

5. **Appoint Election Board Workers ...** Precinct Committee people recommend neighbors to become Election Board workers who are appointed by the County Recorder. It is very important in these times to have good honest Democrats watching the neo-conservative opposition.

6. **Fundraising ...** The fact of life is that politics and elections consume money, and lots of it. In this last election we Democrats did a much better job of this than we have done in the past. PC's play a vital role in fund raising and in planning and executing the events that mobilize donors.

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**How to get started ....**

- Call the Pinal Democrats at our new county office at the listed number or call the state party office today and ask them to pass your name and contact information to Pinal County Democrats.
- Fill out the attached Appointment Request and send it in!
- Find out when and where your Pinal County Democrats are meeting this month and plan to attend.

The Arizona Democratic Party organization begins with the Precinct Committeeperson. Being a Committeeperson means a lot of hard work, a lot of educating and persuading and a good sense of organization. It also brings a lot of satisfaction. Volunteer today! You won't be alone!

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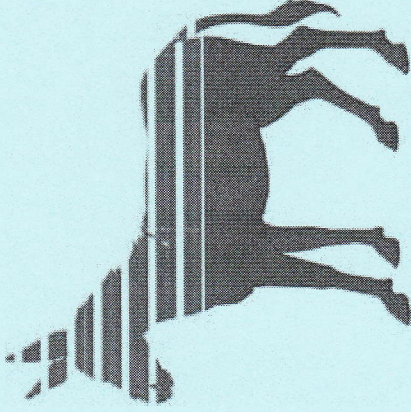
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# WE NEED A FEW GOOD PEOPLE!

## THE PRECINCT

The precinct is the smallest political unit in the country. A precinct cannot be divided by legislative, congressional or supervisor district boundaries. **A precinct is where elections are won or lost.** You know the people, the schools and the community centers. You have your hand on the pulse of the precinct; you understand the problems and potentials. As a good democrat, you have a chance to improve your neighborhood.

The Pinal County Democrats urge you to become a Precinct Committeeperson in your area. Never underestimate the power of the precinct worker! It is the precinct worker, actively participating at the local level, who wins elections for your fellow Democrats in the local, county, state and national levels.

## THINGS YOU WILL NEED TO KNOW TO BE AN EFFECTIVE PRECINCT COMMITTEE-PERSON (PC)

**Know your precinct....** Know the boundaries, the number of houses, the churches, the businesses, the schools, and the polling place. Make a map, study it. Get to know the people, the economic

makeup, number of union members, veterans, students of voting age, total Democratic population and various ethnic groups. You may obtain this information by canvassing your precinct and by checking the walking lists you'll be supplied.

**Know your neighbors...** Get acquainted with the people in your precinct; meet their families, their political leanings and their problems. Keep track of youngsters who will be 18 soon! Watch the local newspapers for lists of new residents and newly married couples. Congratulate them and be sure to register them as Democrats.

**Know your local election laws...** Your county and state organizations offer valuable training.

**Know the issues ...** Read your local paper, keep abreast of major concerns. Know the party's position and tell people.

**Know your party organization...** Get acquainted with your County Chairperson, State Democratic officials, elected local and state Democrats, and of course, our candidates.

**Attend state and regional meetings...** Be active in your party, tell people what you think and influence others.

## DUTIES AS A PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON

**1. Register Democrats ...** There are lots of reasons why people don't register and you will hear them all, apathy, too much hassle, physical disability, jury duty (driver's license lists are actually the primary list) and other arguments. Our duty is to persuade people to register and them to get them to vote for Democratic candidates.

**2. Persuade Voters ...** As a PC, you know your constituency. You are the precinct "opinion maker." You will find that neighbors and local elected officials will come to rely on your information, advice and help in solving public problems.

**3. Get-Out-The-Vote (GOTV) ...** A lot of people think get-out-the-vote is a one day affair – on Election Day. Actually the most important parts take place months and weeks before the election. It's hard work and it takes lots of preparation, but, done well it becomes a real pleasure.

**4. Support a Permanent Party Organization ...** It is important to work within your county party organization. Work with your fellow committeepersons; attend meetings, plan events, help staff county events (fair booths, candidate forums, ect.) and help with fundraising.