

## Pinal County Democrat Report

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Pinal County Democrats had a hearing at the Pinal County Board of Supervisors in Florence on January 7<sup>th</sup> to go over ICE issues and the use of ICE in Pinal County with no signed agreement with the County Attorney. 15 witnesses testified against it. One young woman student testified that she lived in Florence all her life with no problems but recently she was picked up by Ice in Florence. Later Board Chair Jeffrey McClure has given an ultimatum to the County Attorney Brad Milller to terminate the agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement or face consequences. Chairman McClure likened Miller to a child throwing a tantrum. The County Attorney said the board has no power to sign such an agreement.

Later the Pinal County Board of Supervisors met (all Republicans) decided to refer the matter to Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes to decide how to proceed.

Saddlebrooke Ranch Democrats will be holding a fundraiser on May 1<sup>st</sup> at 415 PM. CD 6 Congressional candidate Joanna Mendoza, and for our State Senate Candidate Edgar Soso and House Candidates Kevin Volk and Holly Lyons. People have already donated to the candidates on Act Blue. Since the Club cannot donate directly to Congressional candidates we are asking people to bring their checkbook to donate to Mendoza. Tickets for the event is \$50 and we hope some people from LD 17 will be at this fundraiser. Nancy Burton will MC the event.

Saddlebrooke Ranch is also organizing people to attend the March 28<sup>th</sup> NO KINGS DAY at First and Oracle. The club will help with tables at the event.

Pinal County Democrats will have a Spring Fling event in Florence on April 4<sup>th</sup> from 11 AM to 2 PM. Arizona Attorney Kris Mayes will be the main speaker at the event.

Saddlebrooke Ranch had Pinal County Supervisor Chair Jeff McClure speak about issues in Pinal County. One issue he talked about was improving the airport in Red Rock which will add 300 employees to Red Rock. Red Rock is in LD17 and has 2 PCs to elect. We will look at Red Rock to see how accessible it is and to talk to some Democrats there in the near future.