LD18 Democrats General Meeting on 11/4/19 at Kyrene Del Pueblo Middle School

Tribute to veterans by Janie Hydrick, LD18 Chair

Introduction of candidates and elected officials present.

Recurring donors give every month and help us keep the lights on and support Democrats who are running for local and state offices.

Join one of work groups! Whatever your talents are, we need them! Check out the website.

Next meeting is in January, but in December is our annual Holiday Party! Be there!

Minutes for all our past meetings are on the LD18 Dems website

Treasurer’s report: Halloween Party brought in about $600 (and we had a lot of fun!)

Decadent Delights (and champagne) is our February fundraiser. Donate a sweet treat and partake of everyone else’s for a great cause. Marie Colangelo is the contact for volunteers to bake.

Julie Coburn, our Field Director – Debate Watch party at Native Grill, 5030 Ray Road in the party room. Join us for a fun evening. Shout out to Jan (canvasser extraordinaire), Barb (amazing phone banker), Jason (does it all!), Guili (super baker who keeps us happy), Renee (data goddess).

Felecia Rotellini is here (with Claire, an adorable little dog)! The AZDP chair reminded us how important this LD is to the state and national stage. Rebranding the Coordinated Campaign to Oneness. Mark Kelly, Senate candidate, exemplifies this. When we work together (as different as all of us might be) we are unstoppable.

Franny Sharpe, Political Action Director, ADP. 2020 Census will not include citizenship question. Even without that question, AZ is at risk for undercount. 55 large federal spending programs use census data for funding. $1.03 billion at stake. First wave is a mailer and you can respond online or by phone. Door to door process follows for folks who have not responded. YOU CAN HELP! 2020census.gov/jobs

Redistricting – Independent Commission of 5 from more than one party and multiple counties. We don’t know what will happen, but there are rules about equal populations and competitive districts. Counties do their own with approval by Board of Supervisors. Done by early 2021. Attend public meetings. CACA is Commission on Appellate Court Appointments. There are no Democrats on this commission. Google this: Arizona Governor Boards and Commissions. fsharpe@azdem.org

Sierra Yamanaka – DNC (AZ has 7 DNC members) Fund raising, organizing, by laws, field. Data enhancement. Defining and localizing 45 through personal stories of people hurt by his policies. AZ is a battleground state, focus is here. Building state party infrastructure. syamanaka@azdem.org

Legislative updates from State Senator Sean Bowie, State Representatives Mitzi Epstein and Jennifer Jermaine (see new collective literature for canvassing) We must hold all 3 seats – Republicans want them back. Primary date is earlier in 2020 so signatures needed by April.

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