

CRW TEMPO

Alexandria, VA

October 2005

Message from the President

What a wonderful fundraiser on Monday, October 10 with Secretary Tommy Thompson at the Redmon's home. We couldn't have fit another person in their house! It was a rousing success. Sec. Thompson (or Tommy as he kept insisting on being called) was sensational, the food was phenomenal (as Sharon Annear says, we're the best cooks in Alexandria) and the crowd was electric. Thank you for all who came and contributed to its success.

I know that Jane Ring, Sharon Annear and Sheila Beatie worked so hard on the food and the invitations. I'm grateful for Sec. Thompson accepting our invitation and coming early and staying late. Also, kudos to Fran and Gant Redmon who were so kind to open their home for the party. Rep. Tom Davis and State Senator Jeannemarie Devolites Davis also stopped by late in the evening and were seen hobnobbing with lots of CRWC members.

Ann-Mary Kapusta, CRWC's Vice President for Programs, has invited Don Harris to speak at our next membership meeting on Thursday, October 27 at 7:30 p.m. Don Harris is the Assistant Vice President of Government Affairs with the Inova Health System. He's going to bring us up-to-date on the health issues that will be pending before the next Virginia General Assembly. Our meeting will be held at Gail Ledwig's home, a perfect place to gather for a briefing on health care issues AND to socialize with good friends.

Please note for your calendars that our November meeting will be on the third Thursday, November 17, not the fourth since it is Thanksgiving. I'll be hosting the meeting at my home, the site of HGTV's "House Hunters" which should be aired in the spring if I can ever get around to sending them photos of Rob's and my wedding and honeymoon in Italy! Rich Baier, the City's Director of Transportation and Environmental Services will be our speaker. We'll talk transportation safety (a hot item these days) and lots of other "street talk."

See you at the October 27 meeting,

Allison Cryor DiNardo

Commonwealth Republican Women October Meeting

Thursday, October 27,
7:30 Social 8:00 Meeting
Home of Gail Ledwig
503 Cathedral Drive
Alexandria 22314
Phone 703-823-0975

Speaker: Donald L. Harris Ass't VP of Inova Health System for Government Relations
Topic: "Health Care Issues in the Commonwealth: Looking toward the 2006 Session of the VA General Assembly" .

Mr. Harris is the assistant vice president for government relations and has been with Inova Health System and its predecessor organization, Fairfax Hospital Association, since 1975. In his current position, he is responsible for overseeing and managing the relationships between his organization and the legislative and executive branches of the federal and state governments. This responsibility includes overall direction and coordination of the Certificate of Public Need program.

In addition to his work with Inova, Don is a founding member and past chairman of the Board of the Northern Virginia Area Health Education Center (AHEC). He also served as a board member of the Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia from 1987 through 2001 and is currently a board member of NOVAM (Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry). He is active in the Burke United Methodist Church.

Don graduated from Indiana University (1968) and Yale University (1975) with masters degrees and has an undergraduate degree from Franklin College of Indiana (1966). Prior to his graduate work in health care administration at Yale, he served as a captain in the Medical Service Corp of the U.S. Army.

Wine & Cheese Reception a Hugh Success

The gross proceeds from the Tommy Thompson Wine and Cheese at the Redmon's now stand at \$6,355. 102 people attended, including a photographer and reporters from two local newspapers. Our profound thanks to all our members, who helped make this the most financially successful event CRWC has ever held.



*Top photo:
Mr. Thompson, Allison &
Rob DiNardo*

*Above:
Secretary Thompson, Hosts
Fran & Gant Redmon
discuss the new Alexandria
Times with its publisher
John Arundel*

*Right:
Betty Lou & Ed Furash
talk with Congressman
Tom Davi*



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White House Ornaments For Sale

The price is \$18.00. CRWC members that have not placed an order with me should call Sharon Annear as soon as possible at 703-751-9130 or email gypsyla@verizon.net

Author to Sign Books

James (Jim) P. Moore, Jr. will be autographing his book, *One Nation Under God: the History of American Prayer*, on November 18th. The book is available on Amazon now and in bookstores on 1 November. Many of you heard him speak at our May meeting and expressed an interest in obtaining copies. If you are interested, get your copy to Ann-Mary Kapusta by 17 November, and she will make certain that Jim will sign it on the 18th. After that, he will be on a nationwide speaking engagement, so the 18th is your opportunity. In the near future there are book launching events planned in the U.S. Senate, Georgetown University, the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the National Cathedral, and all three service academies, including the new Jewish Chapel at the Naval Academy.

