

AZ Legislative District 23 Republican Committee
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Nancy Ordowski, Chairman
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April 2019 Newsletter



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**NEXT MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, APRIL 11**  
**MCDOWELL MOUNTAIN RANCH MCDOWELL CENTER**  
[\[MAP\]](#)

### **CHAIRMAN'S CORNER – Nancy Ordowski**

I hope all of you have taken time to see the movie UNPLANNED. It is a true story about Planned Parenthood. Pro Life is part of the Republican Platform and there is no way you will be able to walk away from this movie without more information supporting our principles.

This Saturday, April 6 we will be having our Pancake Breakfast. It is a district fundraiser and an opportunity for all of us to have time to visit and build friendships with fellow Republicans. Plus an opportunity to meet our Congressman David Schweikert. Walk-ins are welcome.

Captains please report to me about your PC results. Now is a great time to walk our precincts, meet your fellow Republicans and reach out to the PNDs and INDs in your Precinct. There are more than 57,000 IND and PND in LD23. Are the voters registered as PND even aware of the status of their registration? In March 2020 we will have another Presidential Preference Election and only Republicans/Democrats can vote in that election. Those voters must be registered in their party by a date in early January 2020. One of our jobs is to educate our Republican and the PND voters. Now is the time to begin!

I am looking forward to seeing you at our April 11, 2019 District Meeting. Details below. You can reach me at [ncordowski@gmail.com](mailto:ncordowski@gmail.com) or 480-203-5278.

## **FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN - Rob Swoboda**

On March 23rd we held our 2nd Captain's training. Many excellent ideas on how / where to engage new voters and communicate our message were expressed. I would like to give special thanks to Alex Meluskey for sharing his experience as a long term PC Captain and to Joe Junker for providing the perspective of a new Captain learning and experimenting with new methods and techniques. Alex provided me a "Radio Call In Guidelines" document which I hope to post shortly. Our Second New PC training session was held on March 30th. Nancy signed up 2 new PCs after the session. I want to thank all who attended and ask all PC Captains to connect with your new PCs.

**RTS:** If you have not signed up for RTS yet please do so and send your login (email address) and password (please use your precinct name) to my wife Gina at [ginaswoboda@hotmail.com](mailto:ginaswoboda@hotmail.com). She will activate your RTS account for you. I would ask everyone who has an RTS account to contact me and let me know when you set it up so I can get an accurate count of how many RTS voices we have and our velocity in activating RTS accounts. The RTS form & instructions can be found at [www.ld23gop.org](http://www.ld23gop.org).

**Message to PC Captains:** I would like to know if you or any of your PCs have used your walk list, recruited new PCs for your precinct, registered voters or need new PC training. Also if you have not attended PC Captain training yet please contact me so I can coordinate a final PC Captain training. Note: This is not for new Captains but for all Captains. The training seeks to provide a baseline for PC Captains activities and for Captains to share knowledge.

**LD23-GOP Slack Workspace:** I have created an LD23 Slack workspace and LD23 Captains "Slack" channel. This is a collaboration and knowledge sharing tool. For now, LD23 officers and PC Captains will test the usefulness of this tool in our LD. This is a collaboration and knowledge sharing tool. Captains, please look for an invitation to join the Captains Channel and if you don't receive one please send me an email to let me know.

Thank you all for all you do! You can reach me at:  
[robswobodapcld23@gmail.com](mailto:robswobodapcld23@gmail.com) or 405-546-1290

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

First of all, let me highlight a statement from page 13 of the 2016 Republican Party Platform: "The Constitution's guarantee that no one can 'be deprived of life, liberty or property' deliberately echoes the Declaration of Independence's proclamation that 'all are 'endowed by their Creator' with the inalienable right to life. Accordingly, we assert the sanctity of human life and affirm that the unborn child has a fundamental right to life which cannot be infringed." As Republicans, we have an obligation to support the U.S. Constitution and the principles of the Republican Platform, especially the protection of human life. Allow me to add my personal appeal to all of you to see the film "Unplanned" this weekend. Please urge others to do so, and share its message about the sanctity of human life widely with courage and conviction.

Remember our annual **LD23 Pancake Breakfast** on Saturday, April 6. This is a wonderful way to enjoy good food, good company, and hear a first hand update about the D.C. swamp from Congressman David Schweikert. If you haven't sent in your

RSVP, you are still welcome to attend. Details are available via the link under Important Dates on the Home page of [www.ld23gop.org](http://www.ld23gop.org).

Our April meeting will be on Thursday evening, April 11 at McDowell Mountain Ranch McDowell Center [\[MAP\]](#) with registration at 6:30 PM and call to order at 7:00 PM. Our main guest speaker will be Mark Spencer. Mark is the Southwest Regional Director of Judicial Watch, a national organization whose motto is "Because No One Is Above The Law." Mark is a dynamic speaker who will talk about Judicial Watch's work for the release of information about many government scandals and misdeeds. Guest speakers at our monthly meetings provide us with a broad range of information and perspective about current issues. The better we are educated and informed, the better we are able to educate and inform potential voters.

