



MAY GENERAL MEETING IS CRITICAL

Our monthly meeting on May 6 will be, as always, interesting, but this one is critical. We will be voting on our new By-Laws (attached).

As you know URGVS has evolved from the Republican Club Green Valley/Sahuarita, and our name change is being finalized. As a new entity, we need **new by-laws**. A committee has been working on this for weeks, and has finally completed the task. A copy of the by-laws is included with the newsletter. Please **read them** and be prepared to comment on them if you wish. We will **vote** on these by-laws on Thursday, May 6, at the meeting, which starts at 11:00. Voting on the by-laws is only done **in person**. Be there or be square.

Following this general meeting will be our Brown Bag Luncheon. The speaker is **Chuck Wunder**, Chief of the Green Valley Fire Department, who will give us an update on what's new in his department, and what's coming up in the future. Should be interesting!

DO YOU WANT TO RUN FOR OFFICE?

Have you always wanted to be a political candidate but just didn't quite know how to do it successfully? This is your chance! Legislative District 2 (that's us) is holding a **Candidate Bootcamp** starting on **May 22** and meeting the last Saturday of every month. This 6-session course over six months will explore WHY you want to run for office, help you understand the components of a campaign, identify your strengths and weaknesses, pros and cons of a Clean Elections vs. Conventional campaign, "Are You Ready to Run," and "Share Your Campaign Plan." We want Republican candidates who can **win**, and this course will get you ready to go. All sessions are five hours long (with a lunch break) and held at URGVS headquarters, so you don't have to travel. For more information, please contact Dr. Kathleen Wishnick at 916-214-9297 or by email at tkwishnick@gmail.com.

LINCOLN-REAGAN LUNCHEON

The 2021 LRL was a rip-roaring success! We were supposed to have it outdoors in the tent, but because of the unseasonably cold weather, Greg Hansen of The Longhorn mercifully moved it indoors where we were crowded but warm! Attended by 130 enthusiastic patriots, it provided camaraderie, a provocative speaker, a delicious meal, and, thanks to everyone's generosity, raised \$3,600 – enough to cover our rent for three months. Thank you ALL!

HOME AND FAMILY DEFENSE TRAINING

On Monday, May 3 rd , at 11:00 AM, we will have a class on Neighborhood Protection Plans. Learn how to bring your neighbors to appreciate the dangers we face and how to develop groups within your neighborhood to protect each other.

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



Unifying Republicans

The United Republicans GVS has a program to begin unifying Republicans. It's called the URGVS Community Council. The Community Council is looking for, not just common ground but, solutions to the problems we face. Headed up by Mary Grace Werner, the URGVS Community Council educates, organizes, and mobilizes Green Valley and Sahuarita voters around issues that matter.

Every Tuesday, the Council meets on topics that are important to voters in our communities. From taxes to potholes, the Council discusses how various issues can be framed to unite Green Valley and Sahuarita Republicans.

The Council focuses on what works and less on deficits, problems, and obstacles. Instead of participating in a debate over issues, Council members seek to discover successful solutions to the challenges we face.

A specific Community Council example is the watchdog group formed to make sure the PIMA County Board of Supervisors is not wasting tax dollars. The group, led by Community Council member Sharon Fickes, pays close attention to the Board of Supervisors Agenda, contacting URGVS members on issues that impact them.

Other Community Council groups focus on supporting law enforcement, protecting our kids from being indoctrinated in the schools, and voter integrity. As one council member said, we work together as a team for ourselves, our families, and our communities.

Community Council members are doing their part to make the GOP an activist, action-oriented political party. But to be successful, we need all URGVS members to join in the effort. We can no longer be spectators or passive observers. We all must be participants and, most of all, part of the solution.

Yale Wishnick,
President

REPUBLICAN PARTY NETWORK

Under the leadership of our President, Yale Wishnick, the URGVS has launched a nation-wide Group to re-make the Republican Party from within. Republican Clubs in 38 states have joined the RPN to work together to transform the RINOs into a true conservative party. It is obvious that, in our two-party system, we must strengthen the Republican party rather than trying to start a new party. The Republican Party Network's national launch was held by ZOOM on Monday, April 26. It began with a gathering in URGVS headquarters at 4:00 PM, with fellowship and food, followed by the ZOOM launch from 6-7 PM. This is a great way to spread our philosophy nationally, and we must credit Yale for the idea, and the Board's courage for supporting this effort. We hope this will be SUCCESSFUL.

