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General Membership Meeting

Thursday, October 26, 2023

Worcester Technical High School

6290 Worcester Highway, Newark, MD 21841

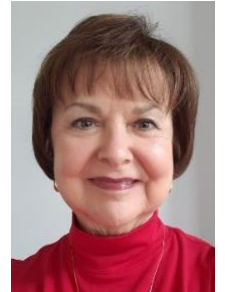
Doors open at 10:30

Meeting at 11:00

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to Merilee Horvat and Jean Delcher for a job well done and many thanks to all who worked tirelessly to make our 14th Annual Patriot's Day Fashion Show event our largest and most successful one ever!

I had the opportunity, along with Beth Rodier and approximately 25 other Maryland Republican Women, to attend the NFRW National Convention on September 28th-October 1st. The Convention takes place every two years and this year it was held in Oklahoma City, OK. We attended several workshops, took part in the NFRW election of officers, voted on Resolutions, Rules of order and Rules of Conduct and met many of our sister Republicans from across the country. Our club won the highest award given, The Diamond Achievement Award! Thank you to our Awards Chair Raye Simpson for her many hours spent on filling out all the forms to be submitted and many thanks to all of our members who volunteered in so many ways for RWWC. One point of special interest was the election results. NFRW had presented an official slate of proposed officers for the 2024-2025 term. There were seven positions to be filled. Nominations were made from the floor for four of those positions and in the end those four positions on the official NFRW officer slate were defeated by their opposition, just affirming the adage that "nothing is written in stone!" The new President of NFRW is Julie Harris from Arkansas. On another note, we were fortunate to have visited the Oklahoma City bombing site Memorial, a very touching reminder of the evil and senseless loss of beautiful lives. I am thankful and proud that I was able to represent Maryland and RWWC at this national convention.



This past week has been one to remember. First, the sudden ousting of the Speaker of the House of Representatives leaves Republicans split, both for and against this action. Let us pray that whoever is elected the next Speaker of the House can unite the House Republicans and put an end to the turmoil within the party. Secondly, the brutal surprise attack on Israel by Hamas terrorists. Our heartfelt prayers go out to the hundreds of Israelis and their families who have lost their lives this week or are living through such atrocity.

I hope to see everyone at our October 26th luncheon meeting at Worcester Technical High School. We have lots of business to attend to that day with election of officers for 2024-2025, voting on the proposed budget for 2024 and welcoming two wonderful speakers, Loren Spivack and Charlotte Cathell.

God bless each of you and God Bless the USA!

Sandy Zitzer, President

Pictures from the conventions in Oklahoma City



Upcoming Program Information

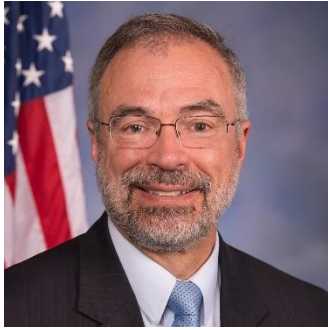
Liz Mumford, Vice President

Loren Spivack -- The "Free Market Warrior" is our featured speaker for October

Join us for an afternoon with an inspirational and informative presentation from Loren Spivack, "Free Market Warrior." Born and raised in Massachusetts and spending most of his adult life in New York, Mr. Spivack is a nationally-known speaker who shares with his audiences his insight into American politics and economics.

From his biography (www.fmwarrior.com) -- "Mr. Spivack has worked for several non-profits and as management consultant for both profit and non-profit companies before becoming active in politics and economics. In 2009, Loren founded the "Free Market Warrior" in an effort to make a positive difference in American politics. He has conducted "Economic Literacy" seminars to over 200 groups in over 20 states. Mr. Spivack is both funny and poignant as he makes the case that capitalism is the real victim of environmental extremists" The author of several books -- parodies included "The New Democrat" and "The Gorax" -- more information on our sensational October speaker -- Loren Spivack -- (and video) can be found at www.fmwarrior.com.





November Dinner Meeting

Thursday, November 16, 2023
The Atlantic Hotel Berlin, Maryland
5:30 PM

Keynote Speaker

Congressman Andy Harris, M.D.

Representing Maryland's 1st District

Join us for an evening with Maryland's 1st District Congressional representative as he delivers a keynote address on the issues and events that surround our district and the United States as a whole.

Congressman Harris is a member of the following subcommittees in the House's Appropriations Committee: Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, Chair; Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies; and Homeland Security.

In addition, Representative Harris caucuses with the following: Chesapeake Bay Caucus, Congressional Chicken Caucus, General Aviation Caucus, GOP Doctors Caucus, Bipartisan Israel Caucus, Congressional Sportmen's Caucus, and the Value Action Team.

Elected in 2010, Congressman Harris is the father of five children, one stepchild, and ten grandchildren. He lives with his wife, Nicole, in Dorchester County.

Please make your reservations for dinner early and join RWWC in giving Congressman Harris a warm Republican Women of Worcester County WELCOME!

For more information, please see harris.house.gov.

Red Shoe Book Club

Susan Ostrowski



Red Shoe Book Club will meet Tues Oct 10 at the Sterling Tavern to discuss "What's So Great About America" by Dinesh D'Sousa.

RWWC Literacy Program gave five checks to our five Worcester County Public Libraries to purchase new books from the Mamie Eisenhower Literacy Program book list. Last year a total of 36 books were purchased! Each branch appreciated our donation. Thank you to our community libraries and to the Republican Women! 50 new RWWC book plates will be inserted on the inside flap of each purchased book.

October Membership

Hello everyone.

