
NEWSLETTER

Quail Creek Republican Club

QCRC Meeting Schedule

The QC Republican Club meets Friday, April 20 at 9:30 a.m. in the Kino Conference Center. We have two guest speakers who are running to represent CD2 in the U.S. House: Marilyn Wiles and Brandon Martin.

We normally meet the third Friday of the month from January to May and from September to December. Meeting time is usually 9:30 a.m., except for special events.

QCRC Membership Membership is open to all residents of Quail Creek. Annual Dues are \$20 per person or \$30 per couple. Applications can be downloaded and printed at quailcreekrepublicans.com

QCRC Website

<http://www.quailcreekrepublicans.com>

Two New Candidates for AZ Congressional District 2 will present at 9:30 a.m., Friday, April 20 in the Kino Conference Center

The current representative, Martha McSally, is not running for re-election in Arizona's CD 2. She is running instead to replace Jeff Flake in the U.S Senate. Two of the candidates who seek to replace her will present at the QCRC April meeting. Come hear from **Marilyn Wiles** and **Brandon Martin**. The Primary election is August 28. The presentations at this meeting may help you make up your mind on who to vote for in the Primary Election. Coffee at 9:00. Meeting starts at 9:30. Speaker websites:

Marilyn Wiles: <https://www.electmarilyn.com>

Brandon Martin: <https://martinforfreedom.com>

Free Lunch Medicine

A few years back **Thomas Sowell*** wrote a series of essays on "Free Lunch Medicine." Some of the points he made are worth revisiting:

It was front page news in the *Wall Street Journal* of November 12, 2003 that there are long waiting times for seeing medical specialists in Canada and in other countries with government controlled medical care systems. At the time that was not true in the U.S. Today, some of us are beginning to wonder.

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**Thomas Sowell is an American economist, social theorist, political philosopher, and author. He is currently Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University.*

Area Meetings

The Republican Club of GV/S meets on the first Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. at Friends in Deed, 301 W Camino Casa Verde in Green Valley

Pima County Republican Club Meets for lunch every Tuesday at 12:00 Noon at the Sabbar Shrine Temple 450 S Tucson Blvd, Tucson.

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Left leaning politicians have long tried to get the U.S. to imitate those countries. Obamacare was a major step in that direction.

Some economic observations are in order. The politicians contend that with government control we can drive down the “cost” of medical care. Unfortunately these politicians do not understand the difference in “cost” and “price.” Yes, you can lower the price paid for medical services — e.g, the Medicare reimbursement rates. But the price paid is not necessarily the cost of providing medical services.

It still takes just as much time, equipment and training to turn a medical school student into a doctor. It still takes just as many hospitals to care for the sick. It still takes just as many years of scientific research and clinical trials to create a new medicine.

How many young people will enter medical school when the anticipated prices paid for a doctor’s services cannot provide a reasonable salary and a chance to recover the cost of their education?

How long can hospitals survive when government payments do not cover costs.

Those who are dying to control the prices of pharmaceutical drugs are oblivious to the fact that other people may be literally dying unnecessarily if they succeed.

Government price controls on medicines and medical care simply mean that these costs do not all get covered. This works in the short run — and the short run is what politicians are interested in, because elections are held in the short run. But the rest of us had better think ahead, if we value our health.

“One of the great mistakes is to judge policies and programs by their intentions rather than their results.”

— **Milton Friedman**