American Alliance of Retired Americans

The Alliance met Thursday, March 3, and along with the usual items on the agenda, we discussed our visits to Congressmen Quale and Schweikert. We seemed hopeful and we agreed to continue our meetings with them and members of their staff. Both congressmen seemed interested in our position on Social Security, although they were hesitant to reveal their positions.

Our meeting today centered on fundraising. We will not receive the $25,000.00 we need to fund our Executive Director next year. We brainstormed ideas which include a golf tournament, a bus to a casino in Payson, advertisements in our biannual convention program, a silent auction at the meeting, asking active unions to be sustaining members, etc.

We heard a presentation from the Arizona Advocacy Network regarding redistricting and public financing for elections. We voted to partner with the group to help them in our mutual endeavors by voicing our opposition to SCR 1025 , an attempt to constitutionally ban the use of public funding for elections. We also support their stand against doctors denying the use of the Wellness portion of the Health Care Bill. The doctors are saying, "wait until we see what happens." If you know of anyone who has been denied a wellness checkup, let me know and the Alliance will check into it.

Respectfully submitted,
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