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## General Meeting

Thursday January 24, 2019

The Captain's Table—Courtyard by Marriott  
15<sup>th</sup> Street and The Boardwalk  
Ocean City, MD

Doors open at 10:30 am  
Program at 11:00 am

**PROGRAM:** The topic will be “Know What’s Coming in 2019 - a Discussion of Maryland and Worcester County Legislative Issues”. A Worcester County Commissioner will also be present to answer questions.



**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE:** Happy New Year! We wonder, “Where did 2018 go?” Well, it was a busy one for RWWC. We look back on a year of campaigns, getting to know candidates—many of whom here in Worcester are now our elected officials—hosting events and conducting meetings with interesting speakers. We also had a lot of fun and enjoyed each other’s company! In January alone, we will see RWWC members sworn in as State Senator, State’s Attorney, Register of Wills, Clerk of the Court, Orphan’s Court Judges and associate members take office as State Delegate, Sheriff and County Commissioners. We are grateful for their service, wish them all well and stand by to support them.

What is RWWC up to in January? Five members will attend the MFRW Leadership Conference to learn how we can be more effective as a club. Our General Meeting and Luncheon on January 24 will focus on Maryland’s 2019 Legislative issues at the State and County levels. We will provide members with the tools they need to have their voices heard in Annapolis.

2019 may not be a year of campaigns but it will most definitely be a busy year for Republicans and the Club. At the MFRW Conference in November, the Eastern Region selected “Legislation and Inclusion” as its focus for the year. RWWC will be fully engaged in both by planning meetings and events reflecting these themes.

I look forward to seeing many members at upcoming meetings and working with our committees for another successful year! Best regards,

Beth Rodier  
President

**MEMBERSHIP:** Happy New Year! Welcome to new members, *Carol Akelaitis* and *Donna Frankowski* both of whom joined us in November and new Associate member, *Gregory DeMarco* who joined in December.

It's that time of year again when we renew our membership in RWWC. New or renewal dues are \$30 for full members and \$10 for associates. Associate members are women who belong to another Republican club as full members or men. Please renew at our January meeting or if you're unable to attend, by mail at your earliest convenience. Our official roster is due at State by the end of the month.

Several members have already ordered the newly available magnetic nameplates. What a great way to put a face to a name, helping all of us get to know each other better and bringing us closer as women with the same political goals. Cost for the nameplate is \$11. This is the true cost and the club does not make a profit on the sale. Please send dues and/or nameplate fees to: RWWC Membership, P.O. Box 1292, Berlin, MD 21811. Hope to see you at the January luncheon.

*Jean Delcher*  
Membership Chair



**RWWC FUND RAISER:** The “Bag Lady” is back. In April we will once again take part in the Ocean Pines Flea Market selling items, donated by our members, to raise money for our club. In addition to handbags and purses, we will be collecting accessories, like wallets, scarves, hats, belts, etc. All must be in “like new” condition. No rips, tears, stains, etc. You may bring your treasures to the monthly luncheons or call **Barbara Loffler** at **443-880-0204** for pick up and/or drop off.

**SUNSHINE:** Please call Corresponding Secretary, Loretta Spinuzza at **410-641-7552** or email her at [jagspin@gmail.com](mailto:jagspin@gmail.com) whenever you learn that one of our members is ill or has had a death in the family. Thanks for your help.



**CARING FOR AMERICA:** Many thanks to our members for their generous donations during the months of October and November! This year we donated 240 pairs of socks to “Stockings for Soldiers” and 108 pairs to American Legion 166, that were shipped to our troops. Special thanks to Sharon Byerly and Kathleen Tallman for “working the room” during our November dinner meeting collecting funds for the socks. Kathleen Tallman and Mary Adair delivered the stockings to the above organizations. We are grateful for their willingness to drive and deliver the socks.



**Valentines for Veterans:** We will be sending homemade and store-bought cards to our veterans for Valentine’s Day again this year. The cards will be sent to veterans at Baltimore Rehab, the VA Medical Center, Charlotte Hall Veterans Hospital, Perry Point Hospital and USO Delaware. The drop off boxes will be in place at Shamrock Realty on Route 589, Copy

Central on Cathell Road, Ocean Pines Library and the Ocean Pines Administration Building. We will have some store-bought valentine cards available to sign at our January General Meeting, but you can bring your own as well. The cards can also be delivered to the locations listed above. Our thanks go to Linda Dearing at Copy Central, Cathell Road, for packaging and shipping the cards each year. We also thank all who assist us with drop-off locations.

If you have any toiletries that you can share, please bring them to the meeting. Kathleen Tallman has been delivering them to the Delaware USO. Thank you, Kathleen for your dedication to our troops! Happy New Year to all!

