

*I weep for the liberty of my country when I see at this early day of its successful experiment that corruption has been imputed to many members of the House of Representatives, and the rights of the people have been bartered for promises of office.*

**Andrew Jackson**

### ***Forum to Address Ballot Initiatives***

**Prop 125:** This is an amendment to the Elected Officials & Corrections Officers Retirement Plan. This bipartisan pension reform measure will help save Arizona taxpayers an estimated \$275 million over the next several decades. Proposition 125 also will shore up the state's under funded Elected Officials' Retirement Plan and the Corrections Officer Retirement Plan and is supported by organized labor. **Vote Yes**

**Prop 126:** Randy Friese, LD9 House of Representatives. Proposition 126 is the Arizona Realtors Association initiative which preemptively exempts all services from TPT (sales tax) FOREVER. This is a loss of hundreds of millions in potential future revenue. Vote NO if you believe that we must leave the door open to new strategies that can raise revenue for public education. **Vote No**

**Prop 127:** Kalie Pawlik, Proposition 127 would increase the state's renewable portfolio standards, which is a mandate that electric utilities acquire a minimum amount of electricity from renewable energy sources. Arizona's current requirement is 15 percent by 2025. Proposition 127 would increase that to 50 percent by 2030. **Vote Yes**

**Prop 305:** Stephanie Hamilton, this is the Save Our Schools Citizens Initiative to stop school vouchers. Vote NO if you believe public funds should be spent on public education – not private or religious schools. **Vote No**

**Prop 306:** Pam Powers-Hannley, LD 9 House of Representatives. The Republican legislature's latest attempt to kill the Clean Elections system and weaken the campaign finance watchdog duties of the Citizen's Clean Election Commission. Vote NO if you want to protect a system that allows candidates to say no to big money politics when they run for office. **Vote No**

### ***PRESEASON IS FINALLY OVER!***

By Ralph Atchue, Candidate for Arizona Senate, LD11



Yep, we're all relieved that the preseason has ended and we can welcome the start of the regular season. The starting lineups have been decided and it's "game on"! Of course I'm not talking about the NFL - I'm talking about the final two months leading up to the General Election!

Let's face it, the Primary results brought us many surprises and some disappointments - that's politics. Yet, with so many crucial issues at stake, we don't have any time to pine and whine - we've got to bind our wounds and begin the battle.

Are you concerned about the recent court decisions blocking voters from their right to decide Arizona law? Are you among the many who do not believe the GOP will fully fund public education? Are you afraid that Dark/Dirty Money will further endanger our public lands, water resources, clean air and the fragile environment? Are you tired of the steady push to raise regressive sales taxes in order to support corporate and high income giveaways? Are you sick and tired of unethical legislators ignoring conflicts of interest?

If you answered yes to these questions, then I've got some good news and some bad news for you. The good news is that by electing Democrats to the state legislature, we can turn the tide on these vital issues. The bad news is that merely voting for Democrats is not enough to win.

The game clock is running out. General Election ballots by mail will be out on October 10th. If you believe these issues are important enough, if you believe future generations of Arizonans are counting on us, if you want to really make a difference, then now is the time to get off the sidelines and get in the game. Every voter you contact and talk to gives us a chance to win. Every voter you contact gives future Arizonans a chance at a better future.

The Atchue4AZSenate and the LyonForAZ campaigns need your blood, sweat and tears if we have any chance of turning LD11 BLUE. There's no time to waste! We're your team, we're the candidates who are committed to the values and policies Arizona needs more than ever before! Find out how you can "get in the game" today: [www.Atchue4AZSenate.com](http://www.Atchue4AZSenate.com)

**\*\*\*Please Note: The October Meeting is on Tuesday, October 9\*\*\***

## ***It Won't Be a "Wave" without You!***

By Hollace Lyon, Colonel, USAF, Retired



Yes; the Blue Wave is *supposedly* coming, but we can't take it for granted or it won't happen in LD 11. It's up to us--you, me, and the person sitting next to you. Democrats suffer from a 13 percent voter registration disadvantage to Republicans in LD 11. Our win margin comes from three possibilities: 1) Democrats must vote in big numbers; 2) large numbers of "Independents," combined with some moderate Republicans, must vote for Democrats; and 3) significant numbers of Republicans must either vote for a Democrat and/or not vote, likely out of disappointment with their party.

Fortunately, through a lot of hard work, we have some control over the first two. Many organizations are registering more Democrats and getting them out to vote. It's working! Democratic turnout in the Primary was better in all 600+ precincts statewide, than in either 2014 or 2016 (a presidential election year!).

Next, we must convince the Independents and common sense Republicans to vote for us. The Atchue and Lyon campaigns have been working on these "persuadables" since January. We, along with our dedicated crew of canvassers (50 so far), have knocked on almost 14,000 persuadables' doors this year. Soon, we'll be mailing to them also. Thanks to almost 700 "Lyon for AZ" motivated contributors, we have funding to reach out to many of our persuadables to remind them who I am and what I stand for: fiscal responsibility that returns our tax investments to our schools, roads, and communities. Of course, the more funding we have, the more outreach we can do!

The bottom line--if you want to break the GOP succession in LD 11, **you** must work for it. Volunteer at the Northwest office. Donate to a campaign. Canvass for Atchue and Lyon.

Remember how you felt on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016? How will you feel on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 if we aren't successful? I know I'll be crushed because I'll feel like I let you down. But, I'll also know that I didn't leave ANYTHING on the table. Will you be able to say the same?

*Contribute: **LyonforAZ.com** (<https://www.lyonforaz.com>) and click on the red "Contribute" tab; or, mail a check to Lyon for AZ, P.O. Box 8405, Catalina, AZ 85738.*

*Volunteer to Canvass, Stuff Envelopes, or Make Calls by clicking on the "Volunteer" button at [LyonforAZ.com](http://LyonforAZ.com).*

## ***The Blue Wave Starts With YOU!!!***

OPPORTUNITIES, PLEASE BE GENEROUS.

### **HELP OUR LOCAL FOOD BANK**

Please bring a donation of non-perishable food to our monthly meetings.

*If everyone brings only one or two items it will add up to a significant contribution!*

The Dems of Oro Valley care about the well-being of our less fortunate friends.

### **SUPPORT OUR TROOPS!**

Thanks to all of you who support our brave troops.

***Please bring any of these items to DOV for distribution to disabled veterans: deodorant, shaving items, toothpaste, tooth brushes, pocket novels and paper back puzzle books.***

*Please – no candy.*

### **October Meeting**

Tuesday  
October 9, 2018  
7 pm • OV Library

**Legislative Candidates**

**Ralph Atchue &  
Holly Lyon**

Come early at 6:45 and socialize! Meet new friends!