

January 2022 Newsletter

**MCRC MANDATORY MEETING ON
SATURDAY, JANUARY 8**
(Please know your precinct.)

**NEXT DISTRICT MEETING ON
THURSDAY, JANUARY 13**

Registration: 6:30 PM Call to Order: 7:00 PM
Christ's Church of Fountain Hills
15555 E. Bainbridge Avenue in Fountain Hills
MAP

We prefer that all attend in person. For those who can't do that, we'll try the YouTube streaming again. You can click on the link below and view the livestream meeting at

<https://youtu.be/Ps1A04b9mew>

CHAIRMAN – Dr. Richard Rutkowski

Happy New Year!

As noted above, the MCRC Mandatory Meeting is this Saturday. You should have received the call letter with complete information. Please make every effort to attend. If you can't be there in person, please designate a proxy carrier from your precinct to represent you and vote for you at the meeting.

The redistricting process produced maps which are not perfect but they do represent a significant improvement from some earlier draft versions, thanks to the efforts of many of you. The new districts offer a better path for Republicans to increase our numbers in the state legislature and US Congress. The current LD23 will be split into the new LD3, LD4, & LD8. The legislative district reorganizational meetings will be held in the near future and will include elections for new district officers. We'll be discussing this process at the January 13 meeting, and please watch for future information from us and MCRC about when & where your meeting will be held. The terms of all current PCs extend until October 1, 2022, but you may be in one of the new LDs (& maybe even a new or reconfigured precinct). The details of all of this still have some final steps before taking effect.

Big government and big media continue to push their frequently "soft-on-science" agenda, threatening fear-driven mandates, restrictions, and division. We're on a break from the Medical Freedom Rally for Christmas, New Year's Day, and January 8, but we'll resume on Saturday, January 15. The fight for our freedom isn't over, and I urge as many of you as possible to commit to just one hour and join our **Medical Freedom Rally on Saturday afternoon** at the SW corner of **90th Street & Shea** from **1:00 PM until 2:00 PM** (or a bit longer). Please help us send a clear & concise message to those who drive by - "Medical Freedom Matters!" & "No 'VAX' Mandates!"

To stay informed & connected, please read our Constant Contact messages. Messages are sent from "news@ld23gop.org" and may land in "Spam." Questions for me can be sent to "ld23gop@gmail.com." I check that account several times every day. Thanks for all that you do!

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN - Nancy Ordowski

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022 to all of our AWESOME PC Team in LD23!

With the Redistricting process and new maps, this is a very stressful time for all of us. Please take a deep breath, and give us your leadership time to share with all of you the legal process we have to follow. Right now you are ALL still in LD23. We know that many of our precincts will be moved to a new LD and those remaining in what was LD23 will become part of LD3. This process has to go through the IRC committee, Secretary of State, Maricopa Recorder's office, and finally the Board of Supervisors. We must follow the AZ statues (laws).

On a personal note, I am truly sad that we have to undergo these changes. I have grown to know and love all of you in LD23, we are an excellent group of Patriot Citizens of Arizona and OUR beautiful America. We will do everything to keep you informed and help guide you through these changes. Please stay active in your precinct, attend our LD meetings and wait for legal direction as this process unfolds.

Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday, January 13.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN - Joe Junker

I wrote in the December 23 Newsletter, "for the next several months, the LD meetings will focus largely on important 'official business' ". The allocation of time monthly will leave little time for our monthly meetings to include the educational/informational "programs" for which I had been charged in my elected position at LD23. There are several other organizations which offer such content.

Every organization has its own mission and is responsible for its own content. Referring you to these organizations should not be construed as an “endorsement” of District 23 Republican Committeen or imply that their content is controlled or directed by us or the Republican Party, but rather considered as information about other resources. Legislative District Committees must operate under AZ Statutes and Bylaws which are voted on by the body. Clubs and organizations are free of these regulations and responsible for their own content. Please [CLICK HERE](#) for a list of the organizations. For any questions, contact me at joepcl23@cox.net or via text/cell at (480) 309-7762.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Barry Graham, Treasurer

DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE
Statement of Activity & Reconciled Bank Balance
Month-Ended December 31, 2021

Revenue	
Donations/dues	\$ 579.00
Christmas Holiday Party	2,030.00
Other income (raffle, restitution)	795.00
Name Badges	<u>144.00</u>
Total Revenue	<u>3,548.00</u>
Expenses	
Name Badges	120.00
Bank/CC fees	58.55
Christmas Holiday Party	2,697.74
Website/email marketing	483.91
Facility Rent	<u>200.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>3,560.20</u>
Net Change	(12.20)
Reconciled Bank Balance, prior month-end	<u>24,259.71</u>
Reconciled Bank Balance, current month-end	<u>\$ 24,247.51</u>

The Christmas party was a success! We missed those who could not make it, and we hope everyone who attended had a great time. Thank you for your continued financial donations and support, as we move closer to redistricting.

Below are the donation tiers, which are reflected on the sign-in sheet, and are as follows:

- Green**.....\$30/person (\$50/couple)
- Gold**.....\$50/person
- Red**.....\$100/person

Annual Donations can be made at monthly meetings, or by the following:

1. Pay with credit card by clicking the donate button on the website at LD23gop.org
2. Mail a check along with the completed Donation Form (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 unfortunately aren't tax deductible.

