

AZ Legislative District 23 Republican Committee
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Nancy Ordowski, Chairman
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April 2020 Newsletter

HELPING TO KEEP AMERICA GREAT!

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**AS PART OF THE STATE & NATIONAL EFFORT TOWARDS  
MITIGATION OF THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK,  
OUR THURSDAY APRIL 9 MEETING IS CANCELED.**

**WE ARE PLANNING TO HOLD OUR MAY 14  
MEETING, HOPEFULLY IN PERSON.  
IF NECESSARY, WE'LL MAKE IT "VIRTUAL"!**

**CHAIRMAN – Nancy Ordowski**

**PC Petitions must be turned in to Nancy by April 4, 2020  
or at the County Recorder's office by April 6, 2020**

I pray that you are all healthy and managing well during this most difficult time. We have all had our personal struggles at different times in life. Most of us have never experienced such a worldwide challenging time. As Americans I know we will be a stronger and safer country in the years to come. I also am thankful for the leadership of President Trump and grateful he is our President. This virus has clearly shown us, what President Trump has been saying **America First**. With our support he will be able to help us move through the next 4 years.

Besides checking on our family and friends, the only other thing we can do is to make phone calls. Sidekick has some challenges, but it is the best tool we have right now. Please sign on and reach out to our voters, with the main purpose of the call to check-in on them. Let's be good citizens. If everyone made 10 calls a day we would almost 4,000 people each day and in 4 weeks that amounts to reaching 80,000 voters in the month of April. That is all of the registered Republicans in LD23. Contact Arthur Cooper by phone at 480-239-3842 (call or text) or email [arthurcooper61@hotmail.com](mailto:arthurcooper61@hotmail.com) for Sidekick support. If any of our citizens need **major** help, have them contact Congressman David Schweikert at 602-619-3330.

Remember if voters are going to be out of Arizona in July through August 4, they need to make a Temporary Address change with the County Recorder's office. See Rich's section below for details.

Please take care of yourself and your family. We live in a beautiful state and can enjoy long walks even in our local areas. Stay positive, strong for each other, with prayers and support we will come through this difficult time. You are all very special individuals and I care and pray for each of you. You can reach me at [ncordowski@gmail.com](mailto:ncordowski@gmail.com) or 480-203-5278.

### **FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN - Rob Swoboda**

Hello LD23/Team MAGA,

I would like to start by thanking God for giving US President Trump to lead us through these truly frightening and epic times. I would also like to give thanks to our health care service providers who are helping to keep us healthy at great risk to themselves and to our truckers, the unsung heroes that are keeping the shelves stocked at our stores as best they can give the current situation.

Even though our governor has issued a staying home order to help prevent the spread of the virus we must remain vigilant as not to let this crisis strip us of any of our God given constitutional liberties. The Democrats immediately seized upon this crisis to push through all the green new deal and voting legislation which there was no way they could get past by traditional means. At the top of their list is "All Mail voting" Adrian Fontes tried to implement this on his own for the recent Democratic presidential preference election and extend it to the November election. Please be aware and inform your Republican friends and leaders that there is no state that has implemented all Mail in voting that is selecting Republicans into office. Even though this may seem given the current circumstance a measure to ensure our safety we should always keep in mind the words of Patrick Henry "Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God!"

Captains, please work with Arthur Cooper to get call lists for campaign Sidekick as well as instructions on how to engage the voters when you call them. It would be great if each of us could make only 2 calls a day from now until the election.

I pray that you and your families are safe and healthy and will stay that way through these trying times. God bless President Trump and bless all of you.

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

Since our March 12 Caucus and regular meetings, the COVID-19 pandemic has dramatically impacted our lives and normal routines, including the implementation of

"social distancing." **As we continue to follow national & state mitigation guidelines, our Thursday, April 9 meeting is canceled.** Hopefully, late April should begin to bring some much-welcomed stabilization and resumption of some normalcy in May. It remains important for us to assist those among us who are in need of our help and keep those affected in any way in our prayers. Above all, stay safe & stay calm, avoid succumbing to panic, knowing that our nation is strong and we are so fortunate with President Trump, Vice-President Pence, and a skilled team of experts leading us through this challenge. This too shall pass!

When you resume actively contacting voters in your precincts, please identify those who spend the summer away and inform them that the post office will not forward ballots. Educate them about how they can have their ballots forwarded to a temporary address, following [THESE INSTRUCTIONS](#). It would be great for you to have printed copies for your voters. Every vote counts, especially the Republican votes! The instructions are also linked on the "Documents" page of [www.ld23gop.org](http://www.ld23gop.org) (highlighted in orange).

Please visit [www.ld23gop.org](http://www.ld23gop.org) for any updates, and read LD23 communications, for accurate information about updates on 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" or add the address to your list of contacts. This almost always solves the problem. Other communications about LD23 issues can be sent to [ld23gop@gmail.com](mailto:ld23gop@gmail.com). I check that inbox daily.

