



# TEMPO

May 2014

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear All,

May 22 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of LBJ's "Great Society." I know this will come as a shock to some of you, but in many ways it is a great success. It is unfortunate that the Democrats can't see the success and celebrate it. And it is equally unfortunate that as a society we can't see its failures. Over the past 50 years spurred on by "The Great Society" antipov-erty program and policies have flourished and so have their cost. In 2012 nearly \$700 billion in means-tested transfers of money, good, and services were obtained by

recipients of antipov-erty benefits. This figure does not include overhead and personnel costs for such programs. GAO says annual government spending for antipov-erty programs has probably reached a trillion dollars. The successful side of the Great Society is that what is considered poverty in 2014 is nothing like it was in the 1960s. In 2011 those considered "poor" by official government definition had access to one or more motor vehicles. Refrigerators, dishwashers, washers and dryers, microwaves and DVD players are found in many poorer homes these days. Personal computers, cell phones, and other small electrics can also be found. In addition most people consider poor these days are better nourished and better educated than in the 1960s. According to Nicholas Eberstadt of the American Enterprise Institute, what has happened is that the government has been "defining deprivation upward."

I write this to point out how important it is that Republicans hold or increase their majority in the House, and get a majority in the Senate. There are many programs that are part of the great society and others, including the Affordable Health Care, that really need to be reviewed. It is important to know what is working and what isn't in order to change some of these programs that have not accomplished their goals

## Commonwealth Republican Women's Club Membership Meeting Thursday May 22, 2014

7:30 PM

GUEST SPEAKER, ED GILLESPIE

(FOR BIOGRAPHY SEE PAGE 2)

HOME OF DIANE MURPHY  
9374 MOUNT VERNON CIRCLE  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22309

(FOR PARKING DIRECTION DETAILS SEE PAGE 2)

TOPIC:

CONSERVATIVE PRINCIPLES

OTHER GUESTS

OTHER US SENATE CANDIDATES AND  
VFRW PRESIDENT LINDA BARTLETT

GUESTS ARE MOST WELCOME.

FOR INFORMATION

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

## May SPEAKER by Debbie Ackerman, VP President Program

Ed Gillespie grew up in Pemberton Township, New Jersey, the son of an Irish immigrant father who came to North Philadelphia to live the American Dream. One might surmise that Ed learned much about politics and communication while working in his parents' grocery store. He graduated from Catholic University in Washington, D.C., earning his tuition working as a parking attendant at the United States Senate parking lot.

In 1985, Mr. Gillespie started his political career as a telephone solicitor for the Republican National Committee. A mere nineteen years later, he became the Chairman of the Republican National Committee, the first Chairman in eighty years to preside over the Republican win of the Presidency, House, and Senate. A highlight of his tenure was his outreach to African-American and Hispanic voters. Prior to this, Mr. Gillespie worked for former House Majority Leader Dick Armey as a policy and communications aide. He was a principal drafter of the *Contract with America*, the 1994 campaign platform on which Republicans gained control of the House of Representatives for the first time in forty years.

Conservative principles of limited, effective government and personal liberty are values that Mr. Gillespie believes in and has been guided by. He formed Policy Impact Communications in 1997 with Haley Barbour, former Chairman of the RNC, and he has been a political strategist to several American politicians, including John Kasich, President George W. Bush, and Elizabeth Dole. He served as Chairman of the Republican Party of Virginia from 2006-07. Mr. Gillespie was the chairman of Bob McDonnell's successful campaign for governor in 2009. The following year, he was named chairman of the Republican State Leadership Committee. His other credentials include Counselor to the President in the last eighteen months of George Bush's Administration and senior advisor to Mitt Romney's 2012 presidential campaign.

Around 2005, Mr. Gillespie and Jack Quinn, former Chief of Staff to Vice President Al Gore, founded a bipartisan public affairs firm – Quinn Gillespie and Associates (QGA), one of Washington's premier government relations firms. Mr. Gillespie is the founder of Ed Gillespie Strategies, a strategic consulting firm that provides high-level advice to companies and CEO's, coalitions, and trade associations. He is the author of *Winning Right* released in 2006. He serves on the Board of Trustees of the Catholic University of America, the Council on Virginia's Future, and as Chairman of the Republican State Leadership Committee.



## Our Hostess

Diane G Murphy, PhD. Born and raised in Erie, Pennsylvania; enjoyed a strong Benedictine and Jesuit education and a close family life. Came to Washington on a Graduate Fellowship in American Studies and completed my Doctorate in my twenties while teaching full time. Have taught on the High School, University or Adult Education levels consistently over the years developing academic programs in American Culture and Real Estate. Formed my own corporation, DGM Properties, Inc. and after 30 years in the real estate business have recently merged with TTR Sotheby's International Realty as an Associate Broker. My daughter, Jeanne Murphy Barton, and I work in the industry as the "Murphy Team." I hold a B.A. in English (Gannon University), an M.A. and Ph.D. in American Studies (University of Maryland) and a Masters in Divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary. I was ordained as an Episcopal Priest in 2003 and serve in a non-compensatory capacity as a Priest Associate at Christ Church in Alexandria where I am asked to preach on a regular basis. I enjoy being both a multi-tasker and utilizing my interdisciplinary background in all that I do. I am a strong supporter of non-profit organizations and am actively engaged in causes for the military, education, the study of American culture, the care of children and housing for the less fortunate. I am married to Jim Murphy, a military food broker, and the proud mother of one daughter, 3 step daughters, and the grandmother of 2 grandsons and 9 step grandchildren. I love gardening, furniture restoration, cooking, writing and an occasional game of golf!

