November 2021 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11

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

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<u>CHAIRMAN</u> – Dr. Richard Rutkowski

Most of you probably get too many emails. Please know that I do try to keep the number of Constant Contact emails limited while making sure that you receive notice of the most important events, action alerts, etc. without being overwhelmed. The ongoing redistricting process will likely require frequent updates in the next several weeks, so please do your best to keep up and act accordingly.

We're still growing our numbers and I can still appoint new PCs for a few more weeks. As you're aware, the redistricting process is underway and efforts are continuing to make the new maps reflect the conservative nature of our area and to strengthen the position of AZ Republicans in the legislature and in Congress. Please be on the watch for upcoming Action Alerts with instructions on how you can help. Try to keep Friday December 3 open, since there will likely be a public meeting at which we'll need to have as many people as possible attend and testify. This is our chance to get the next 10 years on the right track.

On the issue of Medical Freedom, that fight is not over. Yes, this issue is very important to me and I hope that it is important to all of us. Big government, big media, big tech... are trying to take control and vaccine mandates are one part of it. As someone who knows the science, it is so frustrating to me to see it being misinterpreted, misrepresented, or ignored by those in positions of authority, from Dr. Fauci down! If you have attended a Medical Freedom Rally, thank you. If you haven't, why not? We gather at the SW corner of 90th Street & Shea every Saturday at 1:00 PM until 2:00 PM or later with our flags and signs. If possible, we spread to the other corners of the intersection. The Action Alerts will provide suggested sign content to send a clear & concise message to those who drive by "Medical Freedom Matters." Please make a point to join us.

In preparation for the January 8 MCRC Mandatory Meeting, the Resolutions Committee is accepting proposed resolution from current PCs until November 24. Please review the following information about the process:

1) Cover Letter:

https://maricopagop.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/MCRC-RESOLUTIONS-COMMITTEE-INFORMATIONAL-COVER-LETTER-FINAL-1.pdf

2) Proposed Resolution Template Form (Fillable):

https://maricopagop.org/wp-

content/uploads/2021/10/MCRC_RESOLUTION_SUBMISSION_TEMPLATE_FORM_FILLAB LE FINAL.pdf

3) MCRC Resolutions Guide:

https://maricopagop.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/MCRC-ANNUAL-MEETING-RESOLUTIONS-COMMITTEE-GUIDE-SUGGESTED-ADDITIONAL-READING-FINAL-1.pdf

Our District Christmas Holiday Party will be on Saturday evening, December 11. Save the date: details very soon.

Constant Contact emails are the primary means of communication with our PCs & guests. Please read them to stay informed and connected. Those messages are sent from "news@ld23gop.org" and, with now over 600 recipients, 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

REDISTRICTING

Right now the 2 most important dates are this **Saturday**, **November 6**, at **10:00am** (virtual meeting) and Friday, **December 3**, at **6:00pm** (in-person meeting). Note dates and schedule may change, watch for updates on our LD23 website and in our e-blast.

This is the most important job on our plate for the month of November. The most important job, but one where we have very little control. The schedule of Community Meetings is subject to change, and the IRC Commissioners have that control, so we need to be willing to change our plans, cancel meetings and show up in force. We don't need everyone to speak, by sitting is a large group and having our speakers move out of our group, they will see there is support for what the speakers are saying.

I have attended meetings with 70 people speaking and that takes a huge amount of time. We need to make direct points about the boundaries of the CDs & LDs within our Communities of Interest and throughout the state of Arizona. These

boundaries will determine our opportunity to protect and elect our Republican candidates.

If you want to speak, please let Rich and I know, we can then direct you to supporters that can help you with your message. It is important we have strong/different talking points and not repeating the same information. Twenty messages using the same words doesn't work. Most important we need you in attendance.

Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday, November 11.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN - Joe Junker

The primary speakers at our November 11 meeting will be our LD23 state legislative team - State Senator Michelle Ugenti-Rita, State Representative John Kavanagh, & State Representative Joseph Chaplik. Each legislator will offer a perspective on what was accomplished in the last legislative session and what issues and legislation must be pursued in the upcoming session.

We do encourage our PCs & guests to attend meetings in person. There will be an opportunity to "attend" via Zoom.

