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President's Corner

We had a great meeting last Thursday with a presentation by Cheri Tomlinson and Skip Wilson at LD28, and Ne'Lexia Calloway, executive Director of the Maricopa County Democratic Party. They spoke about the results of last November's election that indicated how successful we were in electing people who will really work for the people of Maricopa County and Arizona – in other words we elected Democrats. Although we in LD28 had the highest of voter turnout, the message was clear, we have to do even better next time to turn Arizona bright blue. Congratulations to all among the SCDC membership who worked so hard to make that happen: the poll workers, the poll watchers, the literature distributers, the door knockers, the post card writers, the phone callers, and more. In conjunction with LD28 and the other LD's in this part of the state, SCDC will do it again in 2024.

The important factor is that we cannot wait until 2024 to get to work. Therefore, throughout 2023, it is our goal as Sun City Democrats to get out as much information as possible to all Democrats in Sun City and the West Valley about the challenges we have ahead, the candidates we need to make it happen. In this regard, we will have as our speaker in March, Jeremy Spreitzer, the candidate who is gearing up to take on Debbie Lesko in the House in 2024. Next Meeting - ZOOM & On-Site -Date: March 2nd Time: 6:30 pm - Social begins at 6:00 6:30 - General Session begins: Monthly Club Business Speaker: Jeremy Spreitzer candidate running against Debbie Lesko Location: ON-SITE: Fairway Recreation Center, Sun City, AZ





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Also, to accomplish this, we need to have a full working board. As I have been saying, we need those people to step up to serve in these critical areas: Vice-President, Program Chair, and Web Assistant. I know that there are a lot of people among our membership who have years of having served in some professional, managerial, technological capacities, who have served on other boards, and who have been politically active in previous lives.So, if you have any interest (we will train), please contact me at the email address below to discuss how you can best serve the Sun City Democratic Club and, more importantly, how you can best serve our Democracy by keeping Arizona and the nation blue.

Joe Piccari, President, SCDC President@suncitydems.com

Need Volunteers in Critical Areas

We have several needs to be fulfilled as we look forward into 2023.

- A permanent vice-president, who will transition into the president position for 2024.
- Technology assistance to provide support for Rich. This work can be divided into several categories including: monitoring the Zoom account for meetings, providing backup for Rich monitoring the website.
- Program chair who will work with the president to plan the program for our general monthly meetings.

Contact either Cathi Reeditch or Barb Putzel at Monday coffee at Starbuck's or at the meeting. You can also email <u>info@suncitydems.com</u>.

2023 Environmental Priorities for the Arizona Legislature and Governor

Frank Copple briefly presented on the importance of learning about the 2023 Environmental Priorities for the Arizona Legislature and Governor further information can be found by going to <u>https://tinyurl.com/bdf76nwf</u>

We ask the Arizona Legislature and Governor to enact an automatic voter-registration program, expand early voting opportunities, and ensure that formerly incarcerated individuals are allowed to vote. Access to direct democracy must also be part of this work, including allowing those pursuing ballot measures to collect signatures electronically, and without unreasonable requirements, such as the passage by the legislature of laws intended to make it harder for the public to exercise their right to initiative, referendum, and recall as guaranteed by the state constitution. We also ask that the First Amendment right to protest is not infringed upon by law enforcement or government more generally, including with laws that target people of color.

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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 enjoy 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 for 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.

We need a volunteer to take donations to the Food Bank from our meetings. Checks should be made out to the Valley View Food Bank and mailed to 10771 W Peoria Ave, Sun City, AZ · (623) 933-3358

Food distribution weekdays 9am-1pm Mon. through Sat. if you need help subsidizing your food supply.Donations of food and household items are accepted Mon.-Fri. from 9am-4pm and Sat. from 9am-1pm.:https://feedingaz.org/

Bring your RCSC Card to our meetings for scanning

