# AZ Legislative District 23 Republican Committee www.ld23gop.org

Nancy Ordowski, Chairman 480-203-5278

# **August 2020 Newsletter**

MAKING AMERICA GREAT AGAIN...AGAIN!

# OUR THURSDAY, AUGUST 13 MEETING WILL BE IN-PERSON

(WITH AN OPTION TO ATTEND VIA ZOOM)
(ZOOM LINKS WILL BE SENT OUT ON AUGUST 11.)
FOUNTAIN HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT LEARNING CENTER
16000 E. PALISADES BLVD.
FOUNTAIN HILLS

MAP

SIGN IN: 6:30 PM - CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

## **CHAIRMAN** - Nancy Ordowski

Well, the Primary Election is behind us, as with any elections some of us are pleased with the results and others aren't very happy. Probably most of you, like me, are happy with some races and unhappy about others. As my Mother said "you can't have your way all of the time." Now we need to come together and work to make sure ALL of our Republicans are elected on November 3, 2020. I mean ALL of us must work as a team to get all Republicans elected to support President Trump. We have to protect the US House and Senate as well as the AZ House and Senate. I am not ready to live in a Socialist country, and I don't believe any of you are either; with NO law and order, we have to stand united for AMERICA!!

Scottsdale School Board Candidates Kate Angelos and Lucy DiGrazia will need our support and help to make sure we have conservatives supporting our students. The Fountain Hills School Board election is uncontested, with two Republicans running for the two openings. There will also be propositions we will need to defeat or support as well as information on judges. Jim O'Connor received enough votes to appear on the November ballot. We are working on our District 23 campaign material and will have supplies available for you at our September meeting.

There were still many challenges with polling locations, number of days open, hiring of Republicans to be Poll Workers and to work at the tabulation center. These are things we will be working on in the next couple of weeks. We will keep you updated.

I know some of you may be comfortable attending our August 13 meeting inperson You will be missed, but we understand. Please connect to the meeting through the Zoom link; we hope to see you at our September 10 meeting. You are all very special individuals and I care and pray for each of you.

### FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN - Rob Swoboda

Hello Team MAGA.

I pray you are all safe and healthy in mind, body and spirit. First, I would like to congratulate all our Republican candidates that will be representing us in the General Election!

Here are some fantastic number from the August 4<sup>th</sup> primary Election Day votes in Maricopa: (from @Garret\_Archer)

Republicans: 24,121 (59.2%) Great Turn out!!!

Democrats: 12,179 (38.3%)

Other: 784 (2.53%)

What the Election Day vote looks like in target districts: (from @Garret\_Archer)

CD 6 D: 1,983 LD 15 R: 1,437

LD 23 R: 2,276 -GO LD23!!!

LD 26 D: 857 LD 27 D: 814

Returned early ballots in Maricopa (from @sfalmy tracker)

Republicans: 314,423 (50.7%) We beat the Dems in Early Ballots! Awesome!!!

Democrats: 305,052 (49.2%)

Many predicted we would be turning out to vote in-person in larger numbers as we cannot trust our mail in vote process. However, this coupled with our strong mail in vote will ensure our victory in the general if we all vote and vote for all Republicans on the ticket. "VOTE THE TICKET" must be our mantra from today to election day. We cannot afford to lose a single race to the Democrats. I believe the General will look just like this but we will need to galvanize our people behind the candidates that we have elected in the primary with the same zeal and ferocity for someone we did not support or vote for as for our preferred candidate. We are strong together in Faith with God for our Country and our People. There is still time to register more Republican voters and we need to get as many as possible to overcome the massive cheating the Democrats are setting the stage for with there all mail in voting schemes which will completely undermine the integrity of our elections. Remember to ask us how to get yard signs for our Republican candidates for yourselves and fellow Republicans in your precinct and ............ VOTE THE REPUBLICAN TICKET!!!!

