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General Membership Meeting

Thursday, February 24

Dunes Manor Hotel, 2800 Baltimore Ave., Ocean City

Doors open at 10:30

Meeting at 11:00

PROGRAM: Dr. Annette Wallace, Chief Operating Officer and Academic Officer for grades 9—12 for Worcester County Public Schools will be speaking at our February meeting on the topic of Critical Race Theory and Worcester County Public Schools.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: February is traditionally a month when we express our love and gratitude to our loved ones, families and friends in a special way. In that light, a big thank you to our Caring for America committee who did a wonderful job gathering Valentines for Veterans, and a special thanks to Linda Dearing and Copy Central for making sure the valentines were mailed. I am sure the cards will brighten the day for many of our veterans.

In light of all the lawlessness and increasing attacks on our law enforcement officers, I researched and found a 2021 report indicating that 458 law enforcement officers died in the line of duty and that there were 141 fatalities among firefighters. In following our theme of showing love and gratitude, let us try to be available to let them know how much they are appreciated. They risk their lives each day to protect ours. Let's keep them and their families in our thoughts and prayers. Maybe in the near future RWWC could plan a more personal way to extend our gratitude to our police officers and firefighters.

All eyes are on Annapolis and Bills being presented in the legislature. Our State Senator and Delegates work extremely hard for us here on the eastern shore and we extend our thanks to them and include them in our prayers for a good session. I have been following closely the filing for candidacy for different elected offices in the State and our county. There is still a couple of weeks left for interested candidates to file, so we will have more detailed information on that next month.

Lastly, as full or Associate members, you are the heart of our organization by choosing to work together for the RWWC and the good of the Republican Party. We have a lot of work to do in the course of the year to

prepare for the elections. Whether it is volunteering for our voter registration efforts, working at the polls, or helping our Republican candidates in other ways, we must all work together to have positive results in November. As we celebrate Presidents' month, I leave you with a quote from our beloved first President George Washington. One that could be our motto for the months to come!

“Perseverance and spirit have done wonders in all ages.”

Sandy Zitzer
President

CARING FOR AMERICA: Covid couldn't stop our Valentines for Veterans project this year. The response to our news articles and letters to schools was great. We collected enough cards to send to the Veterans homes and hospitals. Most of the cards were hand-made by local children and were very patriotic and created the messages of love and appreciation. The cards will be on their way in time to be distributed for Valentine's Day. Many thanks to all of the schools, churches and many individuals who participated in making and donating the cards.

This year, warm thanks go to Ginny Kubiak and Kathleen Tallman who collected the cards from local schools and sorted and delivered them to Copy Central for shipping. Ladies, I couldn't have done it without your help. Thank you!

As she did in the past, Linda Dearing of Copy Central in Berlin is mailing the cards for us. Thank you Linda for your devotion to our project and to our Veterans! You have been mailing the cards for us for years and we are truly grateful.

Vera Beck, Chair
Caring for America

VOLUNTEER HOURS: REMEMBER THIS? Sing it! *“Help, I need somebody. Help, not just anybody. Help, You know I need somebody...HELP!”* Yes indeed. I need your help. All of RWWC needs to help. For the state and federal campaigns, can you please help with our activities? Your time is important to me and our executive board. In the future we will be registering voters, staffing our campaign headquarters (TBA), listening to our candidates at one of our luncheon meetings, distributing campaign signs, making phone calls, and much more. Watch your emails and check our website for when these activities are announced and get involved. This is a crucial year to turn the Senate and House to a Republican majority. So Please HELP! And turn in your volunteer time on our website (www.gopwomenofworcester.org) under the Volunteer Hours link. Thank you in advance for your HELP. I need somebody. Not just anybody.



Raye Simpson, Chair
Awards

MEMBERSHIP: January was the month to renew. Take time now and send in your dues.

