

CRWC TEMPO

Alexandria, VA

March 2006

Message from the President

March is Women's History Month, and we are reminding the city that includes REPUBLICAN women. Our participation in the city's recent parades brought visibility, as is our sponsorship of the Alexandria Commission for Women dinner, which not only supports the Battered Women's Shelter, but has allowed us to celebrate both the Republican ticket and the four members of our club who are past honorees: Jane Ring, Becky Davies, Sharon Annear, and Sandy Calhoun.

With so many Commonwealth women active in organizations throughout the city, this month's meeting offers a unique networking opportunity that could pay big dividends for the groups you work with. Gifts in Kind International helps companies like IBM and Adobe donate their products to charitable and other nonprofit organizations, and our speaker, the new CEO, is eager to do more in Alexandria, where their headquarters is located.

Remember: use your networks, and talk up our City Council candidates among friends, neighbors, and associates between now and May 2.

The campaigns are in full swing, and CRWC members heard impressive presentations from candidates Ken Foran, Craig Miller, Bernie Schulz, and "Van" Van Fleet at our February meeting. Pat Troy was being honored for his own community service work and will join us this month. The club voted to make a \$250 contribution to each individual candidate as well as provide financial support for door hangers and absentee ballot mailings. (See photo this page)

In addition to the support we are providing as a club, here are three important ways that you can help our team:

- Attend a candidate forum in your neighborhood. Seeing our Republican candidates on the stump will help you be a more effective advocate. And it is always a morale booster for candidates to see friendly faces in the audience.
- Make calls at the phone bank to help ID supporters and get out the vote. The Alexandria Republican City Committee is sponsoring phone banks weekday evenings and on Saturdays at GOP Headquarters.
- Sign up to work the polls on election day.

There's nothing quite like women power. Let's all put in a little extra effort over the next six weeks, and Republicans will regain our foothold in City Council on May 2.

Terri Hauser

Commonwealth Republican Women's Club General Meeting

Thursday, March 23, 2006
7:30 p.m. Social ~ 7:45 Meeting

Home of Joan Lamb
4709 Newcomb Place
Alexandria VA 22304
703-370-6188

From Seminary Road, second left after Alexandria Hospital onto North Jordan. Take second right off Jordan onto Kemper, which becomes Newcomb at the top of the hill.

Richard Wong, recently named President and Chief Executive Officer of Gifts In Kind International, which is the third largest charity in the United States and the world's leading charity in the field of product philanthropy. We are fortunate to have this opportunity and hope that many of you may be able to attend to hear this impressive speaker.

Standing Rule change:

The CRWC Board recommends to the general membership that Standing Rule Section 4 "Additional Duties of the Executive Committee" should be changed to allow the Exec Cte to disbursement funds of no more than \$100 (rather than \$50) for routine activities.

This change will be voted on at the March 23 meeting.



WHITE HOUSE WELCOMES SPRING WITH GARDEN TOUR

The Annual White House Spring Garden Tour will be held on two dates: Saturday, April 1 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Sunday, April 2 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

The tours have been an annual tradition since 1972 when Pat Nixon first opened the gardens to the public. Visitors are invited to view the Jacqueline Kennedy Garden, Rose Garden, Children's Garden and South Lawn of the White House while military bands perform from a White House balcony.

The event is open to the public; however, a ticket is required for all attendees, including small children. The National Park Service will distribute free, timed tickets at the Ellipse Visitor Pavilion located at 15th and E Streets on both tour days beginning at 8:00 a.m. Tickets will be distributed -- one ticket per person -- on a first-come, first-served basis.

Entry for the Garden Tours will begin at Sherman Park located just south of the Department of the Treasury. Guests will be escorted to the South Lawn per their designated ticket time. In order to facilitate entry into the grounds, carry-in items will be limited. Strollers, wheelchairs and cameras are permitted.

For more information on the Garden Tours, please call the White House Visitor Center at (202) 208-1631.

In case of inclement weather, the Garden Tours will be cancelled.

