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RWWC February News

Speakers: Carol Frazier

February – Michelle Talkington

March – Matt Heim, Executive Director of the Lower Shore Land Trust

April – Welcome Home Legislators

May – to be determined

June - Julie Harris – President of National Federation of Republican Women

Valentine Raffle:

Thanks to everyone who participated in the raffle this year. Winners are drawn each day of the month. The following lucky members have had their names drawn thus far.

February 1 - Charlotte Cathell 7 – Mary Burgess

2 - Linda Sears 8 - Amy Mike
3 - Mary Adair 9 - Pat Schrawder
4 - Leith Clinton 10 - Pat Schrawder
5 - Jennie Allen 11 - Vera Beck
6 - Diane Sparzak 12 - Mary Adair

The remaining winners will be listed in the March News, including the BIG winner on Feb. 14

See you can win more than once!!!

• 2025 Membership Renewals: Jennie Allen

All members who joined or renewed prior to September 2024, it's time to renew for the 2025 Year. Membership Dues are \$40. March 31 is the deadline, names will then be removed from our membership roster and you will not receive further communications from RWWC, MFRW and NFRW

You may renew online at https://gopwomenofworcester.org

Or via mail RWWC PO Box 1292 Berlin, Md. 21811

If you have questions, email jennieallen@comcast.net or by phone 410-973-2385.

• Corresponding Secretary/Communications Committee: Beth Rodier

RWWC is kept up to date with emails, newsletters, special messages, our website and calendar.

If you would like to support the Club, here's your opportunity to help with a position that is important but not time consuming. The email administrator position's duties include:

— regularly checking the RWWC email account, gopwomenofwc@gmail.com, for incoming messages

respond

☐ and, posting event dates to the Gmail calendar which automatically links to

☐ forwarding emails received to the president or appropriate committee chair to

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Easy, peasy, right? Contact Beth Rodier at brodier@comcast.net if are interested.

• Literacy: Susan Ostrowski

Red Shoe Book Club will meet Tues March 11 at noon OP library immediately after our RWWC board meeting. The book is 'Melania' by Melania Trump. Bag lunch.

On Tues May 13 noon the "book" the Interim Report by Oversight Chair Barry Loudermilk. We meet at OP library noon. Bag lunch.

Our RWWC Literacy Essay Contest is currently in full swing from Feb 1-28, encouraging all Worcester County 8th graders to participate.

Public:

- 1. Stephen Decatur Middle
- 2.Snow Hill Middle
- 3.Pocomoke Middle

Private:

- 1. Worcester Prep
- 2. Seaside Christian Academy
- 3.Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School

• MFRW Dates: Sandy Zitzer

Red Scarf Day - March 4th Annapolis Spring Board Meeting - May 17 Fall Convention - October 25- Ocean City, Ashore

• Luncheon Meetings: Sandy Zitzer

February 27 - Sophia's

March 27 - Worcester Tech

April 24 - Ocean City Golf Club

May 22 - Worcester Tech

June 26 - Lighthouse Sound - Red, White & Blue Luncheon

Awards and Volunteer Hours: Raye Simpson

"Good New Year to everyone.

Please report your volunteer hours for January, 2025, on our website

- gopwomenofworcester.org, under the Volunteer heading at the top of the website home page, or from the website link provided in our monthly newsletter. Divide your hours into political or non-political on the Volunteer Hour form. There is a list of examples of these two types of hourly activities on the form. Don't forget to hit the Submit button! In addition, if you are watching the confirmation hearings for President Trump's cabinet nominees, that time counts for political hours. We are allowed to count this time for special election education for ourselves, as approved by MFRW. Thank you for your devoted time and energy to our RWWC."

Minutes Worcester Technical School January 16, 2025

Call to Order - Jean Delcher, President - 11:06 Opening Prayer Jan Kolesky Pledge of Allegiance Linda Moran, Sgt. At Arms

Welcome - Jean Delcher welcomed everyone and introduced the distinguished guests who were present.

Officer's Reports

Approval of Minutes - Gwen Crisafulli requested approval of the minutes from the October 24th General Meeting. Carol Frazier so moved. Amy Mike seconded. Motion Carried Unanimously (MCU).

Treasurer/Budget - Jane Wolnik presented a report detailing our financial status.

Asst. Treasurer/Membership - Jennie Allen informed the group that as of 1/15/25, there are 16 active new members and 59 renewals for a total of 75. There are currently 8 associate members. Jennie welcomed all the new members and guests. She encouraged everyone to reach out to Republican men and women they know to join.

1ST Vice President- Carol Frazier announced she is working on upcoming speakers.

2ND Vice President/ Fundraising - Kris Barron reported that the first restaurant night of the year at Cantina Los Agaves was a success and \$400 was made. The Fashion Show will be on September 22nd this year and Linda and Jennie will be helping her. Kris also thanked everyone for their participation in the Valentine raffle. There are 27 tickets left to sell. She also thanked Linda Cardone for stepping up to help. The Valentine raffle proceeds will be going to a relief fund for North Carolina and California, most likely through Samaritan's purse.

Regional Chair MFRW - Sandy Zitzer, Past President - announced that MFRW Red Scarf Day is on March 4th. There is no charge but you will need to register if you would like to attend. The next luncheon will be at Sophia's Restaurant in Ocean City . Payment needs to be received by the deadline. Sandy requested that she be called if there are any problems registering.

President - Jean Delcher spoke about the Gala and all the positive feedback she has received. She then thanked the committee for all their hard work. There will be extra commemorative wine glasses available at the next luncheon meeting. She then acknowledged the work that the Board has been doing and encouraged members to step up to help. Raye Simpson and Barb Loffler are looking for people to help them and possibly takeover next year. A microphone has been purchased for meetings that do not have access to one. A donation has been made to Mary Beth Carozza at her sendoff party.

Committee Reports

Jean Delcher for Vera Beck - Caring for America- Valentines for Veterans this year can be dropped off at the library in Ocean Pines and they will be sent out to the different hospitals.

Deb Dills - Campaign Activities- Jean Delcher thanked everyone on behalf of Deb Dills for helping out with the election.

Susan Ostrowski - Literacy - The Essay contest for the 8th graders at the schools in Worcester County will take place from February 1- February 28th. Winners will be announced in March. The next Red Shoe Book Club meeting will be on March 11th.

Raye Simpson - Awards - Raye is looking for help and someone to take over for her as this will probably be her last year. She then gave information about what the position involves

Barbara Loffler - Publicity - Barb spoke about what the publicity position involves including taking pictures and sending them to the local newspapers and MFRW.

 ${\it Introduction\ of\ Speakers\ Carol\ Frazier}$ - Tina Kelleher and Dave Stevenson from the Caesar Rodney Institute

Tina Kelleher, Director of Development at the Caesar Rodney Institute spoke about how she become involved and how the Institute came about.

Dave Stevenson, Director for the Center of Energy and Environmental Policy at the Caesar Rodney Institute spoke about the problems with wind and solar energy and the efforts they are taking to stop off-shore wind.

Lunch - Noon

Closing remarks/Announcements - Everyone was encouraged to buy a Valentine raffle ticket.

Adjourn - Jean Delcher @ 12:59

Calendar

February 13th - Andy Harris fundraiser at Evo in Salisbury February 27th - General Meeting @ Sophia's Restaurant February 1-28th - Valentine Raffle w/ daily winners March 4th is Red Scarf Day

Respectfully submitted - Gwendolyn Crisafulli, Recording Secretary