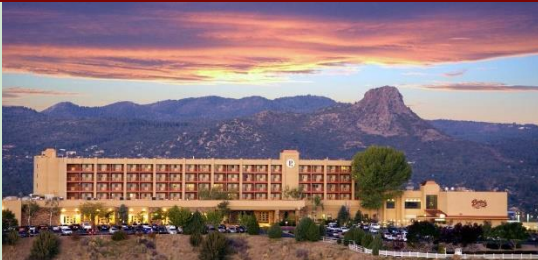




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## **Tuesday, June 14th RWOP Member Luncheon**



**Prescott Resort & Conference Center**  
1500 E. Highway 69, Prescott, AZ

**11:00 am - 1:00 pm**  
**DOORS OPEN AT 10:00am**

**THE MEETING STARTS PROMPTLY AT 11:00 AM**  
**TRY TO ARRIVE EARLY TO ALLOW FOR**  
**PARKING AND CHECK-IN**  
**OPEN TO RWOP MEMBERS & ASSOCIATE**  
**MEMBERS**

All reservations to Elsie Tyree, Reservations Chair,  
at 928-778-0235 or [tyree200@msn.com](mailto:tyree200@msn.com)

### **LUNCHEON MENU**

Scallop and Crab stuffed Sole with lemon cream sauce and potato purée & green beans  
OR

Featured May salad - Waldorf chicken salad (no nuts) OR Vegetarian Cobb salad

Dessert: Chocolate Flourless Torte

**NO SUBSTITUTIONS THE DAY OF THE EVENT \$30 per person**

## 1st VP Programs - Judy Blake

### Tuesday, June 14th RWOP Member Luncheon

#### Special Guest Speaker - Fire Chief, Holger Durre

**Holger Durre** is the Fire Chief for the City of Prescott Fire Department. Chief Durre has worked in public safety since 1995, of which 17 years were at Poudre Fire Authority in Fort Collins where he held positions as a Battalion Chief, Accreditation Manager, Captain, Assistant Fire Marshal, Driver/Operator and Firefighter.

He most recently worked for Boulder Fire-Rescue, in Boulder as a Deputy Chief. In this role, he was responsible for overseeing the support and administrative functions of the department. Chief Durre came into the fire service through his experience in EMS as part of a hospital-based ambulance service which instilled in him the importance of EMS in today's public safety environment.

His fire service experience is unique in terms of governmental exposure having served in both a fire authority and a municipal fire department.

Chief Durre has experience working with several models of organizations including combination (paid and volunteer) and collective bargaining organizations. Chief Durre is passionate about helping lead the fire service to embrace a new level of relevance, leveraging modern technology, and developing sustainable and evidence-based public safety models that honor the traditions which serve as a foundation of the integrity and professionalism of the profession.

He holds a master's degree in public administration, is designated as a Chief Fire Officer through the Center for Public Safety Excellence and is a graduate of the National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer program. He is an advocate for firefighter well-being and consults with the All Clear Foundation in developing programs for emergency responders that support their work.



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#### Guest Speaker - Ben Roché, Engine Captain



**Ben Roché** has worked in Fire Service since 1998, starting with the Prescott National Forest. He is currently an Engine Captain with Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority and President of the United Yavapai Fire Fighters, representing the men and women who serve as professional firefighters in Western Yavapai County. Additionally, he serves on the executive board of the Professional Fire Fighters of Arizona, which represent all the professional firefighters in the state of Arizona.

Ben has dedicated his life to public service and supporting public safety as part of the Fire Service. He is an Arizona native and alumni of Prescott High School and Yavapai College. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time outdoors and vacationing. Ben is married with four children, and he lives in Chino Valley with his wife and their family.

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### Presenting...A Granite Mountain Hotshots Special Tribute

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RWOP is proud to have Republican Candidates seeking Office available to our members. Come early for our social hour to meet and talk to these Candidates!

