



# AZ Legislative District 23 Republican Committee

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## ***The Lincoln Link – November, 2012***

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### **District Meeting – November 8, 2012**

**6:30 PM, Social Hour - 7:00 PM Meeting – Mustang Library**

10101 North 90<sup>th</sup> Street, Scottsdale

**This meeting will host all candidates running for Party offices. All candidates running for the Arizona Republican Party and the Maricopa County Republican Leadership positions are invited to this meeting.**

### **CHAIRMAN'S CORNER – DOUG LITTLE**

With a little less than 72 hours before Election Day, we must continue the final push towards the finish line. While the mainstream media may not reflect it, Romney is in a strong position making gains in several key races. According to Rasmussen, one of the few polling organizations I trust to report without bias, Romney is leading in some states where he was not expected to lead and competitive in some states that were expected to go to Obama. A few notable examples include:

Wisconsin: Romney 49%, Obama 49%

Colorado: Romney 50%, Obama 47%

Iowa: Romney 49%, Obama 48%

Ohio: Romney 49%, Obama 49%

Florida: Romney 50%, Obama 48%

Virginia: Romney 50%, Obama 47%

And right here at home Arizona is Romney 50% and Obama 44%

While all the hard work and tough campaigning seems to be paying off, we have to preserve the momentum and push now to get every possible Romney voter to the polls on Tuesday.

In an article by Charles Krauthammer in the Washington Post, he points out that Obama's intention has always been to reverse the ideological course set during the Reagan administration. Obama declared at the time of his election that he would 'transform' America and he has done just that by using Obamacare to take control of one-sixth of the economy, allowing the government to pick winners and losers in the energy, auto and banking sectors, and attempting to take control of the pricing and production of energy (Cap-and-Trade).

Obama has also run roughshod over the legislative process. When he couldn't get Cap-and-Trade passed, he unleashed the EPA on the coal industry insuring that on his watch, no new coal plants would be built. Obama is widely expected to do the same thing to the natural gas industry if he is elected to a second term by allowing the EPA to severely restrict geologic fracking that is used to produce natural gas.

An Obama second term also means that America's movement towards European-style socialism will gain momentum, perhaps to the point that it cannot be completely turned around by the next administration.

I believe that the American people are largely center-right in their political beliefs and will not allow this to happen, but the ultra-liberals are doing everything possible to get their man re-elected.

We must do everything possible to insure that they fail and that we Vote for Love of Country...and the Romney / Ryan team.

It is a sprint to the finish...don't quit now...push!

## **FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN – JOE ROMACK**

We are in the final days of this Election cycle, and I would like to thank everyone who stepped up and contributed their valuable time and resources to ensure that we got our Republican candidates elected, as well as doing an excellent job of informing the voters in our Precincts the proper way to vote on the various Propositions and retention of Judges.

Now, we can focus our attention on our internal elections for Officers and State Committeemen. If you wish to be considered for any of these positions, please contact Jim O'Connor, his e-mail is: [jwo@ronnoco3.com](mailto:jwo@ronnoco3.com)

(Please note that Friday, November 9th at 6:00PM will be the **FINAL DEADLINE** for candidate requests to be printed on our District Ballots for the November 29th election)

Then we move on to the selection of County and State GOP leadership in January. Many of the declared candidates for these offices will appear at the LD23 November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, so please try to attend, in order to learn more about them.

## **SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN – BOE JAMES**

Our November meeting will feature candidates running for Party offices. All candidates running for AZ GOP and MCRC leadership positions will be invited to the November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Who will appear is still unknown as not all candidates are yet known and some might not have announced even as of the date of our next meeting.

The Legislative District 23 Nominating Committee will also make a report. I would like to be your 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair again.

We will hold an additional meeting on Thursday, November the 29<sup>th</sup> at the Chaparral Suites Resort, 5001 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, Arizona 85250. This Organizational Meeting will commence at 6:30 PM with Registration and Credentials starting at 6:00 PM. District Officers and State Committeemen will be elected during this meeting. Precinct Committeemen are encouraged to eat or enjoy a cocktail at either the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Grille or the Sports Bar located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the hotel prior to the meeting to show support for this establishment.

The December meeting is the annual Holiday/Christmas Party to be held on our regular meeting night, Thursday, December the 13<sup>th</sup> at the Gainey Ranch Golf Club. Shirley Cordasco has an excellent program for this evening. Buy your tickets now because she must give the Club an accurate head count. It is a great program and you will have a festive time. Payment must be made to Shirley before your reservation is confirmed.

## **DISTRICT 23 MINUTES – LINDA RIZZO, SECRETARY**

### **October**

- I. **Call to Order:** The monthly meeting of LD 23, held at the Clarion Suites was called to order at 10:10am by Chairman Doug Little. Current officers were present.
- II. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by CT Wright. Moment of silence for the Eisenhower family.
- III. **Approval of Minutes** – Minutes of the Sept 13, 2012 General Meeting were read by Linda Rizzo. Motion to approve the minutes as written by Leona Johnston; second by Joan Parker. Minutes approved. A copy of the minutes was placed on file.
- IV. **Introduction of Elected Officials and Guests**
- V. **Program** – Ballot Proposition  
Presenters: Ryan Anderson, John Kavanagh, Farrell Quinlan, Clint Bolick, Jeff Sandquist, Mark Lewis, Tom Jenney  
Recommendations:  
114 – Yes  
115 – Yes  
116 – Yes  
117 – Yes (LD 23 suggests you do your own research and decide.)  
118 – Yes  
119 – Yes  
120 – Yes  
121 – No  
204 – No

Tom Jenney urged everyone to phone bank and get involved in GOTV.