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

Our Thursday, August 13 meeting will be **in person** at the Fountain Hills Unified School District Learning Center at 16000 E. Palisades Blvd. in Fountain Hills. MAP The Learning Center has plenty of room to accommodate those who choose to maintain personal space, and we will do our best to follow current coronavirus guidance. Registration opens at 6:30 PM and the meeting will start at 7:00 PM. For those who are unable to join us in person, we will offer the option to observe the meeting remotely via ZOOM. (Look for the ZOOM links on Tuesday, August 11.) We will be reviewing results and conduct of the August 4 Primary Election and continue our preparation for the November 3 General Election. We are expecting a special guest speaker, but that has yet to be confirmed.

I hope you have been reading my Coronavirus Updates, clicking on the links, and sharing the information with others. So much of the media "news" is promoting a narrative which is far from objective or based upon real science. Unfortunately, too many government officials are accepting that narrative and reacting with restrictions on our liberty. We need to consider all aspects of this issue. We must avoid succumbing to "groupthink."

We tend to make contact with Republican voters before the primary, but we need to broaden our approach for the general election. IND and PND voters can vote for Republicans in the general election. Part of our job is to welcome & persuade those voters to our side. Every vote counts; we want and need every vote in November!

As we approach the general election, it is especially important that you please visit <a href="www.ld23gop.org">www.ld23gop.org</a> for 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"), please check your "Spam" or "Junk" folders and mark the address as a "safe sender, and add the address to your list of contacts. This almost always solves the problem. Other communications about LD23 issues can be sent to <a href="ld23gop@gmail.com">ld23gop@gmail.com</a>. I check that inbox daily.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Barry Graham, Treasurer

#### DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE Statement of Activity and Bank Balance Month-Ended July 31, 2020

Revenue	
Donations/dues	\$ 330.00
Badges	32.00
Other	75.00
Total Revenue	437.00
Expenses	
Room rental	90.00
Bank and credit card fees	<u> </u>
Total Expenses	106.36
Net Change	330.64
Reconciled Bank Balance, prior month-end	<u> 17,185.11</u>
Reconciled Bank Balance, current month-end	<u>\$ 17,515.75</u>

As we get closer to election day, campaign finance reports are due more frequently. You can check that your donations are reported correctly and that LD23 Republicans are filing timely at: <a href="mailto:azsos.gov/elections/campaign-finance-reporting">azsos.gov/elections/campaign-finance-reporting</a>

# Below is a screenshot of from the Secretary of State's website of the filing information for reports this election cycle:

Due Date ▼	Date Filed 🗘	Status 💠	Options 🗘	Report Name
10/15/2020	Unfiled	Due by 10/15/2020	Preview	2020 - Q3 Report
7/27/2020	7/21/2020	On Time		2020 - 7th Report (Pre-Primary)
7/15/2020	7/2/2020	On Time		2020 - 6th Report (2nd Quarter)
4/15/2020	4/12/2020	On Time		2020 - 5th Report (1st Quarter)
1/15/2020	1/13/2020	On Time		2019 - 4th Report (4th Quarter)
10/15/2019	10/7/2019	On Time		2019 - 3rd Report (3rd Quarter)
7/15/2019	7/7/2019	On Time		2019 - 2nd Report (2nd Quarter)
4/15/2019	4/8/2019	On Time		2019 - 1st Report (1st Quarter)
1/15/2019	1/9/2019	On Time		2018 - 11th Report (4th Quarter)
10/29/2018	10/21/2018	On Time		2018 - 10th Report (Pre-General)

#### Thank you very much to those who have already made their annual donation!

**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 <a href="mailto:BSGraham@gmail.com">BSGraham@gmail.com</a> 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 <u>Donation Form</u> (Documents section of www.LD23GOP.org) to:

Barry Graham, Treasurer District 23 Republicans 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.

#### MEETING MINUTES - Korena Byam, Secretary

#### **District 23 Republican Committee** 8776 E Shea Blvd Ste 106-341 Scottsdale, AZ 85251

#### LD23 REGULAR MEETING (in person & Zoom) **July 9 2020**

#### I. Call to Order

Nancy Ordowski called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Rich Rutkowski gave the invocation. Nancy & Rich led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### II. Introductions & Speakers

Nancy Ordowski (Chairman) - Introduced Executive Committee officers, Trump Victory leaders, McSally team members, those running for Scottsdale School Board. Welcomed Congressman David Schweikert for brief comments.

