

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GREAT TUCSON

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"Arizona's Public Education: The Reality of Reform and The ABC's of Prop 123"

PRESENTER & INVITED GUEST BIOS



Richard Gilman, the retired publisher of the Boston Globe, is the creator and primary contributor to *Bringing Up Arizona*.

He grew up in Tucson, graduated from the University of Arizona, and started a 35-year newspaper career as a reporter and an editor of *The Arizona Daily Star*. After earning an MBA from Harvard, he worked his way through a variety of management positions to become senior vice president for operations of *The New York Times* and then publisher of the *Globe*.

Gilman began looking at public policy in Arizona from a data-driven perspective for the *Thinking Arizona* website that he created and has now put aside in favor of *Bringing Up Arizona*.

No matter how one looks at the numbers, too many kids in Arizona are struggling to learn. Gilman draws upon the experience of educators, his own examination of schools that are and aren't succeeding, and insights derived from a mountain of data. He explains and advocates for kids through website reports, speeches, and behind-the-scenes campaigning.



Jason Freed, Tucson Education Association

"I have been a teacher in TUSD for 16 years and I currently serve as the President of the Tucson Education Association, representing Classified and Certified employees in TUSD. I am the product of public education, having spent 13 years in TUSD schools, as well as earning my undergraduate and Masters Degrees from NAU. My wife is an elementary teacher, with our eldest daughter in 2nd grade at Kellond Elementary in TUSD and our youngest starting kindergarten there in the fall. I am also the son of two retired teachers.

I firmly believe that the best way to lift up our community is by drastically increasing our support for education. If we agree that our kids are our future, then an investment in their education is an investment for all Arizonans."



Morgan Abraham, No on Prop 123 Committee Chair

Mr. Abraham is the president and owner of the Abraham Avdee Group, which specializes in real estate investments and residential real estate transactions. He also serves as the president of the Pima County Young Democrats and sits on the Pima County Democrat Party Executive Committee. Morgan graduated from the University of Arizona with a degree in engineering and in his senior year served as the student body president of the university.



WEBSITES & INFORMATIONAL RESOURCES

Thank you for joining the League of Women Voters of Greater Tucson for this important conversation. Below are websites from today's presentation, as well as additional resources, voter registration and early voting dates for the May 17, 2016 Special Election. You can find the LWVAZ's PowerPoint Presentation and additional resources at www.lwvgt.org.

Bringing Up Arizona

<http://www.bringinguparizona.com/>

PROP 123 RESOURCES

Prop 123 Ballot Measure as passed by the Arizona Legislature

http://azleg.gov/alispdfs/Council/2016BallotMeasures/HCR_2001.pdf

League of Women Voters of Arizona Prop 123 Brochure

http://lwvgt.org/files/brochure__prop123.pdf

Pro Prop 123 Arguments

https://www.azsos.gov/sites/azsos.gov/files/2016_0104_-_prop_123_-_pro_arguments.pdf

Con Prop 123 Arguments

https://www.azsos.gov/sites/azsos.gov/files/2016_0104_-_prop_123_-_con_arguments.pdf

CAMPAIGN WEBSITES

Yes On Prop 123

<http://yesprop123.com/>

No on Prop 123

<http://www.noprop123.com/>

****SPECIAL ELECTION DATES TO REMEMBER ****

Last day to register for the Special Election

Monday, April 18, 2016

Early Voting Begins for Special Election

Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Special Election

Tuesday, May 17, 2016

