



TEMPO

OCTOBER 2018

Message From the President



It was great seeing so many of you at Joe Theismann's on September 25th. Kudos to Loree Gunn for all she did to make this an enjoyable evening for everyone. Our candidates had time to mingle with everyone and provide their vision for better government. And, the food and service were outstanding. We will definitely plan a future meeting at Theismann's.

It's GET OUT THE VOTE time everyone. The time is NOW to get out and work to get our candidates elected. What we do now in the next few weeks can make the difference. The future welfare of our city and nation are dependent on a November 6th victory. We need a voice on City Council; we need Republican representation in the House and Senate.

The CRWC Work for the Candidates Day is October 25th. We will meet at GOP Headquarters, corner of S. Henry Street and Duke Street. There will be two work shifts: 2 :30 – 5:00 and 6:00 – 8:30. Make plans now to participate. Parking is available in the lot adjacent to the building.

We also need volunteers to hand out sample ballots at Charles Beatley Library, 5005 Duke Street, Alexandria Va. October 27 to Saturday November 3rd. A sign-up sheet at Signup Genius has been setup by one of our Young Republicans for this activity. You can click on the following link to sign up.

[Absentee Voting at Beatley Library Sign Up](#)

[or cut and paste the following URL to your browser](#)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4baba82aa1f85-absentee>

Another way to volunteer is to join us at the CRWC information tables setup at the Old Town Market on Saturday mornings (corner of King and Fairfax Street) or at the West End Market on Sunday mornings. We greet our neighbors and visitors to our city, distributing candidate literature and just make our presence known. I promise, you will receive many thanks from Alexandria residents and visitors to our city for supporting our candidates and maintaining a visible GOP presence in Alexandria.

Eileen Brackens

“ We will vote for the country we want. We will vote for the future we want. We will vote for the politics we want. Join me in taking back our country and creating a bright and glorious new dawn for our people.” Donald J. Trump

Commonwealth

Republican

Women's Club

Thursday, October 25, 2018

Candidates Work Day

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in one or both.**

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

PROGRAM REPORT

Linda Greenberg

Speaker for November 15, 2018 meeting.

Place: Community Room, Police Department,
3600 Wheeler Avenue.

Time: 7:30 Social: 7:45 Program

Speaker: Hillary Orr, Deputy Director, Transportation, City of Alexandria
mental Services.

Orr joined the city in 2013 as the Complete Streets Coordinator – to assure the entire right-of-way meets the needs of all -- and was promoted to a Principal Planner in 2015. She was responsible for assuring that Alexandria streets were designed to accommodate people of all ages and abilities and to

enhance
vibrant
improve
development
Bike

Mission Statement:

The Department of Transportation & Environmental Services (T&ES) is shaping a livable, green, and prospering Alexandria. We plan, build, operate, and maintain transportation systems and infrastructure that improve mobility and provide people and businesses with core public services. The work we do keeps Alexandrians moving, growing sustainability, and thriving.



FYI: The Transportation & Environmental Services Department includes transportation, i.e., cars, bikes, buses, pedestrians, as well as the environment, resource recovery and public works. The department is responsible for recycling, leaf removal, as well as issuing parking tickets. About 212 employees work in this department. The Director is Yan Lambert who, in 2016, was tasked with coordinating pedestrian and bike traffic and subsequently became the department's director.

Republican Candidate Support

Continue to check the websites/Facebook/Twitter for all of the GOP candidates on Alexandria's ballot this November for events/updates. President Trump needs more Republicans in Congress and the Senate. Alexandria needs conservative voices on City Council. The candidates need YOU!