DON'T MISS THIS MOVIE!

On Saturday, May 8, we have a special showing of the movie "Roe v. Wade" from 11:00 AM to 2:30 PM at the Community Church of Southern Arizona, 52 W. Calle de las Tiendas in Green Valley, a location that allows us to accommodate more people than our small headquarters. This theatrical film, with Jon Voight and Tomi Lahren, was released in April 2021, and is a dramatization of the 1973 Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision that has roiled the American political waters for almost 50 years. This film was panned by reviewers at the newspaper variety, so you know it must be interesting! Snacks and drinks will be provided; a donation of \$5 is requested. We hope to see you there; enjoy a good film and a lively discussion. Gather your friends and join in.

UPCOMING EVENTS

www.RepClubGVS.org

Tuesday, May 4 “Laser Hit” Target Practice at 11:00 AM. Target shooting in the office with a special laser weapon (supplied), directed by Paul Fitch. Hone your skills.

Thursday, May 6 General Meeting 11:00, with by-laws, followed by **Brown Bag Luncheon** at noon. Speaker **Green Valley Fire Chief Chuck Wunder** talking about the Fire Department and the Fire Corps.

Saturday, May 8 Movie: Roe v. Wade, a theatrical film about the famous Roe v. Wade case. 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM at Community Church of Southern Arizona on Calle de las Tiendas. \$5 donation requested. Don't miss this one!

Tuesday, May 11 Community Council at 11:00 AM. Are you ready to be challenged? Do you want to have a say in local, state, and national politics? Tired of listening to the Democrats? Want to plan events and define community issues? Come and join us! The COMMUNITY COUNCIL WANTS YOU AND YOU AND YOU.... We meet every other Tuesday from 11:00 to 12:30. We'll see you there! Join groups defending law and order, or “Save Our Country.” Get involved, make a difference.

Thursday, May 13 Brown Bag Luncheon at noon. Speaker **Tiffany Shedd**, who has announced her candidacy for Secretary of State in 2022.

Tuesday, May 18 “Laser Hit” Target Practice at 11:00 AM. See May 4.

Thursday, May 20 Brown Bag Luncheon at noon. We resume our series on the Constitution, how it came to be and what it would mean to lose it. This week's session is “Secession and Civil War.”

Tuesday, May 25 Community Council at 11:00 AM. See May 11.

Thursday, May 27 Brown Bag Luncheon at noon. More on the Constitution: “The Progressive Rejection of the Founding” - see how we got where we are today.

Tuesday, June 1 “Laser Hit” Target Practice at 11:00 AM. See May 4.

BROWN BAG LUNCHEONS - CONSTITUTION COURSE CONTINUES

Thursday Brown Bag Lunches will continue through the summer. Our speakers in May include Green Valley Fire Chief Chuck Wunder on May 6, and Arizona Attorney General candidate Tiffany Shedd on May 13. We also plan to have Rep. Mark Finchem, Republican member of the Arizona Legislature and candidate for Secretary of State, speak in May about the outcome of the recently completed legislative session. Check the schedule.

The Hillsdale College Course on the Constitution, with information on why the founders made the choices they did in writing the Constitution, will continue. We began it in early March, expecting each session to be 30 minutes; we would then complete the 12-session course in six weeks. Lo and behold, each session was 45 minutes – so we have only completed SIX of the 12 sessions. We anticipate resuming the series in mid-to-late May, so you can learn all about WHY the various sections were written, and how the Founders and then legislators struggled to craft the Amendments. This is information you could have learned in junior high (The Federalist Papers) but didn't - so rectify that omission this year. Thursdays at noon, URGVS HQ.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEEDS YOU

The Community Council is a group of URGVS patriots who meet **every other Tuesday** at HQ, 11:00 to 12:30, to define ways for URGVS to make a difference in our community. Composed of members of our core groups (Save Our Country, Children of Liberty, and the Defenders), we discuss issues and come up with ideas to implement change.

Are you ready to be challenged? Do you want to have a say in local, state, and national politics? Tired of listening to the Democrats? Want to plan events and define community issues? Want to be heard? Then come and join us. The COMMUNITY COUNCIL WANTS YOU AND YOU AND YOU..... Get involved today!

