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Nancy Ordowski, Chairman
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July 2020 Newsletter

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***HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!***  
***FLY YOUR FLAG!***

**OUR THURSDAY, JULY 9 MEETING  
WILL BE IN PERSON.**

**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**

A special thank you to all of you who collected signatures for our Scottsdale School Board candidates. Kate Angelos and Lucy DiGrazia have their signatures for sure. A few more days to know about Geri Payne's signatures. You did an awesome job. Thank you also to the many Scottsdale PCs who sent comments to the Scottsdale City Council in support of Guy Phillips. It is very important you let them know you support Guy and that you are watching/paying attention to what they are doing.

I'm sure most of you feel like I do about the destruction of private property in many cities in America, defunding the police, and the lack of Republicans standing with us. America is in a bad place right now, but we have been there before and with citizens like all of you we will come through this time better and stronger. This confirms our need to work and support President Trump and make sure we can turn the US House Republican and keep the US Senate RED. We have our work cut out for us. Right now we have to focus on our August 4 Primary, making sure we get our Republican candidates on the ballot for the General election. Remember to tell everyone to

WRITE-IN "Jim O'Connor" and vote/mark the ballot for Jim for Corporation Commission. Jim needs at least 7,000 votes across the state of Arizona. He definitely can get that many if everyone remembers to write-in his name and then mark their ballot accordingly.

I know some of you won't be comfortable attending our July 9 in-person meeting, I want you to know you will be missed, but we understand. Hoping we can see you in August. You are all very special individuals and I care and pray for each of you. You can reach me at [nancy@nordowski.com](mailto:nancy@nordowski.com) or 480-203-5278.  
Nancy

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

Yes, our Thursday, July 9 meeting will be **in person** at the Fountain Hills Unified School District Learning Center at 16000 E. Palisades Blvd. in Fountain Hills. [MAP](#). The main event at the meeting will be a Candidate Forum for AZ State Legislature (State House & State Senate). Despite questions about its validity, we will do our best to follow current county & state coronavirus guidance. The Learning Center has plenty of room to accommodate those who choose to maintain personal space. Registration opens at 6:30 PM and the meeting will start at 7:00 PM. As we have done in past forums, each candidate will be answering every question and will be subject to time limits. The goal is to keep the candidates on point, accommodate more questions during the forum, and assist you in assessing the candidates in this contested primary. Ballots for the August 4 primary election will be mailed out starting July 8.

Remember, if you know voters who leave AZ for the summer, please **remind them** that the post office will not forward ballots. Educate them **about ballot forwarding**, following [THESE INSTRUCTIONS](#). 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](mailto: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**

There were no receipts or disbursements in June, 2020, with the reconciled bank balance remaining \$17,185.11. Annual Donations: The recommended annual donation is \$30 (\$50/couple). Donations can be made at monthly meetings (when they resume) or by the following methods

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 Republican Committee  
8776 E. Shea Blvd. Suite 106-341  
Scottsdale, AZ 85260

Make checks 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 (via Zoom) June 11 2020**

#### **I. Call to Order**

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

#### **II. Introductions & Speakers**

##### **Nancy Ordowski (Chairman)**

- Asked everyone to communicate about the write-in effort for Jim O'Connor for AZ Corporation Commission.

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

- County Assessor - Candidates Eddie Cook and Rodney Glassman were each given three minutes to promote their candidacy in that contested primary.
- Scottsdale Mayor & City Council - A Candidate Forum for those offices was held. Each candidate in a random order provided an introduction, answered questions, and ended with closing remarks. The Republican candidates and office were (in random order): Bill Crawford (Council), Lisa Borowsky (Mayor), Becca Linnig (Council), Guy Phillips (Council), Michael Auerbach (Council), Suzanne Klapp (Mayor), Virginia Korte (Mayor), Tom Durham (Council), Kevin Maxwell (Council), Bob Littlefield (Mayor).

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

##### **Nancy Ordowski (Chairman)**

- Need to help Scottsdale School Board candidates get 600 qualifying petition signatures: Kate Angelos, Lucy DeGrazia, Geri Payne. Deadline is July 6.
- Put up candidate signs of your choice.
- Primary election update. Due to COVID-19, there will be about 80 polling centers open for 7 days or more before election day. We need 700-1200

- Republican poll workers.
- Adoption of March, April, & May meeting minutes (& June 11 minutes) will be considered at our July meeting.

#### **Arthur Cooper**

- Upcoming events
  - Il Capo Restaurant Trump Friday 6 - 8:30 PM
  - The Vu Restaurant June 13 from 4-6 PM

#### **Jim O'Connor)**

- Write-in candidate for AZ Corporation Commission
- Running with Eric Sloan & Lea Marquez Peterson to ensure that we have 3 REP candidates for the 3 open seats
- Needs 1800 \$5 donations, via AZ SOS web site or via the form on the LD23 web site to qualify for Clean Election funding for the general election

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

- Reported that the cash balance was \$17,185.11.
- Thanked PCs who have already made donations & urged others to do so.

#### **V. Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn by Nancy Ordowski; seconded by Rich Rutkowski
- Motion approved without discussion or dissent at 8:43 PM

Minutes taken by Korena Byam

## **DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS**

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

Next meeting: Saturday, July 11

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: Monday, August 3

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 [lrwdinner@gmail.com](mailto:lrwdinner@gmail.com).

**Palo Verde Republican Women**

Next meeting: Wednesday, July 15 **PENDING**

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, July 18 **PENDING**

Speakers: -----

DC Bar & Grill

10440 N Indian Wells Drive in Fountain Hills

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

FHRC Social: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

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