Hello everyone. Thank you to all of our members who have renewed their membership and a warm welcome to our new members: *Brenda Barbato, Judith Kight, Virginia Moore* and *Gina Shaffer*. We will be purging our membership list at the end of this month, so it is important to remit you dues as soon as possible. I know that you will want to be informed about our activities. When you are not on the active list you will not receive our newsletter or the emails from MFRW and NFRW. This is such an important year for the Republicans, and we are looking forward to making a difference in our country and bringing it back to the land of the free. You may pay your dues by sending \$40.00 for full membership or \$20.00 for associate membership to RWWC at Post Office Box 1292, Berlin MD 21811 and mark the envelope, membership. You may also renew your membership at our website: www.gopwomenofworchester.org. There will be a small service charge if you choose to pay with a credit card. We are hoping to see many renewals and new members in the coming days. I hope you had a Happy Valentine's Day! Keep safe.

Mary Adair
Membership Chair

RED SHOE BOOK CLUB: This popular book club had its February meeting at the Ocean Pines Library and had a wonderful time discussing *To Rescue the Republic—Ulysses S. Grant, the Fragile Union, and the Crisis of 1876* by Bret Baier. We learned many things about the Civil War and about the character of Grant. A lovely potluck lunch was enjoyed by all.





Republican Women of Worcester County
General Meeting
January 20, 2022
The Grand Hotel

MINUTES

Opening Ceremonies

- Call to Order Sandy Zitzer, President – 11:05 AM
- Opening Prayer Jean Delcher – in the absence of Chaplain, Jan Kolesky
- Pledge of Allegiance Amy Mike – Sgt. At Arms
- Welcome Sandy Zitzer, president, welcomed everyone who was present (58 attendees) and introduced elected officials who were present and then proceeded to introduce the RWWC Board members. She did an overview of plans for the year through June highlighting the following: the Fundraising Raffle in January and February; the Legislative Session in Annapolis that began last week – including Red Scarf Day (which will probably be rescheduled); The Card and Game Day planned for March along with the Voter Registration Booth we will man at the OC Home, Condo & Outdoor Show at the Convention Center (3/18-20); in April we will “Welcome Home” our legislators from Annapolis; May will be devoted to candidates running for office; and, June will see our Annual Red, White and Blue luncheon – hopefully in Snow Hill. Sandy also shared that there are several committees with available spots for volunteers and encouraged people to sign up today to serve. The most important position to be filled is someone to serve as Chair of the Legislation Committee.

Officer’s Reports

- Recording Secretary Amy Mike requested approval of the minutes for the October 28, 2021 meeting. Kris Heiser so moved. Maddie Pettolina seconded.
- Treasurer’s Report Jean Delcher gave a report on our financial status.
- Membership Mary Adair reported that we currently have 88 regular members and 5 associate members. The reduced price for those who paid before December 31, 2021, helped.
- Corresponding Sec. Theresa shared that she will be sending welcome letters to new members and has sent out multiple “Thinking of You” cards over the past few months to members experiencing difficult times in their lives.
- 1st Vice President Liz Mumford announced that Dr. Annette Wallace, the Chief Operating & Academic Officer for grades 9 to 12 for the Worcester County Public Schools will be our guest speaker on February 24, 2022. Among other things, she will share regarding Critical Race Theory (CRT).
- 2nd Vice President In the absence of Merilee Horvat, Barbara Loffler reported on two upcoming fundraisers – the Valentine Raffle to be drawn at the February 24, 2022, meeting and Game Day to take place on March 24, 2022.

Committee Updates

- Campaign Activities Carol Frazier encouraged everyone to check out the website, mdvoter.org to learn more about the issue of Voter Integrity. She also asked people to consider signing up to work the Voter Registration Tables at the OC Home, Condo & Outdoor Show at the Convention Center in March as well as at each of the local 1st, 2nd or 4th Fridays.

The Primary election will be held on June 28th and the General election on November 8th. She encouraged people to volunteer as election judges as well as to man the tent/table at the actual events. Once the primaries are over there will be many opportunities to volunteer.