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

**DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE**  
**Statement of Activity and Bank Balance**  
**Month-Ended Mar. 31, 2020**

| <b>Revenue</b>                                    |                            |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Donations/dues                                    | \$ 180.00                  |
| Badges                                            | 48.00                      |
| Other                                             | <u>35.00</u>               |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                              | <b><u>263.00</u></b>       |
| <br>                                              |                            |
| <b>Expenses</b>                                   |                            |
| Supplies/overhead                                 | 555.86                     |
| Room rental                                       | 90.00                      |
| Bank and credit card fees                         | <u>2.80</u>                |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                             | <b><u>648.66</u></b>       |
| <b>Net Change</b>                                 | <b>-385.66</b>             |
| <b>Reconciled Bank Balance, prior month-end</b>   | <b><u>17,570.77</u></b>    |
| <b>Reconciled Bank Balance, current month-end</b> | <b><u>\$ 17,185.11</u></b> |

Thank you very much to those who have already made their annual donation! For those who paid for the pancake breakfast, your received checks were shredded. We hope to reschedule the breakfast soon.

**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.

Barry Graham  
(602) 740-2570  
[BSGraham@gmail.com](mailto:BSGraham@gmail.com)

## MEETING MINUTES - Rich Rutkowski for Korena Byam, Secretary

### District 23 Republican Committee 8776 E Shea Blvd Ste 106-341 Scottsdale, AZ 85251 LD23 REGULAR MEETING - March 12, 2020

#### I. Call to Order

Following a recess to the Caucus for Election of Delegates to the May 9, 2020 State Convention, Nancy Ordowski called the regular meeting to order at 7:20 pm. Dr. C.T. Wright gave the invocation and Ed Monoscalco led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### II. Introductions & Speakers

##### Nancy Ordowski (Chairman)

Introduced District officers. Acknowledged elected officials and candidates-for-office in attendance, asking them all to stand and be recognized. Guests at the meeting were asked to stand and be recognized.

##### Arthur Cooper

Gave details and encouraged attendance at the Trump Friday event on March 13 with Former Trump photographer Gene Ho at Orange Tree Resort. Also reported that there is a need for additional poll workers for the March 17 Democratic Party Presidential Preference Election and asked for volunteers to make contact with him ASAP. Announced that Campaign Sidekick will be expanding phone banking and encouraged PCs to contact him for details.

##### Rich Rutkowski (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chairman)

- Reminded attendees to visit the “Events” table and consider attending upcoming events: “Border Security & the Rule of Law” on March 19, “FHRC Irish Brunch” on March 21, and “LD23 Pancake Breakfast” on March 28.
- County Supervisor **Steve Chucri** spoke, reminding attendees about his race for re-election in 2020. Supervisor Chucri also reported on efforts to responsibly address COVID-19 in Maricopa County and recent actions by the Board of Supervisors to save taxpayer funds by the remodeling and repurposing of a former jail facility into consolidated offices for the County Attorney’s office.
- Republican candidates for Maricopa County Sheriff each spoke (for 8 minutes), in a randomly selected order.
  - **Mike Crawford** discussed his law-enforcement experience, qualifications, and some specific plans for the Sheriff’s office, including reinstatement of the posse, if he is elected.
  - Former Sheriff **Joe Arpaio** highlighted his longstanding support for President Trump, his past record as County Sheriff, his intention to stay in the race, and the ongoing concern about the validity of President Obama’s birth certificate.
  - **Jerry Sheridan** spoke of his long record in the Sheriff’s Office, starting in the mail room at age 18, then steadily progressing in rank and responsibility, as proof of his qualification to become the “CEO” of law enforcement in Maricopa County.

##### Nancy Ordowski

- Reiterated the need for poll workers for March 17 and encouraged interested people to contact her ASAP. PC applications need to be submitted to

Nancy by April 4, if the applicant wishes to have Nancy personally deliver the forms to the Recorder's Office. Deadline for receipt by the Recorder's Office is April 6. The March 18 Women & Wine Trump event will be rescheduled.

- Approval of minutes of February 13 meeting
- Motion to approve by Yvonne Cahill; seconded by Wil Howarth
- Approved without any discussion or dissent.

### **III. Treasurers Report (Barry Graham, Treasurer)**

Reported that the cash balance was \$15,500.

Thanked PCs who have already made donations & urged others to do so.

Those wishing to attend March 28 Pancake Breakfast can do so. In the event the breakfast is canceled due to COVID-19, refunds will be issued.

### **IV. Adjournment of general meeting to reconvene Caucus**

Motion to adjourn by Marcia Olsen; seconded by Michal Joyner

Motion approved without discussion or dissent at 8:20 PM

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by Dr. Rich Rutkowski.

## **DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS**

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

Next meeting: Saturday, April 11 **CANCELED**

McCormick Scottsdale Millennium Hotel

7401 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale

9:00 AM Meeting / 10:00 AM Brunch

Speakers: -----

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

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

Next meeting: Monday, April 6 **CANCELED**

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 to

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

### **Palo Verde Republican Women**

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 15 **CANCELED**

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 <https://pvrwluncheon.eventbrite.com>

### **Fountain Hills Republican Club**

Next meeting: Saturday, April 18 **CANCELED**

Speakers: -----

Fountain Hills Community Center  
13001 N La Montana Drive in Fountain Hills  
Registration & light refreshments at 8:30 AM; Meeting at 9:00 AM  
FHRC Social: Wednesday, April 29 at 5 PM **CANCELED**

All American Sports Grill, 16872 E Ave of the Fountains, Fountain Hills  
For more info, contact Boe James  
at [FHRepublican@gmail.com](mailto:FHRepublican@gmail.com) or visit <http://FountainHillsRepublicanClub.org> or Fountain Hills  
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.