FLAG WAVING SUSPENDED

Because of a few incidents which posed peril for our people, the Board of URGVS has decided to SUSPEND sanctioned flag-waving until we can compile (??) a coherent policy on it. It goes without saying that people who wave flags at our “corner” are seen as representing the Republican Party (and us). If there are serious confrontations, they do not redound in our favor. It is critical that people waving flags under our aegis behave appropriately: no profanity, no engagement with people who would get into conflicts. We MUST simply smile sweetly and go about our business. If you can't do that, do not go to the corner. We do NOT want to have a fracas on the corner, giving the GOP and URGVS a bad name.

SAVE THE DATE – MAY 26

The events committee is planning a family-friendly event on Saturday, May 26, in the park. URGVS “America First” will start at 10:00 and include games (including cornhole”, where you toss a beanbag onto a slanted board with a hole in it, trying to get the beanbag to drop into the hole – sort of a modern- day form of horseshoes without the clanking). There will also be patriotic coloring for the kids, and food for everyone. The committee is still working out the details, but save the date so you can join in the festivities.

UPCOMING EVENTS - CONTINUED

Thursday, June 3 General meeting at 11:00, followed by **Brown Bag Luncheon** at noon. More on our series on the Constitution: "The New Deal and the Rise of the Administrative State."

Tuesday, June 8 Community Council at 11:00 AM. See May 11.

Thursday, June 10 Brown Bag Luncheon at noon. More on the Constitution: "The Administrative State Today."

Tuesday, June 15 "Laser Hit" Target Practice at 11:00 AM. See May 4.

Thursday, June 17 Brown Bag Luncheon at noon. More on the Constitution: "Post-Sixties Liberalism and Contemporary Politics."

Tuesday, June 22 Community Council at 11:00 AM. See May 11.

Thursday, June 24 Brown Bag Luncheon at noon. More on the Constitution: "A Path to Restoration" - there is hope!

Saturday, June 26 URGVS "America First" Community event - an event in the park (to be announced) for the family. Details to be announced, but it will involve the entire family, and be a great event to gather together. Stay tuned!

Tuesday, June 29 Community Council at 11:00 AM. See May 11.

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VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT TO STAFF HEADQUARTERS JULY 1-SEPTEMBER 30

Staffing HQ is a major job – so far we have had wonderful volunteers, working four hour shifts five days a week, since we opened in January. Working at HQ is fun – you will be with one other volunteer (so you're not alone), and you will meet interesting people. Select your preferred day (Monday through Saturday) and work 10:00 – 2:00; you may bring your lunch or eat afterwards. You will receive training on the basics, and learn a lot. Our current volunteers will complete their "tour" on June 30, so we need folks to sign up for the third quarter, beginning Thursday, July 1. If you are interested, please contact Peggy Bengtson at 503-351- 3058, or peggy.bengtson@gmail.com . URGVS needs YOU!

GREEN VALLEY REPUBLICANS GIVE!

After the recent presentation by the Green Valley Food Bank, we donated more than 45 lbs. of food and more than \$100. Thank you, generous friends!

HOW IS YOUR AIM?

Starting Tuesday, May 18, and continuing **every other Tuesday**, at 11:00 AM, our very own Paul Fitch will hold the "Laser Hit Gun Practice" at headquarters. This is a practice session using laser only (no ammunition) to hone your ability to hit a target. The "weapon" is provided. Erase your firearm insecurities, and don't miss your chance to refine your skills.

YOU CAN HELP

Brown Bag Luncheon - If you have an idea for an interesting Brown Bag Luncheon speaker, please contact Kay Kohler at 520-904-9103. We are always on the lookout for good topics.

Techie (IT specialist) – We are seeking someone who understands the intricacies of internet and ZOOM communication to help us with our "tech" stuff. If you are a "teenager", or know of one, and would like to help, please contact Yale Wishnick at 520-398-1166 or ywishnick@gmail.com.

Join the group – www.URGVS.org will get you into our group and you won't miss any event.

MISSION STATEMENT

- ◆ To educate, inspire, and encourage participation in the political process by volunteering our time and resources to elect Republican candidates.
- ◆ To promote Republican ideals of peace through strength, prosperity through individual responsibility, and liberty through limited government.

As always, we are collecting non-perishable **FOOD** or **PAPER PRODUCTS** for the **Food Bank** and the **Women's Shelter** at our meetings. Thank you!