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April 2019

Message From the President



I'm sorry due to family obligations, I missed the March Membership meeting at Glory Days Grill. From the pictures I've seen It looks like everyone had a great time in addition to learning how to better utilize social media. In the future, we are going to try to schedule more dinner meetings. During the business part of the March meeting, Paula Potoczak, Terri Hauser and myself were

elected to be delegates to the Virginia Federation of Republican Women (VFRW) Convention which will be held April 26- 28, 2019 in Norfolk Virginia. We look forward to representing the Commonwealth Club at this important annual meeting of Republican Women's clubs from around the entire state of Virginia and will report on actions taken at our May Membership meeting.

There is another important VFRW event that will take place in Northern Virginia on June 2nd, 2-5 pm at the Lorton Workhouse, Lorton Va. The VFRW, which we are all members of, will be celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Senate's passage of the 19th Amendment. The CWRC Board enthusiastically endorses this event and encourages all CRWC members and guests to attend. It is important that Republican Women retain the narrative of this important milestone in the history of our country. So, mark your calendars and be there on June 2nd.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our Annual reception at The Lyceum on April 25th. We are fortunate to have the distinguished Thomas McDevitt, Chairman of The Washington Times as our guest speaker. As always, it will be a fun gathering of friends and associates not to be missed.

Eileen Brackens

"No dream is too big. No challenge is too great. Nothing we want for our future is beyond our reach,"
Donald J. Trump

Commonwealth Republican Women's Club Membership Reception Thursday, April 25, 2019



COMMONWEALTH REPUBLICAN
WOMEN'S CLUB (CRWC)
INVITES YOU TO OUR

MEMBERSHIP RECEPTION

FOR MEMBERS, POTENTIAL NEW
MEMBERS, AND INVITED GUESTS

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019

7:00 PM

The Lyceum: Alexandria's
History Museum
201 S. Washington St.
Alexandria, VA 22314

Free Buffet and Wine Bar
7:00 - 7:30 pm

Program Begins 7:30 pm

Special Guest Speaker:

Thomas P. McDevitt
Chairman

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CONSERVATIVES, AND ENCOURAGE
INVOLVEMENT IN CRWC, LOCAL
GOP ORGANIZATIONS, AND
CAMPAIGNS.

We would love to have you join us!

RSVP to
information@alexandriacrwc.org

See full invitation page 5

**Politics make it possible,
but women make it work!**

CRWC PROGRAM REPORT: *by Linda App, VP Program* **HOSPITALITY REPORT:** *by Mary Margaret Jenkins & Nadine Bacaj*

We are thrilled that Thomas McDevitt, Chairman on The Washington Times, has accepted our invitation to be our speaker at the Annual Membership Reception at the Lyceum on April 25. We hope you will all invite your friends to hear him speak about the news industry from the perspective of a conservative publication. We also need our members to all bring something delicious for the buffet table. Please go to Sign Up Genius and sign up for something. Please bring all food items ready-to-serve ("plated"). Remember to tape your name/phone to the bottom of your tray in case you forget to take it home. Drop off food starting at 6:30 pm.

The event starts at 7:00 pm. See page 5.



[Hospitality Food & Beverages](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0b49a9ad2ca2fe3-april)
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0b49a9ad2ca2fe3-april>

Also, you may want to bring your checkbook and purchase some new White House Christmas ornaments! See page 8.

Red Hat Walkers Club

The Walking Club will meet at 10:00 am on Wednesday, May 1 at Ft. Ward Park. Linda App has a surprise gift for the first 6 ladies who arrive.



MEMBERSHIP : *by Susie Miller, VP Membership*



Our membership now stands at 52 with more applications and checks not yet processed. That is an increase of 7 from last month. We have 11 Associate Members. Associates can be husbands and other men who like to be included in some of our activities, such as the Lyceum Event and Christmas Party. We also have Associates who are members of other Republican Women's Clubs but like to attend our meetings and events.

Reminder: there are some Members who need to submit their 2019 Dues.

This Lyceum Event is a tool to increase our membership. I will have registration forms for your guests. Please invite as many friends as possible. It will be wonderful to have them as Members or Associate Members. Sign up your husbands, fathers, sons, nephews.

As an incentive to encourage new Members to sign up in April, I will personally send our most updated Membership Directory via email to all members in May. By waiting until May all new members will be in the directory. Suzanne Morrison updates it every month after she sends a check into the Virginia Federation Republican Women for each member.

MAKE OUR CLUB STRONG AND HELP IT TO CONTINUE TO GROW.

