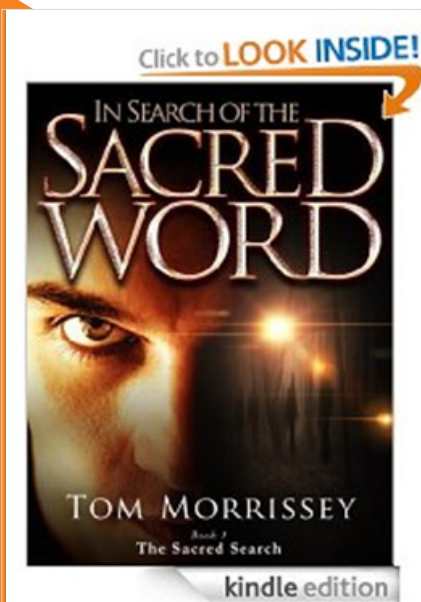
We are asking for volunteers to assist Feed My Starving Children at a packing event on Thursday, June 13th from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. The FMSC offices are located at 7965 S. Priest Drive, Suite 106, Tempe (between Warner and Elliot). Invite your family – even the kids – to join us. All are welcome to participate. If there is enough interest, we may go to lunch afterward.

If you would like to be involved in this wonderful volunteer opportunity, please contact Kathy Diekelman by email at kd3ik@cox.net or by phone at (480) 961-4934. All who have participated at an FMSC event have reported that they really enjoyed themselves and felt their time was well spent.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!

Caring for America & Armed Services Committees

- Kathy Diekelman, CFA Chair
- Marilyn Astroth, ASC Co-Chair
- Sheree Sepulveda, ASC Co-Chair



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OVERVIEW

- * We all die, but some come back. And sometimes they don't come alone.
- * Chased by those who wish him to do something that can change everything that is--for all time.
- * An out-of-control journey through a place no one has gone before.

Celebrating Our Nation's Flag

“Resolved, that the Flag of the thirteen United States shall be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the Union be thirteen stars, white on a blue field, representing a new constellation.”



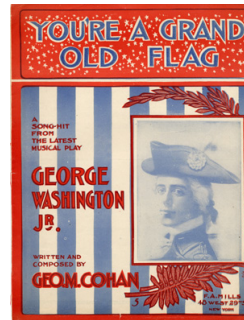
Stars and stripes forever!

With this resolution, passed by the Continental Congress on **June 14, 1777**, the basic design of America's flag was set. Although 37 stars have been added to the union since then, the flag still flies as a symbol of our great nation, “the Republic for which it stands”, and the freedom it represents.

Our flag has been celebrated through the years in poetry and song, most notably in our National Anthem, *The Star-Spangled Banner*. In the early 1900s, though, another song, this one written by the “Yankee Doodle boy”, George M. Cohan, became a red-white-and-blue American standard. Cohan was already an established performer and songwriter when he wrote *You're a Grand Old Flag* in 1906.

According to Cohan, the inspiration for the lyrics of the song came from a fortuitous encounter he had with a Civil War veteran. The elderly man, who was holding an American flag which was ragged, but obviously folded with great care, turned to Cohan and said with pride, “She's a grand old rag”. Recognizing a good line when he heard it, Cohan's original idea was to title his new song, based on the veteran's remark, *You're a Grand Old Rag*, but wisely renamed it after hearing many objections to the nation's flag being described as a “rag”. The tune, with revised words, was introduced in his new musical stage show *George Washington, Jr.* Marching back and forth across the stage, Cohan carried an American flag while singing his now-famous song, which begins:

*You're a grand old flag,
You're a high flying flag
And forever in peace may you wave.
You're the emblem of the land I love,
The home of the free and the brave.*



*You're a
Grand
Old Flag
by George
M. Cohan*

It was the first song from a musical show to sell over a million sheet music copies.

Cohan was an unabashed, patriotic flag-waver throughout much of his life, often incorporating music that provided opportunities for displaying the Stars and Stripes in his shows. In 1932, at age 54, he wrote and performed another song about our National Emblem, this time in a movie. Though now a nearly-forgotten part of motion picture history, the song, characteristic of Cohan's all-American spirit, was titled *Maybe Someone Ought to Wave a Flag*.

It's good advice for all of us, not only on Flag Day, but every day, as we echo a few more of Cohan's lyrics in *You're a Grand Old Flag*:

*Red, white and blue, I am for you!
Honest, you're a grand old flag!*

– Priscilla Poese,
Americanism

*Maybe
Someone
Ought to
Wave a Flag*



Members' Corner



Sophia E. Johnson

ARW Member and Candidate for Arizona Legislature, District 19

Growing up as a military daughter – an “Air Force brat,” Sophia E. Johnson saw a lot of the country and world, but spent most of her early childhood and teen years in Avondale, Arizona. She has made Avondale her home and now wants to serve her neighbors in the State Legislature and make a positive difference in their lives.

For over 11 years in her career, Sophia advanced through the ranks to the level of management assistant for the City of Avondale City Manager’s office. Sophia is not one to take life easy, as she simultaneously earned two degrees, one in theology and the other in business administration. Since she believes in personal responsibility, each semester, Sophia paid for her books and fees, while working for organizations that had tuition reimbursement programs. She graduated debt free!

