

CRWC TEMPO

Alexandria, VA

January 2007

Message from the President

Warm wishes of the New Year to CRWC members and their families!

I am delighted to greet you as the CRWC president for 2007. The work of our immediate past president, Terri Hauser, and previous CRWC leaders and boards has built a club with a rich legacy and spirit, and I look forward to an exciting 2007 year as we continue to burnish our reputation for Republican activism and community involvement.

This year, the CRWC celebrates 46 years of existence as a club dedicated to promoting Republican principles and candidates, educating women in the political process and serving our community.

During 2007, we will collaborate closely with our state organization, the Virginia Federation of Republican Women (VFRW), to be a strong Republican voice in Alexandria. Since the City Council and general elections took place last year, in 2007 we will be able to focus our attention on "reaching out to Richmond" to help retain our Republican majority in the Virginia General Assembly, perhaps even replacing incumbents of House of Delegates seats in Alexandria's 45th, 46th and 49th Districts with Republicans!

And as we look forward to a busy schedule of CRWC business, we can also look back at Virginia's long and proud history highlighted in the next 18 months as the state and the nation celebrate the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown Settlement. On January 10th, the Virginia General Assembly began its deliberations with a joint session at the Jamestown Memorial Church, the site where representative government began in America with the formation of the House of Burgess just 12 years after the first settlers arrived in the New World,

Addressing the joint session, Vice President Dick Cheney marked the historic moment with these words: "So much of what defines our country – its language, legal traditions, and institutions – have roots in the community that rose in this corner of Virginia. English liberty and law, private property, the spirit of free enterprise – all of these are part of the Jamestown legacy. . . This commonwealth, and the people who call it home, stand at the very center of American history."

As CRWC begins its own deliberations and activities for the year, let's educate ourselves anew about Virginia's history and use the lessons of that early year to inspire our commitment to great and good work in 2007.

Leslie Anderson

Commonwealth Republican Women's Club

General Membership Meeting

Thursday, January 25, 2007
Home of Sharon Annear
1118 North Howard Street
Alexandria VA 22304
703-751-9310

Social 7:30 p.m. Meeting 7:45 p.m.
2006 Elections: What's Next for the GOP?
Guests are welcome.

CRWC Donates books to Community Lodgings

Thank you to all our members who donated books or funds to our book drive. This year, our recipient organization, Community Lodgings, sent a list of suggested books that would make a significant impact on their literacy program. We collected

over 25 books which will be used in CL's library. Emily Barnes, Program Coordinator was thrilled to receive this gift noting that it will not only assist the children in their school work but help their parents with improving their literacy skills.

Community Lodgings is always looking for volunteers for their after-school reading program. If interested, please contact Shari Simmans at shari@sharisimmans.com for more information.

Thank you again for helping make this a successful program!
Shari Simmons



The New CRWC President!



In 1990, Leslie Anderson moved to Virginia from her home state of Maine to take up an education post at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) in the Bureau for Latin American and the Caribbean. She left behind a first lifetime of growing up and working in education, federal and state government and in Maine State politics. In her second lifetime in the District and Virginia, she has added 'international' to her education portfolio, focusing on promoting international study and work opportunities for American undergraduates, MBA candidates, classroom teachers and women leaders. Her work has also encompassed community outreach, Congressional relations and program management. She is currently the legislative advisor with the Bureau for Asia and the Near East at USAID. She lives happily in Old Town and is a proud Virginia transplant.



Meeting & Hospitality NOTES

Bad Weather
MEETING POLICY

CRWC MEETINGS WILL BE CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER IF ALEXANDRIA SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED THAT DAY.

The hostess for the meeting provides the beverages that evening. Gail Ledwig, Hospitality chair, will be calling to request donations of food items for our meetings.

Please e-mail or call Gail to offer your help with food this month or your home for a future meeting. Thanks.

