



REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF WORCESTER COUNTY

www.gopwomenofworcester.org

JUNE NEWSLETTER (2021 Issue 6)

Gloria Moyer, Editor 410-208-3786

General Membership Meeting

Thursday, June 24, 2021

Lighthouse Sound Restaurant

Bishopville, MD

Doors open at 10:30

Meeting at 11:00



PROGRAM: The Annual Red, White and Blue Luncheon. Show your pride in America by wearing your patriotic colors and join us for a delightful luncheon at the beautiful Lighthouse Sound Restaurant. Our guest speaker will be Sheriff Matt Crisafulli. Also on the program will be our own Americanism Chair, Charlotte Cathell. We will also vote on a change to our bylaws which will open our membership to more Republican women.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: I've spent the last four weeks in Baltimore. The daily news here, like that in most cities historically run by Democrats, is full of violent crimes – shootings, car jackings, assaults and more. Many of which end are being carried out by younger and younger offenders and often ending with the death of an innocent victim. Initially, I comforted myself that we live in Worcester County. Safe and protected by supported and supportive police. My attitude changed, however, when listening to Baltimore's WBAL talk radio. The discussion of violence included surrounding counties with the message that this crime spike is not just happening in large cities. It is spreading to counties and rural areas typically considered sheltered from such activity. Police defunding and restructuring affects **all** of Maryland as does **all** enacted legislation. This is why, now more than ever, we must stand behind our law enforcement, our state legislators and all of our elected officials. This means letting them know that we care, that we support them and

that we do NOT want reform that endangers citizens and our police officers while protecting criminals. Thanking an officer for his/her service is a sincere expression of gratitude. But we must do more. Make sure that you respond when legislators ask for your voice in Annapolis. At the end of the most recent legislative session, Governor Hogan's vetoes of police reform bills were overturned. As crime continues to spike throughout Maryland, we can hope that the most egregious of these bills will be addressed in 2022 through new, reasonable legislation. Know where your legislators stand on these policies so you can choose who best represents you.

It may take a while for the tide to turn. Anti-violence, pro-policing reform has been effective in the past, and it will be again. Why? Because I am convinced that regardless of political affiliation our citizenry are decent, common sense people who will demand that law and order overcome aggressively progressive policies. Let's work together to protect citizens and law enforcement while finding a way to ensure that all of those involved in incidents are treated fairly. It can be done.

Beth Rodier
President



FUNDRAISING: Mark your calendars for our RWWC Fashion Show for Thursday Sept. 16, 2021 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. Our theme is *Celebrating Influential Women of Maryland* and our fashions are by Bruder Hill. There is a flyer included in this newsletter which gives all the details on how to reserve a place for you and your friends. We still need some gift cards worth \$10+ for the Lucky Surprise Boxes and those can be brought to our June meeting. Thanks for your generosity.

Susan Ostrowski
2nd Vice President

CARING FOR AMERICA: The two flags we purchased last month are proudly flying at the Veterans Memorial Park. They are paying tribute to our First Responders and our Law Enforcement and will be flying until July 4.

We are also collecting donations for our troops. During our June lunch meeting we will be asking you for monetary donations to purchase snacks. Kathleen Tallman will go to the Commissary and get whatever is needed and deliver it to USO.

Many thanks to all who have already donated the snacks and the money. Everything that we do is greatly appreciated. Thank you.



Vera Beck
Chair

Future Success Award: The Republican Women of Worcester County awarded the annual Future Success Award to graduating seniors in the class of 2021. The award, based on recommendations from faculty and staff, is given to a senior, who has shown improved personal and academic growth in a positive direction during his/her high school years. This growth is a direct result of making better choices. Pocomoke High School's Future Success Award recipient is Ms. Ty'Jayla Giddens. Ms. Giddens worked hard and plans to do big things. Congratulations, Ty'Jayla!

Snow Hill High School's Future Success Award recipient is Mr. Jakhi Blunt. Jakhi's success in the Welding Program of Study at Worcester Technical High School inspired him to apply to the Maritime Welding Program at Advanced Technology Institute in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Dr. Scot Tingle, Assistant Principal at Snow Hill High School, mentioned in Jakhi's nominating letter that "Upon graduation, Jakhi will have earned the welding certifications which will lead to many job opportunities in the industry. Congratulations, Jakhi!



Dr. Scot Tingle, Jakhi Blunt, Liz Mumford and Yvonne Babcock

RWWC Lending Library: Linda Sirianni, Literacy Committee reports: The RWWC Lending Library is coming along nicely. There's exciting news about the possibility of a second RED SHOE BOOK CLUB! If that happens, the Literacy Committee will be forwarding all of the copies of Candace Owen's *Blackout* from our charter Red Shoe group to the new group for the members' reading pleasure. Also, I will be receiving books from RWWC Historian, Leith Clinton. More information will come regarding a borrowing system of these books for all of our members.

