



## July 2020

Republican Women of Prescott, Associates and Students,

It's with great disappointment that we are cancelling our July 8th luncheon. This decision was not made lightly. The wonderful team on your Executive Board, spent several hours discussing it. After weighing the facts, such as the request from our Governor, the high-risk members who belong to RWOP, the information available (as conflicting as it is), the impact on our local communities and other factors, they all lead us to the decision to err on the side of caution. The health of our members is of paramount importance to us.

I'm very proud of the women you elected to lead our organization. On behalf of them, I just want to say that we're saddened by the current events, we are all faced with. We understand that life is clearly not "normal" and complicated. Leadership is easier during normal times, but it's the difficult times that challenge all of us. We're proud of our President, Donald J. Trump, and we know that our small sacrifice supports him and what he's trying to accomplish on our behalf.

Please contact me or one of our officers if you have questions. We share your disappointment and look forward to a time when we can all safely be together again.

Many of our candidates are still planning to hold their local events. They encourage you to attend and, whether you feel comfortable wearing a mask or not, one thing most of us agree on, it's your choice and your personal decision, and we respect that.

I want to end on some wonderful news. RWOP is only 13 people away from hitting, for the first time ever, the 1,000-member mark. We're excited about what this means for our club and the future of our quad cities area. We thank each and every one of you for being on this journey and we're excited about what we can accomplish when we're all working together to make our communities great and America even greater.

Stay tuned for further announcements. We may forgo having a luncheon, but that doesn't mean that RWOP is stalled, far from it. We continue to work on many of our activities and are planning fun and productive things as the virus becomes a thing of our past. Stay well!

Your RWOP President,

Kathy Schulte

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## President's Message

Dearest Republican Women of Prescott and our valued Associates,  
Happy July 2020 and Happy Independence Day America!

July 4, 1776, marked the birth of American Independence. Written largely by Thomas Jefferson in justifying the break from British Rule and approved by the Continental Congress.

It was so wonderful to get back to doing what we do BEST as an active member of RWOP. Our June meeting/luncheon went forward with hitches and glitches but an overall success.



You just cannot go wrong when your guest speaker is none other than Sheriff Scott Mascher! He spoke passionately on the 2nd Amendment and "The Shot Heard 'Round the World". RWOP is so blessed to have had Sheriff Mascher as our June featured speaker who is retiring after 37 years from a distinguished, dedicated service to Yavapai County. Happy Retirement Sheriff Scott Mascher!

Thank you to our 2nd guest speaker, Jim Olivi. His talking points regarding Term Limits, were an eye opener. Rounding out our June program we send a special THANK'S to June escort, David Vullo, who escorted us ladies safely down from the RWOP stage.

Outreach Chair, Bobette Sanchez held our Mix and Mingle on the rooftop at the historic Hassayampa. I so wished that all of you could have joined us. It was a beautiful evening plus, an amazing opportunity to meet and see your RWOP Sistas in a wonderful atmosphere. We were especially delighted when AzFRW President Cindy Casaus joined us from the Mothership. THANK YOU so much to our Platinum Sponsor, Susan Cohen and Golden Sponsor's Lois Fruhwith and Sharon Zipperman. Thank You Bobette!!!!

I said I would not mention my birthday.....but, I do have to thank those in attendance for the yummy cake, singing, cards and well wishes. My heart is FULL!

The RWOP Board of Directors is gearing up for the July 8th meeting/luncheon and our forum with Republican candidates for Legislative District 1 (LD1). In keeping with COVID guidelines from the Prescott Resort we find ourselves limited to how many members can safely attend. I want to assure you that Reservations Chair, Elsie Tyree, is methodical with the reservations. She constantly reviews the time stamp on all phone calls and emails. It deeply saddens us that we cannot have every single one of you with us! Since each and every reservation is a precious commodity these days, we ask that, if you need to cancel, to please contact Elsie so she may contact the next member on the waiting list. You may not give your reservation to someone else. It must go through Elsie.

In closing, all Republican candidates are out and about and anxious to meet YOU! Meet and Greets are starting back up. If you have the opportunity to be around a candidate, ask them your questions.

Be an informed voter and educated voter!

Your honored president,

Kathy

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## Caring for America – Nancy Grigas



### JULY CHARITY OF THE MONTH: THE TEACHER'S CLOSET

The featured organization of the month at our July luncheon will be the **Teacher's Closet**, now part of the broader Prescott Unified School District Education Foundation. PUSDEF provides services and programs for the schools and children in Prescott.

According to the Education Foundation Executive Director Tammy Phillips, the coming school year will be a tough one for many families. "Because of COVID-19, the elementary school children will be asked to bring in more of their own supplies than usual. This puts a financial strain on our families and many simply can't afford it," she said.

This is why we are asking our generous and compassionate RWOP Members to help out with a donation. This can be in the form of a check made payable to PUSDEF or with a donation of needed supplies.