Rich Rutkowski (2nd Vice-Chairman) · Introduced candidates for AZ Senate & AZ House participating in Candidate Forum: Michelle Ugenti-Rita, Alexander Kolodin, John Kavanagh, Jay Lawrence, Joseph Chaplik. Each candidate gave oneminute opening comments, then Forum questions were posed in rotating order:

Have you publicly supported any tax or fee increase in the last four years? What have you done in the last 6 months to support President Trump?

How do you define conservatism? Should the decision for students to wear masks when children return to school be made by

the state, the school district, or by parents and students? Do you agree with Governor Ducey's executive order to close business for 30 days?

Do you think personal attacks on a candidate in the primary help the Republican Party or the Democrats?

Do you support qualified immunity for police officers?

What is the number one item on your legislative agenda?

What is your pro-life position?

Will each one of you commit to supporting the person who wins?

#### **III. District Business**

Nancy Ordowski (Chairman) Asked everyone to write-in Jim O'Connor for AZ Corporation Commission. Reported on outcome of Scottsdale School Board candidate signatures (needed 600): Kate Angelos 643, Lucy DeGrazia 540, Geri Payne 401. Deadline was July 6. Please monitor and manage signs you put up for candidates. Last day to mail in ballots for the Primary is July 29th. Primary polls will be open through August 4th. Last election, 23k Republicans did not vote in mid-term elections. Encourage Republicans to vote. Noted that poll observers are needed at many locations.

Motion to approve March 12 meeting minutes made by Dan Farley; seconded by Will Howarth. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve May 14 meeting minutes made by Judy Lawrence, seconded by Yvonne Cahill. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve June 11 meeting minutes made by Michelle Ugenti-Rita, seconded by Judy Rutkowski. Passed unanimously.

Arthur Cooper - new Fountain Hills Trump Victory satellite office. Trump Friday at II Capo Restaurant 6 - 8:30 PM

#### IV. Treasurer's Report (Barry Graham, Treasurer)

Reported that the cash balance was \$17,185.11. Filed Q2 campaign finance report. • Encouraged paying dues early as room rental, golden ticket expenses will draw from budget

#### V. Adjournment

DC Bar & Grill

FHRC Social: \_\_\_

10440 N Indian Wells Drive in Fountain Hills

Registration & light refreshments at 8:30 AM; Meeting at 9:00 AM

Motion to adjourn by Kate Angelos at 8:45 PM

## **DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS**

Paradise Republican Women's Club
Next meeting:PENDING
Grayhawk Golf Club, The Fairway House
8620 E Thompson Peak Parkway, Scottsdale
9:00 AM Meeting / 10:00 AM Brunch
Speakers: Republican candidates for Scottsdale Mayor/City Council
Brunch & meeting - \$30 per person. For information, please visit http://prwc.org.
Lincoln Republican Women's Club
Next meeting:PENDING
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: to be announced
Reservations needed (\$35 cash or check to "LRW"). RSVP to
Karen Garrett at 602-571-6020 or Irwdinner@gmail.com.
Karen Garrett at 602-57 1-6020 of fiwdiffier @gmail.com,
Palo Verde Republican Women
Next meeting: No August meeting
Grayhawk Golf Club, The Fairway House
8620 E Thompson Peak Parkway, Scottsdale
11:00 AM Social / 11:30 AM Program & Lunch
Speaker:
Reservations required (\$35) at <a href="https://pvrwluncheon.eventbrite.com">https://pvrwluncheon.eventbrite.com</a>
Fountain Hills Republican Club
Next meeting: Saturday, August 15 <b>PENDING</b>
Speakers:

All American Sports Grill, 16872 E Ave of the Fountains, Fountain Hills For more info, contact Boe James at <a href="mailto:FHRepublican@gmail.com">FHRepublican@gmail.com</a> or visit <a href="http://FountainHillsRepublicanClub.org">http://FountainHillsRepublicanClub.org</a> or Fountain Hills Republican Club on Facebook at <a href="mailto:www.Facebook.com/FountainHillsRepublicanClub">www.Facebook.com/FountainHillsRepublicanClub</a>.

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

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