



# Yavapai County DEMOCRAT

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## Climate Change is Every Issue



### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

**W**ith the heat of the summer bearing down upon us in Yavapai County, it seems hard to deny the power of the sun. The science and mechanics of retaining the sun's energy and converting it into electricity have been refined and economized over the last couple decades. With Global Warming bearing down upon us, we must take all know steps to limit our carbon footprint. It is time now that we must find the will, the social imperative and the economic necessity to adopt solar electric at as fast a rate as can be mustered by all who care for the health and safety of future generations. Federal, State and Local Governments should be lead by the will of the people into supporting a clean energy future by encouraging, subsidizing and legislating low carbon energy production, both private and public. Mankind worshipped the sun for thousands of years. Let us get back to the practice through the church of Photovoltaics.

You all have heard me agree that Climate Change is the #1 issue of our time, because it has and will affect all other issues. Well many of those related issues are on my mind and as this is my message of the month, I need to spend a bit of that capital on the state of my mind related to the disaster that Trump has created by the slandering and mistreatment of our immigrant brothers and sisters. Worldwide immigration is being stimulated by climate change and the political degradation of highly populated and economically challenged population centers globally. We are doing a poor job of managing the fellow humans arriving at our southern boarder and the humanitarian crisis being perpetuated by the Trump Administration must be stopped. Not one more death, not one more family separation, not one

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My friend Hal Tyler recently expressed the convictions that resonate in my heart:

"The good news: some of the kids at the Texas BP facility are being moved out of there. The attention from this news going viral is forcing them to make a change.

The bad news: the family separations using any excuse will continue, the camps continue, the imprisonment of kids and asylum seekers continues. And while this has captured enough attention for long enough for something to maybe change, the reality of this nightmare organization is that in a week, we'll have another dozen things to have to fight, and this may get lost to the demands of immediacy.

The hardest thing about this presidency has been trying to address the sheer volume of wrongdoing. We can close the camps, or address the Mueller Report, or the attacks on women's healthcare, or the imminent potential war with Iran, or the elevation of unqualified people to cabinet positions, or the latest credible rape allegation against Trump by a well-known writer, or the roundup of immigrant families, or the weakening of EPA regulations, but we can't effectively address *\*all\** of these things at the same time. Especially when that's *\*\*just this week\*\** and next week will bring a new equally long list.

Trump has exposed a fatal flaw in our system- we can handle someone doing one or two disqualifying or impeachable things, one or two attacks on basic human rights, but we can't deal with a blitzkrieg of wrongs and push back on everything. Moreover, neither can the media. And even when they try, the folks less deeply involved in politics find it difficult to believe, or biased because of the sheer volume of negative stories.

Impeachment seems like the only sane response here, whatever the outcome. A campaign for impeachment seems to be the only activism that can hope to unify the atomized resistance and that can overcome both the exhaustion from the constant whack-a-mole, and the avoidance that results. For

my part, whatever the Trump-created crisis of the day is, when I post an article or a comment here, or try to stop or reverse some horror in off-line life, I will commit to always bringing it back to that- impeach him."

That said, we all need remember that an Impeached President remains in office and that Donald Trump is most likely to ignore and undermine the rule of law as related to the admonishment of impeachment. He could become even more dangerous, but we as Democrats must enforce the rules of our democracy upon this dangerous administration.

[#CloseTheCamps](#). Impeach Trump.

The First Democratic Candidate Primary Debate was so encouraging. Hearing such a large field of passionate candidates speak to our values warms the heart in such dark times. Listening to so many of your opinions and choices for favorites is uplifting. Yavapai County Democrats voice to me daily their support for whomever the nominee that will most surely defeat Trump. We are certain of our mission of building the infrastructure in 2019 to defeat trumpism in 2020, impeached or not.

Thanks for your passion and contributions to democracy,

Democratically Yours,

**John Lutes**



## Corp Commission Candidate Headlines July Meeting

Shea Stanfield

Shea Stanfield has filed for a Arizona Corporation Commission seat and will be the featured speaker for the Yavapai Democrats July meeting. She's provided us a short bio:

My family moved to Phoenix, Arizona in 1957 with my father's job transfer with the Center of Disease Control (CDC). I grew-up with the understanding life was about service to others. I attended Arizona State University earning a Bachelors and Masters in Education. My 40-year teaching career culminated in June 2013. During those years I raised two sons, worked with my local teacher's union, served on the Cave Creek Town Council, and sat on numerous educational and environmental boards. I am running for the Arizona Corporation Commission, as a Clean Elections candidate, with the broad focus on building a sustainable future for Arizona, specifically focusing on renewable clean energy sources, improving air quality, water conservation and growing eco-friendly businesses.



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### Cottonwood Democrats

### Lights for Liberty National Vigil

*Protesting conditions at American detention camps*

Friday, July 12

3:00-4:00 pm

Democracy Corner  
89A and Coffeepot  
Drive



## Zoom! Zoom!

Verde and Sedona area Democrats who can't attend the Yavapai County Democratic Party monthly meetings in Prescott can now do so with Zoom video conferencing software. For information about attending the Cottonwood/Cornville meeting or setting up a meeting of your own, call Jan Graham at 928.634.7563. For information about attending. In Sedona, call Cathy Rutherford at 928.220.5301 for details.

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On Facebook : @YoungDemocratsofthePrescottArea

### Democrats of the Red Rocks

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## Events Calendar

### July Meeting

Thursday July 11

5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Meals on Wheels room, Prescott Adult Center

Featured Speakers: **Shea Stanfield**, candidate for AZ Corp Commission

### YCDP Cottonwood Chapter

Monthly Meeting

Tuesday July 16 6:00 pm (new time!)

Red Rooster Café 901 N Main. Cottonwood

### DORR Monthly Breakfast

Thursday July 18

8:00 am

Featured Speakers: **Bill Pierce**, Candidate for AZ Mine Inspector; **Amber Reimondo**, Grand Canyon Trust; **Kevin Gibson**, Expert on Fracking

Admission is \$15 and includes a lavish buffet

All are welcome. Pay at the door

### DWPA Monthly Luncheon

Wednesday July 24

11:30 am

Centennial Room, Antelope Hills

Reserve at <https://dwpaz.org/>

Featured Speakers: **Carole Benedict**, U.S. Vets Prescott and **Jessi Hans**, Coalition for Compassion and Justice

### Save the Dates:

July 28: Yav Dem Summer Picnic

September 21: Truman -Clinton Dinner

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