Corey Stewart for US Senate <https://www.coreystewart.com/>

Thomas Oh for Congress, VA's 8th District <https://www.letuschangecongress.org/>

Kevin Dunne for Alexandria City Council <http://www.kevinforcouncil.org/>

Michael Clinkscale for Alexandria City Council <https://www.facebook.com/Clinkscale4CityCouncil/>

And don't forget to check the CRWC website regularly! <http://www.alexandriacrwc.org>

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Linda App, VP Membership

Every single CRWC member has a role to play to help our four GOP candidates win their races in the upcoming election on November 6. You all have different talents, preferences, and comfort zones. Fortunately, campaign activities can be tailored to fit the individual. Social butterflies with legible handwriting can meet up at GOP HQ to address campaign mailings, outdoorsy-types can get some sun and wave campaign signs on busy street corners, and introverted wordsmiths can submit letters to the editor supporting our candidates for our local newspapers. Young-ish techno-sophisticates can tweet on Twitter about our great candidates at #AlexandriaVA and post on Facebook to spread the word. You get the picture – something for everyone. Just figure out what you want to do, and do it. Keep all messages positive and uplifting. Be an active part of the Red Wave!

Check out the candidates' socialmedia accounts (Facebook and Twitter), which often have more current event info than the campaign websites.

HOSPITALITY REPORT

Susie Miller, Hospitality Chair

We will need refreshments, both savory and sweet for our meeting on Thursday, November 15.

Make a note that the meeting is the week before Thanksgiving. The next people on my list, (I started from the back of our directory) who should bring food or drink are **Judith Poe, Nancy Pfeil, Laura Norfolk, Susan Merritt Nelson and Suzanne Morrison**. If you are unable to attend call me so I can assign another member. Please let me know your choice by November 1.



Susie Miller
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Nominating Committee Report

Propose 2019 Officers for The Commonwealth Republican Womens Club

President - Eileen Brackens
First VP/Programs - Linda App
Second VP/Membership - Susie Miller
Treasurer - Suzanne Morrison
Recording Secretary - TBA
Corresponding Secretary - TBA

Loree Gunn, Chair, CRWC Nominating Committee

Christmas Ornament Sale

See important change re;when purchased with Pay Pal.

CRWC has your 2018 White House Christmas ornaments and we need your help in selling the 500 ornaments we have purchased. They are exceptionally beautiful this year so they will be treasured by those you gift them to.

BUY 1,2,3,4,5,6 or 7 ornaments and pay \$25.00 each.

AND do we have a deal for you!!!!

If you want to pay ONLY \$20.00 for each ornament,

BUY 10 ornaments and pay \$200.00, thus you pay only \$20.00 each. Local pick up or delivery ONLY no shipping!!!

The White House Historical Association is charging \$22.95 for the ornament this year. Remember shops in Old Town charged \$32.00 last year.

Spread the word that ornaments can be purchased on our CRWC website www.alexandriacrwc.org using Pay Pal for \$30.00 each when S&H are necessary or \$25.00 at events when purchased locally and S&H are not necessary and delivery can be arranged with Gail.

Ornaments will be available on at the membership meetings

For more information regarding your purchase contact Gail Ledwig
<donaIdgail@yahoo.com>



CONSERVATIVE BOOK CLUB *by Susan Yonts-Shepard*

After a month off, the Book Club returned in full force to read Judge Jeanine Pirro's book, *Liars, Leakers, and Liberals*. Most people really enjoyed the book. The Judge writes in the same straight forward, pull no punches way she talks. The only difference is when she talks you might miss something and in her book you can go back and read a passage over! She is very suspicious of the "deep state" and really does believe there are forces inside and outside of government that would love to see President Trump and his agenda fail. If nothing else the book makes you think. And given recent events, the need to get out there and VOTE!

In addition to discussing the book, the members also decided to set a schedule of books we will be reading in the coming months. This way people can decide if there is a book they particularly want to read and can plan ahead. Some of the members were getting a little stressed over the pace and amount of books we've been covering. This way, even if they haven't read them all, they won't miss the ones they want to read. We encourage anyone to come to the discussions. Even if you haven't read the books, the discussions are always interesting, informative and fun!

For October, we are reading Sean Spicer's book, *The Briefing* and will be meeting at Laurie Kirby's house. Email Laurie for directions (KirbyL2@aol.com). Book Club members, don't forget the book exchange. Bring one or two books you no longer want, to exchange for someone else's used book. Any genre! Not confined to politics. Bring biographies, autobiographies, mysteries, thrillers, true crime etc.

