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## Letter from the Chair

It is my great pleasure to greet you as the new Chair of LD29. The goal of having a monthly newsletter in between meetings is to foster communication. Included in the newsletter will be a short "letter from the chair," a recap of recent events, and announcements of what is to come. I welcome your ideas and

contributions to this newsletter. If you have an idea for an article, please contact us by email. I'm looking forward to receiving articles and photos from you. Mostly, I'm looking forward to your contribution to the activity and vitality of this district. Our motto for now is: *Let's do stuff!* I will be relying



on you to do stuff, and to give me direction.

Your humble servant,

*Laura*

## 2008 District Reorganizing Meeting

On Thursday, December 4, 2008, LD29 had our biennial reorganization meeting. We had a great turnout of both PCs from our district and outside visitors.

At our meeting, new officers were elected. (see left column for details and contact information). We also elected two representatives to the Pima County Democratic Party Executive Committee, Steve Cody and Tom Prezelski. We have 28 elected Precinct Committee-people, and we may have one State Committee-person per PCs. Therefore we are

allotted nine State Committee-people. The following people were elected to the State Committee:

- Keith Bagwell
- Steve Cody
- Lurline Cook
- Laura Elías de la Torre
- Matt Heinz
- Caitlin Jensen
- Betty Liggins
- Tom Prezelski
- John Soltero

In addition to these formalities, we also elected John Soltero to be our "Chair Emeritus" in recognition of

his many years of service to the district.

Thanks the following guests for their attendance and contributions to the meeting: Vincent Rabago, Mohur Sidhwa, Wood Sanders, Roger White, Adam Kinsey, Pat Burns, and other friends!



# JANUARY 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 New Year's Day	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 LD 29 January Meeting	9	10 County Reorganizing meeting
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Martin Luther King Day March	20	21	22	23	24 State Reorganizing Meeting
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## Schedule of Events

- } January 1 — New Year's Day
- } January 8 — LD29 January meeting, begins at 7 pm at Pima County Democratic HQ.
- } January 10 — Pima County Democratic Party Reorganizing Meeting
- } January 19 — Martin Luther King Day - march to Reid Park and rally.
- } January 24 — Arizona Democratic Party Reorganizing Meeting



## Upcoming Events

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is January 19<sup>th</sup>. Let's talk at the 1/8/09 meeting (or before) about marching in the parade or joining LD28 for voter registration at the park.

Democrats of Greater Tucson: Regina Romero is the scheduled speaker for Jan 5<sup>th</sup>. The new LD chairs (including yours) will speak at the January 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. DGT meets at noon on most Mondays at the Golden Dragon. (see [www.pimadems.org](http://www.pimadems.org) for more information.)

The County Reorganizing Meeting will be on Saturday January 10. Two weeks later, the State Party will have its reorganizing meeting in Phoenix. State Committee Members: This will be our chance to show our — let's have 100% turnout! :)

As the song asks, What are you doing New Year's Eve? If it's interesting (but appropriate) we'll write about it in the next newsletter!

For your contributions or suggestions to this newsletter, please send an email to:

[ContactLD29@gmail.com](mailto:ContactLD29@gmail.com)

# Southside children need toys for Christmas

**Ramon's Miracle on 31st Street Christmas Party**

They need 8000 toys.

They have 400 toys.

How to help: Donations can be dropped off at the Tucson Rodeo Grounds starting next Monday. Gonzales said donors can also call him at 883-5805 and he will pick up donations. You can also take them to 2019 W. Ajo Way.



Since the children served by this event live in LD 29, let's help Ramon with his toy drive. If you would like, label the gift "from LD29 Democrats."

While it might be nice for LD29 to be recognized, the more important issue is getting gifts to the kids, with or without acknowledgment.



## NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 8TH

The first Thursday of January is New Year's Day, therefore, our January meeting will be postponed for one week to Thursday, January 8, 2009. We will meet, as usual, at 7 pm at the Pima County Democratic Headquarters. An agenda will be distributed ten

days before the meeting along with the December minutes. **PLEASE ARRIVE AT 6:45** to sign in and mingle. The meeting will start promptly at 7 pm. Featured guest speakers will include Former Pima Co Dem Party Chair, Paul Eckerstrom, to discuss Education issues, and Chairman of the Pima County Board of Supervisors, Richard Elías.



LD29 residents, please remember to bring ten dollars to the next meeting for your 2009 dues.

## Meet LD 29 Holiday Gathering

On Thursday, 12/4/08, we had our reorganizing meeting. Within a few days, there was talk of a holiday gathering that following week. It came together very quickly, and news was spread via email and Facebook. In spite of not having time to fully plan or advertise, a nice little crowd gathered at Dr. Laura's house on Friday

night for snacks, beverages, and a small bonfire for roasting chestnuts! We even managed to raise more than \$200 for the LD29 treasury! The stocking was filled beyond our expectations! Thanks to everyone who came with very little notice. Just think of what we can accomplish with more preparation!

