

VOTER'S GUIDE

Jewish News of Greater Phoenix

Of primary importance

Upcoming election features some notable contests

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The upcoming primary election in Arizona — set for Aug. 28 — will be the first time since 2002 that voters encounter newly configured U.S. congressional and state legislative districts. The process of redistricting has been a challenging task this election cycle, one that has been fraught with roadblocks.

Arizona's Independent Redistricting Commission is the entity charged with redrawing the state's political map and chaired by someone not affiliated with either the Democratic or Republican Party. The commission was created after voters approved a proposition in 2000 shifting power from the State Legislature to a new bipartisan independent body to redraw political boundaries every 10 years.

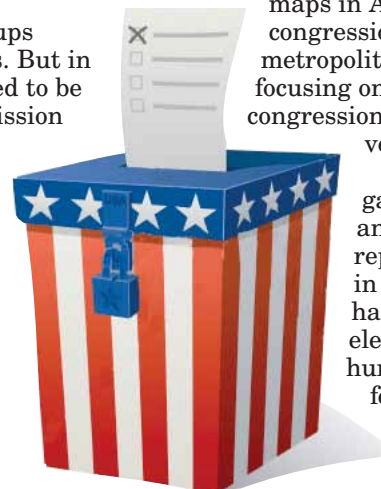
It's not unusual for those responsible for

redistricting to face criticism and challenge from individuals or groups unhappy with proposed new maps. But in 2011 in Arizona, the process proved to be especially contentious. The commission crashed into the wrath of the state's Republicans when it released its draft congressional map last October. In November, Gov. Jan Brewer fired the commission's chair, Colleen Mathis, for what Brewer called "gross misconduct." Brewer's move was approved by the state Senate. Less than three weeks later, the Arizona Supreme Court overturned the firing and ordered Mathis reinstated.

The U.S. Justice Department approved the final congressional and legislative

maps in April. Five of the redrawn congressional districts are concentrated in metropolitan Phoenix. This Voter's Guide is focusing on the four Greater Phoenix-based congressional districts with the most Jewish voters — 6, 7, 8 and 9.

With the 2010 census, Arizona gained a congressional seat and will send nine elected representatives to Washington in January 2013. Before that can happen, however, the primary election is presenting a substantial hurdle for candidates in three key federal races.



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Colleagues become opponents

Reconfigured congressional boundaries have resulted in two current freshman congressmen facing off against each other in one redrawn district. The geographically extensive redrawn 6th Congressional District covers central Phoenix and its northeast suburbs, including Scottsdale and Paradise Valley. Rep. David Schweikert (first elected two years ago in District 5) and Rep. Ben Quayle (elected in District 3) are both Republicans running in this district. According to townhall.com, the conservative Club for Growth is calling this primary race the most watched Republican congressional contest in the country.

How did two members of the state's congressional delegation from the same party come to oppose each other in the primary? With redistricting, every incumbent congressman is placed into a newly numbered district. At the time the maps were redrawn, Quayle's home was located (just barely) inside the 9th. But he decided to run in the 6th, where two-thirds of his current constituents live. He now lives in District 6, but there is no constitutional requirement that a candidate live in the district where he or she runs; candidates are required only to live in the state they will represent.

"It's going to be a very close primary race in District 6," said Glenn Hamer, the former executive director of the state Republican Party. "Both Quayle and Schweikert had a strong freshman term, and there is a lot of enthusiasm for both candidates. The outcome of that race is very much in doubt."

The new 9

The 9th District is relatively narrow geographically but winds through a chunk of the Valley that includes five cities and stretches from Peoria Avenue in Phoenix on the north to Pecos Road in Chandler on the south.

In the 9th district, three popular Democrats (two of whom are Jewish) are vying for their party's nomination in that congressional race: Andrei Cherny, the immediate past chair of the Arizona Democratic Party; David Schapira, the Arizona Senate minority leader; and Kyrsten Sinema, an author and another highly visible leader of the political minority when she was in the Arizona Senate. Cherny and Schapira both have been profiled in Jewish News recently ("Heated primary race," Jewish News, May 25).

Seven Republican candidates also are running in District 9. Four of them (Travis Grantham, Wendy Rogers, Leah Campos Schandlbauer and Jeff Thompson) have never before held elective office, which may prompt voters to question why more politically experienced Republicans aren't running in CD 9. "I think the incumbents who have been redistricted out of their seats didn't want to compete in District 9 because it is a pretty balanced district between voters who are Democrats and those who are Republicans," said Kim Fridkin, Ph.D., a political science professor and interim director of the School of Politics and Global Studies at Arizona State University. "Experienced Republicans probably felt they could find more favorable districts than 9 to run in."

