

**AZ Legislative District 23 Republican Committee**  
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**Nancy Ordowski, Chairman**  
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# November 2019 Newsletter



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**NEXT MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14**  
**McDOWELL MOUNTAIN RANCH McDOWELL CENTER**  
[\[MAP\]](#)

## **CHAIRMAN'S CORNER – Nancy Ordowski**

Mark your calendars and plan to attend two upcoming events. The LD23 Fall Picnic will be on Saturday afternoon, November 9. The LD23 Christmas Holiday Party will be on Friday evening, December 6. Watch for details.

Maricopa County has the largest voting in Arizona and will determine the success of the 2020 election. Our work is cut out for us. We need you, our PCs, to be walking parts of your precinct weekly. As I mentioned before, we had 22,000 Republican voters that didn't vote in 2018. Those numbers would have closed the gap or won the election for some of our Republican candidates.

President Trump has invested in Arizona with the Trump Victory team. It is our responsibility to do the work on the ground as grassroots workers. A SPECIAL Thank You to all of you who did door knocking this past weekend. I know there were challenges for some of you with Campaign Sidekick. That is why we were testing a year in advance. I will be working with Vince to get these problems addressed. If you had no problem, keep using the app. If it was a problem and you want a paper list, please let me know of the streets around you and I will get information out to you.

We have MANY BLESSINGS to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. May you have a special day with family and friends. May this time give you strength to know the work you are doing is so important to protect our Freedoms in America.

Please remember to check out [www.ld23gop.org](http://www.ld23gop.org) for updated information. It will be great to see everyone again on **Thursday, November 14** for our District Meeting at the McDowell Mountain Ranch McDowell Center. You can reach me at [ncordowski@gmail.com](mailto:ncordowski@gmail.com) or 480-203-5278.

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

Remember that this Monday, November 11 is Veterans' Day. Veterans deserve our respect every day, but please do something special to honor them on that day - go to the parade in Phoenix, or to the ceremony at the Veterans' Memorial in Fountain Hills, or maybe just call or visit a veteran to say, "Thank you." Thank God for them and their service to our nation.

For those who have submitted an RSVP (to help us have the right amount of food), our Fall Picnic will be this Saturday, November 9 at Horizon Park, Ramada 1 from 3:00 - 5:00 PM. Details can be found on the Home page of [www.ld23gop.org](http://www.ld23gop.org) or [HERE](#). It promises to offer great weather, delicious food (I'll be tending the grill.), and good company. Several elected officials and candidates for office will be attending. Ramada 1 is in the back of the park behind the concessions building. Look for the "LD23" signs that will guide you to the right place. Our next regular meeting will be on **Thursday, November 14** at the McDowell Mountain Ranch McDowell Center. [MAP](#) The topic for this meeting is Immigration & Customs Enforcement. Our guest speaker will be ICE Deportation Officer Ryan Stone.

Please visit [www.ld23gop.org](http://www.ld23gop.org) for any updates, and read LD23 communications, for accurate information about future meetings, upcoming events, documents, and links to other web sites and resources. If you are not getting our e-mail communications (from "[news@ld23gop.org](mailto:news@ld23gop.org)" please check your "Spam" or "Junk" folders and mark "safe sender" or add the address to your contacts. This almost always solves the problem. Other communications about LD23 issues can be sent to [ld23gop@gmail.com](mailto:ld23gop@gmail.com).

