## **Sun Lakes Republican Club Minutes**

WHEN: November 14, 2017 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM WHERE: Sun Lakes Country Club #1 AZ Room

WHO: approximately 100 people

## **AGENDA:**

- 1. Chairman Mike Tennant led us in the Invocation with a prayer written by Billy Graham.
- Jay Sanderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Mike introduced the visiting candidates.
- 4. The first speaker was Tom Jenney who is the Senior Legislative Advisor for Americans for Prosperity. He discussed the present state of our economy and said the tax reform bill going through congress right now will improve our economy. He said there will be a savings for each household of about \$3500-4000. He also said that there would be a tax break for 95% of the country.
- 5. Our next speaker was Steve Yarbrough, President of the AZ Senate. His report included that:
- —Schools keep suing the state for more money costing millions tax payer dollars.
- Districts are spending less on classrooms year to year.
- Many cities are going bankrupt because they cannot afford the pensions for teachers and state employees.

- —New developers have to prove that they will be able to guarantee 100yrs of water supply before they are granted permission to build.
- —The opiode epidemic is continuing to grow in our state probably because doctors are not being scrutinized closely enough when they prescribe the drugs.
- —The State Legislature is working on ways to lower healthcare costs.
- —He endorsed JD Mesnard as his replacement as State Legislative Senator for LD17.
- 6. The last speaker for the evening was JD Mesnard . He informed us that the democrats have targeted LD17 for the 2018 elections. He also explained that the legislature cannot touch pension plans. He said some cities may have to go bankrupt in order to get the spending under control. He said they need to prove in your that Medicare Expansion was done unconstitutionally. He also said that the only way to make sure our tax dollars get to the classroom is to elect responsible local School Board members. He also said they are looking into ways of taxing digital sales for AZ.
- 7. The 50/50 % raffle earned \$47 for the SLRC and \$48 for the winning ticket holder.
- 8. The next Tuesday evening meeting of the SLRC will be the December Dinner Dance held at 5PM Dec. 12th in the AZ room. Tickets are being sold by Mike Tennant and the

front desk at Sun Lakes Country Club #1. Only 150 tickets can be sold. No tickets will be sold at the door. We will have a guest speaker Dr. Kelli Ward.