



# AZ Legislative District 23 Republican Committee

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Joe Meli, Chairman 480-652-3623

## The Lincoln Link

June 2014

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### NEXT MEETING OF LD23

**This will be the last chance for you to hear all four LD23 State House candidates before the Primary election on August 26, 2014.**

Please be at this meeting to hear their presentations and ask your questions of these candidates. You will be voting for two candidates to fill the two seats. Bring your friends and neighbors to help them be as informed as possible.

**An educated voter is a good voter!**

June 12th, 7:00 pm  
St. Bernard Clairvaux Church  
(Map link and details below in 2nd Vice Chair report)

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### CHAIRMAN'S CORNER – Joe Meli

Dear Fellow PCs,

We are thick in the primary season and the various candidates and campaigns are hard at work getting their messages out and meeting & greeting voters.

As is typical during this time in the election cycle, negative ads, rumors and outright maliciousness pervades the political discourse.

A non-political person might hear all the attempts at character assassination and wonder why be involved in politics at all?

Our task as PCs is to support candidates post-primary and work at getting all offices filled by Republicans.

I would suggest we focus on the accomplishments and stands on issues of all candidates rather than engaging in low-brow rumor-mongering. The left will do plenty of that without our help.

Candidates should be judged on their qualifications, experience and stands on issues. Perhaps the best way to show ourselves as a party of moral values is to act like we actually live by them.

Non-involved voters interacting with us as PCs, will surely be influenced by our show of character and intelligent discourse. Right now, that is what matters to our nation, not petty bickering.

Support your candidates as Republicans stepping forward to serve. To those who have run for office before, you know how great an effort it takes. For those who have not, take my word, it's easier to arm-chair quarterback than step out on the field.

Lets stay focused on our Republican values: limited government, lower taxes and strict adherence to our Constitution. Those who believe in our nation have no trouble espousing these beliefs.

It's time to roll up our sleeves and get Republicans elected. We will win on 2014!

Regards,

Joe Meli  
Chairman

### **FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN – Nancy Ordowski**

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I want to thank all of our PCs for doing a GREAT job recruiting new Precinct Committeemen for the 2014 election cycle. Everyone worked hard to get their affidavits and petitions completed and turned into the County. We will know after June 12<sup>th</sup> which precincts will have candidates on the precinct ballots.

Please contact your Precinct Captain or Area Director and submit to them the following information:

**Your name, phone number, e-mail address and precinct.**

**Let them know if you have access to a smartphone or tablet or if you will need a paper walking list for your precinct.**

This information is necessary for the dispersement of the i360 information.

If you do not know how to contact your Captain or Area Director please send the above information to me at [ncordowski@gmail.com](mailto:ncordowski@gmail.com) or call me at 480-203-5278. If you should call when I am in a meeting please leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Captains or Area Directors please get the above information to me when you hear from your PC's.

If you had your photo taken at the May meeting, your badge will be available for you to pick up at our June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Thank you for all of your work and support.  
Submitted by,  
Nancy Ordowski

## **SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN - Rich Rutkowski**

Our June 12 meeting will be held at the parish hall of St. Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Church, located at 10755 North 124th Street, just north of Shea and just south of Via Linda. (A map link can be found below.) Please park in the south parking lot (closer to Shea) and look for the "LD 23" signs by the large building past the church. This month, we will be meeting on the second floor of the building, since Vacation Bible School is "camping out" in the main hall. You can take the elevator or the staircase to the 2nd Floor. Please remember that since we are renting church property, absolutely NO political signage or activity is allowed outside of the building or outside of the room which we are renting. Your cooperation with this is much appreciated.

### [Map for St Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Church](#)

Our guests this month are the active Republican candidates for LD23 State Representative - Rep. Michelle Ugenti, Effie Carlson, Jay Lawrence, & Scottsdale City Councilman Bob Littlefield. Registration and social time begins at 6:30 PM and the agenda will commence promptly at 7:00 PM. The format will be similar to the May 8 Gubernatorial Forum, with brief opening comments from each candidate, Q & A (each candidate answering each question), and closing comments. Bring your questions, but please keep them clear, direct, and concise. Please refrain from a long "introduction" to your question. In order to maximize your ability to ask questions, the candidates' comments and answers will be subject to a time limit (to which all of them have agreed). This promises to be another great opportunity for us to learn about and evaluate our candidates.

Looking ahead to our July 10 meeting, we will be hosting an LD23 Senate Candidate Forum. Other guests are expected but their attendance is not yet confirmed. Please make plans to attend and encourage your fellow PC's to come along for these important and informative evenings.

## **TREASURER - Gayla Coletto**

### Revenue

Breakfast	\$430.00
Donations	\$130.00
Badges	\$ 61.50
Total	\$621.50

## Expenses

Room Rental	\$200.00
Security dep.	\$250.00
Badges	\$105.25
Breakfast	\$538.47
Barry Asmus	\$350.00
Office Supplies	\$ 81.48
CC web page	\$ 16.40
Total	(\$1,091.60)
Net Income/Loss	(\$ 407.10)

Please make your ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$30.00 Individual \$50.00 Couple of same Household, Chairman's level \$100.00 or more.