## **TREASURER'S REPORT - Barry Graham**

**DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE**  
**Statement of Activity and Bank Balance**  
**Month-Ended October 31, 2019**

| <b>Revenue</b>                          |                            |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Donations/dues                          | \$ 390.00                  |
| Badges                                  | 116.00                     |
| Other                                   | <u>395.89</u>              |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                    | <b><u>901.89</u></b>       |
| <b>Expenses</b>                         |                            |
| Office supplies                         | 19.43                      |
| Website/email services                  | 195.89                     |
| Bank and credit card fees               | <u>6.24</u>                |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                   | <b><u>221.56</u></b>       |
| <b>Net Change</b>                       | <b>680.33</b>              |
| <b>Reconciled Bank Balance 9/30/19</b>  | <b><u>13,654.02</u></b>    |
| <b>Reconciled Bank Balance 10/31/19</b> | <b><u>\$ 14,334.35</u></b> |

**Thank you to those who have made their 2019 annual donations. We are finishing the year strong! There are still two months left to make a donation for 2019.**

**Annual Donations:** The recommended annual donation is \$30 (\$50/couple). Donations can be made at monthly meetings, or by the following:

1. Email Barry Graham at [BSGraham@gmail.com](mailto:BSGraham@gmail.com) along with your phone number and your availability. The Treasurer will call to securely pay by credit card.
2. Mail a check along with the completed Donation Form (Documents section of [www.LD23GOP.org](http://www.LD23GOP.org)) to:

Barry Graham, Treasurer  
District 23 Repub. Committee  
8776 E. Shea Blvd. Suite 106-341  
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

Make check payable to: **District 23 Republican Committee**

Note: Both checks and credit cards accepted. Donations not tax deductible.

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**MEETING MINUTES - Rich Rutkowski for Korena Byam**

**District 23 Republican Committee**  
8776 E Shea Blvd Ste 106-341

## Scottsdale, AZ

### MEETING MINUTES, 10/10/19 McDowell Mountain Ranch Community Center Scottsdale, AZ

- Call to order at 7:00PM by District 23 Chairman Nancy Ordowski
- Prayer – Bob Lettieri
- Pledge of Allegiance – Veterans Van Berry & Dan Ryan
- Introductions of LD23 Officers: Chairman Nancy Ordowski, Second Vice-Chairman Rich Rutkowski, Treasurer Barry Graham. First Vice-Chairman and Secretary could not attend due to work commitments.
- Introductions of elected officials (Nancy): AZGOP Treasurer Bob Lettieri; AZGOP Member-at-large Yvonne Cahill; MCRC Member-at-large Janell Soyster-Buchholdt, MCRC Treasurer Shelia Muehling; Paradise Valley School District Board Member Susan Matura.
- Introductions of new PCs, candidates and other guests (Nancy): multiple new PCs; Candidate for State House Joe Chaplik; Trump campaign representative Vince Gil.
- Speakers' Agenda (Rich):
  - Next month's meeting on November 14, speaker & topic TBA
  - Tonight - National Popular Vote (NPV), with Bob Hathorne & Alex Meluskey
    - The presentation reviewed: the history & Constitutional basis of, and the Founders' rational purpose for the Electoral College; the threat to this system and to state sovereignty posed by the National Popular Vote Compact; the concepts of democracy and factions (big cities) and the influence of each on our country and method of electing our President and Vice-President; the attempt by supporters of the NPV Compact to override the Constitution and implement their agenda, substituting tyranny of the majority for our Constitutional republican form of government; quotes from a variety of Democrats & supporters of NPV illustrating their true agenda and intent to ignore/overturn Constitutional principles.
- Additional topics (Nancy):
  - LD23 PC & former Chairman Jim O'Connor spoke for 3 minutes (allowed 4 minutes) about his support for the campaign of US Senate Candidate Daniel McCarthy
  - LD23 PC Chris Brant spoke for 4 minutes about his support for the re-election of US Senator Martha McSally
  - AZ Trump campaign representative Vince Gill provided an update on campaign status in AZ and recognized the outstanding participation of LD23 PCs in the campaign, including recent National Day of Action activities
- Announcements (Nancy):
  - Thank you to National Day of Action volunteers.
  - Encouragement to PCS to be as active as possible in contacting voters in our precincts and developing/sustaining personal relationships in preparation for Election 2020. LD23 rack cards highlighting "Promises Made, Promises Kept" are available for PCs to distribute.
  - There will be no 2020 Republican Party Presidential Preference Election in AZ. This will save AZ taxpayers a substantial amount of money.
  - Observations/comments in support of CD8 Congresswoman Debbie Lesko.

