



NEWSLETTER



President's Corner

Membership Meeting July's meeting was an informative night. Since it followed Independence Day, Barb did a great job with refreshments with a Fourth of July theme. Our guest speaker was Ne'Lexia Galloway, the Executive Director of the Maricopa County Democratic Party. In addition to being an inspiring speaker, Ne'Lexia shared valuable information about the demographics of the last election that shows the increasing power of the Democratic party in the state of Arizona. At the same time, she noted that we cannot let up if we are to dominate the 2024 election and make Arizona solidly blue. You will be hearing more about this as the races, both federal and state, ramp up. As a club, SCDC stands out as a leader, and that is why we are attracting key players in all races to our podium.

As a leader, SCDC must continue to stay informed and be active. To this end, the five ad hoc committees formed following

our retreat several months ago met officially for the first time to begin their work. The committees will meet for an hour at 5 PM before our monthly SCDC meeting. The intention is to involve more people in actively identifying the key areas in which our Club can take action in support of the Democratic Party, both in Maricopa County and the State; support democratic candidates for election to local, state, and federal positions; and to support each other as we do the work needed and have fun while doing it.

The committees are: Legislative Committee, Outreach Committee, Education Committee, Mission Committee, Action Committee. We have several people on each committee; however, we can always use more. So, even if you did not attend the retreat from which they arose, and even though you did not attend the organizing meeting this month, I invite you to join one of them at our next monthly meeting on August 3 to learn more about them. Details about the goals of each committee will be published on the Web, and their work will be reported to the membership.

Lineup for the fall. Our Fall lineup is looking pretty good, be sure to mark your calendars.

August 3 – The last time I saw him, the Secretary of State wanted to know when he can come to see us. So, I invited him to join us at our August 3 meeting.

September 7 - Dr. Laura Metcalfe also approached me to speak to SCDC. Laura is a candidate for Maricopa County Superintendent. In addition, we will present the By-Law edits and changes being suggested by the By-Law Committee. You will have the opportunity to vote to adopt them in October.

October 5 - I have tentatively confirmed Steven Sawdy, candidate for CD8 to replace Lesko. We will also vote on the By-Law Changes and present the candidates for our 2024 Board for election.

November 7 – the main function for this meeting is the election of our 2024 Board of Directors. We are working on lining up a speaker, perhaps Jeremy Spreitzer.

And then, hard to believe, it will already be **December** and time for our Holiday Party. More on this later regarding date, venue, and menu. I am hoping to have a surprise guest who will give a brief welcome and holiday wishes.

In addition, I hope we can arrange a social event sometime in the Fall. More to come.

Declaration of Interdependence - At the July meeting I introduced a “Declaration of Interdependence” as a way of stating positively what we are for as a Democratic Club. I believe that rather than reacting to the negativity coming from the right, we need to turn the environment around from

negative to positive and state proactively in what we are for. A full copy of this new Declaration is published on the website along with a PowerPoint presentation for your consideration for adoption sometime this Fall.

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Monday Morning Weekly Social Time

Come join us at 9:00 am in Starbucks at Del Webb Blvd & Bell Rd every Monday morning to meet interesting people and participate in lively discussions

Happy Hour Every Third Tuesday

We meet From 4:00 - 6:00 pm at The Copper Penny Saloon
10765 W Peoria Ave, Sun City, AZ 85351
and enjoy more lively conversations

VALLEY VIEW FOOD BANK

We will continue collecting donations for the food bank at our monthly meetings. Now, more than ever, the food bank needs our help. They are in great need of monetary donations at this time and non-perishable food items.

Debi Casados is the board member who is the liaison with the Food Bank and All monetary donations are to be made out to Valley View Food Bank and sent to Debi at 15460 N Ridgeview Rd., Sun City 85351 .

She will be assisted by Ashley Hibbard and Marvin McCullum, who will collect the food you donate at the meetings and deliver it to the Food

DAIK.

Food distribution weekdays 9am-1pm Mon. through Sat for those needing help subsidizing their food supply. <https://feedingaz.org/>

Bring your RCSC Card to our meetings for scanning