ARCC Meeting Report

by Linda App, VP Programs

CRWC members attending the April meeting of the Alexandria Republican City Committee (ARCC) were part of two important events:

- Discussions regarding the City of Alexandria's proposed changes to Seminary Road.
- Michael Clinkscale's official announcement to the local GOP that he is running for the Virginia House of Delegates, Dist. 45.

Those present were unified in opposition to any move by the city to reduce the number of driving lanes on Seminary Road, for a variety of reasons. ARCC/CRWC members and guests show their support for keeping Seminary Road's four lanes for car traffic.

Clinkscale's announcement was well-received, and he is so far the only GOP candidate announced for any race in Alexandria's Fall 2019 elections. District 45 encompasses parts of Arlington, Alexandria, and Fairfax counties. Those present were unified in opposition to any move by the city to reduce the number of driving lanes on Seminary Road, for a variety of reasons.



See the Alexandria Gazette Packet story here on page 14: <http://connectionarchives.com/PDF/2019/041019/Alexandria.pdf>

CRWC members Laurie Kirby and Susie Miller and others congratulated Michael Clinkscale on his announcement to run for the House of Delegates and Bill Cleveland's endorsement..



“Potluck and Politics” Dinner Club

by Linda App, VP Programs



The next Dinner Club meeting will be on Thursday, May 16 at 6:00pm – 8pm. Location is Atlantis Family Restaurant in Bradlee Shopping Center, 3648 King Street, Alexandria VA 22302. Easy, free parking. The restaurant has asked for an estimated number of diners to ensure good service, so we need folks to RSVP. Please RSVP with number attending to: linda.app@comcast.net by Noon, Monday, April 29.

Report from March Meeting *by Linda App, VP Program*

Learning About Social Media at Our March Meeting

The CRWC dinner meeting at Glory Days Grille in March featured guest speaker Dena Espenscheid, a grassroots activist. Her presentation discussed the opportunities and pitfalls of social media, and showed CRWC members how to use Twitter to help our political candidates.

Michael Clinkscale, recent GOP candidate for Alexandria City Council, attended the meeting and said he has filed as a candidate for the Virginia House of Delegates. His campaign centers around personal liberty, responsibility, and empowerment. He also supports school choice and reduced taxes. Former Vice Mayor Bill Cleveland gave an impassioned endorsement of Michael Clinkscale while criticizing Virginia's top Democrat elected officials for recent racial scandals.



Former Vice Mayor Bill Cleveland gives an impassioned endorsement of Michael Clinkscale (seated far right) and for maintaining GOP control of Virginia's House and Senate.

Seated: Linda Greenberg. Standing: Former Vice Mayor Bill Cleveland, Sally Linderman, Susie Miller, Delegate candidate Michael Clinkscale, speaker Dena Espenscheid, Ruth Cleveland, and Gerald Chandler.



2019 Calendar

Meetings, Events, Deadlines and Elections

April 2019

- 25 - CRWC Annual Membership Reception at Lyceum, S. Washington St. 7:00 PM
- 27-28 Virginia Federation of Republican Women Convention, Norfolk, Virginia

May 2019

- 2 - ARCC meets at Minnie Howard School – 7:30 PM
- 8 - CRWC Board Meeting, Café/Pub 1823 at VTS at 7:00 pm.
- 9 - ARCC's Lincoln Reagan Fundraiser Reception in Old Town. 7 – 9 pm. Must buy tickets in advance. \$100 pp. Special guest is former MD Governor Bob Ehrlich https://www.alexgop.org/reception_with_gov_bob_ehrlich
- 23 - CRWC Membership Meeting, TBA

June 2019

- 2 VFRW Fundraiser - Celebrates 100th Anniversary of the US Senate's Passage of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote. Lorton Workhouse, Lorton VA. 2-5pm.
- 7 A Fox on the Fairway FUNdraising event at Little Theatre of Alexandria – 7:30 PM
- 13 - CRWC Board Meeting, Bradley Safeway Community Room, King St. & Braddock Rd. – 7:30 PM
- 25 - CRWC Meeting - TBA



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A Fox on the Fairway at The Little Theatre

Now is the Time to Snag Your Tickets for A Fox on the Fairway at The Little Theatre of Alexandria

Our tickets are printed for A Fox on the Fairway scheduled for June 7, 2019! Remember the \$40 ticket price includes a pre-play reception (so, no need to eat before arriving) and includes a champagne intermission with dessert! As a bonus this year, we hope the weather will permit us to hold our reception in the outdoor courtyard at Little Theatre of Alexandria.

