



# TEMPO

SEPTEMBER 2018

## Message From the President



I hope everyone had an enjoyable, restful summer and is ready to work from now until November 7th towards the election of our candidates. It is vitally important that we do everything we can to Get Out the Vote. The CRWC has had information tables setup at the Old Town Market and West End Market almost every weekend during the summer. We also had a booth at the

Irish festival on August 25th. Many thanks to Linda App, Jan Bates, Jerry Chandler, Loree Gunn, Laurie Kirby, Susie Miller, Lois Lipson, Linda Couture, Sally Linderman, Judy Gyllensvaan, Linda Greenberg, Gail Ledwig, Suzanne Morrison and all that were there to help greet our neighbors, distributing candidate literature and just make our presence known. Every week, we have received thanks from Alexandria residents and visitors to our city for supporting our candidates and maintaining a visible GOP presence in Alexandria. We all agree, these thanks have made the effort rewarding and worthwhile.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the September 27th Membership meeting at Joe Theismann's Restaurant. You may pay at the door but must RSVP by September 25th to Loree Gunn – see the invitation for contact information. This is CRWC's annual dinner meeting where our candidates are invited to speak. Bring your spouse, a guest, a new member, all are welcome. Theismann's is offering us a menu with many selections that should satisfy every taste. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet our candidates, greet new members and learn more about the new Virginia Women's Monument, Voices from the Garden at Capital Square in Richmond Virginia. The monument will be the first of its kind in the nation recognizing the full range of women's achievements. See you on September 27th.

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, September 27,  
2018**

**6:30 pm**

**CRWC Meet-the-Candidates**

**Theismann's Restaurant  
1800A Diagonal Road,  
(opposite King Street Metro station.)**

**\$35 per person.**

**RSVP with Loree Gunn.  
lgunny@yahoo.com**

*Note: Candidates will be happy to accept your campaign contributions, so bring your checkbooks!*

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



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

*Linda App, VP Membership*

We currently have 59 paid-up Regular members and 14 Associate Members.

It's campaign season and our members are active and working for all of our candidates on the Alexandria ballot in November. Some are hosting meet-the-candidate events in their homes, others are door-knocking or working at Farmers' Markets and festivals. Some are attending candidate debates to support our candidates. Many are making financial contributions to the campaigns, too, of course. There is much to be done, and our ladies are doing it! If you haven't gotten involved yet, it's not too late!

Check out the candidates' social media 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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## COMMONWEALTH CONNECTION *by Loree Gunn*

NFRW - held their Fall Board Meeting in Alexandria, VA with speaker Dee Dee Bass Wilbon, a conservative media consultant. An "open house" celebrating 80 year anniversary of NFRW was held at Headquarters for visiting State Presidents, Regents & Guests.

VFRW - Fall Board Meeting is scheduled for September 29 in Richmond, Virginia.

CRWC - Commonwealth Membership Meeting is being held at Theismann's Restaurant on September 27 at 6:30 pm. Meet our candidates. R.S.V.P. by 9/25. Hope to see you there.

ARCC - Alexandria will participate in Super Saturday, September 22, a National Day of Action being held all over Virginia. Mark your calendars - the ARCC will meet at Minnie Howard School, the first Thursday of every month through June 2019.

### 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](http://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 <[donaldgail@yahoo.com](mailto:donaldgail@yahoo.com)>



## CONSERVATIVE BOOK CLUB *by Susan Yonts-Shepard*

We postponed the book club for a variety of activities in conflict with our meeting only to have a hurricane mess up everyone's plans. As a reminder, we are reading Judge Jeanine Pirro's book. And meeting at my house (seysrls@comcast.net for directions)

Below, you will find a list of books we might want to read. It's a great list but don't let it scare you. One book at a time. I thought we could pick 4-5 and schedule them for the months ahead so if there is one you really want to read and discuss you'd know in plenty of time. So take a look at the list and pick your top ones and we will take a little time Saturday to put our favorites on our schedule

Also there is yet another conflict with this coming Saturday. On Saturday afternoon there is a candidates forum at Ramsey School beginning at 2pm. I know some people would like to go; so we can either start at noon or as soon after noon as people can get here and still have some time to talk books, or we could meet at the regular time 1pm and those people who want to go to the forum can leave and others can stay to talk. Let me know what you want to do. I won't throw anyone out :)

Finally, there was also some discussion about reviewing and studying the City budget with a eye to finding things we could raise as issues with candidates. Frankly I didn't like the idea of using book club time to do that. I would prefer a special meeting to really dig into the budget and maybe get more members involved. But I am open to changing my mind if you feel really strongly you want to do that. I just felt there might be people who have a better handle of these things than I do who want to dig into a budget and be involved. And that there were people in the book club who want to read not analyze budgets. Also my concern was if we do it at a book club no one outside of us would even know we were doing this kind of project. I thought it might be a good idea to at least try and get more people involved. So that's why I thought a note out to the membership for volunteers might be a better course of action. But I can change my mind!

