February 2022 Newsletter

NEXT DISTRICT MEETING ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10

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

Please attend in person, but if you can't, there is a ZOOM option this month.

Because of the ongoing & increasing attacks against conservative thought, we decided that we must stop streaming our meetings on YouTube.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR ZOOM ACCESS

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

CHAIRMAN - Dr. Richard Rutkowski

We all see it. Big Tech continues its "cancel culture" strategy against conservatives. Dan Bongino is a recent target of YouTube. Although District 23 communications have not been subject to any censorship, the Executive Committee decided that it was no longer right to livestream our meetings on YouTube. Although Zoom is not the perfect alternative, we'll be using that option for those who can't attend our February 10 meeting in person. Going forward, we'll continue to explore how best to proceed. As mentioned in the January Newsletter and at our January 13 meeting, the current LD23 will be split into the new LD3, LD4, & LD8. The legislative district reorganizational meetings will include elections for new district officers. We still don't have firm dates for when this will occur. We'll review what is known at the February 10 meeting, and please watch for future information from us and/or MCRC about when & where your new district meeting will be held. The terms of all current PCs continue until October 1, 2022, but you will be in one of the new LDs (& maybe even a new or reconfigured precinct).

Big Government, Big Media, Big Tech, & Big Pharma continue to push their power/control/"soft-on-science" agenda, threatening fear-driven mandates,

restrictions, and division. We've resumed our **Medical Freedom Rally at the SW corner of 90th Street & Shea from 1:00 - 2:00 PM.** The next Rally is on Saturday, February 5. The fight for our freedom isn't over, and I urge as many of you as possible to <u>commit to just one hour.</u> Please help us send a clear & concise message to those who drive by - "Medical Freedom Matters!", "No 'VAX' Mandates!", & "Let's Mandate Freedom!" Bring your flags, your signs, your friends.

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

Just a quick review of the Nomination and Petition paperwork.

The Nomination form is pretty self explanation, YES you put LD23 and your Precinct name in the first line. In the gray box please print your Last Name, First Name and Middle Name in the correct boxes.

On the Petition form Box #1 reads Maricopa, Box #2 LD23, Your Precinct Name, Box #2 Republican Box #4 Your Name, Box #5 Your Address, Box #6 Maricopa, Box #7 Precinct Committeeman and Box #8 August 2, 2022.

Make sure you are collecting names of Republican voters in your precinct. I encourage you to get 15 to 20 names. Make sure you complete the information on th back of the Petition form. Please turn into your Captain or me so I can submit to the Recorder's office for you. My first appointment is on March 9, 2022.

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, February 10.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN - Joe Junker

Happy New Year, and wow, what a month January was. It was great seeing so many of you at the County Meeting, and many of the events in our territory. Sorry I missed the State Meeting and the Trump Rally; but now I have NATURAL IMMUNITY to COVID!

As we continue to transition to the new LD Maps, and work through our continued business meetings, still there is little time for "program" content.

You'll recall in the past, I pointed you to opportunities outside the LD (yet "local" to our patch) so you may take advantage of programs for education, development, and conservative activism. Here's another review of the numerous opportunities in

the conservative universe here in Maricopa County, specific to our current geography and membership in Scottsdale/Rio Verde/Fountain Hills.

CLICK HERE FOR 3RD PARTY MEETING LIST

Feel free to contact me at joepcld23@cox.net or via text/cell at (480) 309-7762 if I can help in any way.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Barry Graham, Treasurer

DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE Statement of Activity & Reconciled Bank Balance Month-Ended Jan. 31, 2022

Revenue		
Donations/dues	\$	330.00
Name Badges		
Total Revenue		330.00
Expenses		
Name Badges		109.09
Bank/CC fees		10.77
Election supplies (PC Petitions)		132.68
Facility Rent		200.00
Total Expenses		-452.54
Net Change		-122.54
Reconciled Bank Balance, prior month-end	2	<u> 24,247.51</u>
Reconciled Bank Balance, current month-end	\$ 2	24,124.97

As we prepare move into new districts, we are thankful for your incredible support. Note: The above cash-based activity does not include a \$1.53 variance for a non-cash check misreading. The balance above reconciles to the bank statement.

On a personal note: I have been honored to serve as your LD23 Republican Committee Treasurer, and I am excited for this next chapter. Thank You!