She can identify with and empathize with just about everyone, as she has seen many sides of life – the poor and the well to do, the healthy and the physically challenged, the married and the single. For a period of time, she was homeless, but she has also known the finer things in life that she attained through hard work, sometimes working as many as three jobs.

Sophia refuses to allow a chronic health condition to stop her from her regular door-to-door canvassing and campaigning. She has even officially drowned, but was saved by CPR.

Since 2008, she has actively volunteered in politics, doing the basic but important tasks like staffing phone banks and going door-to-door, but using her coordinating talents to help others running for office. She has trained extensively to be a leader in the political sphere, as well as in Total Quality Management, media, and public service.

Now she is eager to listen and learn what the voters in her district want so she can win their support in the 2014 election for State Legislative District 19. To that result, she is going to every home to hear what people say they need in their lives to make things better.

Her energy, sincerity, compassion, intelligence and commitment to the community have been demonstrated repeatedly, as she has served at the New Life Center, a refuge from domestic violence, and currently volunteers at Estrella Care and Rehabilitation Center. Hunger and homelessness, earth day clean ups, reading to students, and youth art programs are all causes for which she has volunteered.

Sophia also volunteers as the Director of Donor Relations for the American Foundation for Cardiomyopathy, which donates automatic external defibrillator systems to schools, Boys and Girls Clubs, and other organizations.

When not volunteering or working, Sophia enjoys reading, swimming and traveling. She is a member of Skyway Church and participates in her local Toastmaster’s Club #5909.

Sophia believes everyone should have opportunity, prosperity, health and safety. She is prepared to serve every member of the community to advance all those possibilities.

Ever since she read Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation, Sophia feels lead to ‘speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves’. Sophia E. Johnson is committed to accomplishing that for Avondale, Tolleson, West Phoenix and Arizona.

<http://sophiafordistrict19.com/>



ARW members Debbie Smith (left) and Priscilla and Larry Poese (right) with President Loraine Pellegrino



ARW Member Marilyn Astroth and Marla Festenese of Prescott



ARW Represents at AzFRW Summer State Meeting in Phoenix!



ARW Member and AzFRW Armed Services Chair, Judy Krahulec at AzFRW Summer Meeting in Phoenix



AzFRW 2nd VP Mary Preble (left) welcomes first time attendees to the Summer State Meeting. ARW member, Judy Krahulec (ctr) and Tempe RW member Jessica Merrow (RT).

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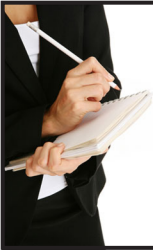
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Ahwatukee Republican Women

General Meeting Minutes

Grace Inn Phoenix – May 28, 2013

Meeting called to order 7:00 p.m. – Loraine Pellegrino, President

Invocation – Lisa Pomraning, Chaplin

Pledge of Allegiance – Priscilla Poese, Americanism Chair

Americanism Chair, Priscilla Poese presentation on origin of Memorial Day observance.



President Loraine Pellegrino, welcomed Congressman Matt Salmon, AZ-GOP Chair Robert Graham, LD 18 Chairman David Bushman, CD -9 Member at Large Bill Baxter, AZFRW RD 6 Kathy Jacobs, Co-Chairs Mary Baumbach and Margo Treece for AzFRW state convention 2013 and 2015 NFRW Convention.

Presidents Report - ARW members who attended the AzFRW Summer Meeting were announced as was those who were elected Delegate-At-Large and Alternate-At-Large for the upcoming NFRW Convention.

Approval of Minutes – Loraine asked for approval of minutes after making a date correction for the AzFRW state meeting. Minutes were approved after changes were accepted.

Treasurer Report – Loraine asked for approval of treasurer’s report as presented in the newsletter.

Programs – 1st VP Melissa DeLaney was excused so Loraine announced that Clerk of the Superior Court Michael Jeanes and KFYI talk show host Mike Broomhead will be our June speakers.

Nominating Committee - Loraine introduced the recommended committee members, Marilyn Astroth , Carolyn Hageman and Kathleen Tubbs. Jill Norgaard moved to accept, Leigh Ann Baumbach 2nd. All voted to approve the committee.

Caring for America – Loraine announced an ARW Day of Service for Thursday, June 13th from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. We need 15 volunteers to pack meals for Feed My Starving Children. Members were asked to respond to Kathy Diekelman or ARW. A signup sheet was also passed.

Marj Miner Scholarship - Loraine introduced Marj Miner to present the scholarship in the amount of \$500 to Desert Vista graduating senior Tess Marie Kimura.

Programs committee member and PR Chair – Sheree Sepulveda introduced Congressman Matt Salmon. Congressman Salmon spoke on many issues including education, strong military, repealing Obamacare, debt ceiling and Immigration Reform.

Sheree introduced AZ-GOP Chair Robert Graham. Chairman Graham presentation “The Road to Victory” informed us of the plan to get more registered republicans and how to effectively use social media.

50/50 was \$71

Meeting Adjourned – 8:45 p.m



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