"It's not necessarily a bad thing to the electorate if a candidate doesn't have traditional political experience," Hamer said. "A strong candidate without a voting record can have an advantage."

"After the primary, the race in District 9 has the potential to become fiercely contested by outside interests on both sides," said Ron Ober, a long-time political strategist who is the president of Policy Development Group, a Phoenix government relations and crisis communications firm. As to the outcome of the District 9 primary in both the Democratic and Republican fields, Ober wouldn't make a prediction, suggesting that almost all of the candidates have the potential to win.

Hamer agrees. "You've got impressive, credible candidates on both sides," he said, adding that although the district has "a Democratic tilt," he doesn't believe the Democratic winner of the primary will easily win in the general election. "I think the Republican field in CD 9 is strong," Hamer said, citing former Paradise Valley Mayor Vernon Parker's visibility, Schandlbauer's CIA experience and the military and business backgrounds of former Chandler City Councilman Martin Sepulveda, Rogers (a retired Air Force pilot) and Grantham (an Air National guard pilot).

Senate challengers similar

Two Republicans running for the U.S. Senate seat now held by retiring Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., are in a competitive bid made more uncomfortable for them because they are alike in several ways. Wil Cardon, a successful businessman and lifetime resident of the East Valley, is challenging Rep. Jeff Flake, a successful politician and lifetime resident of Arizona. Both are conservative, Mormon residents of Mesa and attend the same neighborhood church. Each has five children. Each is running television commercials suggesting that he is more conservative than his opponent.

One of them will face Democrat Richard Carmona in the fall. Carmona is a Tucson-based medical doctor and former U.S. surgeon general. He is running unopposed in his primary after David Ruben, also a medical doctor, and Don Bivens, a lawyer and former state Democratic Party chair, dropped out of the race.

Ober said it's not a foregone conclusion that a Republican will capture the open Senate seat in the general election. "The combination of how nasty the Republican primary has become and the dynamic candidacy of Carmona means that this will be a very tough race to predict in the fall."

Hamer is confident that Flake will prevail. "The Democrats have put up the best candidate they possibly could," he said. "But I predict that Congressman Flake will become Senator Flake."

Other races of interest

We've also included mini-profiles of candidates in the primary race for Corporation Commission, Maricopa County sheriff and the Scottsdale City Council. Six candidates are running for three seats on the Corporation Commission. In Scottsdale, voters will choose three council members and a mayor. Eleven candidates are vying for the council seats and two people are challenging incumbent Mayor Jim Lane.

Ober said two races in Arizona especially may affect other races, because of how they could galvanize the Hispanic community. The U.S. Senate and Maricopa County sheriff's races, with attention on immigration, could encourage a higher than normal voter turnout, he said.

Even though many legislative districts don't have competitive races in this primary election, check out our enhanced online Voter's Guide for mini-profiles of candidates in the Maricopa County districts Jewish voters care most about, so that you can be introduced to at least some of the candidates in your district. We're focusing on legislative districts 15, 18, 22, 23, 24, 26 and 28. Only two Arizona Senate races within those districts — the Democratic and Republican primaries in District 24 — feature opponents. In all of the rest that we're covering, the Democratic and Republican candidates for Arizona Senate are cruising to unopposed victory in the primary election. But until now, you may not have known much about them.

Early voting begins Aug. 2

You can cast your ballot beginning Thursday, Aug. 2. To find out what congressional and legislative districts you're in, paste this address into your browser: <http://tinyurl.com/getdistrict>. Type in your address and the site will give you the information.

To request an early ballot, visit <http://tinyurl.com/web-elections> and click on "Request an Early Ballot" on the right side of the page. You can also request to be placed on the permanent early voting list at this Web address.

You can request an early ballot by mail as late as Aug. 14. All early ballots must be in the hands of an elections worker by 7 p.m. Election Day, Aug. 28. If you plan to mail your early ballot, drop it in a mailbox no later than Aug. 23 to make sure it reaches elections officials by Aug. 28.

If you wish to vote early in person, you must go to an early voting location by Aug. 24 at 5 p.m. To see a list of early voting locations in Maricopa County, visit <http://tinyurl.com/earlyvotesites>. If you prefer to vote on Election Day but are not sure of your polling place, paste this address into your browser: <http://tinyurl.com/poll-locator>. Make sure you bring a photo I.D. with you to your polling place.

If you're a registered independent, you can vote in the primary. You and the more than 1 million other independents in the state don't have to wait until the November general election to cast a ballot. Even though as an independent you can't vote in the presidential preference elections held every four years, in all other primaries you can simply request whichever party ballot you prefer either as part of early voting or when you arrive at the polling place on Election Day.

You can download maps of the Congressional and Legislative districts at the Independent Redistricting Commission's website by visiting <http://tinyurl.com/az-maps>.



