

AZ Legislative District 23 Republican Committee
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Jim O'Connor, Chairman
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November 2016 Newsletter



WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY ELECTED PCs!

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**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF LD23 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE  
FOUNTAIN HILLS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT LEARNING CENTER**

16000 E Palisades Blvd. Fountain Hills

December 1, 2016

Credentials open: 6:00 PM ~ Call to Order: 7:00 PM

This meeting is for elected PCs and proxy holders.

Other registered Republicans may be admitted at the discretion of the Chairman.

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DESPITE THE POLLS, DESPITE THE PUNDITS,
DESPITE THE MEDIA,
WE DID IT!

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER – Jim O'Connor

Thank you for playing your part as an LD 23 Precinct Committeeman. Your individual efforts pooled together with other PCs have resulted in record breaking turnout which lifted our Presidential candidate over the top in Arizona. That allows me the privilege to cast one of Arizona's eleven Electoral College votes on December 19, 2016 for Donald J. Trump for President and Mike Pence for Vice President of our United States of America. I was humbled to have been selected by our State Party Chairman, Robert Graham, back in May to receive this distinguished honor.

My two year term of office as your Chairman will come to a close the evening of December 1st and I thank each of you for the privilege of allowing me to serve you in that capacity. Together we have accomplished much, but as is the case in this business there is always more to do.

We have six outstanding candidates running for district leadership positions at our reorganization election on December 1st. Their names will be printed on the ballots, as is the case with all of you who had submitted names to serve as State Committeemen. I am confident you will choose excellent leadership going forward.

May I encourage all of you to remain engaged in the district with your continuing service? We have elected a true and much needed "change agent" in President-Elect Trump and we cannot leave it all up to him. We must stay the course and support his initiatives.

May God bless each of you and your loved ones. May He bless our State of Arizona and our retaken United States of America.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN - Nancy Ordowski

This has been one of the most exciting times in many of our political lives. The success achieved in Arizona was due to the hard work of many of our Precinct Committeemen and volunteers we met along the way. This team of workers gave their all and I am grateful and appreciative of all the hours you gave to the election of President-elect Trump, Guy Phillips and No on 205. I know there are a few campaigns we are disappointed we didn't win. These will be our job security, we still have work to do in the next couple of years. Please accept my appreciation, admiration and thankfulness to each of you who gave more to this election and then came back to work another day. YOU ARE AN AWESOME TEAM OF PATRIOTS!

If you wish to be the Captain of your Precinct please complete the Precinct Captain Form located on the Documents page of the web site. Have your PCs sign and then

return it to me. You can reach me at ncordowski@gmail.com or 480-203-5278. May you and your family have a Blessed Thanksgiving.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN - Rich Rutkowski

Thanksgiving Day is approaching and we truly have much for which to be thankful. We live in the greatest nation in the world. We continue to enjoy our God-given rights and freedoms. Once again, we will have a Republican president and the commitment to turn the United States away from the liberal path of the last 8 years, preserve the Supreme Court, protect our borders, respect religious expression, lower taxes, repeal Obamacare, support the military, and implement other planks of the Republican Party platform. We succeeded in preventing what many thought was inevitable but what we all feared, a Hillary Clinton administration. Thankful? Absolutely!

Our December 1 Organizational Meeting will be held at the FHUSD Learning Center at 16000 East Palisades Blvd. in Fountain Hills. A map link can be found on the home page of the web site, www.ld23gop.org. This meeting is held in accordance with state law. Its purpose is the election of District Officers for the next two years and the election of 125 State Committeemen to represent LD23 at Statutory and Mandatory meetings of AZGOP in 2017 and 2018. Details about the meeting will be sent to all PCs by November 20. The information will include the official call letter, a proxy form, and the rules for the meeting. This will be sent via e-mail to all PCs for whom we have an e-mail address and by regular mail for PCs for whom we have no e-mail address. The documents will also be available on the "Documents" page of the web site, www.ld23gop.org, along with a list of nominees.

Looking ahead - we will celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, & New Year's Day.