A warm welcome to Cynthia Mancuso, Susan Mendosa, Sally Rankin and Vickie Shafer. Our current active membership is 148, which includes twenty-nine new members for this year. We also welcome Linda Stine Flint as an associate member. Thank you to all who are helping me enroll new members. We are the largest club in Maryland. Congratulations. We are now accepting dues for the coming year so please think about renewing your membership before the coming busy holiday season and if you know of someone who is a Republican woman, please reach out to them and ask them to consider joining us.

It is important to be kept informed so that we are knowledgeable about the issues in this crucial year. I look forward to working with you so that we do our part in shaping our future. 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 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 more renewals and new members in the coming days. It has been brought to my attention that some members would like to have more information about our mission or would like to help on a committee. I would be happy to help anyone who is interested. You can contact me at 410-208-0376 or by email at adairsopb@verizon.net . I hope to see you at Worcester Tech for our next meeting.

Mary Adair

Membership Chair

Awards Chair Update

Awards / Volunteer Hours



What time is it? Don't know? It's time to get out and promote Republican Values, Issues, and Candidates. 2024 will be here before we know it. So far, RWWC has accrued 4018 volunteer hours for the year of 2023. Let's keep up the good work and see if we can reach at least 6000 hours. Come to our meetings, make some phone calls to our state and federal representatives, help with our committees, attend political rallies and get together. And more.

Report your volunteer hours: www.gopwomenofworchester.org

Thank you.

Raye Simpson Awards and Volunteer Hour Chairperson

Awards Chair

Raye Simpson/ rayesimpson@aol.com

Caring for America



Caring for America Committee of the Republican Women of Worcester County Attended an October 8th event to honor U.S. troops at Ocean Pines Yacht Club, sponsored by the Steel Blu Vodka Care Package Project. It was attended by over a dozen RWWC members and officers. Our volunteers helped with preparing the packages which are being shipped to those serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.

We met at 11am on a beautiful Sunday morning, greeted by the live music performance by Cup O'Joe and found a number of volunteers already assembled, with the items ready for packaging.

RWWC members were happy to help with this community event and through our support express gratitude to the brave troops who selflessly serve our country.

Legislative Committee Report

Gina Shaffer - Chair

There are a couple of hot topics regarding legislation that are updated below:

1. **MARYLAND GUN SAFETY ACT** - Part of the Maryland Gun Safety Act of 2023 has been blocked due to a lawsuit in federal court. The new law required gun owners to receive consent of certain business owners to carry their guns into those businesses. The restriction on carrying into bars, restaurants, demonstrations, and private property are NOT effective during the pendency of this challenge. For the latest update on the Gun Safety Act see <https://www.marylandshallissue.org/jmain/legislation-tracker/342-changes-carry-md>
2. **GAS TAX** – a newly formed 31-member (only 1 Republican) Commission on Transportation Revenue and Infrastructure Needs has been formed to find alternative sources of funding transportation projects. A suggestion has been made to move away from a gas tax to a surcharge on miles driven, which would obviously require tracking devices on vehicles. For more details see: [**Gas tax could become a relic as commission eyes new revenue streams.**](#)

Nominating Committee:

All members have received an email with the list of nominees for Offices of RWWC. Following is a copy of that list. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the October meeting. The said nominee must have given consent for their name to be put in nomination. If no other nominees come forth the following members will by acclamation, be accepted as the new Officers, beginning January, 2024. A big thanks goes to these members who accepted their nomination to serve the RWWC.



President – Jean Delcher

1st VP – Carol Frazier

2nd VP – Kris Barron

Treasurer – Jane Wolnik

Asst. Treasurer/ Membership – Jennie Allen

Recording Secretary – Gwen Crisafulli

Corresponding Secretary – Kathy Jarboe

Republican Women of Worcester County MINUTES



The last official business meeting was in June. Minutes from that meeting were published in the September Newsletter. It will be those minutes that will be voted on at the October meeting. Please go back to the last newsletter and familiarize yourself so that you are prepared to vote on the 26th.

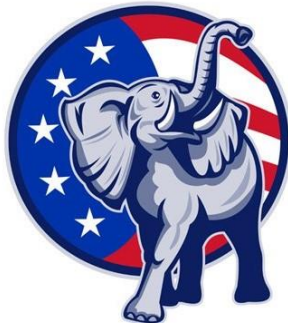
Worcester County Commission for Women -- Annual Gems Tea 2023



The Worcester County Commission for Women is holding its annual Gems Tea on Sunday, October 29, 2023 at Worcester Technical High School in Newark, Maryland from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Tables of eight will be available -- \$30.00 each. The Gems Tea honors local women in Worcester communities that have had a positive impact on their neighborhoods and community at large. For more information, please call fellow RWWC member and WCCW Chair, Ms. Tamara White at 443-614-3004.

Congratulations to one of members, Carol Frazier, for being recognized for her community service.





WORCESTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN CENTRAL COMMITTEE

PIG ROAST!

All the Fixins', Family Friendly, Music by Chris Miller

With special guest Diante Johnson

Founder and President of the Black Conservative Federation

Saturday, October 28, 2023 - Noon to 5 p.m.

Addis Barn, 11043 Mumford RD, Bishopville, MD

\$35 Per Person, All Inclusive - Children 10 & Under Free, BYOB

Chances will be sold to win a Concealed Carry & Licensing Permit Course for 2.

A \$1500! Donated and course conducted by P-T-P Gun

MENU: *Roast Whole Pig, Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Mac & Cheese, Cole Slaw, BBQ Sauces, Rolls, Lemonade, Ice Tea, Specialty Homemade Desserts*

Yes, I'm ready for an Old Fashioned Pig Roast!

Click [HERE](#) to make your reservation.

Or, go to <https://worcestercountygop.com>