**We would like thank the following for their May Donations  
Lynne & Richard Breyer, Anthea Dyer & Gary Conrad, James Sinyard,**

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## **DISTRICT 23 MINUTES - Lynne Breyer, Secretary**

**Arizona Legislative District 23**  
**District Meeting Minutes**  
St Bernard Clairvaux Church, Scottsdale  
May 8, 2014  
7:00 pm

With concurrence of the members present, the District Meeting of the members of Arizona Republican Legislative District 23, held at St Bernard Clairvaux Church, located at 10744 N 124th St, Scottsdale, AZ 85259, on May 8, 2014 was called to order by Chairman Joe Meli at 7:03 pm.

The Invocation was given by Jim O'Connor.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim O'Connor.  
*God Bless America* was then played via audio system.

### **Introductions**

All elected officials present were introduced.

**Governor's Forum,** 2nd Vice Chair Rich Rutkowski

Introduction of candidates for forum: Christine Jones, Frank Riggs, Ken Bennett, Al Melvin  
Rich explained the format for the forum. All candidates agreed in advance to the format. Questions will be taken from the assembly lined up at the microphone in the center aisle.

**Business Meeting,** Chairman Meli

Congressman Schweikert is collecting signature petitions and asks that everyone who has petitions please turn them in to Congressman Schweikert.

The Board has created a new committee and Liz Alcorn has been voted by the Board to be the Chair of the new Community Outreach Committee. The purpose of this committee is to reach out to Republican organizations, putting on special events that would include outreach to the public

**Approval of the Minutes**

There are copies of the Minutes from the last District meeting in the back of the room. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as posted in the Newsletter. The motion passed.

**First Vice Chair,** Joe Meli for Nancy Ordowski

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AZGOP and Nancy are moving along on the i360 program. Each precinct will have their own password. It's expected to have the i360 system ready to go by the District meeting on June 12. The plan is for the Area Directors to learn it first and then they will train the Precinct Captains who will train their PCs. Nancy will schedule an Area Director meeting prior to the June meeting.

**Second Vice Chair,** Rich Rutkowski

June 12th will be a forum for candidates for State House from LD23. Six declared candidates have accepted the invitation to participate.

The assembly applauded the great job Rich did with the evening's Governor candidates Forum.

**Treasurer's Report,** Gayla Coletto

If anyone want's a copy of the financials for the past month, copies will be available at the end of the meeting.

April 30, 2014

REVENUES		
May Breakfast, preliminary	2,200.00	
Donations	224.00	
Badges	45.00	
Merchant Account	30.00	
TOTAL REVENUE		2,499.00

EXPENSES		
Office Supplies	14.59	
Room Rental, SG Class	329.26	
Breakfast Deposit	873.32	
Website/email	16.40	
TOTAL EXPENSES		(1,233.57)
NET INCOME (LOSS)		1,265.43

Gayla has badges that are paid for to be picked up by the owners.

The merchant account has been closed because we no longer need it. There was a transfer of \$151 from the merchant account into the regular checking account.

Please make your annual contributions \$30 per person, \$50 for married couples, \$100 Chairman's level is suggested.

\*\*Thanks to those who made donations in April:

Jerry Anderson

Rod Morris

Maxine Decker

Carole Klein

Barbara Espinosa

Max McNeely

Jayne Heckman

There was net income from the 50/50 raffle of \$34

#### **Announcements, Chairman Meli**

We will be sending out an email for those who have not turned in their petitions. Everyone should contact Nancy Ordowski direct. Nancy will be turning them in on the 21st and the 28th.

#### **Adjournment**

A motion made and seconded to adjourn at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Breyer

Secretary, LD23 Republican Committee

#### **DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS:**

Paradise Republican Women's Club luncheon is Saturday, June 14 at Gainey Ranch Golf Club, 7600 E Gainey Club Drive, Scottsdale AZ 85258.

Join Dynamic Republican Women to learn about the following candidates:

Hon. Doug Ducey - Candidate for Governor

Christine Jones - Candidate for Governor

Hon. Al Melvin - Candidate for Governor

Hon. Hugh Hallman - Candidate for Treasurer

Hon. John Huppenthal - Candidate for re-election, Superintendent of Public Instruction

Andrew Walter - Candidate for Congress, CD9

Legislative Candidates for LD23 - Invited:

Rep. Michelle Ugenti, Bob Littlefield, Effie Carlson, Jay Lawrence. Jay Schwartz, Hon. Kate Brophy-McGee (LD28)

Make reservations here: [Paradise Republican Women's Club](#)

#### Palo Verde Republican Women

Palo Verde RW will return to Grayhawk golf Club for it's June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Featured speakers are: Candidate for Secretary of State – Justin Pierce.

Candidates for Az State Treasurer: Randy Pullen, Jeff DeWitt and Hugh Hullman.

Social 11:00, lunch 11:30 - \$25.00 at the door – a reservation made is a reservation paid – contact Edith Stock at: [pvrwlunch@gmail.com](mailto:pvrwlunch@gmail.com) or 480-294-7093.

Palo Verde will be dark July and August.

#### The Fountain Hills Republican Club

The Fountain Hills Republican Club will next meet on Saturday, June 21 at the Fountain Hills Community Center, 13001 N La Montana Drive at 9:00 a.m. with social period starting at 8:30., featuring candidates who have not yet appeared before the FHRC.

The next FHRC "GOP Social" is at 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 24th at Moxie's Modern Fare (13014 N Saguaro Blvd, FH, 85268, [\(480\) 816-5323](tel:4808165323))

Further details about this and other FHRC events are on the club's website at <http://www.fhrepublican-club.org>.

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