RED SHOE BOOK CLUB: The second meeting of the charter group of the Red Shoe Book Club will be on Monday, July 12, 2021 from 12:00 to 2:00 PM. The group is reading *Justice on Trial: The Kavanaugh Confirmation and the Future of the Supreme Court*, by Mollie Hemingway & Carrie Severino. Venue is forthcoming!

If any RWWC member in good standing is interested in a second Red Shoe Book Club group, please send \$20.00 to Jean Delcher, RWWC Treasurer, PO Box 1292, Berlin, MD 21811. There will be copies of *Blackout* and *Justice on Trial* available.

The **Red Shoe Book Club** was created by the National Federation of Republican Women to help members join together to discuss books of merit and note -- many clubs around the country meet regularly to read new authors and learn about timely topics. Primarily, books are selected from the MELP list that is found on the NFRW website under Literacy. *Join us!*



Republican Women of Worcester County
General Meeting Minutes
May 27, 2021
Coral Reef

Opening Ceremonies

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Call to Order | Sandy Zitzer, 1 ST Vice President – 11:05 AM and requested prayers for the Rodier family. |
| Opening Prayer | Jan Kolesky, Chaplain |
| Pledge of Allegiance | Amy Mike, Sgt. At Arms |
| Welcome | Sandy Zitzer, 1 ST Vice President welcomed everyone and introduced guests and new members. |

Meeting: Officer's Reports

- Recording Secretary Amy Mike asked for approval of the minutes for April 22, 2021. Mary Adair so moved and Theresa Denshuick seconded.
- Treasurer's Report Jean Delcher - Balance as of 5/27/21 - \$9,939.39
- Membership Mary Adair – Membership currently stands at 136 members, 120 of which are regular.
- Corr. Secretary Theresa Denshuick reported four “Welcome” letters sent to new members, one sympathy card and six Thinking of you/Get Well cards have been mailed.
- 1ST Vice President Sandy Zitzer – Next meeting will be held at Lighthouse Sound on June 24, 2021. This will be our annual Red, White and Blue Meeting with guest speakers to include Matt Crisafulli, County Sheriff, and Charlotte Cathell who will speak about Americanism. Asked that people register online as soon as possible.
- Sandy also reported on the success of the Meet and Greet event held at the River House Inn in Snow Hill on May 15th. About 20 potential new members attended. The owners of the River House Inn made a donation of \$300 to RWWC. A possible similar event is in the works for the Pocomoke area.
- 2ND Vice President Susan Ostrowski reported that she still has five *Riglee Rolls an Easter Egg* books for sale. The Patriot Day Fashion Show is slated to take place on September 16, 2021 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club with fashions by Bruder Hill. Aiming to sell 200 tickets at \$35. Will be asking for all payments to be made up front through a table captain. The current count of Gift Cards for the Surprise Gift Boxes is 70 but we'd like to have 200.

Committee Updates

- By-Laws Merilee Horvat, Committee Chair provided login information for our website at each table and invited everyone to open their cell phones to the By-Laws. Following a discussion with other club treasurers, Jean Delcher discovered that many other clubs allowed any registered Republicans to join. A proposed Amendment to our By-Laws was proposed to be voted on at our next regular meeting on June 24, 2021. The proposal calls for removing the words” member of Worcester County” from Article IV, Section 1. The change would allow any registered Republican woman to join RWWC. Proof of Republican Party Registration must be shown when applying to join. Payment of dues automatically also enrolls you as a member of the Maryland Federation of Republican Women (MFRW) and also the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW).
- Campaign to Back the Blue Carol Frazier displayed the yard signs she made available for members to buy at the cost of \$15 to display in their yards with the message “This House Backs the Blue.”