### **VI. Chairman's Business**

- Chairman Little explained the issue concerning the By-Laws regarding the Nominating Committee. A motion to suspend the 60 day requirement and accept 55 days for the formation of the Nominating Committee made by April Riggins; second by Tom Buggeln. Motion accepted.
- Introduction of candidates for the Nominating Committee
- Election – ballots handed out at Registration; collected and counted by Joe Romack, Linda Rizzo and Joan Parker. The Committee will vet the candidates for Officer positions and collect names for 117 State Committeeman positions, all to be elected on Nov 29. Please let the Nominating Committee know if you are interested in being a State Committeemen.
  - i. Results (the first five):
    - ✓ **76 votes - Jim O'Connor**
    - ✓ **64 votes – Shirley Cordasco**
    - ✓ **61 votes – Greg Weisman**
    - ✓ **57 votes – Ted Naeckel**
    - ✓ **53 votes – Ray Wallege**
    - ✓ 38 votes – Leona Johnston
    - ✓ 27 votes – Edith Stock
- Maricopa County Republican Committee Meeting will be in January. A new County chairman will be elected. Candidates Lisa Gray and Paul Breyerly, Chair and Vice-Chair respectively and AJ Lafaro, candidate for Chair and April Riggins, Vice-Chair, Jose Borrajero, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair, Jenni White, Sec’y and David Ludwig, Treasurer.
- Campaign Office, 8520 E. Shea, has scheduled hours: 10am – 8pm Monday to Friday, 10am – 6pm on Saturday. Please sign up to work in the office, walk your neighborhood and/or donate to facilitate the operations.
- Thanks to Harold Denomme for designing a great flyer for a door hanger. Thanks to David Schweikert for a generous donation for District Activities.
- Sign up to walk for Jeff Flake. Program is ready, no guesswork.
- Our Office has been designated as one of 6 Centers for the Romney Campaign

## **VII. First Vice Chair Report – Joe Romack**

- A total of 351 elected PCs; 590 PC positions; we have 139 to fill.
- PC training took place last week, one at the office, one at Fountain Hills.
- There is a postcard writing project to voters in swing states. Come by the office to help. Paula Linker has information for writing postcards. She can provide it to you.

## **VIII. Treasurer’s Report – Joan Parker**

- Joan explained the September 30 report. A copy is attached.
- A donation sheet has been left on each chair. Please consider a donation even beyond your annual donation. Joan will be available to collect after the meeting.

## **IX. Committee Chairs**

- Shirley Cordasco – Christmas Party will be great
- Communications – new email format

X. **Meeting adjourned** at 12:29pm, by acclamation.

## TREASURER'S REPORT – JOAN PARKER

October

### REVENUE

Contributions	\$1,198.00	
Name badges	90.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>570.05</u>	
Total revenue		\$1,858.05

### EXPENSE

Name badges	\$ 105.72	
Election expense	2,064.16	
Rental-meeting room	90.50	
Donations	<u>250.00</u>	
Total expense		<u>2,510.38</u>

Net loss \$ (652.33)

I would like to thank the following PC's for making a contribution during the months of September and October, 2012:

Hugh Henry	Brian Theut	Gerald Hackert
Joy Russell	Sandy Larson	Dean & Elizabeth James
James & Marilyn Higgins	Jim Gray	April & Jon Riggins
Lynne & Richard Breyer	Doug Little	C.T. Wright
Arlie & Harold Denomme	Ron Smith	Ed & Maddy Monoscalco
Arno Naeckel	Gary & Linda Kapfer	Larry Rand
Philip & Gloria Demeree	Marilyn Byerly	Jim & Merrill O'Connor
Linda Longazer	Evelyn Munn	Mary & Dan Ryan
Kenneth Bensinger	Janet & Tom Buggeln	

A special thanks to the PC's for contributing at the Chairman's Level:

Guy Phillips  
Linda Rizzo  
Joyce Thompson  
Joe Romack  
2012 David Schweikert for Congress

## EVENT CHAIRMAN – SHIRLEY CORDASCO

Our annual Christmas Party will be our biggest celebration - post election celebration. This may be the final reminder regarding our Christmas Party, December the 13<sup>th</sup>. Please send me your checks and your dinner selection. Don't wait, we must turn in a large deposit two weeks before that date, so **SHOW ME THE MONEY!**

## **FOUNTAIN HILLS REPUBLICAN CLUB – BOE JAMES**

The Fountain Hills Republican Club will be hosting a Victory Party at the FH Holiday Inn on November the 6<sup>th</sup>. This party is intended for those people who cannot or will not drive to downtown Phoenix for the AZ GOP Victory Party, but still want to celebrate with fellow Republicans. It is not meant as a substitute for the official AZ GOP Victory Party. All are welcome. Large screen TV's will be throughout the room. Admission is \$10 which covers the five course buffet with desert and non-alcoholic drinks, plus tip and tax. Alcoholic drinks are extra at Happy Hour prices until 7:00 PM; regular prices after that.

Congressman Jeff Flake held a successful Town Hall meeting with Senators John McCain and Jon Kyl, as well as County Attorney Bill Montgomery on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. This was his third appearance in Fountain Hills during the campaign.

The Club hosted a very enjoyable and successful picnic on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> with Sheriff Joe Arpaio, Congressman Matt Salmon, State Treasurer Doug Ducey and County Attorney Bill Montgomery as keynote speakers. Many other candidates were present and participated in the event. This picnic followed two "Pizza and Politics" events in preceding weeks.