Details about the December 9 Christmas Holiday Party have been distributed and are posted on the web site. After the holidays, it will be back to the business of saving the republic, with our next regular meeting on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at Via Linda Senior Center.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Valerie Giramberk

DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

Statement of Income and Expense

Month Ended October 31, 2016

BEGINNING BANK BALANCE **\$ 6,524.67**

REVENUE

Contributions (dues)	\$ 180.00
Name Badges	16.00
Restitution	<u>20.00</u>

TOTAL REVENUE \$ 216.00

EXPENSES

Office Supplies	\$ 75.28
Postage	7.15
Room Rentals	<u>327.50</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 409.93

NET REVENUE \$ (193.55)

ENDING BANK BALANCE \$ 6,330.74

PETTY CASH \$ 60.04

TOTAL BALANCE \$ 6,390.78

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We are still accepting payment of 2016 dues and anyone wishing to pay 2017 dues in advance of January may do so. Recommended dues are \$30 for an individual and \$50 for a couple. There are many ways to pay. We accept cash, checks and credit cards. Please help us cover our operating expenses by making your contribution.

Checks can be mailed to: LD 23 Republican Committee, 8776 E Shea Blvd, Ste 106-341, Scottsdale, AZ 85260. Please make these out to **District 23 Republican Committee**. Be sure to fill out and include the donation form that is available on the website including your occupation and employer. This is required by campaign finance law. It is important to note that if you are self-employed, you still need to state your occupation. If you are retired, please state that on the form. Only send personal checks. Campaign finance law does not allow the acceptance of corporate checks. Thank you.

MINUTES - OCTOBER 13, 2016 MEETING - Barbara Rothe (Acting Secretary)

Legislative District 23 Republican Committee Monthly Meeting

Scottsdale Via Linda Senior Center
October 13, 2016 7:00 pm

The meeting began at 7:00 PM with the call to order, invocation, and pledge of allegiance.

Officers Present: Nancy Ordowski, First Vice Chair (Acting Chairman)
Rich Rutkowski, Second Vice Chair
Valerie Giramberk, Treasurer

Rich Rutkowski announced that there would be no regular District meeting in November. The next meeting will be the Organizational Meeting on December 1 at 7:00 PM at the FHUSD Learning Center in Fountain Hills.

State Sen. John Kavanagh announced that he would be holding an election party on November 8 from 6:30-10:00 PM at the American Legion Hall in Fountain Hills.

Cathy Riggs, candidate for Desert Ridge JP, expressed her appreciation for the support of her campaign.

County Attorney Bill Montgomery spoke extensively about Proposition 205. This included a detailed audio-visual presentation which highlighted the problems with the proposed law. Comparisons to the existing Colorado law were outlined. Colorado has made over 80 changes to their marijuana legalization. He stated that since the Arizona proposition is a voter initiative, the legislature would be unable to make any such changes.

Daniel Stefanski, from Axiom Public Affairs, which is coordinating the No on 205 media effort, was introduced.

John Cornillie, LD15 PC, spoke passionately about his stepdaughter's fatal battle with drugs.

The minutes for the August and September meetings were approved. The Treasurer's report, showing a balance of \$6,584.71, was presented by Valerie Giramberk.

Ben, representing AZGOP, spoke about the victory operation throughout the state. He also appealed for volunteers for all aspects of the campaign. Sign-up sheets were passed around.

Cyndi Love announced that she is making a Trump call center available to all volunteers at the Dynamite Wellness Center, 8707 E. Vista Bonita, in Scottsdale.

Nancy Ordowski urged everyone to devote as much time as possible to the campaigns until Election Day. She will be conducting a poll observer class on October 25, 2016 from 6:30-8:00 PM at Via Linda Senior Center.

LD23 Republican Committee will be electing 118 State Committeemen at the December 1 Organizational Meeting. The deadline to submit an Intent to Run Form is October 31, 2016. No date has been finalized for the County meeting, but it will be either January 7 or 14, 2017. The Statutory meeting of AZGOP to elect a new chairman and other officers will be held on January 28, 2017. Nancy also announced that if every precinct doesn't elect a precinct captain, a captain will be appointed.

The annual Lincoln Day dinner is Saturday, October 15, at the downtown Phoenix Sheraton.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS

Paradise Republican Women's Club

For information , visit <http://prwc.org/>

Fountain Hills Republican Club

Next meeting at 9am., Sat., Nov 19 to hear former Paradise Valley Mayor Vernon Parker at the Fountain Hills Community Center, 13001 N La Montana Dr., Fountain Hills, AZ 85268. An 8:30 am social with coffee and breakfast snacks precedes the meeting.

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