Please visit [www.ld23gop.org](http://www.ld23gop.org) for any updates, and read LD23 communications, for accurate information about future meetings, upcoming events, documents, and links to other web sites and resources.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT - Barry Graham**

**DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE**  
**Statement of Activity and Bank Balance**  
**Month-Ended March 31, 2019**

| <b>Revenue</b>                          |                            |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Donations/dues                          | \$ 772.00                  |
| Badges                                  | 128.00                     |
| Pancake Breakfast                       | <u>728.00</u>              |
| <b>Total Revenue</b>                    | <b><u>1,628.00</u></b>     |
| <br>                                    |                            |
| <b>Expenses</b>                         |                            |
| Office supplies and overhead            | 394.76                     |
| Bank and credit card fees               | <u>24.77</u>               |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                   | <b><u>419.53</u></b>       |
| <b>Net Change</b>                       | <b>1,208.47</b>            |
| <b>Reconciled Bank Balance 02/28/19</b> | <b><u>11,515.19</u></b>    |
| <b>Reconciled Bank Balance 03/31/19</b> | <b><u>\$ 12,723.66</u></b> |

**Finance Updates**

- During March 2019, the audit subcommittee conducted its first financial activity inspection of 2019. A report will be provided by a member of the subcommittee at the March 11, 2019 monthly meeting.
- We are currently accepting payments for the 4/6/19 pancake breakfast. \$20 per person, or \$18 if you prepay.

**Annual Donations:** The recommended annual donation is \$30 (\$50/couple). These help cover operating expenses. Outside of monthly meetings, there are two ways to make a donation:

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 Repub. Committee  
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.

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(602) 740-2570  
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## **MEETING MINUTES - Korena Byam**

### **District 23 Republican Committee**

**8776 E Shea Blvd Ste 106-341**

**Scottsdale, AZ 85251**

#### **LD23 MEETING**

**McDowell Mountain Ranch McDowell Center**

**16116 E McDowell Mountain Ranch Road**

**Scottsdale, AZ 85255**

**March 14, 2019**

#### **Call to Order**

Called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Jim O'Connor led prayer. Bob Lettieri led Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Introduction**

As Nancy was out of state, Second Vice Chair Rich Rutkowski led the meeting and:

- welcomed new PCs and guests
- reminded all of Pancake Breakfast Saturday, April 6th
- announced Mark Spencer from Judicial Watch as the next guest at April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting

#### **Speakers**

At 7:15, AZ Supreme Court Justice Clint Bolick was introduced. Clint discussed his involvement in eliminating conflict of interest in AZ Supreme Court. Of topics discussed, he pointed out that Governor Ducey appointed 5 of 7 members of Supreme Court and interviewed each with great scrutiny for those who believe in the Constitution. Clint was instrumental in ruling AZ tax payer subsidies to private companies unconstitutional.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Barry Graham reported that as of 3/14, the cash balance was \$11,681.

#### **St. Joseph Hike for the Homeless**

Korena provided a summary of the St. Joseph the Workers mission to provide a hand up to the Homeless with employment opportunity and reported success of over 3000 employed in 2017. 15 PC Committeemen signed up for the hike or contributions and over \$88,000 was raised.

#### **Approval of minutes**

A motion for approval of the minutes from the February 14 meeting was made by Ron Schott and seconded by Jobi Rosen. There was no discussion and the motion carried unanimously.

### **Announcements**

Pancake Breakfast will be on April 6.

Next District meeting will be on April 11.

PCs are encouraged to sign up and use AZ Request to Speak.

Fountain Hills Republican Club meeting on March 16 – the opioid crisis.

Fountain Hills AZ Tea Party meeting on March 21 – Immigration & Border Crisis.

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:00pm by Ron Schott, seconded by Mike Tomko. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Korena Byam, Secretary

## **DISTRICT 23 REPUBLICAN CLUB NEWS**

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

Next meeting: Saturday, April 13

NEW LOCATION: The McCormick Scottsdale Millennium Hotel

7401 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale

9:00 AM Meeting / 10:00 AM Brunch

Speakers: Dr. Kelli Ward, Chairman of Arizona Republican Party

Brunch & meeting - \$30 per person. For information, please visit <http://prwc.org>.

### **Lincoln Republican Women's Club**

Next meeting: Monday, May 6 (Please confirm date.)

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: -----

Reservations needed (\$35 cash or check to "LRW"). RSVP to Karen Garrett at 602-571-6020 or [azgarrett@gmail.com](mailto:azgarrett@gmail.com).

### **Palo Verde Republican Women**

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 17

Grayhawk Golf Club

8620 E Thompson Peak Parkway, The Fairway House

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

Speakers: Cindy Dahlgren from Center for AZ Policy, speaking about the Democrat-backed "Equality Act," which threatens our fundamental freedoms of speech & religion, threatens parental rights, and attempts to codify "progressive" ideology into federal law.

Reservations required (\$35). Use [pvrwlunch111@yahoo.com](mailto:pvrwlunch111@yahoo.com)

**Fountain Hills Republican Club**

Next meetings: Saturday, April 20

Speakers: Dr. Kelli Ward, Chairman of Arizona Republican Party

Fountain Hills Community Center

13001 N. La Montana Drive, Fountain Hills

8:30 Registration & welcome; 9:00 AM Meeting.

FHRC Social: Wednesday, April 24 at 5 PM (Please confirm date.)

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).

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This month's newsletter was compiled and respectfully submitted  
by Rich Rutkowski, 2nd Vice Chairman.