### BOOKS FOR FUTURE BOOK CLUB READING (One book at a time, dear reader, one book at a time)

Contempt, A memoir of the Clinton Investigation by Ken Starr

Mad Politics By Gina London

Positive Populism by Steve Hilton

The Russia Hoax by Gregg Jarrett

We Wanted Workers by George Borjas

Ship of Fools by Tucker Carlson

The History of Jihad by Robert Spencer

Trump's America by Newt Gingrich

3 Days in Moscow by Brett Baier

12 Rules for Life by Dr. Jordan Peterson

Resistance if Futile, by Ann Coulter

Death of a Nation by Dinesh D'Souza

Gutfeld Monologues, by Greg Gutfeld

The Case Against Impeaching Trump by Alan Dershowitz

Put Saturday, September 22 on your calendar, 2-4.

Our 2 Republicans For City Council, Kevin Dunne and Mike Clinkscale will be participating.

Nine candidates are on the ballot in November, 2 Republicans, 6 Democrats and 1 Independent.

The event is hosted by The West End Coalition of Alexandria Civic, Condo and Homeowner Association.

It will be held at WILLIAM RAMSEY SCHOOL, 5700 SANGER AVENUE.

## 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>

## 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.

As Republican women, we participate in Republican campaign activities because we care deeply about our country and its form of government. Recording and reporting our combined efforts in this regard can amplify the impact we have on our community and on our nation.

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](mailto: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

# 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](mailto:jloubates@yahoo.com)**



## SEPTEMBER

Saturday, September 22—West End Candidates Forum, 2-4 pm, William Ramsay School, 5700 Sanger Avenue.

Wednesday, September 26 -- Senate Candidate Debate. The debate will be held Sept. 26 at the Capital One campus in Tysons, according to the Northern Virginia Chamber of Commerce. The chamber is presenting the debate in partnership with the George Mason University Schar School of Policy and Government, and NBC4 Washington.

<http://www.nvtc.org/events/geteventinfo.php?event=SENATE-DEB> Tickets \$150. Aired LIVE on NBC4.

Thursday, September 27 – 6:30 pm CRWC Meet-the-Candidates Meeting at Theismann’s Restaurant, 1800A Diagonal Road, opposite King Street Metro station. \$35 per person. RSVP with Lorri Gunn. [lgunny@yahoo.com](mailto:lgunny@yahoo.com) Note: Candidates will be happy to accept your campaign contributions, so bring your checkbooks!

Saturday, September 29 - VFRW Board Meeting to be held Saturday, September 29, 2018, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn Airport, Richmond, 441 International Center Drive, Sandston, VA 23150 Phone: (804) 222-3338. <https://www.vfrw.org/>

## 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!

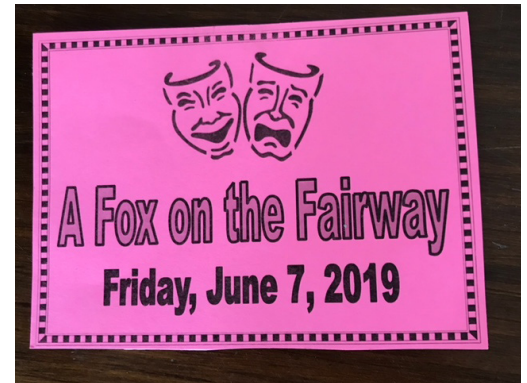
Third, think about joining our merry band of CRWC FUNdraising planners—all are welcome, we can use the help and we promise to make the planning meetings a jolly good time along the way!

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

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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.

We look forward eagerly to our September monthly meeting at Joe Theismann's

when we all will have a perfect opportunity to hear from local and federal candidates and to provide the support each needs to pull off a crucial win in November! 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 2018**

\*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