Gail Ledwig 703-823-0975 or
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DUES NOTICE

As of January 11, 2007, the following members have PAID their dues:

Sharon Annear	Karen Kilday
Cindy Bartol	Beverly Kimes
Sheila Beattie	Jean Klinge
Grada Billingsley	Katherine Kopp
	Joan Lamb
Mary Bourke	Gail Ledwig
Becky Davies	Janice Lenderman
Allison DiNardo	Lois Lipson
Colleen Dougherty	Betty McCann
Melanie Engelen	Susan Nelson
Susan Fertig-Dykes	Jennifer Porter
Grace Flores-Hughes	Michelle Presson
Linda Greenberg	Jane Ring
Nancy Hamilton	Patricia Schick
Mary Clare Haskin	Lynn Smith
Ann Hobbs	Becky Sullivan
Carolyn Huebner	Kimberly Swartz
Pauline Hurd	Deborah Wigger

To all who have not paid: please send your dues check (\$30), payable to CRWC to Becky Davies, 3901 Terry Place, Alexandria, VA 22304. Associate dues are \$12.



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⌘ Goals

National Federation of Republican Women

1. Elect Republicans to local, state and national offices
2. Recruit women into the Republican Party
3. Bring Women together to positively impact our nation
4. Identify and lobby for Republican initiatives and ideas

Purpose

2007 Virginia Federation of Republican Women

1. Retain Republican General Assembly majority
2. Support our Republican President, two Congresswomen, six Congressmen and Senator Warner in Washington
3. Be a beacon in our communities, educating women in the political process and electing future Republican candidates, especially women, to office

Calendar

2007

JANUARY

- 1 Deadline to submit CRWC officer slate to VFRW
- 4 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 11 a. VFRW Legislative Day, Richmond
b. CRWC Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
- 25 CRWC Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- 1 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 8 CRWC Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.;
- 19 George Washington's BD Parade, Old Town, 1-3 p.m.
- 22 CRWC Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 24 VFRW Board Meeting, Richmond

MARCH

- TBA ARCC Reagan-Lincoln Dinner
- 1 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 3 St. Patrick's Day Parade, Old Town, 12:30 p.m.
- 8 CRWC Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
- 16 VFRW deadline for receipt of CRWC dues & service fees
- 26 Alexandria Commission for Women banquet
- 20 NFRW National Legislative Day, Washington, D.C.
- 22 CRWC Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

APRIL

- 2 Submit VFRW Convention delegate/alternate certification
- 5 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 12 CRWC Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
- 20-22 VFRW State Convention, Richmond
(Omni Richmond Hotel)
- 26 CRWC Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

MAY

- 3 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 10 CRWC Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
- 19 8th District Convention (elect District Chair)??
- 24 CRWC Regular Meeting

JUNE

- 1 Submit application for CRWC achievement and campaign awards to VFRW
- 7 ARCC Meeting
- TBD CRWC Fundraiser
- No CRWC board or regular meeting in June

JULY & AUGUST – No regular CRWC meetings
(August board meeting)

SEPTEMBER – Literacy Month

- 6 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 13 CRWC Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
- 27 CRWC Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Pot Luck Supper with General Assembly candidate speakers/campaign support activity (Districts 45,46,49)

OCTOBER – Health Month

- 4 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 9 Last day to register to vote in Nov. 6th elections
- 11 CRWC Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
- 25 CRWC Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- TBA Alexandria Walk for Breast Cancer

NOVEMBER

- 1 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.; sell White House ornaments
- 6 General Election – Virginia General Assembly
- 8 CRWC Board Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
- 15 CRWC Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

DECEMBER

- 6 ARCC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.; sell White House ornaments
- 13 CRWC Holiday Party & d installation of officers,
- 31 Deadline to submit forms for:
 - 1) VFRW recognition awards,
 - 2) membership incentive awards,
 - 3) Legislative Day with CRWC check,
 - 4) CRWC officers

**IMPORTANT: MEMBERSHIP
RENEWAL INSIDE!**

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