## MINUTES SUN CITY WEST REPUBLICAN CLUB January 4, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: President Bob Randle called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at The Church on the Green, Sun City West, Arizona. Marjorie Favia gave the Invocation. President Randle led the Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America followed by Janie Randle leading the singing of God Bless America.

WELCOME VISITORS: David Beutler, George Bolts, Diana Day, Stan Goodhope, Cheryl Haakenson, Maggie & Ross Howay, Pam & Jerry Jobl, Beverly Pingerelli .Ocean Rasso and Becky & Gary Slabaugh. There were 107 members, 13 guests and two speakers present: a total number of 122 present.

Linda Barnes introduced Susan Black. Mrs. Black invited members to attend the Patriot Biblical Citizenship 8 session classes/Video Series offered by the Arizona Republican Assembly 0that will be presented by at the West Valley Republican Office on the first Tuesday evening each month. Please contact Constable Scott Blake, 623-204-3499 or Susan Black 623-694-5829 or their website: azraaz.org about signing up for this series.





Linda Barnes introduced Beverly Pingerelli, our LD28 State Representative. Mrs. Pingerelli said the new session will begin on January 13. All will be sworn in and the Governor will speak. Pingerelli will be the Chairwoman of the Science & Technology Committee which encompasses A1, Cyber Security and Biotechnology, She also will serve on the Health Committee for two years. She said there are currently 17 bills in the House and 38 bills in the Senate. HB2793 will be presented again – concerning no cell phones in schools. She said it is important for you to

contact your representatives by phone, email or Request to Speak so they know how you stand on specific bills,

Linda Barnes encouraged members to take home the copy of the thank you letter from Garren Creek Foundation for the donation our Club and membership sent last month to help the in the Western North Carolina area hit hard by the storm that still has people trying to live in the cold in their cars or tents and the Federal Government has had little help for the residents.

Linda Barnes noted that March 17 is the last day for Sun City West residents to register for the Governing Board election. Online voting is March 20-27 and the in-person voting is March 31. Each person must have their own personal email address to vote. If you choose to vote in person, you will still vote on a computer – not a paper ballot.

Linda Barnes introduced Shane Krauser our speaker. He was an attorney, is an author and has been the emcee for the two candidate forums our Club sponsored.



Krauser said the Republican party stands for freedom and God, the creator. How do we move our message forward? Vivek Ramaswamy and Elon Musk will be heading the Department of Government Efficiency to work on Federal efficiency and trimming the budget deficit when President Trump takes office. This can be an amazing time for the Republican party. We tend to be "summertime soldiers" who work hard at election time and then go to sleep. The Democrats work all the time to make their agenda go forward.

Krauser suggested families need to discuss liberty and our freedoms around the dinner table so your children know what a privilege this is. Tell your children what it means to be free and how lucky they are to be born in America. He said a society that wishes to remain ignorant and free will not be successful. During the Covid lockdown, the citizens did not understand freedom; they become peaceful slaves. Most people do not understand the Constitution – even elected officials don't understand it, Freedom is a unique concept. The Declaration of Independence is the "why" and the Constitution is the "how". The Federal Government is to play a small part for our safety and protection. Through the years our government has mushroomed and there are many unelected bureaucrats who make rules. Article 1, Section 1 says all legislative power is vested in Congress. It does not say they can employ other people to make rules and tax us. Over 25,000 new regulations are made every single year by government employees. We are not as prosperous as we were over 100 years ago because we are so regulated by the Federal government.

Krauser said our party opposition plan is to dominate political and cultural institutions and use propaganda repeatedly over and over until you believe it is true. Many Republicans just want to be left alone so they can work hard, have our God-given rights and freedoms. A minority's will to push an agenda will always dominate a majority that just wants to be left alone. It is hard to figure out which candidate really wants to do what is best for the people. There is a good list of questions candidates should be asked when campaigning about the Constitution to make sure they understand how to protect our freedoms He said because of the new DOGE Commission, we could see a much smaller government – eliminating agencies that have been created in the last 50 years that were not part of the planned Constitutional government. We need to spend the next four years sharing this God-given government and the freedoms of the citizens with the Liberals, the Conservatives and the 60-70% who don't know/understand. We need to engage with the public.

Linda Barnes reported that Frank Carroll and Janae Shamp, Arizona Senate Majority, will be our speakers next month.

President Randle reminded members that our phones and devises like Alexa are listening to us even when they are turned off. You may notice that you may have been talking about ordering something and you begin getting ads about that item. He noted we will convert some of the handouts and post on our website for those that were not able to attend.

There were two winners of \$57.00 from the 50/50 ticket sales.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Sincerely, Connie Loper, Recording Secretary