Register in advance for the meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEucOyvqTsqGtGST644nvguOOHLL6IFXqE5

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

TREASURER'S REPORT - Barry Graham, Treasurer

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

Revenue		
Donations/dues	\$	1,348.00
Other		50.00
Name Badges		208.00
Total Revenue		1,606.00
Expenses		
Name Badges		196.36
Bank/CC fees		29.85
Annual Picnic		688.03
Christmas Party		400.00
Postage		97.65
Facility Rent		200.00
Total Expenses		1,611.89
Net Change		710.43
Reconciled Bank Balance, prior month-end		22,143.68
Reconciled Bank Balance, current month-end	<u>\$</u>	22,137.79

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 <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:

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 – October 14, 2021 Christ's Church of Fountain Hills

Call to Order (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm Jim O'Connor led the Invocation; Bob Day [1] led the Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of Officers

Nancy Ordowski, 1st Vice Chair & MCRC 1st VC Joe Junker, 2nd Vice Chair & MCRC Member-at-large Michele Stephens, Secretary Barry Graham, Treasurer (via Zoom), Valerie Giramberk standing in

Acknowledgement of elected officials not speaking and new PC's

Elected officials not speaking were recognized and welcomed. Names of new PC's were read.

Motion to Accept the September 9, 2021 Minutes: Motion to accept made by Tommy Andrews second by Bob Hathorne.

Motion passed without objection

Treasurer's Report (Barry Graham, Treasurer)

Reported cash balance of \$22,143. Campaign Report filed on time. Discussed Scottsdale General Plan.

Secretary Election

Since the race for District Secretary was uncontested, Michele Stephens was elected as Secretary by acclamation.

Key Event Reminders (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Medical Freedom Rallies continuing - Next one Saturday 10/16 @ 1 PM October 16 FHRC Picnic October 18 "The Deep Rig" LD23 Picnic 10/23 SUSD Recall Petitions Poll Observers needed Invitation to AZ Life Coalition Breakfast by Christine Cothrun Please see website for location and exact time.

Speakers (Joe Junker, 2nd Vice-Chairman)

Darla Gonzalez, Grassroots Director, Arizona Free Enterprise Club showed a video re: 2021 Grassroots efforts to thank participants. Discussed Request to Speak system. Go to AZfree.org and click Join.

Drew Sexton, Regional Political Director RNC discussed Campaign Sidekick including successes from 2020 campaign, LD23 90% voter turnout, higher voter turnout when we speak to voters, less turnout from Literature Drop only without conversations, and survey and conversation results done through Sidekick immediately go back to the RNC Data Trust.

Candidate Speakers

The following candidates each spoke for 5 minutes about their campaign: **Tim Stratton** (Scottsdale City Council), **Elijah Norton** (US House), **Michelle Ugenti-Rita** (AZ SOS), **Blake Masters** (US Senate), **Steve Gaynor** (AZ Governor), **Alex Kolodin** (AZ House)

District Business and Announcements

Precinct Redistricting and Mandatory Meeting (Nancy Ordowski, 1st Vice Chairman)
Nancy discussed redistricting. Go to Fairmapsarizona.org for a draft map available 10/21.
Next MRC County mandatory meeting is Saturday, Jan 8, 2022. PC Contest date extended to 11/15.

Announcements (Dr. Rich Rutkowski, Chairman)

Rich reminded everyone of upcoming activities and to open their Constant Contact emails.

Next Meeting – Thursday, November 11 Meeting adjourned without objection at 8:56 PM

DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS

Paradise Republican Women's Club

Next meeting: Saturday, November 13

McCormick Scottsdale Resort 7401 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale

8:15 AM Registration & Social / 9:00 AM Brunch / 9:25 AM Business & Speaker

Speaker: Candidate for SPI Tom Horne

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

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

Lincoln Republican Women's Club Meeting: McCormick Scottsdale Resort, Lakeside Ballroom 7401 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale 5:00 PM Registration/ 6:15 PM Dinner/7:00 PM Speaker Speaker: Reservations needed by RSVP to Julie Gallagher at LincolnRepWomen@gmail.com or call Julie directly at 480-272-0511.
Palo Verde Republican Women Next meeting: Wednesday, November Grayhawk Golf Club, The Fairway House 8620 E Thompson Peak Parkway, Scottsdale 11:00 AM Social / 11:30 AM Program & Lunch Speaker: Reservations required. Visit www.paloverderepublicanwomen.com.
Fountain Hills Republican Club Next Meeting: Saturday, November 20 9:00 AM Location: Christ's Church of Fountain Hills; 15555 E. Bainbridge Ave. Speakers: FH TOwn Council Candidate Forum Monthly Social:

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.