

#### REPUBLICAN CLUB OF SOLIVITA

The largest local Republican Club in Florida

### **July Dinner Meeting**

Wednesday – July. 16th, 2025 Doors open at 5:15 PM Dinner at 5:45 PM

in the

Starlite Ballroom

384 Village Drive Poinciana, Florida 34759

### **Guest Speakers:**



## Wilton Simpson Florida Commissioner of Agriculture

Wilton Simpson is currently serving as the Florida Commissioner of Agriculture since 2023. Before his current role, he served in the Florida Senate from 2012 to 2022, representing various districts around Citrus, Hernando, and Pasco Counties. During his time in the Senate, he held leadership positions including Senate President from 2020 to 2022 and Majority Leader from 2016 to 2018.

Simpson is a fifth-generation Floridian with deep roots in agriculture, having owned and managed a large-scale egg-laying operation. He earned an associate degree from Pasco-Hernando State College.

As Commissioner of Agriculture, he oversees the <u>Florida Department of Agriculture</u> and <u>Consumer Services (FDACS)</u>.

Simpson lives in Trilby, Florida with his wife, Kathy. They have a son and a daughter, and he is a grandfather to two granddaughters. He is also involved in philanthropic work in his community.



# Omar Arroyo District 4 Polk County Commissioner Candidate

Omar Arroyo is a prominent figure in Haines City, Florida, known for his significant contributions to the city's political landscape. He is the first Hispanic commissioner in Haines City, a position he first attained in 2022. In 2023, he served as the first vice mayor, and in 2024, he became the city's first Hispanic mayor. He is also recognized as the first Mexican mayor in Florida.

Beyond his political roles, Arroyo is actively involved in community initiatives and organizations. He serves as the chairman of the HCA Board of Poinciana Hospital and is an active board member of the United Way. He participates in several Florida organizations, including the Florida League of Mayors and Florida League of Cities, and volunteers with various nonprofits around Polk County. Arroyo supports youth in sports and the arts and is a certified contractor in Florida.

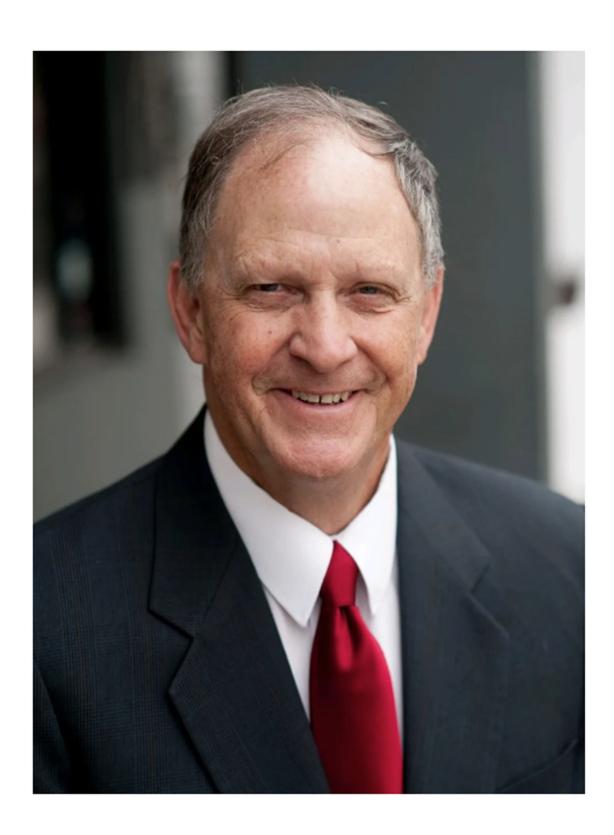


#### Sarah Corona

#### Polk County District 3 School Board Candidate

Sarah Corona is an active candidate for the Polk County School Board District 3 in Florida. Sarah Corona is a bilingual mom and mental health advocate. She expresses a commitment to building safe, strong, and inclusive schools, and fighting for the success of every student. Her campaign slogan is "Power is Knowledge.

She has been selected to serve on the Polk County Sheriff's Advisory Council for 2025-2026. She also participated in the Inside PCPS program, gaining insights into the school system's operations. She was appointed to the City of Lakeland Code Enforcement Board in December 2023. She is the CEO of Florida Behavioral Medicine and has held that position since October 2020. She is associated with the Polk County Republican Latin Club.



# Jim Guth Retired Navy Captain and Former Polk County GOP Chairman

Solivita Resident Jim Guth served in the U.S. Navy for 26 years, where he commanded two nuclear submarines and oversaw hundreds of people. He also served as a program director for a \$1 billion classified program in the Navy.

After his military service, he worked at Boeing and as a consultant before becoming involved in politics. More recently, he has been a Member of the Board of Directors for Advent Health West Florida, and a Member of the Board of Trustees for Heart of Florida Hospital.

He served as the Polk County GOP chairman from 2013 and recently retired from that position. He has run for Polk County Commission. He also served as a district-level delegate to the 2016 Republican National Convention from Florida.

### **Dinner Menu:**

Summer Salad Bar
including
Grilled Chicken or Shrimp
Romaine Lettuce, Beets, Tomatoes,
Cucumbers, Shredded Carrots,
Crumbled Blu Cheese,
Shredded Cheddar Cheese,
Black Olives, Red Onion, Diced Egg,
Crumbled Bacon & Croutons

Ranch or Citrus Vinaigrette Dressing

Hot Rolls and Butter

#### **Dessert:**

Ice Cream Sandwich

Water, Ice Tea and Coffee Station Cash Bar

#### **Tickets on Sale:**

From 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Republican Club table in the Freedom Park Marketplace parking lot on the following days:

> Monday, Jun. 23 Friday, Jun 27 Monday, Jun 30 Friday, Jul 4 (TBD) Monday, Jul 7

Members \$26 Non-Members \$36

(Exact change or checks preferred)
Tickets are non-refundable

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