Vera Beck,  
Caring for America Chair

**LITERACY: Media Expo needs judges! Call for Volunteers!** The annual Worcester County Public Schools Media Expo needs judges and the members of RWWC have been asked again to help out at this wonderful event! Judging will take place at the Worcester Career and Technology Center on Thursday, January 24, 2019 from 1-5 PM. (No experience necessary) This is the second year for our club's participation—RWWC members are welcome to arrive after our luncheon at The Captain's Table, and the organizers of this Expo will be ready for us! (Last year we carpooled) Any amount of time that day (1-2 hours) would be appreciated. Please see the link below to sign up and CHOOSE your arrival time and the MEDIA that you may want to judge—all your choice! Or, call Liz Mumford at 443-614-0719 or [lmumford2009@gmail.com](mailto:lmumford2009@gmail.com) and sign-up. Let's turn out for our students of Worcester County who have worked hard and look forward to our feedback. Refreshments will be served by the culinary students at Worcester Career and Technology Center.

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Liz Mumford  
Literacy Chair

**NOVEMBER DINNER:** Our Annual Dinner was held at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club with Jodi Rushton giving an inspiring speech. We very much appreciated her being with us. There was a memorial moment for Barbara Benz, a very active member who is greatly missed and we were joined by several commissioners and newly elected officials.



**RED SCARF DAY IN ANNAPOLIS:** We encourage you to join Beth Rodier and other members of our club for a car-pool trip to Annapolis on Tuesday, February 19 for Red Scarf Day. Watch a session, talk to our Legislators and have a lovely brunch at the Calvert House.

All activities are free and within a short walking distance of each other. If you're interested in going along or have any questions, contact Beth Rodier at **410-352-5222 or 443-668-8864.**

**VOLUNTEER HOURS ONE:** Please send me any outstanding **2018 volunteer hours** you may have. I have one last report to submit before Raye Simpson starts handling the reporting for 2019. Please send them to me by email at [gail.schu1028@gmail.com](mailto:gail.schu1028@gmail.com), by phone at **410-723-330** or at our website at [www.gopwomenofworchester.com](http://www.gopwomenofworchester.com) before the end of January. Thanks for all you do!

*Gail Schuler,  
Awards Chair*

**VOLUNTEER HOURS TWO:** Please track your **2019 volunteer hours** and report them to me each month by email at [rayesimpson@aol.com](mailto:rayesimpson@aol.com), phone **410-726-3179** or when you sign in at our luncheons. I will have a roster at the sign-in table so I can record any hours you have accrued that month. If you report by email or phone, please leave a message with your name, type of volunteer activity, month of activity and the hours. RWWC receives National and State recognition for all GOP, RWWC, and COMMUNITY volunteerism. In general, this includes preparation for and attendance at all club, board, state, and national meetings, campaign activities, and club sponsored community relations. \*Note—Travel hours going to and from events should be included. \*Note--*Luncheon travel and meeting hours are counted by the Awards Chair.* Individuals should not include your luncheon meeting time on your personal hour count. I look forward to meeting all of the RWWC members and serving as your new Awards Chair.

*Raye Simpson,  
Awards Chair*

## CALENDAR

January 12 MFRW High Performance Leadership Training, Bowie, MD  
January 24 RWWC General Meeting and Luncheon  
February 19 MFRW Red Scarf Day, Annapolis, MD

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## GENERAL MEETING

JANUARY 24, 2019

The Captain's Table  
15<sup>th</sup> St. in the Marriott Courtyard Hotel  
Ocean City

Doors Open 10:30—Meeting 11:00

### MENU:

#### CUP OF VEGETABLE SOUP

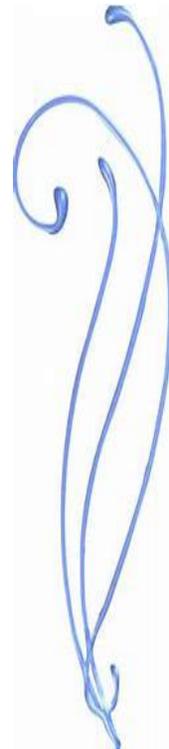
Choice of:

- 1) CAPTAIN'S SALAD with lettuce, apples, pecans, onions, Bleu cheese and raspberry vinaigrette
- 2) TUNA WRAP with fresh fruit
- 3) OPENED-FACED CORNED BEEF REUBEN with chips

DESSERT—Assorted pastries

Tea and iced tea

COST: \$20



Send individual checks NO LATER THAN ONE WEEK BEFORE LUNCH made out to RWWC with entrée on bottom of check to Ann Lutz, 1405 N. Chase St., OP 21811. For additional information contact Ann at [Annlutz60@gmail.com](mailto:Annlutz60@gmail.com) or **410-208-9767**.