U.S. Senate candidates

Wil Cardon Republican

Current occupation: CEO, Cardon Group
www.wilcardon.com



Q: What is your position on foreign aid in general, and U.S. aid to Israel in particular?

A: Foreign aid should be given on a case-by-case basis.

I unequivocally support foreign aid to Israel and I fully support the memorandum of understanding established between our countries to offer security aid to Israel. As the next United States senator from Arizona, I will unequivocally support assistance for Israel.

Richard Carmona Democrat

Current occupation: CEO, Canyon Ranch Health; President, Canyon Ranch Institute
www.carmonaforarizona.com



Q: What is your position on foreign aid in general, and U.S. aid to Israel in particular?

A: Foreign aid to Israel is essential to our strategic interests in an increasingly volatile Middle East. Israel is a strong ally of the U.S. in that critical region, and I support continued aid to Israel. In general, I support foreign aid when it clearly advances the domestic or foreign policy interests of the U.S. in an efficient and cost-effective manner.

Jeff Flake Republican

Current occupation: U.S. Representative, AZ CD 6
www.jeffflake.com



Q: What is your position on foreign aid in general, and U.S. aid to Israel in particular?

A: I commit to ensuring that Israel receives U.S. funding that's vital to the security of Israel and America and increasing aid by extending the 10-year assistance memorandum. I also support the Iron Dome missile project. I have, however, opposed foreign aid bills that include funding for corrupt U.N. agencies and regimes that work against security interests of America and Israel.

Clair Van Steenwyk Republican

Current occupation: Talk show host
www.vanforussenate.com



Q: What is your position on foreign aid in general, and U.S. aid to Israel in particular?

A: Foreign Aid needs to be based on what is best for the U.S. — not the U.N., SEATO, NATO and NAFTA. The U.S. and Israel have been friends and allies for many decades and without compromise this relationship must continue. It would be my policy to be both friend and protector of Israel and ensure aid — military and otherwise.

Candidates Sheila Bilyeu and Bryan Hackbarth did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

Congressional candidates

District 6

Ben Quayle Republican

Current occupation: U.S. Representative, AZ CD 3
www.quayleforcongress.com



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: I believe that, first and foremost, we must stop the flow of illegal immigrants coming into the U.S. by securing our border. We cannot further discussions of comprehensive immigration reform until we acknowledge the root of the problem. I am hopeful that Congress will address the problem of illegal immigration and legislation will be signed into law next Congress.

David Schweikert Republican

Current occupation: U.S. Representative, AZ CD 5
www.davidschweikert.com



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: I do not support current and previous proposals for comprehensive immigration reform as I feel they actually create more problems with our immigration system. I do not think there is much chance for any sort of immigration reform legislation being introduced until serious issues with border security are first addressed.

John Williamson Democrat

Current occupation: High school English teacher
Website (through Facebook): W John Williamson for U S Congress 2012



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: I support such reform. We need, among other things, a guest worker program. A participant would work, say, three years, then, barring a significant criminal record, become eligible to become a citizen. Dream Act-age young people should be eligible to attend college, though perhaps at a higher, though not exorbitant, tuition rate. Chances (are) good; (it) may happen next Congress.

Candidates Matt Jette and Jack Anderson did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

District 7

Joe Cobb Libertarian

Current occupation: Retired economist
www.joecobb.com



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: I am a strong supporter of comprehensive immigration reform, particularly in regard to my desire to repeal the racist 1924 quota system for immigration visas. There should not be quota limits on immigration visas from different countries. The primary criterion ought to be to give visas to individuals who will work, create and add to the United States' economy.

Rebecca DeWitt Democrat

Current occupation: Budget analyst
www.dewitt4congress.com



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: Comprehensive immigration reform should be established at the federal level for uniformity across our nation. To be the most effective and fair, it should address all aspects of the issue including border security concerns, the needs of business, Dream Act children, the current citizenship process, undocumented individuals and the impact on communities directly affected, and should be a sustainable long-term solution.

Ed Pastor Democrat

Current occupation: U.S. Representative, AZ CD 4
www.edpastor.com



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: I believe in passing comprehensive immigration reform, which includes a viable and fair guest worker program and a pathway to legalization. The chances of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress depend on what party is the majority in Congress. There would be a better chance for reform if Democrats are the majority.

Congressional candidates

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District 8

Tony Passalacqua Republican

Current occupation: Senior operations manager
www.tonyp2012.com

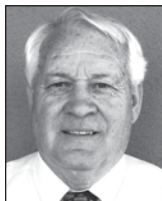


Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: A sovereign nation has the right to choose to whom it grants citizenship. When people attempt to take that right by illegal entry, they unfairly compete with those seeking citizenship through legal means. The current immigration policy is untenable and needs to be reviewed for ways to streamline and simplify the process. Outright amnesty should not be an option.

