



February 2012

Pima County Supervisor Candidates Headline QCRC Meeting

Supervisor candidates Ally Miller and Sean Collins will be the guest speakers at the Quail Creek Republican Club's February meeting.

Ally Miller is running for Pima County Supervisor in District 1. She has lived in Tucson for nearly 30 years. She and her husband Jeff who works for a local defense contractor live in Northwest Tucson. They have been married for 18 years.

Ally is a graduate of the University of Arizona with a B.S. in Finance and a Masters Degree in Business Administration from the Eller School of Management.

Ally is an experienced business woman with experience in Pricing/contract negotiation, procurement, budgeting, auditing government contracts, engineering program controls and consolidation and streamlining processes.

Ally has been active in local politics for several years and most recently worked diligently to bring the FBI and the Arizona Attorney General's office to Tucson to investigate the \$230 Million debacle known as Rio Nuevo.

Sean Collins is running for Pima County Supervisor in District 4, currently held by Supervisor Ray Carroll. Sean is a Vail entrepreneur and Air Force Veteran. Sean and his wife Tracy own the Vail Dairy Queen.

Collins was in the Air Force for almost 22 years, stationed at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base from 1999 until he retired as a senior noncommissioned officer in 2003.

February Meeting

When: February 17, 2012

Time: 9:00 am

Where: QC Madera Clubhouse,
Ballroom #3

Speaker: Ally Miller

Candidate Pima County Supervisor
District 1

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Sean Collins

Candidate Pima County Supervisor
District 4

Public is Invited



Ally Miller,
Candidate for Supervisor

Border Security Presentation - NAFBPO Website

The following is the website given at the Border Security presentation. Many asked if we would place it in the QC Bulletin. National Association of Former Border Patrol Officers -

<http://www.nafbpo.org>.

Calendar of Events for Pima County

2/7: Pima County Sheriff Candidate Debate, Voyager Catalina Rm, 8701 S. Kolb Rd., 6:00 pm.

2/11: Pima GOP's Lincoln Day Dinner

2/14 Pima County Republican Club Luncheon, Speaker Terry Frederick, candidate for Pima County Sheriff, El Parador 2744 Broadway, 11:30 pm.

2/16: PCRWC (Pima County Republican Women's Club), Speaker Nohemy Hite widow of slain police officer Erik Hite, Lunch \$20.00, Sheraton Hotel & Suites 5151 E Grant Rd, contact Lauren Blevins 886-8232

2/17: QCRC (Quail Creek Republican Club), Madera Clubhouse Ballroom #3, 9:00 am, Speakers Supervisor Candidates Ally Miller & Sean Collins, contact John Emery @ 207-5754

2/25: RCGVS (Republican Club Green Valley/Sahuarita), Lincoln - Reagan Luncheon, Speaker Senator Jon Kyl, 11:00 am, \$35.00, Desert Diamond Casino, contact Joey 203-7750

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SOTU Rerun

SOTU speeches don't change much in style from one year to the next. They are almost always campaign speeches, filled with wish lists and self-congratulatory nonsense. The only one I found different to any significant degree was 2002's SOTU speech, coming just months after 9/11 and the invasion of Afghanistan. Otherwise, every President's SOTU speeches follows a very predictable pattern:

1. The State of the Union is strong.
2. Applause.
3. It's stronger because I'm up here and you're not.
4. Applause.
5. Attack the Supreme Court [Obama only].
6. Here's why my political party is awesome.
7. Applause from one side of room.
8. Here's why the other party is a bunch of doody-heads.
9. Applause from the same side of the room.
10. Here's a program I want you to pass.
11. Applause.
12. Here's an Ordinary Average Guy whose story should convince you to pass my program.
13. Television shot of Ordinary Average Guy.
14. Applause.
15. Repeat steps 6-14 about 874 times.
16. Here's a couple more reasons why I'm awesome.
17. Applause.

These evenings are always reruns to a large extent. Usually, though, a President takes some effort to come up with a new way to say the same old BS. In this case, perhaps Obama should have followed the example set by Thomas Jefferson and literally mailed in his speech if he was going to do it figuratively.

Antenori Announce Run For Giffords Seat

State Senator Frank Antenori threw his hat into the race to succeed the retired Gabrielle Giffords, declaring he would seek the Republican congressional nomination in an upcoming special election.



“We need somebody who can go up there and hit the ground running” because of the vacancy created by Giffords’ stepping down, he said.

Antenori touted his political experience in the Legislature, where he is the Senate majority whip.

Antenori “was elected just three years ago” and already has a Republican leadership position, he said.

He made the announcement on the Jon Justice talk radio show. He then announced at an appearance in Green Valley and Oro Valley that same day.

Antenori will run in both the April special primary that leads to a June special election to fill Giffords’ CD8 seat, and in the regular election for the newly drawn CD2. That includes an August primary and a November election.

The conservative GOPer, who has made no secret of his Congressional ambitions, said last year he would not run if Giffords ran for reelection.

-Tucson Sentinel

Gabby Giffords Resigns

The announcement leaves wide open the race for what will be a slightly realigned district representing parts of Tucson and southern Arizona. Giffords has submitted her letter of resignation to House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, and Arizona’s Republican Gov. Jan Brewer.

Since the next general election is more than six months away, the vacancy will be filled by a special election. Within three days of Giffords stepping down, Gov. Jan Brewer will issue dates for the special: According to Arizona law, a primary will take place between 80 and 90 days after the governor’s proclamation, and the special general election will take place between 50 to 60 days after that. That would put the latest possible date of the special election around mid-June.

