

RWAAC May 2013 Newsletter

A Message from Our President

The Republican Women of Anne Arundel County hosted our annual Spring Fashion Show on Thursday, April 25th at 11:00am at Chartwell Country Club featuring fashions and accessories by "The Colonel". We had over 140 people in attendance, and a good time was had by all, especially the models. Pat Root did an excellent job, and we thank her and her committee members for another successful event!

Our Legislative Wrap-up Breakfast Meeting on Wednesday, April 10th with Delegate Steve Schuh was another great success. Steve discussed everything from gun control to the rain tax and took questions from the audience. I urge all you to go to www.rwaac.com to read further analysis on the 2013 general session. It was certainly one of the most controversial ever in our state's history.

On a more serious note, I am frustrated and somewhat alarmed to report that roughly 37,000 registered *Republicans* in Anne Arundel County alone *did NOT vote* last November. Each county in the state has been provided similar information from the MDGOP (by district and precinct). (RWAAC received the entire listing for District 30 from Faith Loudon in April). In response, our State Party held "Super Saturday" on April 27 where volunteers went door to door to homes in Annapolis to try and get folks re-energized and "back in the fold". Activities included voter registration. Faith Loudon, Grass Roots State Party Chairman, said the event was very successful and that volunteers were well-received. Part of the strategy is getting out the word for the mayoral race in Annapolis later this year.

Last month I attended the MFRW Spring Board of Directors Meeting in Easton. Special guest speakers included Dan Bongino, Charles Lollar and David Craig (all running for Governor next year). I also completed and mailed RWAAC's submission for 2012 MFRW awards.

Our Congratulations go out to Diana Waterman as our newly elected GOP Chairman. As a member of the Chesapeake Republican Women's Club, Diana knows that MFRW local clubs play a crucial role in elections and that RWAAC will support her in her endeavors to strengthen our Party here in Anne Arundel County.

I look forward to seeing you all next week at our General Meeting with special guest Delegate Kelly Schulz. Delegate Schulz will discuss the "rain tax" in its entirety, and what exactly does it mean for taxpayers.

Finally, last night I attended Delegate Steve Schuh's event in Severna Park where along with Congressman Andy Harris, Former State Party Chair Audrey Scott and Delegates Herb McMillan

and Kathy Szeliga, Steve formally announced his candidacy for Anne Arundel County Executive in 2014. The event was well attended and very positive.

God Bless our men and women in uniform as well as all those affected by the Boston terror attack.

Best, Catie

Upcoming and Past Events

Maryland Republican National Committee Woman Nicolee Ambrose was our guest speaker in March. She talked about a couple of key things: 1) the RNC is technically challenged, and 2) the DNC is not. That said, the RNC is underway in getting more sophisticated with their databases and the dissemination and sharing of information throughout the Country. This is a big challenge, but one that Nicolee is confident can be solved in time for the next Presidential election. We also talked about the importance of outreach to voters of all religions and ethnicities and how our messaging plays such an important role. Nicolee is extremely focused when it comes to Republican politics here in Maryland, and we look to her to do great things for our State.

RWAAC 3rd VP, Maria Sasso, has organized our next upcoming dinner meeting. RWAAC will host an event entitled "Faces of America" at the Crofton Country Club on Saturday, September 14th beginning at 7pm. We will focus on all the different ethnic groups that America is made of, and celebrate all the cultures that make our Country not only the greatest and most powerful in the world, but also the most generous, and of course, the most caring. Maria will work with different embassies and local political and business leaders to make this event truly exceptional. Stay tuned for more information as details unfold.

The Anne Arundel County Lincoln Day Dinner will be Wednesday, May 29th at Michael's Eighth Avenue in Glen Burnie with special guest NRA President David Keene. Doors open at 6pm and the evening ends at 10pm. Please see the invitation via your email from Sabra or by visiting our web site at www.rwaac.com.

The June Picnic will be held on Wednesday, June 12th at the home of Don and Carol Lee. Carol suggests those attending please bring a dish that starts with the first letter of their last name. The picnic will begin at 11:30am and we hope to have a great turn out from members and elected officials.