Gene Scharer Democrat

Current occupation: Retired teacher
www.gene4congress.org
(coming soon)



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: I support comprehensive immigration reform that simultaneously addresses border security and enforces our immigration laws in the workplace. As a practical matter, mass deportation is out of the question from any standpoint, so the alternative is some sort of amnesty. I don't detect the political will necessary to take on this issue in the next Congress.

Candidates Stephen Dolgos and Trent Franks did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

District 9

Andrei Cherny Democrat

Current occupation: Business consultant
www.andreiforarizona.com



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: I support comprehensive immigration reform. According to a recent poll, 85 percent of Arizonans support comprehensive reform that gives those willing to learn English, pay their taxes and stay out of criminal trouble a path to accepting the burdens and benefits of being a citizen of our country. We need to bring that consensus to Washington.

Travis Grantham Republican

Current occupation: Business owner/Air National Guard pilot
www.granthamforcongress.com



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: I do not believe comprehensive immigration reform can occur until we have a secure border. Until our border is secure and illegal immigration is stopped, the chances of immigration-related legislation being introduced are very rare. We must enforce current federal law and secure our border.



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David Schapira
Democrat

Current occupation:
Arizona State Senate
Democratic leader
www.davidforaz.com



Martin Sepulveda
Republican

Current occupation:
Owner, Sepulveda Group
www.sepulvedaforcongress.com



Kyrsten Sinema
Democrat

Current occupation:
Adjunct professor at
Arizona State University
www.kyrstensenema.com



Jeff Thompson
Republican

Current occupation:
Retired businessman
www.jeffthompsonforcongress.com



Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: We need comprehensive immigration reform that accomplishes four things: We must bring undocumented immigrants who have not committed any other crimes out of the shadows and allow them to apply for legal status; we should hold employers who continue to knowingly hire undocumented immigrants accountable; we must secure the border; and we should reform the legal immigration system.

Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: While I support legal immigration, illegal immigration and the failure to secure our border is a national security threat. The U.S. must engage the Mexican government to develop a comprehensive strategy to defeat the narco-terrorists and human smuggling rings. We must be prepared to redeploy military resources to the southern border as the mission in Afghanistan draws down.

Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: For too long, Washington has failed to secure our border or fix our broken immigration system. My position: improve border security, create a market-based solution to meet the demand for labor, and settle the status of millions of undocumented workers — by offering a path to citizenship that requires undocumented workers to pay back taxes and fines and to learn English.

Q: What is your position on comprehensive immigration reform and what do you think the chances are of immigration-related legislation being introduced in the upcoming session of Congress?

A: Our current system attracts millions to come here illegally by giving them free education, medical care, welfare and higher-paying jobs with very few consequences. This costs taxpayers billions of dollars each year. If elected, I will introduce legislation to encourage and reward legal immigration and to enforce severe consequences for illegal immigration and the hiring of illegals.

Candidates Lisa Borowsky, Vernon Parker, Wendy Rogers and Leah Campos Schandlbauer did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

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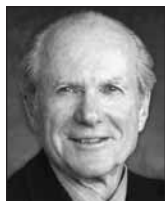
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Arizona Corporation Commission candidates

Robert 'Bob' Burns Republican

Current occupation: Coordinator, governmental affairs for the Arizona Telemedicine Program
www.corpcomm2012.com



Q: If elected, what is your top priority for serving Arizona residents?

A: Arizona's corporation commissioners have a constitutional responsibility of establishing just and reasonable rates and charges to be made and collected by public service corporations. My top priority will be to protect Arizona consumers and ratepayers while providing a diverse portfolio of reliable energy sources that are cost-effective and promote economic recovery and job creation.

Marcia Busching Democrat

Current occupation: Mediator and arbitrator
www.marciaforarizona.com



Q: If elected, what is your top priority for serving Arizona residents?

A: My top priorities are to be your consumer watchdog and to champion Arizona's rightful place as a leader in the development of solar and other renewable resources. Using my Arizona business, legal, community and family experiences, I will ensure that we have reasonable and fair utility rates and that we encourage job growth in Arizona.

Sandra Kennedy Democrat

Current occupation: Corporation Commissioner
www.kennedyacc2012.com



Q: If elected, what is your top priority for serving Arizona residents?

A: My top priority is ensuring Arizona residents have reliable utility service that includes options to help the ratepayers mitigate rising energy costs. Those options should include renewable forms of energy such as solar and wind and cost-effective energy efficiency programs. Renewable energy will not only protect our environment, but can also serve as an economic engine for Arizona.