Redistricting made the swing district Giffords represents slightly more Democratic, but that is probably immaterial: Since the special election will fill the remainder of Giffords’s term, observers in Arizona expect the vote will take place within the old congressional boundaries, even if the state’s new congressional map goes into effect in the interim. It is possible the special election could piggyback on contests already scheduled, including municipal elections in March and the state’s primaries in August, though March would most likely be too early.

-National Journal

Kelly Files Papers to Replace Giffords

Jesse Kelly, the Tea Party-backed Republican who narrowly lost to U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords in 2010, has filed paperwork to run to replace the retiring congresswoman in a special election.

Kelly, who nearly unseated Giffords, filed a statement of candidacy with the Federal Election Commission to seek the CD8 seat that Giffords stepped down from in January 2012.

John Ellinwood, Kelly’s spokesman, only would say that Kelly would be “announcing something formally soon.”

The Giffords-Kelly race came down to the wire; Giffords edged the GOP candidate by about 4,000 votes in a contest that took days to count.

-Tucson sentinel



Update: Special primary election will be held on April 17 and the general election on June 12.

Obamanomics

Wynton Hall at BigGov breaks down the mathematical facts. Which I'm sure GWB is clearly to blame, or something.

- Every day, the U.S. government takes in \$6 billion and spends \$10 billion. This means that every day the federal government spends \$4 billion more dollars than it has.
- The real unemployment rate is a jaw-dropping 11 percent.
- Every fifth man you pass on your way to work is now out of work.
- College graduates are now 34% less likely to find a job under Obama than they were under President George W. Bush.
- Every seventh person you pass on the sidewalk now relies on food stamps.
- The ravages of the Obama economy now mean that more Americans live under the federal poverty line than at any time in U.S. history since records have been kept.
- Under President Barack Obama, every fifth child in America now lives in poverty.

-Camelbackland



Paton to Run For Congress

Former State Senator Jonathan Paton will run for Congress in Arizona's sprawling new First Congressional District, which runs from Oro Valley to the Utah border.

Paton had been touted by some in the GOP as a replacement for the retiring U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, or as a challenger for her fellow Democrat Raúl Grijalva. But he decided not to run in the special election to succeed Giffords, in the race to fill the new CD2 that generally overlaps Giffords' CD8 nor challenge Grijalva in the new CD1.

The former state legislator will possibly face former state Rep. Bill Konopnicki and ex-Corporation Commissioner Gary Pierce in the Republican primary.

On the Democratic side, former Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick is seeking the nomination in CD1, as is Wenona Benally Baldenegro.

-Western Free Press

INAUGURAL LINCOLN-REAGAN LUNCHEON SATURDAY, FEB. 25

Senator Jon Kyl
held at

Desert Diamond Casino

Doors Open at 11:00 a.m.
Luncheon at 11:30 a.m.
Speaker will start at noon
Price \$35.00 (cash bar
available)

Send checks payable to:
RCGVS

P.O. Box 831

Green Valley, AZ 85622
(Deadline by Tuesday,
February 21st)

More info: Joey
203-7750

Nice Work If You Can Get It.

The New York Times sheds some light on Congressional Millionaires starting with Arizona's own Ed Pastor.

When Representative Ed Pastor was first elected to Congress two decades ago, he was comfortably ensconced in the middle class. Mr. Pastor, a Democrat from Arizona, held \$100,000 or so in savings accounts in the mid-1990s and had a retirement pension, but like many Americans, he also owed the banks nearly as much in loans.

Today, Mr. Pastor, a miner's son and a former high school teacher, is a member of a not-so-exclusive club: Capitol Hill millionaires.

-Espressopundit



AZ Investigation into “Fast and Furious”

Arizona’s state legislature will open its own investigation into the Obama administration’s disgraced gun-running program, known as “Fast and Furious,” the speaker of the state House stated.

Speaker Andy Tobin created the committee, and charged it with looking at whether the program broke any state laws — raising the possibility of state penalties against those responsible for the operation.

Mr. Tobin will announce the committee’s jurisdiction at a press conference in Phoenix. The committee is charged with looking into the facts about the program, what impact it had on Arizona and whether any of the state’s laws were broken.

A report is due back by March 30.

Arizona’s investigation into Fast and Furious comes on top of an investigation by Republicans in Congress.

The chief of the criminal division of the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Arizona told a House committee has declined to answer their questions, citing his Fifth Amendment rights against self-incrimination.

The official’s lawyer, in a letter to the committee, said his client is innocent but is “ensnared by the unfortunate circumstances in which he now stands between two branches of government.”

-Washington Times

Stopping Tourist to Promote Tourism

And what better place for a campaigning president to go lecture needlessly on improving tourism than the iconic institution that figured it all out decades ago, Walt Disney Resorts?

But here’s the problem with Obama going to Disney’s Main Street: They have to halt all tourism there for him to be seen encouraging more tourism, close the whole place down to tourists for much of the day while he’s there and before. Even Disney employees are being barred.

The thousands of existing tourists who expected to spend a valuable vacation day strolling the old-fashioned shops for fudge and Mickey ears, riding the steam-powered cars and horse-drawn streetcars and getting a photo with the real Snow White where just plum out of luck, like Grumpy. ...

Later, after the president’s entourage and motorcade departed the wonderful world of Disney following their private photo op visit, re-open the magical street to the tourists he was talking about getting more of. After how much lost business?



McCain Confuses Romney for Obama

At a recent event in South Carolina, John McCain managed to confuse Mitt Romney, the Republican candidate he says he’s supporting, with Democrat President Barack Obama.

“I am confident with the leadership and backing of the American people, President Obama will turn this country around,” McCain told the perplexed Charleston crowd. Both Romney and South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley had to step forward to remind him it was actually Gov. Mitt Romney he was campaigning for.

-Seeing Red AZ