# NEWSLETTER

#### Quail Creek Republican Club

## **QCRC Meeting Schedule**

The QC Republican Club meets 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. Special event schedules are announced in advance.

### **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

#### Website

http://www.quailcreekrepublicans.com

# Arizona Secretary of State, Michele Reagan — December 15 — Kino Center, 9:30 a.m.

Secretary of State is Arizona's second highest elective office. Michele Reagan's path to the office was a combination of hard work and commitment to public service. Moving from the south suburbs of Chicago in 1991, she opened FASTSIGNS in Phoenix, learning quickly about the issues that face the state's small businesses. Her advocacy for small business, community involvement, fiscal conservatism along with a desire to do more became the catalyst to run for public office.

She served more than a decade in both houses of the legislature. Recognized as a tireless champion of small businesses, Ms. Reagan was named Chair of the Commerce Committee in the House, and later, Chair of the Economic Development and Jobs Creation Committee in the Senate. She is passionate about fair and accurate elections and helped form the first Senate Elections Committee, which she chaired.

She ran for the state's second highest office in 2014 and became Arizona's 20th Secretary of State.

She has received numerous awards including: *Small Business Guardian* from the National Federation of Independent Business and the *Eye of the Eagle Award* from the Arizona Small Business Association. She was named one of the 50 most Influential Women in Arizona by Arizona Business Magazine in 2013.

Secretary Reagan is a graduate of Illinois State University and was named by the Aspen Institute to its prestigious Rodel Fellowship. Ms. Reagan is married, has a stepdaughter, three dog children, and a desert tortoise named Casev.

Join us for Secretary Reagan's update. Coffee at 9:00, meeting starts at 9:30.

# **Upcoming 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

Fri, Dec. 15, 9:30 AM
Quail Creek Republican
Club, Kino Conference
Center, Ocotillo Room,
Speaker: AZ Secretary of
State Michele Reagan.
Coffee at 9:00, Meeting
starts at 9:30.

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

#### **QCRC 2017 Board Members**

President: Rick Miller srmiller45@gmail.com

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### Is Anyone Paying Attention?

The machinations in Congress in recent days over reforming the tax code is a perfect example of the corrupt nature of our assembled elected representatives. When the solution is clear to the informed citizenry and none of our representatives can stand up and say the obvious, what else can we conclude. Who among us cares about a tax advantage for the tuna canning industry in American Samoa? Who really believes that the ethanol subsidies are worthwhile? Who really thinks that windmill generated power could survive or compete without tax subsidies (i.e., windfalls for investors)? Whatever "tax reform" our genius lobby puppets come up with will no doubt be much less than any of us hoped for.

It could probably be shown by facts and figures that there is no distinctly native American criminal class except Congress

Mark Twain

In 2015 according to a Pew Research Center Study taxpayers with incomes of \$200,000 or more paid 58.8% of federal income taxes, though they accounted for only 4.5% of all returns filed. By contrast, taxpayers with incomes below \$30,000 filed nearly 44% of all returns but paid just 1.4% of all federal income tax – in fact, two-thirds of the nearly 66 million returns filed by people in that lowest income tier owed no tax at all.

### It's the Spending, Stupid

<u>Year</u>	National Debt
2000 2008 2016 2017	\$ 5.674 Trillion \$10.024 Trillion \$19.573 Trillion \$20.244 Trillion

Volunteers are needed to serve on the QC Republican Club Board. In addition to the regular monthly meetings, the board usually meets once a month. The club is drafting a new slate of officers for 2018. If you have an interest in being involved, please contact Rick Miller at <a href="mailto:srmiller45@gmail.com">srmiller45@gmail.com</a> or (520) 344-8577.