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### P R E S I D E N T - L A J U A N A G I L L E T T E

I'm from the "old school" as are many of you. I don't mind that the young people are progressing and using the internet and their phones in ways I would have never imagined just a few years ago. I'm willing to step aside and let them "do their thing". But there are so many things coming with that. Things I really don't like.



I am old enough to remember when if you gave your word, you kept it. There was pride in doing what was right. Stealing and lying was wrong! Now if you steal and lie and get caught, it's a grin and a "darn I got caught" attitude. No shame. Or, as in Biden and the Democrats, just keep on lying and cheating until people accept it. And then tell everyone how hurt you are that anyone would think you would cheat and lie! Oh yeah, and make it a sin to SAY that you cheated and lied.

Yes, there has been a lot of good things that have come out of the internet and all the things that are being done digitally. Heck, I have a Robot that cleans my house. I sure like that! But so much bad is happening because of FB and Twitter. The first amendment is just barely hanging on. And our young who are attending college! They don't stand a chance unless they have very strong conservative parents who have taught them a few things about the constitution.

So, I am happy that I come from my generation and got to live in the "50s" when everyone went to the local drive in to mingle and hang out with friends.

God bless America.

LaJuana Gillette, President 2023

### M E E T I N G I N F O R M A T I O N

Date: April 3, 2023  
 Place: Shugrue's Bridgerview Room  
 Time: Social 5:00, Dinner 6:00, Cost: \$25  
 Menu: Chicken Crepes, Wild Rice, Bread Stick, Dessert: Carrot Cake



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| March 27 | 9:30 Board Meeting  |
| April 3  | 5 PM Social Hour, 6 PM <u>Monthly Dinner Meeting</u> , Shugrue's Bridgeview Room. |
| April 24 | 9:30 Board Meeting  |
| May 1    | 5 PM Social Hour, 6 PM <u>Monthly Dinner Meeting</u> , Shugrue's Bridgeview Room. |

### 1ST VICE-PROGRAM BETSY PAINTON

Speaker:

**April Smith** with Arizona Free Enterprise Club,

The Arizona Free Enterprise Club, established in 2005, is focused on getting results, which means being fearless when it comes to taking on the establishment and radical left in Arizona. It is not afraid to stand up to powerful politicians and special interest groups that want to maintain the status quo.



### GINNY BUCKALEW CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

I hope you are enjoying this rain and warm weather! It's about time that Old Man Winter left town. I sent a card to our President LaJuana. She had some serious eye surgery a week ago and is still in the healing process. We wish her a full and speedy recovery. I have not heard from anyone else but if you hear anything about a member needing a card from us please let me know. Ginny Buckalew 928-232-0240

### MEMBERSHIP STEFANIE MICHELS

*"I am happy to have been selected as 3rd VP Membership Chair. I look forward to serving in this capacity and helping to grow our membership and impacting our community."*

Welcome to our newest members:  
Jennifer Bucolo, Lisa Cordeiro, Valerie Medina,  
Judi Harris.

Welcome to our new Associate member:  
Chanel Lapham



### RESERVATIONS PAM FORD

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### WAYS & MEANS LYNNE LAWHORN

**"26 Club"**  
The March drawing winners are.

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Tim Lawhorn  
&  
Rick Barton**



## The People of Arizona Deserve a Chance to Vote on Critical Race Theory

Racist policies have no business in Arizona. And in 2010, our state’s voters made that clear when they passed [Proposition 107](#). This amendment to Arizona’s Constitution banned affirmative action programs in the state that were administered by statewide or local units of government, including state agencies, cities, counties, and school districts. But as we’ve become all too familiar with here in the U.S. and the state of Arizona, politicians and bureaucrats have figured out ways to skirt the language in our constitution. That’s led to where we are today.

Under the guise of words that sound harmless enough like “diversity,” “equity,” and “inclusion” (DEI), Critical Race Theory (CRT) and similar programs largely flew under the radar and have been used to indoctrinate our students. [Floods of parents eventually caught on](#), making it their mission to stop the invasion of CRT and DEI in our school districts. And while the newly elected Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tom Horne, has already [taken steps](#) to stop such indoctrination in our schools, there’s more work to be done.