## Candidates for Arizona Secretary of State



Shawna LM Bolick - [Bio](#) [Website](#)



Mark Finchem - [Bio](#) [Website](#)



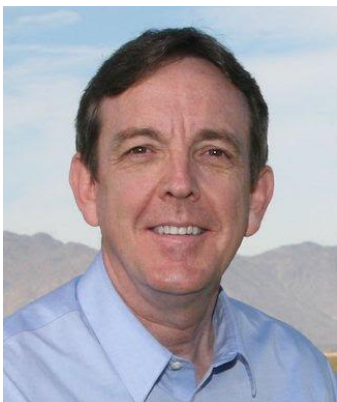
Beau Lane - [Bio](#) [Website](#)



Michelle Ugenti-Rita - [Bio](#) [Website](#)

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## Candidates for: Arizona State Senate



Ken Bennett - [Bio](#) [Website](#)

## AZ Corporate Commission



Kim Owens - [Bio](#) [Website](#)

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## President's Message – Sherrie Hanna



**June is here**, we are half way through the year and we will soon be experiencing warmer months, summer vacation and the election season that will be heating up like our summer weather. The third Sunday in June is the day set aside for honoring all Father's, fatherhood and the good influences they have contributed to society. Let's reach out to all the Fathers we know and let them know how much they are loved and appreciated!

Our town will get busy hosting the many tourists that come our way to experience our wonderful way of life that we all have come to enjoy here in Prescott. With the warm weather, wind and limited rain, we have now had our fire restrictions increased to Stage 2 Levels to help prevent unwanted, human-caused fires and to limit the exposure of visitors during periods of potentially dangerous fire conditions.

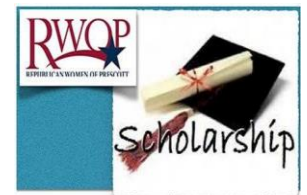
Our June luncheon will introduce Prescott's new Fire Chief Holger Durre, honoring our local Firefighters and paying tribute to the Fallen 19 Granite Mountain Hotshots, a solemn reminder of the dangers our First Responders face daily in their efforts in keeping us safe. We will also have Republican Arizona Secretary of State, Arizona State Senate and Arizona Corporate Commission candidates speaking on their candidacy.



If you missed RWOP's May luncheon, you really missed a great program! It was a huge success, featuring our Yavapai County Sheriff David Rhodes and Pinal County Sheriff Mark Lamb as our speakers as well as supporting our local Law Enforcement. RWOP was proud to give each law enforcement agency a Proclamation in appreciation of their service and signed by our Board of Directors. I want to thank Judy Blake, RWOP's 1st VP of Programs for her work in presenting another successful luncheon program. I also want to thank Sue Davis, 2nd VP of Ways & Means and her team for setting up the online auction of Sheriff

Rhode's and Sheriff Lamb's Cowboy Hats. Many thanks to Gunsite for donating the 3-day pistol class to the online auction. Over \$1,200 was raised! THANK YOU to all our members who participated in the online auction. Our club remains successful because of YOU and YOUR participation!!!

We were all very impressed with our local high school scholarship recipients and our two Embry-Riddle scholarship recipients. This year marks the first year that RWOP and the Scholarship Committee reached out to start a scholarship program at Embry-Riddle and it proved to be a big success! For 2022, the board, donors like Peg Rhodes and others as well as the committee, were able to award \$14,000 in scholarships! Since 2015, RWOP has given \$105,000 to 79 Republican students! Thank you to Barb Ernst and the scholarship committee for all their hard work in the scholarship selection process.



Regarding local elections, RWOP's Executive Board is taking an active part, working in conjunction with our Yavapai Republican Party, in the 2022 PUSD School Board elections. Even though this is a non-partisan race and for many years our local school board has had a Republican majority board, the last school board election saw a left leaning majority take control of the current board and left leaning policies have started to creep in. In order to protect our children, it is imperative that we work to get a Republican majority elected on the PUSD School Board and other Yavapai County school boards. Many of the PUSD Republican

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school board candidates will be attending our upcoming luncheons. Please make it a point to meet and speak with them. Jill Martin, RWOP's 5th VP of Education, has been working diligently compiling information which she presented to RWOP's Executive Board and will be making available to our RWOP members. Thank you Jill! Please stay tuned for further updates.

Please arrive early to our luncheon and visit ALL the candidate's tables outside the Ballroom. This is YOUR opportunity to ask questions of the candidates personally and gather the information you need to make an informed decision when you vote! Also, visit our RWOP merchandise table and support our club with your purchases. YOU, our members, are so appreciated and RWOP would not be the strong force we are without YOU!!

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you at our luncheon!

Sherrie Hanna  
2022 President  
Republican Women of Prescott

## Caring for America - Nancy Grigas



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## Chaplain - Marla Bassler



2<sup>nd</sup> VP Ways and Means – Sue Davis



# DAY AT THE RACES

Tickets \$55.00 Per Person

SATURDAY  
JULY  
23rd

1:00pm Buffet • No Host Bar

2:30pm Live Races Begin

🏆 Prize for Best Hat

Arizona Downs

10501 E Route 89A, Prescott Valley, AZ

Contact Sue Davis for tickets.