A Fox on the Fairway is an old-fashioned comedy described as:

“A charming madcap adventure about love, life and man’s eternal love affair with...golf. (Ken) Ludwig’s play will take you on a hilarious romp that pulls the rug out from underneath the stuffy denizens of a private country club. Filled with mistaken identities, slamming doors and romantic missteps, this furious paced comedy recalls the best of the Marx Brothers’ classics.”

What’s Not To Like ?!!!

Tell each of your friends and family members about this always enjoyable event! Tickets will be available for purchase during the next Alexandria Republican City Committee meeting as well as at the next CRWC monthly membership meeting. Flyers will also be available at these meetings so that you may take them to grocery stores, nail salons and other places you frequent.

And, for the first time ever, you may purchase tickets online at <http://alexandriacrwc.org/fox> and pick up your tickets at the theatre on the night of the performance!

What Could Be Easier ?!!

Ladies and gentlemen, this is CRWC’s biggest annual fundraiser and the chief means by which CRWC supports our local Republican candidates financially—please plan to attend, please reach out to your friends and neighbors and please spread our flyers far and wide—we have 213 seats to fill and we can fill each one, with your help and support!

We look forward to welcoming you, your friends, your family and prospective CRWC members at 7:00 pm at Little Theatre of Alexandria on June 7, 2019!

Note:flyer on next page

Laurie Kirby (703) 220-1067 KirbyL2@aol.com

Facebook is a wonderful networking and communication tool for CRWC. Through our CRWC Facebook group we can instantly notify members of events or rallies where they could work to promote local candidates. There is a special tool to create event invitations which can be sent not only to group members but emailed to anyone. We also post information about the speaker for our upcoming meetings and links to information they have presented us. Photos have been added to our page from previous meetings as well as events, such as the George Washington Parade. Join us on Facebook: [CRWC - Commonwealth Republican Women’s Club](https://www.facebook.com/CRWC-Commonwealth-Republican-Women's-Club)

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KEN LUDWIG'S

a fox on the fairway

written by **Ken Ludwig**
produced by **Luana Bossolo**
and **Russell Wyland**
directed by **Scott Strasbaugh**

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JUNE 7, 2019

Commonwealth Republican Women's Club

JOIN US FOR

CRWC'S ANNUAL NIGHT AT THE THEATRE

at

The Little Theatre of Alexandria

600 Wolfe St, Alexandria, VA 22314

Tickets **\$40.00**

including pre-show buffet and
champagne intermission

Tickets available from Laurie Kirby:

By phone: **703-220-1067**

By email: kirbyL2@aol.com

Online:

<http://alexandriacrwc.org/fox>

Buffet: **7:00 p.m.** Show: **8:00 p.m.**

The White House Historical Society 2019 Ornament



President Eisenhower was the first President to use helicopters for his personal transportation. Helicopters were fast and flexible. He was impatient when sitting in traffic and with a helicopter he did not have to inconvenience other motorists when he traveled. *U.S. News and World Report* remarked that "Mr. Eisenhower is far ahead of any previous President when it comes to conveniences and conveyances ... with the addition of two helicopters ... the President will have a vehicle for every occasion."

With gift box and descriptive brochure. Ornament is 24 karat gold-plated brass.

Contact the Commonwealth Republican Women's Club. Cost: from 1 to 10 ornaments \$25 each, for 10 or more \$20 each. Linda Greenberg -- lin-daroseveargreenberg@comcast.net or 703.461.6992. We accept cash, checks, or charges. Online go to www.alexandriacrwc.org



Commonwealth Republican Women's Club Membership Application/Renewal 2019

*Required Information *Date_____

*Name _____

*Address_____

*City_____ *State_____ *Zip_____

*Email _____

*Phone(H)_____ Phone(C) _____

Employer _____ City_____ State_____

New _____ Renewal _____ Membership: Full \$35_____

Associate Members: \$15 _____

If a woman, the name of Primary Republican Women's Club _____

Make check payable to CRWC and mail to:

Suzanne Morrison

3812 Woodlawn Ct., Alexandria VA 22304

I am interested in participating in the following areas:

___ Achievement Awards ___ Hospitality ___ By-Laws ___ Legislation & Campaigns

___ Community Service ___ Newsletter ___ Fund Raising ___ Press/Public Relations

Other community, civic or club activities I am involved in:

Visit CRWC's media pages - website: <http://www.alexandriacrwc.org/>, twitter:
[@AlexCRWC](#), and Facebook: CRWC - Commonwealth Republican Women's Club