Luncheons Charlotte Cathell shared that next month's meeting will be held at the Dunes Manor. The deadline for making reservations is the week before and Charlotte had printed directions as to how to make your reservation online.

Speaker Beth Rodier, our Past President and current Regional Chair for the Eastern Region of Maryland Federation of Republican Women (MFRW), presented a power point highlighting her new responsibilities and how all members need to play a part. Her job is to keep everyone informed. There are five (5) clubs included in our region. Beth recently attended the MFRW Leadership Conference where she learned a lot and had the opportunity to meet executives and other leaders in the state. Legislation should be our priority between January 11th and April 11th. Beth distributed a handout regarding legislative priorities. The focus this year is on education, election integrity, fair redistricting, respect for life and public safety. For more info members can go to the MD General Assembly website or sign up to receive weekly updates through Ella Ennis, the MFRW Legislative Chair. Anyone who would like to be added to her mailing list should go to eee437@comcast.net. When sending an email in support or opposition to a bill, please identify yourself as an educator or businessperson or whatever—not as a member of the RWWC. Beth encouraged all members to do the following:

- Let your voice be heard.
- Participate in Campaign Activities
- Be an ACTIVE member of RWWC.

Mary Burgess from the Republican Central Committee announced that they are encouraging people to run for Central Committee as well as the Board of Education and County Commissioner for the 7th District in the upcoming elections. She provided details regarding the filing process which includes making an appointment in which to do so. She also shared that they are planning a Lincoln Day Dinner on March 26th at the Clarion to introduce the Republican candidates.

Meeting Adjourned Sandy Zitzer adjourned the meeting at 1:00 PM

Calendar Highlights Red Scarf Day to be rescheduled for some time in March
February 24 – General Luncheon Meeting – Dunes Manor – Valentine Raffle Winners
March 18-20 – Voter Registration at OC Home, Condo & Outdoor Show.
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.
March 24 – Card and Game Day Luncheon – Grand Hotel

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Mike
Recording Secretary

SUNSHINE: Please call Corresponding Secretary, Terry Denshuick at **410-208-4825** whenever you learn that one of our members is ill or has had a death in the family. Thanks for your help.



2022—2023 RWWC BOARD

President
First Vice President
Second Vice President
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary

Sandy Zitzer
Liz Mumford
Marilee Horvat
Jean Delcher
Mary Adair
Amy Mike
Theresa Denshuick

APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Historian
Parliamentarian
Sgt. at Arms

Leith Clinton
Ann Lutz
Amy Mike

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Americanism
Awards
Budget and Finance
Bylaws
Campaign Activities
Caring for America
Chaplain
Hospitality
Legislative
Literacy
Luncheon/Dinner
Membership
Newsletter
Publicity
Social Media
Webmaster

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Mary Adair
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Libby Hahn
Elena McComas
Beth Rodier



Card and Game Party

The Grand Hotel

1200 Baltimore Avenue, Ocean
Multi-level Parking Garage adjacent to Hotel

Thursday, March 24, 2022

10 am—2 pm

\$25 per person

Please sign up and pay per table. Let us know what game you will be playing and circle each person's lunch choice.

Lunch Choices:

All selections come with homemade potato chips and pickle spear

1. Ham & Swiss on Rye with lettuce and tomato
 2. Classic Roasted Turkey Club on white bread with lettuce, tomato, bacon and mayo
 3. Tuna Salad served on lettuce with a croissant
- Coffee, Tea and Iced Tea/Cookies for Dessert

GAME _____

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| 4. Player's Name: _____ | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 5. Player's Name: _____ | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 6. Player's Name: _____ | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 7. Player's Name: _____ | | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 8. Player's Name: _____ | | 1 | 2 | 3 |

Mail to: RWWC Card Party, P.O. Box 1292, Berlin MD 21811 by March 17

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