



REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF WORCESTER COUNTY

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General Membership Meeting

Thursday, May 27, 2021

Coral Reef Restaurant
Holiday Inn, 17th Street, Ocean City
Doors open at 10:30
Meeting at 11:00



PROGRAM: We will be welcoming our Legislators, Senator Mary Beth Carozza and Delegates Wayne Hartman and Charles Otto home from Annapolis. They will tell us about all the happenings during their ninety days on the western shore and the changes that will result.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: A golden rule of childhood is that if you can't say anything nice, then don't say anything at all. I have tried, truly, to adhere to that adage. There just isn't one positive thing that I can find in the Biden administration's policies, proposals and actions that doesn't negatively impact our country, economy, and most importantly, our citizens. Those at the highest levels of our government are dividing our nation with repeated declarations of systemic racism.

Conservatives, whether moderate, as I am, or far right leaning, are all too aware of the above and the details of each. A danger exists in feeling that "there is nothing we can do". Yet, if that is the road that we choose, we will be sealing our future to be one of socialism.

While we cannot control what this Administration tries to enact, we can make our voices heard by constantly letting our Washington representatives know that their actions are unacceptable, reprehensible even, to the majority of voters. Keep hammering it home, especially as the midterm elections loom in *their* futures.



A civil society cannot exist without borders and law enforcement. I suggest that is where we can make a difference. Say 'thank you' to every police officer you see and, if you can, display a flag or sign that 'backs the blue'. The Republican Women of Worcester County will take every opportunity to do so.

We will also work hard to ensure that Worcester County continues with a Red Wave in the 2022 election!

Beth Rodier
President



FUNDRAISING: Mark your calendars for our RWWC Fashion Show for Thursday Sept. 16, 2021 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. Fashions are by Bruder Hill. We presently have 52 gift cards, gift baskets or wine. We need 200 items total, so please visit your favorite store, restaurant or service establishment and purchase a gift card of at least \$10 or more for our big fundraiser.

Susan Ostrowski
2nd Vice President

RECEPTION AT SNOW HILL: We had a wonderful day in Snow Hill for our reception for registered Republican women who live in the central part of the county. It was held at the beautiful River House Inn owned by our hosts Rick Lesser and Dwayne Mease pictured at right with President Beth Rodier. There were 22 guests in attendance who seemed very enthusiastic about the Club and what we are doing. Mary Beth Carozza gave a rousing speech about how the Republican Women of Worcester County help her and also talked about our community and government. The attendees felt encouraged by our Republican message and several plan to join our club.



CARING FOR AMERICA: Thank you to all of our members who have braved the very cold weather in April to volunteer at the Vietnam Veterans Traveling Wall!! Our presence was greatly appreciated. We will also be participating in the Flags for Heroes 2021. We have purchased two flags which will pay tribute to our First Responders and our Law Enforcement. Flags for Heroes is a tribute to the people who sacrifice, support and inspire us. These flags will be flown at the Veterans Memorial Park from May 15 to July 4.

Many thanks to our members who have donated snacks for our troops. Thank you also to Kathleen Tallman who has delivered them to the Delaware USO. She will be delivering the snacks once a month, so if you haven't had a chance to contribute this time, please consider donating during the months of May and June. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Vera Beck
Chair



Sadly, member Kathy Vornlocker passed away from leukemia at Johns Hopkins Hospital on Tuesday, May 4. Kathy served on RWWC's Board of Directors and chaired the annual fashion show several years ago. She will be missed by her many friends and fondly remembered.

Please keep Kathy in your prayers as we extend our deepest sympathy to her husband and family.



Republican Women of Worcester County

General Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2021

Fager's Island

Opening Ceremonies

Opening Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Call to Order—Beth Rodier, President—11:00AM

Jan Kolesky, Chaplain

Amy Mike, Sgt. At Arms

Beth Rodier, President—Introduced guests and new members, representatives from the Republican Central Committee, the Board of Education and the Board of Election Supervisors. There were 58 members and guests present.

Meeting: Officers' Reports

Recording Secretary

Approval of Minutes – Theresa Denshuick so moved, Audrey Wahl seconded.

Treasurer's Report

Jean Delcher - Balance as of 4/22/21 - \$10,101.74

Membership

Mary Adair - There are now 108 full members—88 renewals and 20 new: 15 associate members—10 renewals and 5 new.

Corresponding Secretary

Theresa Denshuick—Sympathy and Get Well/Thinking of You cards were mailed to four members. In addition, seven WELCOME letters went out to new members - four full and three associates.

1ST Vice President

Sandy Zitzer– Announced the next meeting would be held on 5/27/21 at the Coral Reef on 17th Street in Ocean City. We are limited to 50 attendees. This will be the “Welcome Home” meeting with guest speakers Mary Beth Carozza, Wayne Hartman and Charles Otto.

