

Bloomfield RWC President's Report

Summary of 2024

Our Priorities for 2024

- Win Elections
- Activate Members

Priorities for 2025

- **Expand Engaging Activities**
- **Build Strong Connections**

The Clubs Objectives per Our By-laws

1. *Strengthen* the interest and effectiveness of women in Republican politics and activities.
2. *Work* for the election of the Republican Party's nominees.
3. *Promote* an informed electorate through political education.
4. *Educate voters* in the principles of the Republican Party and encourage active participation.

How Do We Meet Those Objectives

- Increase efforts to grow membership using the current membership to promote the club.
- Continue to host and actively promote monthly speakers who are engaging, topical and educational.
- Share a unified, coordinated Republican message utilizing all tools available: Publicity, E-mail Communications, Facebook, Flyers, etc.
- Encourage members to run for office, or recruit candidates, and support those running for office through promotion of existing educational programs, and the campaign policy-making process.
- Provide information and training so that members can engage in the political and policy-making process.
- Identify talents needed and recruit members to work with our board and committees.

Board Meetings in 2024 at 6pm:

- The BRWC Board met a total of 9 times in 2024:
- February 6th, March 5th, April 2nd, May 7th, June 4th, September 5th, October 1st, October 29, and December 3rd.
- We met at the homes of Sharon White, Kathleen Lorencz, Joyce MacLeish, and Annette LeBaron.

General Meetings in 2024

All General meetings were held at the Iroquois Club in Bloomfield.

- Our February 20th Special Guest Speaker was Holly Wetzel, Director of Public Relations at the Mackinac Center for Public Policy. Our topic was discussing hot policy issues: Problems with Governor Whitmer's Growing MI Together Council, Energy policy issues, and needed transparency reforms.

- Our March 26th Special Guest Speaker was Meghan Reckling, founder of the Michigan Republican Training Network. She spoke to with us concerning Project Win. Republicans can use proposal 2 to win elections.
- Our April 23rd Special Guest Speaker was Michigan State House Representative Josh Schriver. Representative Schriver spoke with us concerning Lansing Legislation. What to expect after the April 16th Special Elections, illegal immigration in Michigan and the status of gun rights in Michigan. He spoke about the attacks on himself as a conservative, including by the GOP.
- On May 21st, our Special Guest Speaker was James Hohman from the Mackinac Center for Public Policy. James spoke with us concerning Everything Fiscal in Michigan: Michigan’s economy, economic development and state budget.
- Our September 17th Special Guest Speaker was Mark Hall. He is a retired Border Patrol Agent with 36 years of service. Mark spoke to us concerning the ongoing Border Crisis in America.
- Our October Special Guest Speaker was Professor Kevin Slack from Hillsdale College. He spoke to us concerning conserving our American Founding Principles against the Modern Left. His latest book is “War on the American Republic.”
- On November 12th, our Special Guest Speaker was Justin Barclay. He is a podcaster, and radio host and guest host for the Glenn Beck show. He gave us a wonderful postelection analysis.

Generals Meetings for 2025

All *General Meetings* are tentatively planned for the *Iroquois Club*.

- Our General meeting schedule for 2025 starts on Tuesday, February 18th at the Iroquois Club. This meeting will be a luncheon. Registration begins at 11:30 and lunch at noon. The 2025 Budget will be presented to the membership by Treasurer Janine Rinke, and our newly elected officers for 2025 and 2026 will be sworn in. Our Special Guest Speaker will be from the Mackinac Center for Public Policy.

- Our Tuesday, March 25th general meeting will also be a luncheon. Registration begins at 11:30 and lunch at noon.
- Our Tuesday, April 22nd and Tuesday, May 20th general meetings will be Dinner meetings: Registration starts at 5:30 and dinner at 6 pm.
- We plan to take June, July and August off. We can all take that time to refresh, work, and enjoy our summer. We will return to our general meetings in the fall.
- Our fall schedule is tentatively planned to kick off on Tuesday, September 23rd. The October meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, the 21st and our November meeting for Tuesday, the 18th. These meetings will be Dinner meetings. There will not be a December general meeting, but the board plans to meet on Tuesday, December 2nd.

We're Looking Forward to seeing you in 2025

Congratulations BRWC members! We all worked hard in 2024 to make sure Republican candidates were elected up and down the ballot. With a fresh new year ahead of us and a Republican majority in the Michigan House we have a lot to look forward to. The Democrats have done major damage to our state these last 4 years and we need to turn this ship around. With an overwhelming win, Donald J. Trump will once again be our President! Number 45 and number 47. Let's pray he can accomplish great things, but stay vigilant. Our lawmakers must realize we are watching them and know we will hold them accountable.

Please Renew Your Membership Today

Don't forget our 2025 membership registration drive is now underway. Let's celebrate our wins together and build stronger connections than ever before. Great friendships start here. Go to our BRWC website and register online today or you can write a check. Checks can be directed to Sharon White, our Membership Chair. Membership dues not paid by February 1st are considered delinquent. Thank you to all our members who have already paid their 2025 membership dues.

2025 BRWC Board Members

Executive Committee

Annette LeBaron – President

Kim Davies – 1st Vice President

Diane Bernier – 2nd Vice President

Kathleen Lorencz – Recording Secretary

Elana Muehleip – Corresponding Secretary

Janine Rinke – Treasurer

Namrata Carolan – Delegate at Large

Assistant Treasurer - Vacant

Delegate at Large – Vacant

Board of Directors – Consists of the nine elected officers, parliamentarian, standing committee chairmen, the immediate past President, and any BRWC member who serves on the RWFM Board of Directors.

Standing Committee Chairman

Sharon White – Membership

Special Committee Chairmen

Joyce MacLeish – Social

Judy Tully – Office of the 1st Vice President

2024 was all about Winning

The Republican Party was able to celebrate a plethora of victories this election cycle. We have a 4 seat majority in the Michigan House and a 1 seat minority in the Michigan Senate. Nationally, Republicans took both Houses of Congress. Our

most impressive win went to Donald J. Trump for President. President Trump won all the swing states, as well as, the popular vote. He secured 312 electoral votes and will be inaugurated as the 47th President of the United States of America on Monday, January 20, 2025 in Washington, DC. In the next 4 years, President Trump and his team will face many challenges. Please pray for President Trump, his team, and all of our leaders. Pray that they would be led by the Spirit of our omniscient God, and with each passing day, America will be made great again.

A Note of Gratitude

To our Board of Directors: I cannot thank each of you enough for your steadfast support these last 2 years. Without your willingness to take on leadership roles, our club could not exist. And thank you to all of our members who faithfully support our club, attend our meetings, engage in the political process, and work hard to support our Republican candidates. I look forward to working with all of you again in 2025 and 2026 as 1st Vice President.

2 Chronicles 7:14

New International Version

¹⁴ if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

God bless you all. Let's have a great 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Davies, President BRWC