

June 2021 Newsletter

NEXT DISTRICT MEETING

Thursday, June 10, 2021

FOUNTAIN HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT LEARNING CENTER
16000 E. PALISADES BLVD.
FOUNTAIN HILLS

(Good news! Occupancy restrictions are lifted
and there will be seating.)

MAP

Registration: 6:30 PM - Call to Order: 7:00 PM

(We encourage attendance in-person, but there is a Zoom option
for those unable to attend in-person due to health concerns.
Register **in advance** for the Zoom option with this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUsc-qvrzsvH9NRj9-YOglzMTC82445rCrR>

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

CHAIRMAN – Dr. Richard Rutkowski

The pace of requests for PC appointments slowed a bit in early May, but it has picked up again, so we continue adding new PCs and non-PC volunteers who are motivated to get involved and join us in the battle to resist the dismantling of the many successes of the Trump administration, the attacks on our personal freedom, and the attempt by the left to impose its radical "woke" agenda on us. As noted below, we are seeking volunteers for a few important tasks. If you're able to help out, let us know!

Not long before his death, Rush Limbaugh summed up our mission: "Never stop fighting for America. We are the sons and daughters of liberty. It is priceless, but we know its cost. And we are about to educate those who would try to steal it." Let's all commit to work hard and accomplish this mission!

Please check regularly for Constant Contact messages (Newsletter, Action Alerts, Events, etc.). The sender address is "news@ld23gop.org." This is our primary method for communicating with you, so please open/read those messages. Our "open" rate is about 53%, so there's room for improvement. Please contact me with any questions or concerns. I check ld23gop@gmail.com several times every

day. Also, please note that the phone number on my business card is a landline. Yes, I'm sticking to some "old school" habits.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN - Nancy Ordowski

MCRC has asked us to request PCs to serve as volunteers in a few areas. If you're willing to help out in any of the areas listed below, please send an email to Rich Rutkowski at ld23gop@gmail.com and Nancy Ordowski at ncordowski@gmail.com.

- Technical support - A few PCs with prior experience using GOP Data Center and/or Campaign Sidekick and the ability to effectively train Precinct Captains in the creation of precinct walking lists.
- Deputy Registrars - Several PCs to take the Deputy Registrar class and attend Citizenship Ceremonies to assist in voter registration for new citizens. Depending upon the number of volunteers, you may only need to attend a ceremony every few months.
- Redistricting - Several PCs to testify at public comment meetings of the Independent Redistricting Commission in October and November. At these meetings, you can share your own opinion and other positive or negative comments about a proposed mapping issue. Fair Maps Arizona can assist you in this process. Your comments may be used as evidence in court proceedings to support the creation of fair maps and defend against Democratic challenges.
- Spanish-speakers - If you speak Spanish, volunteers are needed to connect with PCs & others in the Latino community.

If you are 30 years old or younger, please save the date of Saturday, August 21 for a special event. Watch for a notice about dates for PC Training sessions for new PCs to be sent out this weekend. If you are an established PC and want to attend a training, please send me an email.

Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday, June 10.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN - Joe Junker

Since beginning this year serving you as program chair, it's been thrilling to see the great support and excitement we've developed with our guests thus far. It has seemed with each month, the value we gained from listening to our guest speakers has grown, and your feedback has been quite positive. This month's meeting will be no exception. We will focus on some principles highlighted in the Republican Platform.

Beginning on Page 11 of the 2016-2020 Republican Platform, the Republican positions are discussed including the defense of Marriage, the Bill of Rights, and their importance in the protection of Life, Liberty and Freedom.

Our keynote speaker will be Cathi Herrod, president of Center for Arizona Policy (CAP), a nonprofit advocacy organization committed to promoting and defending the foundational principles of life, marriage and family, and religious freedom. Cathi's discussion will be titled "Legislative Session: What We Learned and What's Ahead". A total of 174 CAP-supported bills have been passed into law since CAP made its first appearance at the state Capitol in 1995. So, Cathi has great experience working with the Legislature and promoting the cause for conservative bills. Cathi is an award-winning public policy leader, recognized as one of the ten most influential leaders and as one of the key people "with the juice" at the Arizona Capitol.

Our "call to opportunity & action" speaker will be Ashley Trussell, with the Arizona Walk for Life and Rally. The event is a few months away, but Ashley has some great suggestions for how you can help during the summer and join the event and rally in January, 2022. Ashley is a board member for Arizona Life Coalition, Mesa Republican Women, LD25 and a precinct committeeman. Her experience with activism as well as working within the party should be a great inspiration for us all.