2ND Vice President

Susan Ostrowski reported that our first fundraiser in over a year will be The Patriot Day Fashion Show to be held on September 16, 2021 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. Fashions will be from Bruder Hill in Berlin. There will be a number of vendors present to offer their wares. We will have Surprise Boxes for purchase and are asking members to donate gift cards valued at **minimum** of \$10 from their favorite restaurants and shops for the boxes—currently have 65 gift cards left from last year's cancelled event. (Goal is 200 cards.) Susan has a “Thank You” post card for you to present when you purchase your card/s letting the business know we want to support them as they have supported us in the past. Susan announced that she still has a couple of the *Riglee* books available for purchase.

President's Report

Beth Rodier's main message is that we need to **START THE RED WAVE NOW!!!** She shared that several Republican candidates have already filed for the 2022 elections including: Kelly Schulz for Governor, Barry Glassman for Comptroller and Matt Crisafulli for re-election as Sheriff.

Committee Updates

Nominating Committee

Ann Lutz announced that several people had volunteered to serve on the nominating committee for the new slate of officers- including key positions of President and 1st Vice President. All committee members were approved by those present: Mary Adair, Sandy Zitzer, Merilee Horvat and Liz Mumford.

MFRW Awards

Raye Simpson shared the awards our club received from the Maryland Federation of Republican Women (MFRW) for **2019**. Of the 25 official clubs in Maryland, we are one of **only 13 clubs** who submitted forms.

Maryland Shield Award which has 40 requirements to earn such as: number of volunteer hours, Caring for America activities, Americanism presentations at meetings, political activities and more. Only six clubs received this award.

Most Worthwhile Club Meeting Recognition was received for our Red, White and Blue meeting in June 2019 at the Germantown Berlin One Room School House. Only five clubs received this honor.

Newsletter Recognition for outstanding content, variety of news, photos, presentation, etc. Three newsletters were submitted for judging. Only five clubs qualified for this award.

Website Recognition for outstanding website. We were one of only three clubs so honored.

ONLY CLUB IN THE STATE to receive a SPECIAL AWARD for the presentation of our Awards Forms.

National DIAMOND Award will be on display at the check in table at all of our future meetings.

Raye reminded everyone to go to our website and submit your volunteer hours every month.

Presentation

Kris Heiser, State's Attorney, Worcester County, the first female elected to this position for the county. Right now, we don't have the votes in Annapolis to have any effect in making any progress for change. We need to get more Republicans in power on the state level. Her main topic of the day was **Police Reform**. The **PUBLIC** is who needs to be reformed. Right now, there is no protection for police officers including: less due process; unfounded allegations made public; and slandering police officers. Some of the unfair new regulations which hand-tie police officers are related to: No Knock Warrants (to include pets), the Use of Force Standard and Police involved Death Investigations (to be led by civilian members of the charging committee).

Kris and Matt Crisafulli are working on Police Reform on the local level which they think will lead to Worcester County being a mecca for police officers who are resigning their positions elsewhere. An initiative that will be launched as a pilot program in Ocean Pines on July 1 is to add social workers as resource for police specially to address mental health and substance abuse issues. Case managers who are social workers will be embedded at police stations to be dispatched with officers especially when making welfare calls. This can also involve volunteer citizens. Salisbury University, Wor-Wic and the Police Academy are currently partners in cross-training for this initiative.

Lunch

Calendar

April 22-25	Viet Nam Moving Wall - OP Veterans' Memorial
April 24	MFRW Spring Meeting, Harford County
May 4	RWWC Board Meeting
May 27	RWWC General Meeting & Luncheon, Coral Reef, Ocean City

Adjourn

1:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

*Amy Mike
Recording Secretary*



VOLUNTEER HOURS: Hello Everyone. Please log your April 2021 volunteer hours, preferably on our website, www.gopwomenofworcester.org or email me. Time is flying by. If you volunteered at the Wall that Heals, please count that time since we were asked at our March meeting to help if we could. Thanks ladies.

*Raye Simpson
Awards Chair*

LITERACY: RWWC's Red Shoe Book Club meets to discuss Candace Owens' ***BLACKOUT***.

The first meeting of the RWWC's Red Shoe Book Club was held on Tuesday, May 11 at the Windmill Creek Vineyard and Winery in Berlin. Eight charter members of the club came ready to discuss certain salient points that Owens made in her book and shared personal anecdotal histories which related to Owens' timeline of events in her book. All agreed that new ideas and insights about Owens' topic were well presented by the author which led to an enlightening Red Shoe Book Club discussion for Republican Women of Worcester County.



Pictured left to right: Gloria Moyer, Linda Sirianni, Liz Mumford (seated), Ray Simpson, Kathleen Tallman, Yvonne Babcock (seated) Susan Ostrowski and Marge Maturro.

COMING SOON—Another service to our members! Linda Sirianni, Literacy Committee member, is organizing an RWWC Lending Library for the membership. There will be more information in our June newsletter and at our general club luncheon on Thursday, June 24 at Lighthouse Sound Stay tuned or some great reading!

Liz Mumford
Literacy 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.



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