#### **RWWC January News**



#### Valentine Raffle:

This year we changed the format of the raffle. We are selling just 100 tickets @\$25 per ticket. In years past, our raffle had only three winners. This year we will have 28! \$200 for the winner of the February 14th drawing and \$25 for all other days of February. If you win once, your ticket goes back in for subsequent drawings! So, you can win more than one time!!! If you have not purchased your ticket yet, there is still time! Bring a check or cash to the January 16th luncheon or contact Kris to arrange getting your ticket. This is an easy way for you to contribute to our charities and possible win a prize! The proceeds will be donated to Disaster relief for North Carolina and California. Thank you in advance for your support! Kris Barron, 443 614 8445

• **2025 Membership Renewals:** All members who joined or renewed prior to September 2024, it's time to renew for the 2025 Year. Membership Dues are \$40.

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.

• Literacy: <u>Essay Contest</u> –Our 2nd RWWC Literacy essay contest offered to Worcester County 8th grade students will take place Feb 1-28, 2025. We would like to keep our Constitution in the forefront of education to remind students how great our country is, and upon which it was founded. This year we will use posters and fliers to promote our contest. Seven schools have been invited.

 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
- Luncheon Meetings January 16, March 27 and May 22, will be at the Worcester Technical High School. February will be at Sophia's in Ocean City.
- Volunteers Our committees need your help. We need help with Fundraising. We are planning Restaurant Nights, a Mingo (musical bingo) afternoon and of course the Fashion Show. We also need help with Publicity...taking pictures at our events and sending them to the local newspapers.

Make sure to report your volunteer hours via our website https://gopwomenofworcester.org

# Republican Women of Worcester County General Luncheon Meeting Worcester Technical School October 24, 2024

## Minutes

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

Welcome - Jean Delcher welcomed the honored guests and community officials who were present.

# **Officer's Reports**

*Approval of Minutes* - Gwen Crisafulli requested approval of the minutes from the August 22nd General Dinner Meeting at the Ocean City Golf Course. Carol Fraizer so moved. Beth Rodier seconded. MCU (Motion Carried Unanimously)

*Treasurer/Budget* - Jane Wolnik presented a report detailing our financial status. Approval for the budget for 2025. Linda Moran made a motion to approve the 2025 budget. Marlene Ott seconded. There were no objections to the budget. MCU (Motion Carried Unanimously)

**Asst. Treasurer/Membership** - Jennie Allen informed the group that for 2024 we have 30 new members for a total of 153. So far for 2025 there are 12 new members and 18 renewals for a total of 30. As for associate members there are a total of 17 for 2024 with 6 new members and 11 renewals and for 2025 there is one new member and 2 renewals. The new members who were present were introduced to the group and member introduced their guests. We are also looking for member to join standing committees and she encouraged people to volunteer.

**1ST Vice President** - Carol Fraizer announced speaker for the January meeting will be Dave Stevenson and will be speaking about Off shore wind. Please let Carol know if you have any ideas for upcoming speakers.

**2ND Vice President** - Kris Barron informed everyone that the fashion show was a success making \$8200. She is currently selling Valentine raffle tickets for \$25 each. There are only 100 tickets available. They will be drawn daily for the month of February and returned to the pot each day. She is planning another restaurant fundraiser at the Mexican restaurant, Don's and possibly one other restaurant on a Tuesday or Wednesday.

## **Updates**

Merilee Horvat spoke to the group about the upcoming 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala on November 21st from 5-8 at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. There will be eight past presidents in attendance as well as one charter member. There will be a buffet dinner, champagne toast with commemorative glass and music. Reservations are due by November 6th. Basket of Cheer donations are also being collected.

Dale Hall, Vice Chairman of the Central Commitee spoke about the Republican Headquarters and voiced appreciation for all our members who volunteered there. He is working with Deb Dills to cover the 15 polling locations on November 5th. Volunteers are still needed.

Vera Beck thanked everyone for their donations for Della's Closet and those that volunteered to help with the packages for the troops. She also announced that she is looking for help for her committee if anyone is interested.

*Introduction of Speakers Carol Frazier* - Retired Brigadier General John Teichert spoke about his time in the Air Force and his family. He then spoke about the importance of the election and getting people out to vote. He also spoke about boarder security and how it is a multifaceted crisis encompassing a National security crisis, a public safety crisis, a public health crisis and a humanitarian crisis. He also spoke briefly about Question 1 on the ballot.

# Lunch

### Closing Remarks and Announcements - President Jean Delcher

Chip Bertino gave an update on school funding for new school construction.

Charlotte Cathell thanked Phil Cropper for the lunch that was prepared and encouraged everyone to visit the newly opened Pines Cafe.

The basket winner was announced and \$240 dollar that was collected was donated to Worcester Tech.

Adjourn - Jean Delcher @ 1257

### Calendar

November 21st 40th Anniversary Gala at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club January 16<sup>th</sup> January General Meeting

Respectfully Submitted, Recording Secretary, Gwendolyn Crisafulli