Here is the upcoming schedule of books.

November – Contempt, A Memoir of the Clinton Investigation by Ken Starr

December – Happy Holidays! No Book Club meeting

January – Positive Populism, by Steve Hilton (catch his show on Fox Sunday nights)

February – We Wanted Workers by George Borjas

March – Ship of Fools by Tucker Carlson

April – 3 Days in Moscow by Brett Baier

May – The Gutfeld Monologues by Greg Gutfeld

Amplify the Impact of your Volunteer Hours

Whether we work on Club activities or participate in other endeavors in support of Republican candidates, CRWC members are all on the same team and our combined efforts both deserve and need to be recognized.

Our Club has made a concerted effort over the past year to publish articles in local papers highlighting CRWC member activities. Such articles send a message to our neighbors of our resolve to promote the Republican values enumerated in our Creed and can be of enormous assistance in recruiting new CRWC members. We hope you will assist our Club leadership in recording and publishing our many combined volunteer efforts and in making our civic contributions known to our local community.

Through its Campaign Award Program, the NFRW provides a framework for capturing our activities for the purpose of competing for an NFRW award and, as importantly, for measuring our impact on our local community.

To make it easy for you to track Republican campaign activities, Susan Yonts-Shepard seysrls@comcast.net has volunteered to receive and to track pertinent campaign activity hours.

Below is a list of some activities in which you may soon or may have participated already during this calendar year. Please provide to Susan an estimate of the total number of hours you have expended in these activities. Going forward, please send your hours monthly to Susan. Total hours with a brief description will suffice—the more concise, the better.

Mailings done within or outside the home

Phone calls made on behalf of candidates

Door knocking

Working at Farmers' markets or other similar events to disseminate literature

Computer work and social media postings or blogging

Working as a volunteer at or for a campaign event

Attendance at NFRW meetings or conventions

including travel time

Time expended at state party and/or at RNC conventions

Getting petitions signed

Volunteering at any municipality, county, state or

Federation Headquarters

Volunteering for a Republican candidate

Working as a non-paid poll watcher on Election Day

Presenting unpaid campaign programs or speeches

at local civic organizations

Registering voters

Hours spent as editor of a club newsletter

CRWC Out and About



Linda, Susie, Candidate Kevin Dunne, Jan, Angie, and Eileen at the West End Candidate Forum.



City Council Candidate Michael Clinkscale and CRWC members Linda, Susie and Jan at Del Ray's Art on the Avenue.

Letters to the Editor

CRWC members are encouraged to let their conservative voices be heard by writing to the local newspapers. Tell the community why you are supporting and voting for the GOP candidates, and encourage others to do the same. Stay positive, and take the high road. Letters to the Editor should be e-mailed to:

Alexandria Gazette Packet, Steve Mauren, Editor

smauren@connectionnewspapers.com

or online at www.connectionnewspapers.com/contact/letter/

Alexandria Times, Alexa Epitropoulos, Editor aepitropoulos@alextimes.com

2018 Calendar

Meetings, Events, Deadlines and Elections

Saturday Mornings in Old Town – CRWC Table at the Farmers' Market. Volunteers welcome. Come out and meet your neighbors and support our candidates.

Saturday Mornings. Every Saturday morning until the November election, ARCC will have door knocking and neighborhood canvassing for our Republican slate. Meet at 10am at GOP Alexandria HQ, 221 South Henry St, Alexandria 22314.

Sunday Mornings 8:30 am – 12:30 pm in Cameron Station/Ben Brenman Park – ARCC/CRWC Table at the Farmers' Market. Volunteers welcome. Come out and meet your neighbors and support our candidates. Contact Jan Bates. jloubates@yahoo.com

OCTOBER

Wed, October 17, 2018 - 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM, 8th District Candidate Forum: US House of Representatives 2018, Grace Presbyterian Church, 7434 Bath St. Springfield, VA 22150 (Thomas Oh v. Don Beyer)

Thursday, October 25 – CRWC Meeting as Candidate Work Session at HQ. Shifts.