After all, it’s not just students that have been affected. Many governmental entities have been choosing who to hire or contract with based on race. Take our state’s universities for example. According to a [recent report](#) from the Goldwater Institute, Arizona’s public universities are compelling job applicants to pledge support for progressive, racialized notions of DEI and CRT-based terminology in order to be hired. As of last fall, Arizona State University (ASU) required diversity statements from approximately 81 percent of job applicants. Northern Arizona University required diversity statements from 73 percent of job applicants. And the University of Arizona required diversity statements from 28 percent of job applicants.

It’s bad enough that over 200 educators from across Arizona voluntarily [pledged to teach CRT](#) and all other social-justice-oriented curriculum to children, regardless of the law or parents’ wishes. But ASU is forcing 81 percent of job applicants to sign these DEI loyalty oaths in order to have a chance at getting hired?!?

It’s time to put a stop to this blatant racism. And [SCR1024](#) is the perfect solution. This bill would refer to the ballot an amendment to Arizona’s Constitution that would stop DEI and CRT from being pushed in our K-12 public schools and public universities. And it would prohibit governmental entities from making any-race-based decisions related to hiring or contracting.

Most importantly, SCR1024 would put the issue in front of voters and give the people of Arizona a chance to make their voices heard. And just like with affirmative action in 2010, there’s no doubt that it would show that Arizonans want CRT and DEI out of our state for good.

The fact is that slavery, racial discrimination, and racism are inconsistent with the founding principles of our nation. That’s why we fought a civil war to eliminate the first, waged political campaigns to get rid of the second, and made the third unacceptable in the court of public opinion. But CRT and DEI policies only create division while threatening to make racial discrimination legal again.

Enough is enough. It’s time to give voters the chance to prohibit these racist policies once and for all.

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### Happy April Birthdays

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| Maureen Furman     | 28 |

**SPOTLIGHT MEMBER: DEBBIE JOHNSON**

My name is Deborah (Debbie) Johnson. I have been married to Curt Johnson for 50 years this June 23! We have two children: Carl is married with three boys: Erik, Elliot and Everett; and Christina is married with two children: Evan and Erika. Both of our kids live in Ventura County, CA. Note that all of my grandchildren have names beginning with "E". This comes from my mother-in-law's family. She was from a family of 12 children and all their names started with "E". She was Elvi.



Curt and I are both retired. He is a former builder, farmer, and avocado rancher. I was a junior high school teacher and later a Principal of an elementary school. I also taught at Ventura Community College and supervised student teachers for several California colleges.

We moved to Havasu 2 years ago. We had a 125-acre avocado ranch in Ojai, CA. Unfortunately, the drought there forced us to remove our trees due to water shortages and rationing. We also nearly lost our home in the Thomas fire in 2018. Rattlesnakes, mud slides, high taxes and the political climate sent us East. We decided to live in Lake Havasu because of its proximity to CA, as we knew we would be visiting our children often. Also, we liked the small town feel and the lack of FREEWAYS! We feel safe in Havasu and like it that people respect the police, attend church, and have basic Conservative values.

Finally, we spend our summers in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan where we have a home close to the town where Curt's mom was born and raised. It's much easier now that we don't have the orchard to look after.

I belong to P.E.O., a women's organization that supports other women in education. I've been a member for nearly 50 years and was fortunate to join an active chapter in Havasu.

My husband and I enjoy playing golf and belong to The Lake Havasu Golf Club. I also like water aerobics, playing Mahjong, reading, wine tasting and cooking.

I joined the Republican Women's Organization because I support conservative values and want to see Republicans get elected to offices in Arizona and around the country. When I was in Illinois, I was an election judge, and my husband ran for a county supervisory office. I'm horrified to see what is happening in the public schools and universities in our country. I hope we can work to change that. I love meeting new people and looking forward to seeing all of you when you stop by to purchase your 50-50 tickets as I am the newest Member at Large.



## Thinking of Allowing Government Workers to Unionize?

By Dr. Thomas Patterson |

It's not exactly breaking news that America's public schools are failing academically.

There have been encouraging stories of charter schools and other schools of choice successfully raising achievement levels for underprivileged students previously deemed uneducable.