Paul Newman Democrat

Current occupation: Corporation Commissioner
www.paulnewmanaz.com



Q: If elected, what is your top priority for serving Arizona residents?

A: Arizona has the business climate and natural resources to lead the nation in solar energy. Making Arizona the solar state is a unique economic opportunity that we must seize. Benefits will include job creation, a diversified electrical system, national and statewide energy independence and clean air. I am proud to be one of the highest-elected Jewish politicians in Arizona.

Susan Bitter Smith Republican

Current occupation: Vice President, technical solutions/Executive Director, AZ-NMCCA
www.corpcomm2012.com



Q: If elected, what is your top priority for serving Arizona residents?

A: Your vote for the Corporation Commission may be the most important vote you cast in 2012, as commission decisions impact your daily cost of living. The Corporation Commission sets the price you pay for gas, water and electricity. My priority, if elected, is to ensure that Arizonans have access to affordable and assured energy, gas and water resources.

Bob Stump Republican

Current occupation: Corporation Commissioner
www.corpcomm2012.com



Q: If elected, what is your top priority for serving Arizona residents?

A: It has been a privilege to represent the people of Arizona on the commission. I have advocated for what I believe is essential to Arizona's economic growth: clean, reliable energy at the lowest possible cost. I have aggressively fought securities fraud and protected citizens' retirement investments and will continue to work to secure power that is affordable, abundant and reliable.

Scottsdale City Election

Mayoral candidates

Drew Bernhardt Republican

Current occupation: Small-business owner, former Marine Corps officer
www.drewbernhardtformayor.com



Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: The over-development of our downtown with inconsistent and unnecessary increased density caused by high-rise apartment buildings is creating more congestion, infrastructure costs and crime, as well as destroying the Scottsdale "brand." This increased density can be interpreted as a pretext for light rail up Scottsdale Road, which will devastate the businesses and neighborhoods that make our downtown special.

Jim Lane Republican

Current occupation: Mayor of Scottsdale
www.lane4scottsdale2012.com



Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: We need to control expenses and balance the budget without increasing taxes, make investments where appropriate to maintain Scottsdale's brand and create the best environment for our residents to thrive. We need to develop a general plan that solidly reflects the vision of our residents, reform Scottsdale's regulatory processes and complete the land purchases for the (McDowell Sonoran) Preserve with efficient use of available resources.

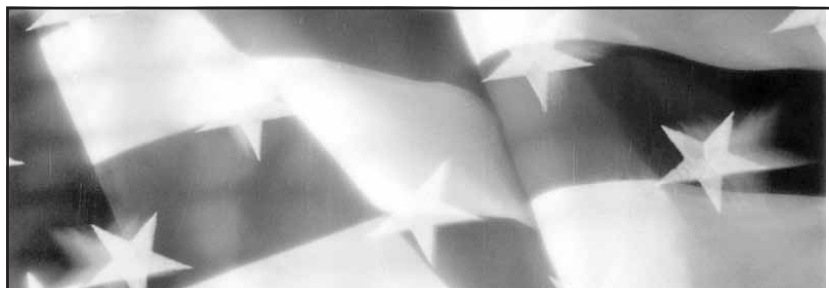
John Washington Republican

Current occupation: Automotive design, community advocate
www.scottsdalecitizen.com



Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: The budget is Scottsdale's most serious problem. Our mayor and council just approved a \$7 million increase, \$1.3 billion in debt, \$78 million in debt service and an \$8 million deficit. This cascades into sacrificing city planning and quality of life by chasing development revenue. Eroding community character makes us less desirable for residents and our primary industry, tourism.



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Scottsdale City Election

City Council candidates

Denny Brown Democrat



Current occupation: Sexton, Shepherd of the Hills UCC and Scottsdale Unified School District Governing Board vice president
www.dennybrownforscottsdale.com

Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: I think the most pressing issue is Scottsdale's success. We need to watch the growth of some areas without losing sight of others. There are places in Scottsdale that need positive focus, nurturing. When development is over-abundant in certain areas, that's difficult. When certain businesses are thriving but impacting neighborhoods, there are issues. We need an equality of focus.

Bill Crawford Republican



Current occupation: Owner of Basic Training in Scottsdale, fitness trainer/educator
www.votebillcrawford.com

Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: The biggest issue is a mayor and council not responding to residents, forcing unwanted developments on residential neighborhoods. This is demonstrated by the poorly planned explosion of the bar district, incompatible with existing neighborhoods. The bar issue is critical because of the detrimental, irreversible consequences to Scottsdale's downtown, ultimately resulting in blight, crime, declining property values and a tarnished image.