Here is a partial list of common items the children need for their classrooms: **Tissue boxes, glue sticks, construction paper, scissors, crayons, hand sanitizer, Ziploc bags, tape and refills, sharpies, dry erase markers, rulers and pencils.**

We have already received a donation of 6 dozen backpacks from one of our generous members and we could use more.

Thank you for whatever you can contribute.

Nancy Grigas, Caring For America Chair

## Americanism – Billie Orr

### Sleepless in Seattle

By Dr. Billie Orr, Prescott Mayor Pro Tem & Councilwoman

Remember the romantic comedy, "Sleepless in Seattle" with Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan? In 1993, that was one of my favorite movies, and the first I time I had the opportunity to learn about the city of Seattle. Since then Seattle has grown into a bustling city of technology innovation and prosperity with headquarters of Amazon, Google, and Boeing and many more. However, today the future of Seattle has been hijacked by thugs and anarchists claiming to be peaceful protesters. Furthermore, the liberal city government appears to be condoning the action of these lawless individuals. These are not peaceful protesters. Simply stated, these characters are anarchists who have no respect for personal property and rights of Seattle citizens.

I've been trying to think of words to replace "sleepless" in Seattle and I've come up with a few. My first thought was "Silly in Seattle" then stupid, next, shameful. But let's face it, it's darn right scary to see what is happening in Seattle and other large Democrat-controlled cities like Minneapolis, Chicago, and Washington, D.C. to name a few. So I've settled on "Scary in Seattle" and our country cannot afford to see this spread further.

The re-election of Donald Trump is more important than ever. The Democrats and liberals are working overtime to destroy the President, our history and culture. I ask you to join me in holding on to the White House, the Senate and take back the House. It's up to us to stop this insanity and protect our representative republic.



## Ways & Means - Rhonda Clark 2nd VP



### **Sterling Silver American Angel Pendant**

This design was created 2 days after 9/11 as a tribute to our military and first responders. It was proclaimed to be the perfect symbol of solidarity and hope for our country. This 2" Sterling Silver Pin/Pendant has a hidden bale for a chain to also be worn as a necklace. **Steven Lavaggi** "Artist of Hope" and lives in Austin, Texas.

**It is easy to become an RWOP 2020 Spirit Angel.** The cost is \$75.00. If you write a check, put 2020 Spirit Angel in the memo section. You will also receive a ribbon with the wording "2020 Spirit Angel" that can be attached to your membership badge.

Contact Rhonda Clark [harpo6@verizon.net](mailto:harpo6@verizon.net) for questions or to place an order.



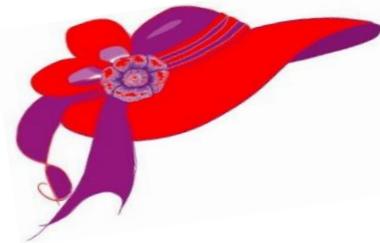
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**ALSO -- TICKETS ON SALE AT THE JULY LUNCHEON  
AT A TABLE INSIDE OF THE BALLROOM**

### **Save the dates:**

- **Date TBD** -- There will be a Kentucky Derby hat decorating class
- **August 15th** a Jewelry making class

--Details and cost will follow at a later date in a Constant Contact email--

## Membership – Judy Blake 3<sup>rd</sup> VP

So far, between our two drive-thru directory pickups and the June luncheon, we have given out over **300 directories**. If you are able to attend an upcoming luncheon, remember to stop by the membership table to pick up your 2020 directory, if you have not already done so. If you have not been able to attend one of our drive-thru directory pickups or the monthly luncheon and you would like to get your directory, please contact me by email at [jblake@thomasblake.com](mailto:jblake@thomasblake.com) to see if we can arrange for you to get your copy.

**If you have ordered an RWOP Name Badge, please stop by our Membership Table at one of our upcoming luncheons to pick up your badge or you may contact me by email at [jblake@thomasblake.com](mailto:jblake@thomasblake.com) to see if we can arrange for you to pick it up.**

Current Membership as of 6/19/20:

Full Members:	794	Students:	4	TOTAL MEMBERS:	974
Associates:	176				

Thanks, Judy

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## WELCOME New Members!!



### FULL Members:

Denise	Berg
Leslie	Brown
Stacy	Bonomi
Lori	Collison
Leanna	Corbett
Sharon	Croker
Marguerite	Fisher
Linda	Haskell
Ellen	Humphrey
Mary Ann	Michael
Martha	Peck
Brenda	Ray
Jamie	Stevens
Florance	Schiller
Robin	Schwartz
<b>Associate Member</b>	
Arnie	Schwartz

## Judie Vullo 4<sup>th</sup> VP - Communications

### UPCOMING RWOP EVENTS – NOTE CHANGES:

- July 4th - Prescott Frontier Days Parade - **CANCELLED**
- July - TRUMPO - **CANCELLED**

For updated information on RWOP events and activities, visit our website [www.RWOP.info](http://www.RWOP.info)