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

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 <u>Donation Form</u> (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: <u>District 23 Republican Committee</u>

<u>SECRETARY</u> - Michele Stephens (January 13 minutes were recorded by Jamie Alford.)

District 23 Republican Committee General Meeting – January 13, 2022

Christ's Church of Fountain Hills

Call to Order (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

Dr. Michael Kelly led the Invocation; Joe Reyes led the Pledge of Allegiance Dr Rutkowski introduced the officers.

Motion to Accept the December 9, 2021, Minutes: Motion to accept made by Michal Joyner and seconded by Jim Lockwood.

Motion passed without objection.

Introduction of Candidates and Officials (Rich)

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

Newly appointed SC names were read and acknowledged

Treasurer's Report (Barry Graham, Treasurer)

Check the newsletter for the Treasurers report as Barry was out of town.

Key Event Reminders (Rich)

AZ March for Life 1/15

Trump Rally 1/15

AZ GOP Meeting 1/22

Medical Freedom Forum 1/20; Medical Freedom Rally 1/29

LD Reorganization Meetings TBD

Please see website for locations and times.

January 8 MCRC Meeting Results (Rich and Nancy Ordowski)

New Members at Large elected – Liz Harris, Kevin Beamon, Brian Ference, Joe Neglia and Joanie Colson. All resolutions passed. Additional Bylaw amendments adopted (2, 7 - 11); three proxy limits, prioritize business over speeches, voting by paper ballots, a PC who publicly supports another party can lose voting rights.

January 22 AZGOP Meeting Preview (Rich Rutlowski and Nancy Ordowski)
State Committeemen should have received your Call Letters, Credentialing at
meeting, proxies can be carried, Election of officers, Proposed Bylaw Amendment
#2 written by Dr Rutkowski and Resolutions are in the Call letter.

Reorganization Meetings (Nancy Ordowski and Rich Rutlowski)

LD 23 split into three LD's; LD3, 4 and 8. Expect Reorganization meetings to held in March. People will need to be reelected or elected to their new or current LD, there will be one set of rules and bylaws for all LDs to follow during the transition. New Maps should be approved by February 23rd; meeting to reorganize will be held 30 days after this date, this will be sent in an email. All LD reorganization will be done by statute and bylaws.

Prep for Next PC Election (Nancy Ordowski)

Prepare to complete your PC petition forms. PC's must have a minimum of ten signatures; these signatures must be registered Republican voters in your Precinct. To be safe; advise securing at least twenty signatures. As we reorganize, the number of PCs in your precinct will be determined by the number

of registered Republicans; one PC per 125 voters. Forms provided at meeting. Additional PC forms available on Maricopa County Recorder site:

https://recorder.maricopa.gov/elections/precinctcommitteemen.aspx

PCs complete and turn in forms no later than March 31st; suggest both forms be turned into Nancy and she will turn in to the county.

Candidate Speakers

The following candidates each spoke for 5 minutes about their campaign: **Jim Lamon** (US Senate); **Kari Lake** (Governor); **Bob Lettieri** (AZ Treasurer); **Lacy Cooper** (AZ Attorney General); **Gail Golec** (Maricopa County Supervisor) Rich reminded everyone to open their Constant Contact emails.

Next Meeting – February 10, 2022

Meeting adjourned without objection at 8:09 PM.

<u>DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB EVENTS</u>

Paradise Republican Women's Club

Next meeting: Saturday, February 12
McCormick Scottsdale Resort
7401 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale
8:15 AM Registration & Social / 9:00 AM Program
Speakers: Shawnna Bolick, Doug Little, Steve Gaynor
Brunch & meeting - \$35 per person. For RSVP, please visit
https://checkout.square.site/buy/YJVL64TMY65BTXEGCPFAFMFZ
before February 9 at noon.

Lincoln Republican Women's Club

Meeting: Monday, February 7

Maggiano's North Scottsdale (new location)

16405 N. Scottsdale Rd.

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

Guest Speakers: Blake Masters

Tickets must have been purchased by 10 AM on February 3. 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, February 19 9:00 AM Location: Fountain Hills Community Center. Speakers: FH Town Council / Mayoral Forum

Monthly Social: Wednesday, February 23 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.

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