Call or text (352) 262-5890

email [oneavia@yahoo.com](mailto:oneavia@yahoo.com)



## "Did you Know...?" - Secretary, Linda Nichols

### RWOP AWARDS \$14,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO 11 HIGH SCHOOL AND 2 EMBRY-RIDDLE RECIPIENTS

Since 2015, RWOP has contributed \$105,000 to 79 well deserving local scholarship recipients! In order to support the scholarship program, RWOP sets aside funds from the various fundraisers organized each year. In addition, the scholarship team solicits donations from club members as well as area businesses and friends. For many years, Ms. Peg Rhodes has generously donated \$2,000 in support of these young Republican students. This year, at the May luncheon, the Scholarship Committee will present eleven recipients who are the best and brightest that the quad cities have to offer. They are very impressive and give us all hope for the future of our country!



To begin the process, the Scholarship Committee puts out a call for applicants, selects the qualified recipients from the received applications and puts these young adults through an extensive, measurable experience. This process includes a 500 word essay on a specific political topic, a short bio, a letter of recommendation, and transcripts showing their grades from high school and college (many have acquired college credits in high school). In addition, those selected must be a registered Republican or have at least one parent/guardian who is, and has been, a Republican for at least one year. After the process is

complete, the students are ranked and those who make the cut are awarded from \$800 to \$3000. The funds are sent directly to their college or university of choice. After the awards are presented at the RWOP May luncheon, the committee members attend Award Nights at the various high schools.

This year, with the approval of the RWOP Board of Directors, the Scholarship team went the extra mile to successfully propose an RWOP Scholarship Program at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU). As a result, we have two excellent university students now receiving scholarships from RWOP! ERAU was excited to implement this new source of income for their students and they were very cooperative and helpful in getting this new program up and running in record time!



If you would like to donate to the RWOP Scholarship Program, please contact Barbara Ernst or any of her team members: Micki Warburton, Marla Bassler, Bette Borst or Linda Nichols. We are all in the RWOP Directory. Your donation will be used to assist Republican youth with their education goals and is greatly appreciated!

Submitted by Linda Nichols, RWOP Secretary

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## 3rd VP Membership - Heather Densmore

As of the printing of this newsletter: **Total members: 935**

Active members: 741  
Associate members: 190  
Students: 4



We are distributing the new 2022 Membership Directory at the luncheon meeting on June 14<sup>th</sup>. The new Directory has gone from 144 to 160 pages. We have a beautiful new cover photo thanks to Tom Blake that represents the downtown of Prescott and the Republican support of people from the Quad City area we serve.

You can still join or renew your membership throughout the year of 2022 and be eligible to receive a copy of the 2022 Directory.

We are also planning a drive through pick up for the Directory and Food Drive for Yavapai Food Bank at the Resort for those that can't make the luncheons. We are just waiting for dates that work for the Resort and the availability of our volunteers.



**Attention to all Members and Associate Members:**

**Don't forget to report your hours each month!**

**Guidelines for July 2021 through June 2022**

**Volunteer hours are on the RWOP website  
at: <https://www.rwop.info/volunteer.html>**

Remember to carry a calendar or notebook to record your monthly hours. All guidelines above, is considered an act of volunteering. We at RWOP appreciate and thank you for being a dedicated volunteer!

Thank you, Judy Blake [jblake@thomasfblake.com](mailto:jblake@thomasfblake.com)

## 4th VP Communications - Joan Lesko

### ***New Full Board Website Directory***

If you missed Linda Nichols' "Did You Know?" articles for the full board directory, you can view the photos, bios, and job descriptions of the RWOP Full Board on the Officers & Committees page of the website: <https://www.rwop.info/officers--committees.html>

The executive board felt it would be helpful to show you the faces behind the names of the volunteers for our organization. We have included the job description of each committee chair so that you can see what each job entails and we hope it will serve as a guide if you are interested in volunteering and don't know where you fit in.