NOVEMBER

Tuesday, November 6 – Election Day!!! Precinct volunteers needed to hand out GOP sample ballots and otherwise support our candidates outside polling places. Team up with a CRWC friend for a fun day!

Thursday, November 15 – CRWC Meeting, Police Station. 7:00 pm Networking, 7:30 meeting

DECEMBER

Thursday, December 13 – CRWC Holiday Party

JUNE

Friday, June 7, 2019 – A Fox on the Fairway FUNdraising event at the Little Theatre of Alexandria. See article below.



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](#)

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SAVE THE DATE for A Fox on the Fairway at The Little Theatre

The CRWC FUNdraising Committee is at it again! We're already busy planning another rip-roaring good time at The Little Theatre of Alexandria ("LTA")—in warm weather this time and in hopes of using the outdoor courtyard for our pre-performance reception!

Here are the many ways you can help:

First, Save the Date: Friday, June 7, 2019 for A Fox on the Fairway which LTA describes 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."

My comment: If you're tired of whining "Snowflakes" and political correctness and are up for some old-fashioned humor, this is the play for you!

Second, tell all of your friends to save the evening of June 7, 2019 as well!

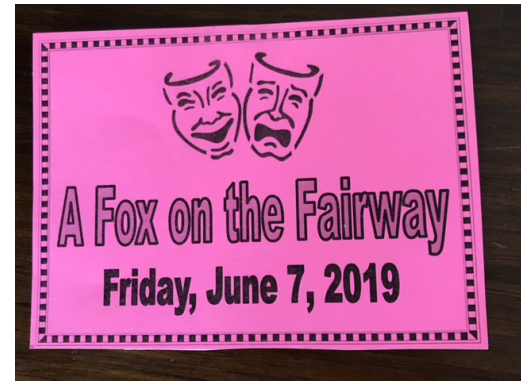
Third, think about joining our merry band of CRWC FUNdraising planners—all are welcome, we can use the help and we promise to make the planning meetings a jolly good time along the way!

More about ticket pricing and event details to follow in future Tempos—so please stay tuned!

Laurie Kirby

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CRWC Campaign Contributions

As you know, the CRWC raises money through annual dues, White House Christmas ornament sales and periodic fundraisers (such as our upcoming FUNdraiser at The Little Theatre of Alexandria, scheduled for Friday, June 7, 2019!)

What you may not know, is that as an affiliate of the VFRW and the NFRW, our club may contribute to local political campaigns but NOT to federal election campaigns — to do so, would make us subject to federal PAC reporting requirements which we lack the resources to do.

Individual CRWC members, of course, may contribute to the campaigns for any political candidates whether local, state or federal—and, we hope members will be as generous as possible to 2018 Republican candidates financially and/or through volunteerism.

Also keep in mind, that on October 25, CRWC will hold our annual Candidate's Workday/Night event at GOP headquarters (in lieu of a monthly meeting with speaker), providing a great opportunity to combine socializing while contributing to our candidates' campaigns.

If you are not able to join us at Theismann's on September 22 or wish to make a sooner contribution or contact, some social media sites and websites by which our invited speakers may be reached are:

Michael Clinkscale, Alexandria City Council candidate

Facebook: Clinkscale4CityCouncil

Twitter: @Clinkscale4cc

Kevin Dunne, Alexandria City Council candidate

www.kevinforcouncil.org

Facebook: KevinforAlexCityCouncil

Twitter: @ta2kev

Thomas Oh, Candidate for U.S. Congress, VAs 8th Congressional District

www.ohforcongress.com

Facebook: ThomasOhforCongress

Twitter: @OhForCongress

Corey Stewart, Candidate for U.S. Senate

www.coreystewart.com

Facebook: CoreyStewartVA

Twitter: @CoreyStewartVA



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