

## PARADISE REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

### GENERAL MEETING MINUTES -FEBRUARY 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM by President Judy Lawrence. The invocation was given by Ashley Fritz, followed by the Pledge led by Janet Hiatt. In the "Americanism moment", Janet explained that the words "under God" were added to the Pledge under President Dwight Eisenhower.

Judy Lawrence introduced new members and guests at the meeting: Gayle Hunt (new Associate member), Charlotte Hock (new member), Shelly Carly and Crystal Smith. She then recognized past President Lori Urban and Leona Johnston – past President of the AzFRW, and elected officers of the club.

Treasurer's Report: Barb McMullen reported that the club has \$8963.17 in our checking, savings and petty cash accounts.

Corresponding Secretary Diana Marsh sent cards to Ruth Foster and Dee Lee.

Program Chairman Ashley Fritz introduced our speaker –Dave Gowan, Speaker of the Arizona House. He is currently running for the U.S. House of Representatives from District 1. Arizona has achieved a balanced budget of 9 billion dollars – down from 12 billion under Janet Napolitano. He then took questions from the audience.

Helen Purcell, Maricopa County Recorder, will be our speaker at the March meeting.

#### Committee Reports:

**Achievements:** Chairman Leona Johnston reminded members to keep track of their volunteer hours. The club always wins awards on both the state and national levels. Barb McMullen has been appointed to the National Awards committee of the NFRW. All members of PRWC are also members of the AzFRW and the NFRW. The AzFRW Winter meeting will be held February 26-27 at the Embassy Suites in Tempe. All members are invited to attend.

**Caring for America:** Chairman Anthea Dyer is passing the basket for underwear and socks for the families at UMOM> A Baby Shower is being planned for June. Details will be upcoming for those who want to participate. Co-Chair Linda Weinberger invited members to the Birdsong luncheon on February 28<sup>th</sup> – it will be a fundraiser for UMOM with raffle prizes and a silent auction.

**Education Chairman Marney Thompson** has selected a deserving college student for the \$1000 scholarship given by the club.

Valentine cards on each table were filled out by members and taken to wounded veterans by Rep. Jay Lawrence

Respectfully submitted by Carol Zraket, Recording Secretary