*Largest Federated Republican  
Women's Club in Arizona*

**2022 RWOP Luncheons**

**Prescott Resort & Conference Center**  
1500 E. Hwy. 69, Prescott, AZ

10:30 am Social

11:30 am Meeting & Program  
Luncheon cost: \$30 per person

- Tuesday ..... January 11
- Tuesday ..... February 8
- Tuesday ..... March 8
- Tuesday ..... April 5
- Tuesday ..... May 10
- Tuesday ..... June 14
- Tuesday ..... July 12
- Tuesday ..... August 9
- Wednesday .... September 14
- Tuesday ..... October 11
- Tuesday ..... November 8
- Tuesday ..... December 13

To make a reservation, please contact:

**Elsie Tyree at 928-778-0235**  
**tyree200@msn.com,**

**Sandi Brown at 928-445-3767**  
**clbsnr@msn.com**

**or**  
**reserve online**  
**at [www.RWOP.info](http://www.RWOP.info)**

**The Republican Women  
of Prescott**

Founded in 1942, the Republican Women of Prescott serves all communities in the quad city area.

We are the largest Federated Republican club in Arizona. RWOP is dedicated to the conservative principles of the Republican Party. We especially take pride in America and fully support our military troops, veterans, law enforcement and first responders.



**Mission Statement**

The Republican Women of Prescott is dedicated to promoting the principles of the Republican Party through an informed electorate by educating and empowering its members, and by electing Republicans to local, state and national offices.



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## 5th VP Education - Jill Martin



There is a growing concern and reality that our public schools are indoctrinating our children. It's time to dive deep and educate ourselves!

- Do you have questions about our public schools in Yavapai County?
- Do you want to learn more about Critical Race Theory and Social Emotional Learning?
- Do you want to hear about the solutions?
- Do you want to get involved?

We have been gathering important information and will have take home resources to empower you to get involved and make a difference in our community for the children.

Come see RWOP's Education team at the June 14th Luncheon. We will be in the hallway before the luncheon with our team to answer your questions.

## Legislature Chair - Cathy Messinger

The following bills have been recently signed into Law.

**[SB1009 - state of emergency; executive powers](#)** Curtails the emergency power of the Governor, beginning Jan 2, 2023, a governor's initial state of emergency proclamation with respect to a public health emergency, at 30 days and allows the governor to extend state of emergency for up to 120 days in 30-day increments. Terminates a state of emergency proclamation by governor after 120 days, unless extended by Legislature.



**[HB2161 - parental rights; schools; educational records](#)** Authorizes a parent to bring suit against a governmental entity or official based on a violation of parents' rights and outlines remedies for violations. Specifies educational records which a parent has the right to access and requires a school district or charter school to provide a copy of a survey that requires parental consent for administration with a written consent form to the parent.

**[HB2439 - school library; review; policy](#)** Instructs a school district governing board and charter school governing body to adopt procedures, beginning January 1, 2023, that provide parents access to a school's library collection and a list of books and materials their child borrows. Establishes public review and parental notification requirements for books purchased after January 1, 2023, for school libraries.

**[HB2696 mandatory sentences; children; trafficking; smuggling](#)** Specifies mandatory sentencing guidelines for a person convicted of a dangerous crime against children in the first degree involving continuous sexual abuse of a child. Modifies release requirements of individuals convicted of specific sexual offenses. Increases the penalty of smuggling of human beings for profit or commercial purposes from a class 4 felony to a class 3 felony.

**[HB2616 - mask mandates; minors; parental consent](#)** Prohibits this state from requiring a person under 18 years of age to wear a face covering or mask without the express consent of the person's parent or guardian.

**[HB2498 – COVID-19; vaccination requirements; prohibition](#)** Prohibits a government entity from requiring a resident of this state to receive a vaccination for COVID or any variants.

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## Cloudy Days

If anyone knows of a RWOP member or family member that is ill, passed away or just needs a note of encouragement please contact me with their address so a personal card can be mailed.

Marla Bassler, 480-330-8150 or drop her an email at [marlabassler7@gmail.com](mailto:marlabassler7@gmail.com)

## RWOP Parade Reservations Chair - Elsie Tyree



Last Month's Photos go to [www. RWOP.info](http://www.RWOP.info) RWOP Photographer - Judie Vullo

For a full list of RWOP Sponsors and Candidates who have placed a business card ad in our newsletter, go to our website at: <https://www.rwop.info/sponsors.html>

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## 2022 RWOP Executive Board

President: <u>Sherrie Hanna</u>	4th VP-Communications: <u>Joan Lesko</u>
1st VP-Programs: <u>Judy Blake</u>	5th VP-Education: <u>Jill Martin</u>
2nd VP-Ways & Means: <u>Sue Davis</u>	Treasurer: <u>Sue Tatar</u>
3rd VP-Membership: <u>Heather Densmore</u>	Secretary: <u>Linda Nichols</u>

