



January 2026 News

General Membership Meeting Thursday, January 15, 2026

Worcester County Technical High School
Doors open at 10:30 AM

Valentine Raffle: POC Kris Barron

We are selling 100 tickets for \$25 per ticket. A ticket will be drawn daily and there will be 28 winners. The grand prize is \$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 15th luncheon or contact Kris Barron at 443-614-8445 to arrange your ticket. This is an easy way for you to contribute to our charities, and you may possibly win a prize! Thank you in advance for your support!

Restaurant Night: POC Kris Barron

Taphouse West OC Bar & Grill Restaurant, 12513 Ocean Gateway, OC, MD

Phone: 667-663-2055

Friday January 23, 2026, from 4PM to 9PM

Bring the flyer with you to Taphouse West

Membership 2026 Renewal: POC Linda Moran

We are still collecting the 2026 membership dues. As of 1/3/26, we received 58 renewals and enrolled 7 new members for a total of 65 members. This is 43% of our 2025 membership.

According to MFRW, membership dues must be paid by February 28th, or you will be removed from both MFRW and NFRW's rolls and no longer receive NFRW's weekly Capital Connection.

Membership can be renewed online at <https://gopwomenofworcester.org/> by choosing the join/renew tab or by sending a check payable to RWWC to: RWWC – Dues, P.O. Box 1292, Berlin, MD 21811, or at a meeting. If you have questions, contact Linda via email lindamoranwcrcc@gmail.com or by phone 443-614-2261.

Literacy: POC Susan Ostrowski

Red Shoe Book Club will meet Tues Jan 13 noon at Carabbas
Book: The Man Who Killed Kennedy by Roger Stone



Tuesday March 10 noon at OP Library, small meeting room. Bag lunch.

Book: Right Wing Revolution by Charlie Kirk

Essay Contest: We are busy with the February 8th Grade essay contest.

Our Declaration of Independence is 250 years old, and the question will be generated around this topic. We were able to use Maria Sophia's suggestion on using AI. With several searches, we have several good questions for 8th graders to build from.

Speakers: POC Carol Frazier

- January - Maria Sofia, Manager of Government Affairs at the Cato Institute and MFRW First VP. Maria will be speaking on AI.
- February - Brenda Barbato, RWWC Member, Worcester County Moms for Liberty.
- March – Tentative plan is to invite GOP primary candidates for governor
- April - "Welcome Home Legislators"
- May - Liz Mumford, RWWC Americanism chair

Luncheon Meetings: POC Sandy Zitzer

- January 15 – Worcester Technical High School, Newark, MD
- February 26 - OC Golf Club, Berlin, MD
- March 26 - Worcester Technical High School, Newark, MD

MFRW Dates to Remember: POC Sandy Zitzer

- January 10 - Leadership Conference, Renditions Golf Club
- January 15 - Day 2 Legislator Visits, MD General Assembly House & Senate Office Bldgs. Annapolis, MD
- March 3 - Red Scarf Day - Calvert House, 58 State Circle, Annapolis
- May 2nd Spring Board meeting
- June 11-18 Early Voting

Awards & Volunteer Hours: POC Raye Simpson & Jane Carmean

Every year, your RWWC volunteer time is an important part of our membership mission. In 2026, please report your volunteer hours on a MONTHLY basis at the end of the current month so the committee can calculate the RWWC total hours every member submitted. Mark your calendars on the 30th or 31st of each month to remember this important activity. You can report your volunteer hours on our RWWC website,

www.gopwomenofworcester.org. There is a VOLUNTEER tab on the website which brings forward the form <https://www.cognitoforms.com/RWWC1/RWWCVolunteerHours> for your submission. Also, there is usually a link to this same form in our monthly email reminders. Hours are categorized into POLITICAL and NONPOLITICAL. Please review and save the list on the website for future reference.

Thank you for all you do for our RWWC. Together we make a great team.

Two categories of volunteer hours are collected: Political and Non-Political (RWWC) activity.

Both Political and Non-Political volunteer hours should include travel time to and from the activity.

Political Activity includes that which is sanctioned by or related to RWWC, MFRW, NFRW, and the GOP.

- Meetings (EXCEPT local luncheon and local Board counted by the Awards chairwoman)
 - WCRCC, Red Scarf Day, planning meeting with a candidate are examples
- RWWC volunteer for Republican politically related activity – local, state, or national
- Speaker at political meetings
- Program or speech preparation
- RWWC Campaign headquarters
- RWWC Campaign fundraisers
- RWWC Campaign rallies, debates, parades,
- Campaign meetings
- Campaign neighborhood canvas, flyers,
- Sign delivery, mailings
- Campaign training school
- Fair booths – local, state, national
- GOP voter registration
- GOP Political Email drafting, sending
- Attendance at or Prep for Political debates, hearings
- Attendance at or Prep for Political rallies
- Attendance at MFRW and NFRW meetings
- Writing newspaper letter to editor concerning Republican issues
- Political research for a RWWC presentation or activity, preparing and/or presenting testimony at the general assembly
- Legislation committee work
- RWWC Officers (Executive Bd) work outside of the general and board meetings
- Special Events related to political activities

Non-Political includes RWWC committees and associated help.

- Americanism
- Awards
- Bylaws
- Caring for America
- Historian
- Hospitality
- Literacy
- Membership
- Newsletter

- Publicity
- Social media – contributing to our RWWC web site or the RWWC Facebook page
- Special Events- Must be related to the Republican Party events such as Christmas Tree decoration, Preparing packages for the troops

November Minutes: POC Gwen Crisafulli

Republican Women of Worcester County Installation Meeting

On November 20th, The Republican Women of Worcester County held their biennial Installation Dinner, marking a significant evening of leadership transition and political engagement. During the event, newly elected officers were formally sworn into office, reaffirming the organization's commitment to promoting Republican principles, civic involvement, and conservative leadership within the county.

Members and guests gathered to recognize the dedication of outgoing officers while welcoming the incoming leadership team. The ceremony highlighted the importance of the continued role of Republican women in shaping local and state politics.

The evening also featured a guest speaker, John Myrick, who is currently running for Governor of Maryland. Mr. Myrick addressed attendees on key issues facing the state, sharing his vision for Maryland's future and emphasizing the importance of active participation at the local level.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gwendolyn Crisafulli
Recording Secretary