Suzanne Klapp Republican



Current occupation: Business owner, incumbent city councilwoman
www.suzanneklapp.com

Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: Since my election in 2008, the city has cut about \$40 million in expenses while maintaining fiscally sound budgets. We must shift our focus to growing revenues through economic development projects, retail sales increases and tourism expansion in order for Scottsdale to maintain its premier city status with top-quality services and amenities.

Eric Luoma Republican



Current occupation: President of Cactus Flower Florists
www.ericluoma.com

Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: The most important issues facing our city right now relate to our budget. With a balanced and realistic budget, we can focus on projects that will increase our revenues and add jobs to our market. I made strategic decisions and led my company through the most difficult financial times in our recent history. I will take the same care with my city.

Joanne 'Copper' Phillips Independent



Current occupation: Educational consultant
www.copperphillips.com

Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: The greatest resource any city has is its citizens. Yet, the Scottsdale City Council majority has devalued citizen input and involvement, negating citizen desires, values and opinions. The citizen-created vision for the city has been lost, while developers' profits dictate city growth and development to the detriment of the quality of life, cultural values and brand of Scottsdale.

Guy Phillips Republican



Current occupation: Owner of Budget Mechanical LLC
www.scottsdaleadvocates.com

Q: What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A: Your quality of life. It's time to vote out those who recently approved over 10,000 high-rise apartment units along Scottsdale Road, raised the debt ceiling by \$280 million, raised your rates and fees and raised your property taxes. If you want a resident-friendly councilman who will stand firm for your rights and quality of life, then I'm your Guy!

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Virginia Korte Republican

Current occupation: President/CEO of STARS (Scottsdale Training and Rehabilitation Services, a non-profit organization)
Website: www.kortescottsdale.com



Q. What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A. Identify more diverse business prospects and work to bring them here to build a broader-based economy. Revitalize the McDowell Road Corridor and launch the city into a new era of economic development. Strengthen our long-term economy and preserve our day-to-day quality of life. City government can be more responsive to citizens, including taxpayers, neighborhoods and businesses.

Chris Schaffner Republican

Current occupation: Account Manager for Milliken
Website: www.SchaffnerforScottsdale.com



Q. What is the most pressing issue facing Scottsdale?

A. There is a growing divide between city government and residents. Our elected leaders have forsaken the interests of residents as expressed in our original General Plan. Fortunately, voters recently rejected the Council's attempt to replace it with a developer-centric, character-destroying update. We must refocus on the residents' vision of a city dedicated to livability and supported by tourism.

Maricopa County Sheriff candidates

Paul Penzone Democrat

Current occupation: Retired Phoenix police officer
www.penzon2012.com



Q: What is the most pressing law-enforcement issue confronting Maricopa County?

A: Leadership is the single-most pressing law-enforcement issue we are facing. The Joe Arpaio we elected 20 years ago is not the same man today. He lost his way. Today, his office is plagued with fiscal irresponsibility, fundamentally flawed law enforcement and a political agenda that trumps public safety. We must do better. As your sheriff, I will do better.

John Rowan Democrat

Current occupation: Retired law enforcement
www.rowanreform2012.com



Q: What is the most pressing law-enforcement issue confronting Maricopa County?

A: Restoring the public's faith in MCSO. In order to restore this faith the sheriff must have a proven track record of integrity and stand up for the victim and be their voice no matter what the outcome. Follow the rule of law, investigate crimes, treat individuals humanely and give complete transparency to the public. I will.

Candidate Joe Arpaio is running unopposed in the Republican primary and chose not to respond to requests for information from Jewish News for this primary election Voter's Guide. Candidate Mike Stauffer, an independent, will appear only on the general election ballot.



Legislative candidates

District 15

State Senate candidates

Nancy Barto Republican

Current occupation: State Senator
www.nancybarto.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Important at all times, but essential for a full economic recovery, citizens count on government at all levels to implement policies that will help our state flourish and be a place where job-creators want to do business. Creating a business-friendly environment and raising the bar for K-12 education are critical, as well as implementing health care policies that lower insurance and health care costs.

Candidate Dennis Grenier did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

State Representative candidates

Heather Carter Republican

Current occupation: State Representative; clinical associate professor at ASU
www.voteheathercarter.com

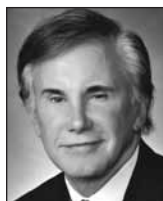


Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The most critical issue facing both Legislative District 15 and the great state of Arizona is the need to make sure Arizona is on track for economic recovery. To do this, we must continue to balance the budget, work to attract new jobs to our state and ensure our children are receiving a quality education.

David Burnell Smith Republican

Current occupation: State Representative; attorney
www.electsmithaz.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The most critical issue facing Arizona and District 15 right now is the budget for 2014. The Supreme Court has ruled Obamacare constitutional. That puts a heavy burden on Arizona to meet the needs of those who are covered by AHCCCS. It's estimated that the cost of this program would be \$800 million to \$1 billion.