Looking forward to seeing you Thursday, June 10 at 6:30pm; meeting begins at 7pm.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Barry Graham, Treasurer

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

Revenue	
Donations/dues	\$ 1,190.00
Annual Breakfast	470.00
Other	45.00
Name Badges	<u>368.00</u>
Total Revenue	<u>2,073.00</u>
Expenses	
Name badges	315.32
Supplies	10.89
Annual Breakfast	411.77
Bank/CC fees	38.40
Facility Rent	<u>172.50</u>
Total Expenses	<u>948.88</u>
Net Change	1,124.12
Reconciled Bank Balance, prior month-end	<u>17,959.06</u>
Reconciled Bank Balance, current month-end	<u>\$ 19,083.18</u>

The final numbers are in and, as expected, the annual Pancake Breakfast was very successful! We raised \$1,450 before expenses of \$411!

I want to share my gratitude to the members of the Finance Committee, Gerry, Kristin, and Tami, for volunteering their time to audit the finances of the District on Saturday (5/29)!

Your 2021 donations continue to be strong – And we also continue to see big demand for name badges! 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 not tax deductible.

Thank you,

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

SECRETARY - Deborah Poland

**District 23 Republican Committee
Regular Meeting – May 13, 2021
Fountain Hills School District Learning Center & Zoom**

Call to Order (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Hilda Villaverde led the Invocation; Tami Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance

Motion to Accept the April 8, 2021 Minutes: Motion to accept made by Dominic Reale and seconded by Craig Bennett

Motion passed without objection

Treasurer's Report (Barry Graham, Treasurer)

Reported cash balance of \$17,959.

Valerie Giramberk commented that a review of District financial records with the Treasurer and a Finance Committee is due

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

Elected officials were recognized and welcomed.

Due to the large number of new PCs, names were read and acknowledged if in attendance.

Speakers (Joe Junker, 2nd Vice-Chairman)

Liz Harris – Advocate for Activists, Action, and Truth

Liz spoke to the reason why she spends endless hours volunteering working toward election integrity. She and her volunteers have canvassed voters to find rampant voter discrepancies. In her door to door canvassing she found voters that were no longer alive, not at that address, even voters receiving up to 20 extra ballots.

Her recommendations are for smaller precincts, voting within your precinct, one day voting, showing an ID to vote, paper ballots, counting votes by hand with no machines. If you would like to volunteer for election integrity, you can sign up at: itsmellsfunny.com. This is not related to the audit.

Alex Kolodin – AZGOP Counsel

Alex spoke about the voting machine issue and the way machines can easily be manipulated. He worked with Sydney Powell to challenge the AZ election certification showing there were 100,000 improper votes.

He spoke to the fact that AZ was leading the way in fighting back. Democrats are more organized and well funded. To donate to the legal defense for election integrity, go to: fightback.network

District Business and Announcements (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Faith-based initiatives: see Deborah Poland or Bob Baker

(Nancy Ordowski, 1st Vice-Chairman)

Update on new appointments and training for PCs.

Next Meeting – June 10, 2021 at Fountain Hills USD Learning Center
Motion to adjourn made by Greg Wodynski and seconded by Yvonne Cahill;
Motion passed without objection at 8:25 pm

DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS

Paradise Republican Women's Club

Next meeting: Saturday, June 12
McCormick Scottsdale Resort
7401 N. Scottsdale Rd.
8:15 AM Registration & Social / 9:00 AM Brunch / 9:45 AM Speaker
Speaker: County Supervisor Steve Chucri
Brunch & meeting - \$35 per person. For RSVP, please visit
<https://checkout.square.site/buy/YJVL64TMY65BTXEGCPFAFMFZ>

Lincoln Republican Women's Club

Meetings: Monday, June 7
McCormick Scottsdale Resort
7401 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale
5:30 PM Meet & Greet / 6:00 PM Meeting
Speaker: State Rep. John Kavanagh
Reservations needed by June 4. RSVP to Julie Gallagher
(reply to this email lrwdinner@gmail.com or email/phone Julie directly at
JG2791@aol.com, 480-272-0511)

Palo Verde Republican Women

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 16
Grayhawk Golf Club, The Fairway House
8620 E Thompson Peak Parkway, Scottsdale
11:00 AM Social / 11:30 AM Program & Lunch
Speaker: State Sen. Michelle Ugenti-Rita & AZGOP Secretary Yvonne Cahill
Reservations required. Visit www.paloverderepublicanwomen.com.

Fountain Hills Republican Club

Next meeting: Saturday, June 19 9:00 AM
Location: Fountain Hills Community Center
13001 N. La Montana Drive, Fountain Hills
Speakers: MCRC Chairman Mickie Niland & LD23 Chairman Dr. Richard Rutkowski
Members are encouraged to attend in-person. Those desiring to participate virtually should
contact the club at FHRepublican@gmail.com to obtain information about virtual access.
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.

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

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