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November 13, 2005
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Calendar

October 27	CRWC General Meeting Home of Gail Ledwig, 503 Cathedral Drive , 703-823-0975
November 8	Election Day - Volunteer to work at your Polling place
November 13	CRWC Board Meeting 8:00 Jane Ring's
November 17	CRWC General & Election Meeting, Home of Allison DiNardo 203 W. Walnut Street
December 15	CRWC Board Meeting 7:00 (prior to meeting)
December 15	CRWC Meeting & Installation of Officers, Home of Jullie Lineberry, 500 High Street

ARCC October & November Calendar

Chris Marston, ARCC Chair

To volunteer for that last weekend, please contact me at chair@alexgop.org or 703-627-4679 and let me know for which shifts you're available. Shift 1 is 9 am to 1 pm; Shift 2 is 1 pm to 5 pm; Shift 3 is 5 pm to 9 pm. On Friday (11/4), we're only running Shift 3; Saturday (11/5), all three shifts; Sunday (11/6), Shift 2 only; Monday (11/7), all three shifts. On Election Day, Tuesday (11/8), the shifts change to accommodate the poll hours of 6 am to 7 pm.

Volunteer anytime. Alexandria now has its own Marshall, a volunteer from Maryland that the Kilgore campaign has deployed full time to work in Alexandria. To schedule a time when you can come by and pick up literature to drop or put in an hour on the phones, contact Cristin Patti at cpatti@rpv.org or 703-277-9635.

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Letters of Appreciation from our local Candidates

"Dear Allison and CRWC,

"Bill and I thank you for your long, continued support and for your very generous donation to make Bill the next Sheriff. We will be honored to list CRWC as a \$500 Sponsor on the Allen event invitation.

"As always, Ruth (Cleveland)"

"Dear Allison,

"Please thank all the commonwealth Republican Women for the very generous contributions and the great job with the invitations to our fundraiser.

"Sincerely, Chris (Gregerson)"

"Dear Allison,

"Thank you and the Commonwealth Republican Women for your very generous contribution to my campaign. Every dollar is critical in trying to defeat Brian Moran and their political machine. I hope you'll be able to support me with some volunteer hours in the next [sixty] days.

"Once again, thanks! Sincerely, Matt (Mueda)"

The Fight the Flu Clinics at Inova Alexandria Hospital

Details are as follow:

Make an appointment by calling 703-204-3325.
Shots will be given on Fridays, 10/7 through 12/16 from 12 noon to 3 p.m. and on Saturdays, 9 a.m. - 12 noon 11/19 & 12/17 in the Health Education Center near the Visitors Entrance.

Cost is \$25.00 per shot. They accept cash, check or Medicare Part B if participants bring their Medicare Card with them.

HELP WANTED

Fran Redmon, gracious hostess for our recent fundraiser, is looking for a cleaning woman two days a week. She pays \$12 per hour. Any ideas???

New NFRW Officers Elected for 2006-2007

Convention delegates made pivotal decision on Sunday, September 11, as they selected the women who will lead the Federation for the next two years. Beverly Davis of Utah narrowly defeated Judith Albertelli of Florida for the presidency. Davis currently serves as First VP of NFRW and Albertelli is the president of Florida FRW. Congratulations to both women for their well-run campaigns.

Delegates also selected the following women to serve on the Executive Committee for 2006-2007 (who officially begin their duties in January of 2006):

1st VP – Shirley Sadler (OH)	4th VP – Marilyn Dankner (MD)
2nd VP – Sue Lynch (WI)	Secretary – Joyce Phillips (AR)
3rd VP – Shirley Foote (CA)	Treasurer – Jane Lane (NH)

Following the convention the NFRW Board of Directors elected the women below to serve as Members at Large on the 2006-07 Executive Committee:
Dream Perdue (WV), Theresa Esposito (NC), and Jeannine Long (OK).

Convention Delegates Vote on Important Measures
Delegates to the NFRW Convention also passed several important Bylaws revisions:

1. Local federated units will once again be referred to as “clubs.”
2. NFRW will now have a third category of membership: “Student Associate Membership.”
3. The NFRW Executive Committee is now authorized, by a two-thirds vote, to remove a member, officer, of board member.
4. Former clubs that wish to reaffiliate with NFRW must pay only their current year’s dues and service charge. They will no longer be charged one year’s back dues and service charge.

A proposal to provide a nationally mandated deadline for collecting dues failed to pass the convention, as did a proposal to increase NFRW dues from \$5 per year to \$9 per year.



A Message from President Bush

was sent to attendees of the NFRW Convention in Nashville TN:

September 2, 2005

I send greetings to those gathered in Nashville for this year’s Biennial Convention of the National Federation of Republican Women.

Our Party is vibrant, strong, and growing. The women of the NFRW have been an important part of that success, and I am grateful for your hard work and dedication as we continue to successfully achieve our Party’s goals.

As we respond to and recover from the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, now is the time to extend a helping hand to our fellow Americans. We send our thoughts and prayers to families and friends of those who have lost their lives and to all those affected by this natural disaster. I am confident the American people will respond with the same compassion and generosity they have shown time and again.

I appreciate your dedication and good work. Thank you for all you have done to help build a brighter future for the good people of America.

Laura and I send our best wishes. May God bless you, and may God continue to bless America.

(signed) George W. Bush