Candidates Patricia Flickner, John Allen and James Bearup did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

District 18

State Senate candidates

Janie Hydrick Democrat

Current occupation: Teacher; adjunct professor at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University; state director for National Education Association
www.hydrickforaz.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Arizonans must work together for mutual solutions to move Arizona forward with education, jobs and the economy. We must invest in an education system that provides economic opportunity and global competitiveness by developing innovation, creativity and thinking skills. K-12 schools, community colleges and universities and businesses must work together to create a high-quality workforce as well as high-skill, high-wage jobs.

Candidate John McComish did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

State Representative candidates

Darin Fisher Democrat

Current occupation: CEO, Vision Community Management
www.fisherforarizona.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: I've built my career and businesses by overcoming differences, finding areas of agreement and coming up with workable, common-sense solutions. The lack of a long-term, cohesive vision that promotes a pro-growth environment fostering employment, education, health care security and sensible tax reform to rebuild our middle class and move our economy forward is our greatest challenge today.

Candidates Corey Harris, Jeff Dial and Bob Robson did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

District 22

State Senate candidates

Only one candidate, Judy Burges, is running in this race. She did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

State Representative candidates

David Livingston Republican

Current occupation: Financial planner
www.votelivingston.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The most critical issue for our great state is our economy, both our debt and job creation. We must grow our state by lowering taxes, spending wisely and paying our debt. For job growth, we need to cut regulatory paperwork and taxes on small business while luring in large corporations to further grow our state economy.

Phil Lovas Republican

Current occupation: State Representative
www.lovasforarizona.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The economy. The state must continue using every tool we have to move the economy forward. Tort reform, tax reform, increasing the personal property tax exemption, reducing regulations and streamlining the permitting process for entrepreneurs will help make Arizona the best place in America to do business.

Candidate Jeanette Dubreil did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.





Legislative candidates

District 23

State Senate candidates

Only one candidate, Michele Reagan, is running in this race. She did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

State Representative candidates:

John Kavanagh Republican

Current occupation: State Representative
www.votekavanagh.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Jobs creation is a critical issue. I supported a number of bills that became law to promote job growth, including both business and personal income tax cuts, incentives for businesses to hire new employees, reductions in unnecessary government regulations, tort reform to prevent frivolous lawsuits and increases in education spending to prepare our youth for tomorrow's workforce demands.

Jennifer Petersen Republican

Current occupation: Scottsdale Unified School District Governing Board member
www.jenniferpetersen2012.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Jobs, the economy and education continue to be the priority for both my district and Arizona. We need representatives who are willing to reduce and reform regulatory burdens that get in the way of doing business while valuing the need for a strong education system. Based on my extensive experience, I will bring that message and action to the Capitol.

Michelle Ugenti Republican

Current occupation: State Representative
www.michelleugenti.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The most important issue facing the state is the economy. I have voted for two balanced budgets, allowing us to pay off the state's debt, while continuing to fund government core functions: education, health and welfare and public safety. Having voted for two economic development packages, I will continue to create a business environment to attract quality jobs in Arizona.

District 24

State Senate candidates

Ken Chevront Democrat

Current occupation: General contractor; restaurant owner
www.chevront.org



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: In order for Arizona to survive in today's competitive global environment, it is imperative that we invest in our public education system and create a well-educated and trained population. We are never going to attract high-paying jobs in the future unless we demand more from our educational institutions, taxpayers and elected officials.

Katie Hobbs Democrat

Current occupation: State Representative
www.katiehobbs.org



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The Arizona Legislature has cut so much from K-12 public education that it is affecting our ability to remain competitive. We need to invest in education to create the workforce that will attract quality jobs to our state and maintain our quality of life

Candidates Augustine Bartning and Scott Fistler did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

State Representative candidates

Lela Alston Democrat

Current occupation: State Representative; Phoenix Union High School District Governing Board member
www.lelaalstonaz.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The most critical issue facing citizens in LD 24 remains the economy as it affects living-wage job creation and job training. As the economy improves so will state revenues that can provide education funding at all levels, health care, public safety and needed safety nets for those who still need a hand up.

Chad Campbell Democrat

Current occupation: State Representative; consultant
www.chadcampbell.org



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The most critical issue is our structural economic deficit. We must fix our broken tax code in order to make Arizona more competitive while also bringing in the revenues necessary to pay for quality schools, health care and public safety. We need leaders who will offer a plan for the future, as opposed to pandering to an ideological minority.