But our schools are still producing a generation of students lacking basic computational or literacy skills, much less an understanding of government, culture, or science. That is, unless you count gender ideology and slanted anti-American interpretations of history.

Twenty-three public schools in Baltimore this year had zero students rated proficient in math and several more had only one or two. Baltimore spends \$21,000 per student yearly, but it's unfair to pick on Baltimore. Neither its spending levels nor the dreadful outcomes distinguish it from many other urban school districts.

Many Americans are aware and concerned. We even know a lot about what works (school level control and accountability) and what doesn't (more money, more administrators). Yet at every turn, efforts at system reform have been stymied by... teachers' unions.

Until the 20th century, Americans would have been astonished to see a critical policy debate dominated by a public union. Such unions didn't even exist until President Kennedy approved collective bargaining for federal employees in 1962. Until then, union bosses and government leaders had been skeptical of the notion.

Franklin Roosevelt said, "The process of collective bargaining...cannot be translated into public service." AFL – CIO President George Meany agreed that "it is impossible to bargain collectively with the government."

They were saying that true collective bargaining is a two-way negotiation to divide the profits generated by an enterprise, in which unions must limit their demands so their companies remain viable.

But as Philip Howard explains in his new book on public unions, government by design doesn't generate any profit. Any concessions made to government unions come at the expense of taxpayers, who are seldom represented in the negotiations.

After decades of "negotiating" with friendly politicians whom they help elect, government employees have gained immense wealth and influence. It hasn't turned out so well for the rest of us.

For example, government unions were effectively able to dictate health policy, including shutdowns and mandates, during COVID, as CDC e-mails subsequently revealed.

Worse, teachers' unions demands that public schools close and stay closed during COVID prevailed despite overwhelming evidence that it was unhelpful. Millions of students will endure permanent educational scars from the union intransigence.

Union participation in policy making goes far beyond healthcare. Government unions work hard and successfully to boost virtually all tax and spend proposals, especially at the state and local levels. After all, tax revenues pay their salaries.

Unions have also been successful in thwarting the growth of charter schools in the three decades of their existence. This is a particularly impressive display of raw political power since charter schools have proven themselves many times over to be academic successes serving those students who need it most.

Moreover, there is no coherent argument that charter schools harm public schools because they are public schools, albeit usually without mandatory unionization, but still with long waiting lists.

Union workers are notoriously difficult to fire, thanks to the work rules they write for themselves. California is able to terminate only about one of each 100,000 teachers annually for poor performance. Derek Chauvin, the murderer of George Floyd, was a known bad cop with multiple citizens' complaints, but was protected by union work rules from losing his job.

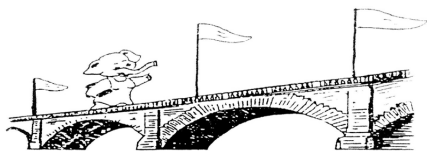
All these instances and many more are the result of unions essentially dictating the terms of their employment. Citizens' interests are secondary. Government has been rendered nearly inoperable for everyday Americans.

Although government unions seem to have a vice-like hold on their privileges, there may be a solution this time. Article 4 of the U.S. Constitution requires that every state "shall be guaranteed a republican form of government," meaning that policy decisions can be made only by elected officials and may not be delegated.

State and local officials must reclaim their authority either by challenging union-made policies in courts or simply by refusing to comply with them on constitutional grounds.

The framers of the Constitution would be honored if we used their great gift to make government work again.

***Dr. Thomas Patterson, former Chairman of the Goldwater Institute, is a retired emergency physician. He served as an Arizona State senator for 10 years in the 1990s, and as Majority Leader from 93-96. He is the author of Arizona's original charter schools bill.***



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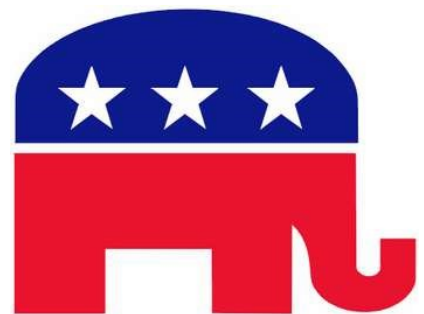


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