Presentations – WELCOME HOME

- Mary Beth Carozza, State Senator, provided what she saw as key issues from the session in Annapolis.
 - Bi-Partisan support for both a COVID 19 Relief bill and Broadband Accessibility.
 - Sponsored two bills for Telehealth as related to COVID 19.
 - WADE’S Law (SB17) which she had sponsored was finally signed into law last week after five years of pushing for passage. This bill increases the penalties for Criminally Negligent Driving from simply a \$500 fine to one year in prison and/or a \$5,000 fine.
 - Emphasized that many bills that hurt public safety and law enforcement officers were passed but won’t go into effect for another year. Of particular concern is the move to become a Sanctuary State which would ban the housing of detainees at the Worcester County Jail.
 - It is crucial that we increase the number of Republicans holding office in the state. Make sure Andy Harris gets reelected and support the campaigns of Kelly Schulz and Barry Glassman.
- Wayne Hartman, Delegate, highlighted the following:
 - Spoke about the impact of COVID 19 and how Health Department sanctions created problems by shutting down businesses but noted that Unemployment is currently on the downswing. The fact that Unemployment Insurance is tax free has been a deterrent to people to return to work.
 - Also addressed concerns about Maryland becoming a Sanctuary State that would ban the housing of detainees at the Worcester County Jail. Right now, 26 jobs there are at risk.
 - Shared that Republicans lost nine seats in the house in 2018 but there is a huge potential to regain those seats and more in 2022. We need to door knock in other parts of the state.
- Charles Otto, Delegate (with little time remaining before lunch) reported the following:
 - As a member of the Environment and Transportation Committee, shared that this is a big year for electric cars.
 - Climate Change is being addressed with the planting of five million trees and a push for more solar panels.
 -

Lunch

Calendar

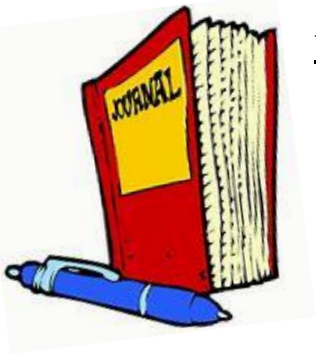
June 24 Annual Red, White and Blue General Meeting and Luncheon, Lighthouse Sound Restaurant

Sept. 16 Patriot Day Fashion Show, Ocean Pines Yacht Club

Adjournment 1:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

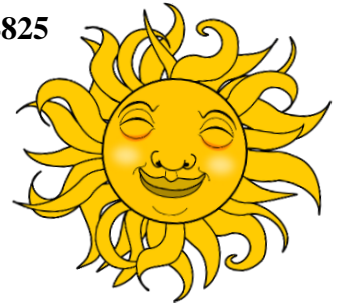
Amy Mike
Recording Secretary



VOLUNTEER HOURS: Even though things quiet down in the summer, some of you will still be earning volunteer hours. For instance, working on the Fashion Show. Please continue to track your hours and send them to me at our website, www.gopwomenofworchester.org or email me.

Raye Simpson
Awards Chair

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.



12th Annual Patriot Day Fashion Show Luncheon

Celebrating Influential Women of Maryland



Thursday, September 16, 2021

Ocean Pines Yacht Club

Doors open at 10:30 am—Program begins at 11:30

Fashions by Bruder Hill of Berlin

\$35

Featuring local vendors with merchandise for sale—Mystery Envelopes for cash prize and...
Lucky Surprise Boxes with gift certificates or gift items valued at \$10 or MORE!

For group seating, all reservations must be made together, along with full payment. You need not reserve a full table.

Menu is gluten-free. Vegetarian option available upon request

Group			Veg?			
Captain _____	Check# _____	_____	_____	Phone# _____		
Two _____	Check# _____	_____	Veg? _____	Seven _____	Check# _____	Veg? _____
Three _____	Check# _____	_____	_____	Eight _____	Check# _____	_____
Four _____	Check# _____	_____	_____	Nine _____	Check# _____	_____
Five _____	Check# _____	_____	_____	Ten _____	Check# _____	_____
Six _____	Check# _____	_____	_____			Tables Seat 10

GROUP CAPTAIN—List all the people you wish to sit with, and send along with everyone's check to: *RWWC Fashion Show, P.O. Box 1292, Ocean Pines, MD 21811. For any questions, please send an email to Susan at posoem@comcast.net*

Registration Deadline: **September 1**



Sponsored by the Republican Women of Worcester County

2020—2021 RWWC BOARD

ELECTED OFFICERS:

President	Beth Rodier
First Vice President	Sandy Zitzer
Second Vice President	Susan Ostrowski
Treasurer	Jean Delcher
Assistant Treasurer	Mary Adair
Recording Secretary	Amy Mike
Corresponding Secretary	Theresa Denshuick

APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Historian	Leith Clinton
Parliamentarian	Ann Lutz
Sgt. at Arms	Amy Mike

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Americanism	Charlotte Cathell
Awards	Raye Simpson
Budget and Finance	Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer
Bylaws	Merilee Horvat
Campaign Activities	VACANT
Caring for America	Vera Beck
Chaplain	Jan Kolesky
Hospitality	Merilee Horvat
Legislative	Carol Frazier
Literacy	Liz Mumford
Luncheon/Dinner	Charlotte Cathell
	Sandy Zitzer
Membership	Mary Adair
Newsletter	Gloria Moyer
Publicity	Libby Hahn
Social Media	Elena McComas
Webmaster	Beth Rodier