Thank you,

Barry Graham
(602) 740-2570
BSGraham@gmail.com

SECRETARY - Michele Stephens

District 23 Republican Committee General Meeting – December 9, 2021 Christ's Church of Fountain Hills

Call to Order (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm

Charlie Mettille led the Invocation; Councilman Gerry Friedel led the Pledge of Allegiance

Dr Rutkowski introduced the officers.

Motion to Accept the November 11, 2021 Minutes: Motion to accept made by George Nemeah and seconded by Ron Schott.

Motion passed without objection.

Introduction of Candidates and Officials (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Elected officials not speaking were recognized and welcomed. Those running for office were also recognized.

Due to the large number of new PCs, newly appointed PC names were read and acknowledged. All PCs appointed before November 17 are eligible to attend and vote at the MCRC meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Barry Graham, Treasurer)

Reported cash balance of \$29,250.

Key Event Reminders (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Medical Freedom Rally Every Saturday, 1:00-2:00 pm

Dec 11 LD23 GOP Holiday Party

Dec 17 Election Integrity Rally at 2:00 pm

Please see website for locations and times.

Redistricting Update and LD Reorganization (Richard Rutkowski)

We urgently need PCs to comment on proposed LD3 and CD1 as the current draft map breaks up our district and moves parts of it to the West Valley. Go to www.irc.az.gov to comment or attend a meeting in person. Last day to comment is December 22, 2021.

Our Legislative District will change and we expect re-organization to happen in February or March 2022.

January 8 MCRC Mandatory Meeting (Richard Rutkowski and Nancy Ordowski)

All PCs will receive a mailed call letter with instructions sometime after Christmas. Meeting is January 8, 7:30 am at Dream City Church.

Credentialing process for all PCs-bring your photo ID, know your Legislative District and Precinct.

There will be Election of Members-at-large, bylaw amendment proposals and resolution proposals-all of must be voted on by the PCs.

If you can't attend, please send a Proxy (which must be a Republican in your precinct, preferably a PC).

Precinct Contest (Nancy Ordowski)

Doug Stewart (DC Ranch), Jim Lockwood (Pinnacle Peak), James Roth (Rio Verde) and Jim Bissonett (Stonegate) spoke about their experiences meeting constituents and ways to canvass.

Contest Precinct Winners are: DC Ranch (Jan Dubauskas), Rio Verde (James Roth), Pinnacle Peak (Michael Joyner) and Stonegate (Jim Bissonett).

Candidate Speakers

The following candidates each spoke for 5 minutes about their campaign: **Mark Finchem** (AZ Sec of State); **Darin Mitchell** (AZ House); **Abe Hamadeh** (AZ Attorney General); **Jeff Weninger** (AZ Attorney General)

Rich reminded everyone to open their constant contact emails.

Next Meeting – January 13, 2022

Meeting adjourned without objection at 8:19 pm

DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB EVENTS

Paradise Republican Women's Club

Next meeting: Saturday, January 15

McCormick Scottsdale Resort

7401 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale

8:15 AM Registration & Social / 9:00 AM Program

Speakers: Brandon Tatum, Elijah Norton, Abraham Hamadeh

Brunch & meeting - \$35 per person. For RSVP, please visit

<https://checkout.square.site/buy/YJVL64TMY65BTXEGCPFAFMFZ>

Lincoln Republican Women's Club

Meeting: Monday, January 10

Maggiano's North Scottsdale (new location)

16405 N. Scottsdale Rd.

5:30 PM Registration/ 6:15 PM Dinner/7:00 PM Speaker

Guest Speakers: ACC Candidate Kim Owens; Protect Arizona Children Coalition President Lisa Fink

Tickets must have been purchased by 10 AM on January 5. RSVP to Julie Gallagher at LincolnRepWomen@gmail.com or call Julie directly at 480-272-0511. Please connect with the group for advance notice about future meetings.

Palo Verde Republican Women

Next meeting: _____

Grayhawk Golf Club, The Fairway House

8620 E Thompson Peak Parkway, Scottsdale

11:00 AM Social / 11:30 AM Program & Lunch

Reservations required. Visit www.paloverderepublicanwomen.com.

Fountain Hills Republican Club

Next Meeting: Saturday, January 15 9:00 AM

Location: Fountain Hills Community Center.

Speakers: Congressman David Schweikert; State Sen. Michelle Ugenti-Rita;

State Reps. John Kavanagh & Joseph Chaplik; White Elephant Auction

Monthly Social: Wednesday, January 26 at 5:00 PM

All American Sports Grill in Fountain Hills

For more info, contact Boe James

at FHRepublican@gmail.com or visit <http://FountainHillsRepublicanClub.org> or Fountain Hills Republican Club on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/FountainHillsRepublicanClub.

Trump Fridays

Every Friday 6 PM at

il Capo Pizzeria, 7366 E. Shea Blvd.; Scottsdale.

Susan Wood: 480-540-4648.

AND

Every Friday from 5:00 - 8:30 PM at

Pinnacle Grille, 10428 E. Jomax Road, #101

Charmaine Roth: 708-420-7099

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