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or have outlived their usefulness. We can't do that as long as our elected officials are more concerned about being re-elected than overseeing a successfully administered bureaucracy.

So let's get out there and work to elect Republicans!

Susan





# Commonwealth Republican Women's Club May Program



Thursday May 22, 2014

7:30 PM

at the home of  
Diane Murphy

9374 Mt Vernon Circle

Alexandria Virginia

Guest and Program

Diane's neighbor Ed Gillespie & other Senate Candidates

VFRW President Linda Bartlett

RSVP: by May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Gledwig@nfrw.org

RSVP: Online at [www.alexGOP.org/crwc\\_meeting\\_20140522](http://www.alexGOP.org/crwc_meeting_20140522))

## PARKING and DIRECTIONS

- **Directions:** From Old Town, take the George Washington Parkway South.
- As you approach the historic mansion circle at Mount Vernon (maybe 1/2 mile before) move to the left lane (since the right becomes a right turn only)
- At the Stop sign proceed straight on (Rte 235) Mt Vernon Highway toward Woodlawn or Belvoir. At this point the Murphy's are about 1.8 miles.
- Make a left at the third traffic light onto Ferry Landing. Then make the first right on Mount Vernon Circle. The home is in the third cul-de-sac on the right...9374, a grey stucco home.
- It is best to park on the circle rather than the cul-de-sac but feel free to drop riders off and then return to the circle.
- Allow 25 minutes but worth the time when you arrive at Murphy's gorgeous home for a wonderful meeting.

# CRWC PROGRAM: April Membership Meeting

## TALKING POINTS

April Guest Speaker: Loren Spivack, Free Market Warrior

- Wants to teach Republicans the logic behind their economic goals
- Money does not equal wealth, only a tool to measure wealth
- 3 ways government acquires money: tax, borrow or print
- Keynesian economics based on the bigger the deficit, the better
- Keynesian economic says that recessions are a result of too much supply/not enough demand (Factories lay off workers, but they need jobs. Government creates jobs where people do nothing so supply goes down along with demand, making the economy less productive)
- Efficiency does not matter in Keynesian economics. The stimulation of the economy is based on waste, deficit and destruction.
- Island example of efficiency (if 20 people were stranded on an island, they could achieve the highest standard of living through production and division of labor)
- Print money devalues the dollar (Example: It costs a billion dollars for a soda in Zimbabwe because of inflation)
- Printing money and devaluing the dollar is the same as stealing
- Bartering system is effective
- Government essentially makes us poorer, not just through taxes, but the way it spends its money (Example: Department of Energy produces nothing, has multi-billion dollar budget and regulates energy producing less)

**SAVE the DATE**

**June 28th**

**8th District**

**GOP Women's Clubs**

*Support our Troops* **BBQ**

**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: <https://www.facebook.com/AlexandriaCRWC>

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## **MEMBERSHIP** by Margaret Wood, Membership Vice President

Dear Ladies,

Thanks to all who's helping hands made our April program a great and "delicious" night. Old members took time to renew their membership, friendships and enjoy the lovely ambiance of Lee-- Fendall House Museum. Must have been those inspiring words from our delightful guest speaker, Loren Spivack.

We are so glad you have chosen to continue your support of our Alexandria Republican. Women's Club. Along with that we have gained 2 new members, Suzanne Morrison a full member and AJ Kearney an Associate Member. We are delighted that they enjoyed the evening, and felt inspired to join us too!

Our May program provides us the opportunity to speak with and hear from Ed Gillespie former Chairman of the RNC. It should be an equally delightful evening held at the home of Diane Murphy on May 22, @7:30pm. Hope we will see you there!

Our membership count as of May 2014 stands at:

69 Full Members

13 Associate Members

# 2014 Calendar

## *Meetings, Events, Deadlines and Elections*

### **MAY**

May 22 CRWC General Meeting See page 1,2 & 3 and above.

### **JUNE**

June 6-7 - Republican Party of Virginia Annual Convention in Roanoke from June 6-7.

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**CRWC meets the fourth Thursday of the month [www.alexandriacrwc.org](http://www.alexandriacrwc.org)**

**Alexandria Republican City Committee (ARCC) meets the first Thursday of the month**

**CRWC is a member of the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) [www.nfrw.org](http://www.nfrw.org)**