Notes! Congratulations

Alexandria Republican City Committee Chair Chris Marston was recognized this week for his grass roots leadership by the Republican Party of Virginia. You can check out his "Volunteer Spotlight" profile on the RPV website, <http://www.rpv.org/contents/spotlight/>



Atta Girl!
Paula Potoczak is now an NFRW Regent!



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On the March!



(in the picture are Shari, Ruth, Terri, Lisa Marie Cheney, and Virginia Ward, Vice President of the Arlington RWC)

CRWC members have been out on the front lines, marching with GOP candidates in both of Alexandria's the recent parades. Leslie Anderson distinguished herself by gathering more petition signatures for Senator Allen than all the other volunteers combined along the GW Birthday parade route. And thanks to Shari Simmans and Ruth Cleveland for proudly carrying the Commonwealth Club banner during the St. Patrick's Day Parade. They were greeted with cheers of "Yeah, Women!" and "Go Republican Women!" as they marched down King Street.



Calendar

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March 17	Chamber of Commerce Candidate Forum, 7:30 am to 9 am, Holiday Inn North Old Town. Admission free, coffee and danishes
March 23	Regular Meeting Social Hour 7:30 Meeting 7:45 p.m. Elect VFRW Convention delegates and alternates.
March 30	West End Civic Associations, Candidates Night Patrick Henry Elementary School, 4643 Taney Ave, 7:00 PM
April 1	Prepare and Mail delegate/alternate certification to VFRW
April 3	Last day to register to vote in the 5-2 election
April 6	ARCC Meeting North Old Town Civic Associations Candidates Night, , Radisson Hotel, 901 N Fairfax St. 7:30 pm
April 10	Potomac West, Candidats Night, Mount Vernon Elementary School, 2601 Commonwealth Ave & pm
April 12	Old Town Civic Association Candidates Night, Lyles Crouch School, 530 South Saint Asaph St
April 13	CRWC Board Meeting 8:00 p.m.
April 19	League of Women Voters & Alexandria Federation of Civic Associations, Minnie Howard School, 3801 W Braddock Rd
April 20-22	VFRW Convention, Hotel Renaissance, Portsmouth
April 27	CRWC Regular Meeting Social Hour 7:30 Meeting 7:45 p.m. Rosemont Citizens Association, Upper King Street Civic Association, Taylor Run Citizens Assn., Maury School, 600 Russell Rd
May 2	Election Day, City Council/Mayor/School Board
May 4	ARCC Meeting
May 11	CRWC Board Meeting 8:00 p.m.
May 20	8th District Convention, Key Bridge Marriott (elect District Chairman)
May 25	Membership Reception Lee Fendall House 7:00 - 8:30 pm
June 1	ARCC Meeting
June 5-9	CRWC Regular Meeting
June 13	GOP Primary for Congress
June 8 & 22	No CRWC Board Meeting or Regular Meeting in June

Membership Reception

Everyone is welcome: members, potential members, candidates and friends at our Membership Meeting on May 25, 2006 at 7 p.m. at the Lee-Fendall House in Old Town. Executive Director Kristin Miller Lang will recount her work in restoring and maintaining this lovely historic home. (This is a historic property the CRWC has supported!) We will also be able to tour the house.

Please bring your list of invitees to the April meeting so we can include them in our special mailing. The Membership Meeting is an ideal occasion to thank those who have worked long and hard for the party as well as welcome those who have expressed an interest in becoming involved. We can promise a lovely setting with delicious refreshments and good conversation. Linda Greenberg

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You're invited to
Rancho del Cielo
("Ranch in the Sky", the Reagan Ranch)

Tuesday, April 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
IBPOEW
227 North Henry Street
Alexandria VA 22314

\$45 per person/\$80 per couple
Barbecue and Ranch theme
Featured Guest: Frank Donatelli

Reagan White House Assistant to the President for
Political and Intergovernmental Affairs



**Invitations to follow.
Put the date on your calendar**



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