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## Suzanne Cook Catlin 5<sup>th</sup> VP - Education

*\*Join us for Trump Thursday, July 16, 23, 30. Watch for details\**

### **TRUTH OR FICTION: HOW A SAVVY READER CAN TELL THE DIFFERENCE.**

Enough can't be said about the importance of fact-checking what you're reading if you're unsure of the source. Not through the Snopes or "international" fact-checking-types organized under the Poynter Institute, but with your own research. Frankly, it's the only way to be assured you're getting the facts and not propaganda. Here are a few tips from my presentation *Corruption Behind the Headlines* to help sort out fact from fiction:

1. **Is what you're reading based on fact or opinion?** Opinion should be based on solid facts, otherwise it's emotional expression. A fact is something that can be demonstrated or proven to be true.
2. **Are stated facts backed up with valid primary sources?** For example, the Government Accounting Office is a primary source because they produced the information. Someone quoting from a GAO study would be a secondary source. Be leery of studies. Many of them don't follow the scientific method and are manipulated to produce a desired result. We watched that happen with the coronavirus and the CCP.
3. **Does the writer use inflammatory language that create a desired emotion in the reader?** Many people never bother to read beyond a headline, leaving them vulnerable to manipulation.
4. **Are there misspellings, "definitely" not "dfiniately".** Always a tip off to the professionalism/standards that are in play.
5. **Is the headline misleading you to think the story is about one thing, but really something different?** I've noticed that reading a story all the way until the end will often have a different message than the headline implies.
6. **Anything that starts with, "This is not a hoax", probably is.** Be wary of unsubstantiated or extreme claims.
7. **Do the numbers they cited sound plausible?** Does the math add up? Go to the source they cite and check it. No source? It's doubtful.
8. **Is it a legitimate source with a good reputation for accuracy in reporting?** These days anyone can hang out a "reporter's" shingle, but should they? What is the author's area of expertise? What makes them an "expert"?
9. **Is the story from its primary source, the persons who experienced it?** Were the people who are quoted interviewed by the writer? Was the quote copied from the person's Twitter account or Facebook page, meaning no follow questions or clarification possible? It's also not uncommon for bloggers and other to pick up a story from one source and repost it as though it came from their website.
10. **Is there attribution?** All stories should include the author's name, publication and date. Attribution gives you basic information you can check, including the bio of the author, the background of the publication and who its backers are.

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## Legislative Update – Deborah Pernice



**NEVER LET  
A GOOD CRISIS  
GO TO WASTE**

### **RWOP LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FOR July 2020: CIVIL RIGHTS UNDER ATTACK - "Never let a crisis go to waste"**

#### **LEGISLATION BY OTHER MEANS:**

Last Month, we discussed the pending legislative atrocities posed by the Democrat majority in the House. The GOP have successfully fought against massive social justice spending proposals paving the road to American serfdom such as the "Heroes Act", which was an 1800 page socialist wish list that amounted to a resumption of Obama's "radical transformation" and transfer of hard earned American wealth to a globalist style of socialism.

Now, through what some might even characterize as violence, intimidation and extortion, the left is fully engaged in efforts to achieve what they could not through their congressional house majority in a current campaign launched under the pretext and cover of black lives matter. Once black lives matter (BLM) became a fully launched national campaign of rioting and looting in the nation's major and densely populated cities, towns and communities, the left dispatched carefully prepared and detailed letter templates via email soliciting its subscribers to lobby their local community leaders urging them to dismantle and/ or divert their law enforcement budgets in favor of the social justice reforms and panoply of social programs that the Democrats could not achieve through their Congressional house majority. Similarly, targeted corporations and sports conglomerates have engaged in a serial genuflection to the oppressive demands of BLM.

#### **BENCHISLATION:**

The SCOTUS is now "Translegal", choosing to abuse its power by legislating from the bench. The Supreme Court has now carved out an expansion of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 ban of sex discrimination to include sexual orientation and gender identity. When Democrats proposed similar such legislation, the sinister consequences of this atrocity and GOP opposition were discussed in depth here. Through a rogue SCOTUS decision, the radical left has achieved what the Democrats have been unable to pass through the legislative process.

The importance of GOP vigilance cannot be exaggerated. GOP voters must follow up with their local city and town council, county supervisors, state and federal leaders to ensure their safety and civil rights are not compromised under the oppressive tactics which the Democrats have deployed.

## Volunteer Hours – Judy Blake



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

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

Guidelines for July 2019 through June 2021  
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!

Judy Blake [jblake@thomasblake.com](mailto:jblake@thomasblake.com) or 805-402-8061

## Photos from June events

Photographer - Donna Buehring



## Cloudy Days with Elsie Tyree



If anyone knows of an RWOP person or family member who is sick or has passed or just needs a cheerful note, please contact me with their address so a personal card can be mailed.

**Elsie Tyree (928) 778-0235**

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