- Observations about recent meeting sponsored by Maricopa County Recorder Adrian Fontes and the impression that selected attendees representing minorities were attempting to promote the idea that voter ID was burdensome.
- Bob Hathorne provided information about the proposed revision of the Election Manual by the AZ Secretary of State, reporting that the revision must be approved by Governor Ducey and AZ Brnovich. He encouraged PCs to contact both of them to voice concerns about problems with the proposed revision.
- Betsy Ross Flag Raffle:
  - Flags were generously donated to the District by Golden Eagle PC Susan Schulman.
  - Small Betsy Ross American flags were awarded by random drawing to each of five PCs who had purchased raffle tickets.
- Approval of minutes of September 12 meeting
  - Motion to approve by Bob Lettieri; seconded by Chris Brant.
- Treasurer's Report (Barry Graham):
  - Current balance is ~\$13,700.
  - Quarter 3 Campaign Finance Reports have been filed on time.
  - Thank you to PCs who have made 2019 dues donations.
- Reminders (Nancy):
  - LD23 Fall Picnic on Saturday, November 9 at Horizon Park. RSVPs needed.
  - Next Meeting on November 14 at McDowell Mountain Ranch McDowell Center.
  - LD23 Christmas Holiday Party on Friday, December 6. Details to come.
  - FHRC Picnic on Saturday, October 19. See Chris Brant to RSVP.
- Adjournment (Nancy):
  - 8:50 PM, after multiple PCs made & seconded the motion

Minutes taken & respectfully submitted by 2nd Vice-Chairman Rich Rutkowski.

## **DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS**

### **Paradise Republican Women's Club**

Next meeting: Saturday, November 9

McCormick Scottsdale Millennium Hotel

7401 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale

9:00 AM Meeting / 10:00 AM Brunch

Speakers: Jennifer Harris, AZ Department of Veteran Services and David Lucier, retired Special Forces Veteran

Brunch & meeting - \$30 per person. For information, please visit <http://prwc.org>.

### **Lincoln Republican Women's Club**

Next meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

McCormick Scottsdale Millennium Hotel

7401 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale

5:30 PM Meet & Greet / 6:00 PM Meeting / 6:20 PM Dinner / 7:00 PM Program

Speaker: \_\_\_\_\_

Reservations needed (\$35 cash or check to "LRW"). RSVP by Oct. 5 to

Karen Garrett at 602-571-6020 or [azgarrett@gmail.com](mailto:azgarrett@gmail.com).

### **Palo Verde Republican Women**

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 20

Grayhawk Golf Club

8620 E Thompson Peak Parkway, The Fairway House

11:00 AM Social / 11:30 AM Program & Lunch

Speaker: A special program honoring veterans and commemorating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Vietnam War with guest speaker, retired Marine, and Purple Heart recipient Phil C. S. Yin, Ph.D.

Reservations required (\$35) at <https://pvrwluncheon.eventbrite.com> ;

**Fountain Hills Republican Club**

Next meeting: Saturday, November 16

Speakers: Maricopa County Attorney Alister Adel

Fountain Hills Community Center

13001 N La Montana Drive in Fountain Hills

Light Refreshments - 8:30 AM; Meeting - 9:00 AM

FHRC Social: Wednesday, November ?? at 5 PM (please check with FHRC)

All American Sports Grill, 16872 E Ave of the Fountains, Fountain Hills

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Republican Club on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/ FountainHillsRepublicanClub](http://www.Facebook.com/FountainHillsRepublicanClub).



This month's newsletter was compiled, edited, and respectfully submitted by Rich Rutkowski, 2nd Vice Chairman.