Brian Kaufman Republican

Current occupation: Student at ASU law school
www.kaufman2012.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Jobs are the number one issue facing Arizona, especially District 24. Taxes need to be lower for businesses so they have more money to hire workers and invest in capital. Taxes need to be lower for individuals so they have more money to purchase goods and services. Regulations should be reduced and streamlined so more entrepreneurs will start businesses.

Candidate Tom Nerini did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.





Legislative candidates

District 26

State Senate candidates

Ed Ableser Democrat

Current occupation: State Representative; children's and family mental health counselor
www.edableser.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The economy is the most important issue facing Arizona, and providing high-paying jobs to our families. We need to provide tax relief to our middle-income families, rather than the fat cats on Wall Street. As your legislator, I have offered many bills that would kick-start our economy and provide more high-paying jobs.

Jerry Lewis Republican

Current occupation: State Senator; school administrator
www.jerrylewisforsenate.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: A sluggish economic recovery continues to keep inbound investment at a minimum and unemployment at a maximum. These factors continue to adversely affect the ability of many Arizona residents to improve their quality of life.

Candidate Damian Trabel did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

State Representative candidates

Haryaksha Gregor Knauer Green Party

Current Occupation: Foundryman, Cosanti Originals
www.newmenu.org/hgk



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: It's public education (jobs for teachers and preparation for a future workforce, not to mention life-enrichment); public transportation (gets people to work and enhances community); AHCCCS and human services (ending the current selfish austerity so much in vogue); alternatives to carbon-based and nuclear energy; clean air, water and land; and unequivocal amnesty, which all adds up to a sustainable economy.

Juan Mendez Democrat

Current occupation: Manager, Community Information and Referral — Community Voice Mail
www.mendezforaz.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The misplaced priorities of our Legislature do not allow for investment or opportunities. We lack diverse revenue and the courage to close tax loopholes or end tax credits that do not benefit us. Private individual success depends on shared public investment. Our state, citizens and businesses need investments by the state in infrastructure, education and health care to function and flourish.

Buckley Merrill Republican

Current occupation: Copy boy
www.merrillsmaraders.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The most critical issue we face is that power, choices, control, responsibility and money are being moved away from the individual and toward the federal government. We need to reverse that. We need to follow Jethro's advice. Moses alone on the judgment seat was bad. Local control was good. See Exodus 18.

Andrew Sherwood Democrat

Current occupation: Marketing director at Great Spaces
www.sherwoodforaz.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Jobs and the economy are the most critical issues facing the State of Arizona. One of the critical factors in job creation is the availability of an educated and competent workforce. Arizona needs legislators who understand how business location decisions are related to the quality of our educational system and who will rebuild Arizona into a world-class education provider and leader.

Ray Speakman Republican

Current occupation: Self-employed by Velocity Design Group
www.rayspeakman.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The economy and jobs are the number one issue facing both LD 26 and Arizona. This is affected by a number of issues: business regulations, immigration, education and taxation. I am committed to listening to my constituents, giving the power back to them and striving to reduce the effect of government in our lives.

Mary Lou Taylor Republican

Current occupation: Retired
www.votemarylou.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Education for our students, jobs and job training.

Jason Youn Republican

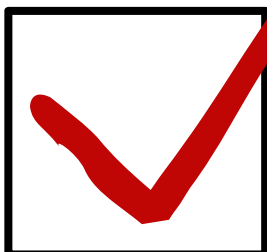
Current occupation: Business owner
www.jasonyoun2012.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: We need to fix education, fix our economy, help small business and large business alike, lower and simplify taxes, reduce spending, protect life and more.

Candidate Chris Will did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.





Legislative candidates

District 28

State Senate candidates

Eric Shelley
Democrat

Current occupation: Budget specialist
www.shelleyforarizona.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Arizona finds itself in a spiral in which job losses exacerbate our housing crisis and drain tax coffers of vital educational funding. And because schools are inadequately funded, companies are not looking to create jobs and houses go unsold. We need legislators who will break this cycle by fostering industries such as the solar industry to put Arizona back on track.

Candidates Adam Driggs and James Ianuzzo did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

State Representative candidates

Kate Brophy McGee
Republican

Current occupation: State Representative
www.katemcgee.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: Jobs, the economy and fiscally responsible restoration of funding for education and critical services. We are on track to recovery, but we must remain resolute in our commitment to balancing the budget, growing our economy and investing in education and essential programs.

Eric Meyer
Democrat

Current occupation: State Representative; physician
www.ericforaz.com



Q: What is the most critical issue facing both your district and Arizona?

A: The most critical issue facing our state is our failure to invest in the future. Our state's brand has been tarnished in the last two years. We have cut funding for education by over \$2 billion and voted to deny 47,000 children health care. These cuts are unacceptable. Our children are the key to a bright future for Arizona.

Candidate Amanda Reeve did not respond to requests for information from Jewish News.

