

# **BLOOMFIELD RWC PRESIDENT'S REPORT SUMMARY OF 2023**

## **Our PRIORITIES FOR 2023**

- **COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY**- On Issues affecting our members
- **YOUTH OUTREACH**- Communicate in relatable terms
- **Election Integrity**

## **PRIORITIES FOR 2024**

**Win ELECTIONS! Win ELECTIONS!  
Activate Members!**

**Programs, activities and speakers will be focused upon this  
priority**

### **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.

## **Board Meetings in 2023**

- The BRWC Board met a total of 10 times.
- February 7<sup>th</sup>, March 7<sup>th</sup>, April 4<sup>th</sup>, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, June 6<sup>th</sup>, August 29<sup>th</sup>, September 12<sup>th</sup>, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, November 14<sup>th</sup>, and December 5<sup>th</sup>.
- We met at OCRP Headquarters, the Bloomfield Twp. Hall, and Sharon White's home.
- We also tried a mix of morning and evening meetings in an attempt to accommodate different schedules.

## **General Meetings in 2023**

- Our February 21<sup>st</sup> meeting was held at St. George's Cultural Center in Bloomfield. Our Special Guest Speaker was Jason Hayes from the Mackinac Center. He spoke to us concerning energy issues in Michigan. It was very enlightening and informative.
- Our March 21<sup>st</sup> meeting was held at 5<sup>th</sup> Tavern in Bloomfield. Our Special Guest Speakers were Nikki Snyder from Michigan Board of Education, Monica Yatooma from The Great Schools Initiative and Tyler Soncrainte from OCRP NexGen.
- Our April 18<sup>th</sup> meeting was held at the Iroquois Club in Bloomfield. Our Special Guest Speaker was Pam Clark from Grace Centers of Hope. Pam brought several ladies with her that had graduated from Grace's drug treatment program. We learned a great deal about women's struggles in our own backyard. We also learned how political policies and environment affect their/our lives.
- Our May 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting was held at the Iroquois Club. Marc Morano from Climate Depot was our Special Guest Speaker. We learned a great deal about the climate hoax and had a lot of fun with Marc. He enthusiastically became an "auctioneer" for our first fundraising event. We auctioned a flag flown over the state capitol. It was generously donated by Senator Jim Runestad and facilitated by our member, Staffer Teresa Renaud.
- On July 18<sup>th</sup> Dean Dave Brat from Liberty University and former Congressman was our Special Guest Speaker at the Iroquois Club. He spoke with us about trends in our economy, interest rates, credit card debt, student loan debt, servicing our national debt and the tipping point.
- On September 26<sup>th</sup> we hosted Ann Vandersteel. She came to us straight from the jungles of the Darien Gap in South America. Ann spoke to us about the thousands of migrants coming through that area and making their way to our southern border. These caravans of migrants are illegally crossing our boarder at an alarming rate. Assisted by NGO's working inside and outside of the US these migrants are easily overwhelming the resources of our ill-prepared towns and cities. NGO's have shipped tens of thousands of illegal migrants to cities all over the country via busses and airlines. This process is being funded by the American tax payer, without our consent.
- On November 28<sup>th</sup> retired Colonel Derek Harvey was our Special Guest Speaker. Colonel Harvey is a national security consultant, commentator, author, intelligence practitioner

and geopolitical strategist. He also ran and won his county's seat for Commissioner. Colonel Harvey spoke to us about his concerns for our country. He talked to us about Republicans needing to shrug off their apathy and get activated. Find a candidate you like. Support that candidate with your time and treasure. Don't sit elections out. Always vote and get your friends and family to the polls, too. Those votes can and do make a difference.

## **General Meetings for 2024**

- Our General meeting schedule for 2024 starts on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. This meeting will be a Luncheon. Registration begins at 1130 and Lunch at noon. Our venue will once again be the lovely Iroquois Club in Bloomfield.
- Our March 26<sup>th</sup> meeting will also be a Luncheon. Registration 1130 and Lunch at noon. Venue will be the Iroquois Club.
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> will be a Dinner meeting with 5:30 registration and 6 pm Dinner at the Iroquois Club.
- May 21<sup>st</sup> will be a Dinner meeting with 5:30 registration and 6 pm Dinner at the Iroquois Club.
- We plan to take June, July and August off. We can all take that time to refresh, enjoy our summer and help our Republican candidates win!
- We will return to our general meetings in the fall.
- Our fall meetings are tentatively planned for September 17<sup>th</sup>, October 29<sup>th</sup>, and November 12<sup>th</sup>. Invites and additional information about Topics and Speakers will be sent out each month.

## **We're Looking Forward to seeing you in 2024**

You're some of the best Patriots around! Don't be shy about approaching your BRWC Board members with questions or comments. We're working hard to bring you another year filled with amazing topics, speakers and great educational opportunities. We welcome your feedback. Also, tell your friends, family and acquaintances about BRWC. Ask them to join you for a delicious lunch or dinner. We're excited to meet them!

## **Please Renew Your Membership Today**

Don't forget our 2024 membership registration drive is under way now. In 2023 we had 16 new members and 127 total members: 110 voting members and 17 associate members. **Register today.** Any membership dues not paid by February 1<sup>st</sup> are considered delinquent. Tell your friends, family and acquaintances about us. We would love to have them as members too!

## **2024 BRWC Board Members and Their Positions**

### **Executive Committee**

Kim Davies – President

Elana Muehleip – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

Diane Bernier – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

Kathleen Lorencz – Recording Secretary

Joyce MacLeish - Corresponding Secretary

Janine Rinke - Treasurer

Annette LeBaron - Assistant Treasurer

Annette LeBaron and Namrata Carolan - Delegates at Large

Nancy Breithart - Parliamentarian

**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

Linda Holloway – Immediate Past President

### **Standing Committee Chairs**

Namrata Carolan – Americanism

Namrata Carolan – Website Maintenance

Karen Geibel – Directory

Linda Holloway - Legislation

Pat Thomas – Social

Lauren Wilson – Youth Outreach

### **Committee Members**

Judy Tully – Office of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

## **A NOTE OF GRATITUDE**

Many thanks to all of our board members who have walked along side me this past year. Your support has been invaluable. There are plenty of moving parts and without everyone's hard work BRWC could not exist. You've been a blessing to me and to this organization. Thank you for all you do. I'm looking forward to working with you in 2024.

## **2023 was a Tough Year**

I'm not going to sugar coat it. 2023 was a tough year. Coming off covid craziness, with illnesses, shutdowns, lockdowns, shortages, and job losses was hard enough, but 2023 wasn't about to be out done by 2020, 2021 or 2022. 2023 left us wanting for a sense of normalcy all the while waiting for the other shoe to drop. Bidenflation ramped up in 2023 and is still raging. Our southern border continues to be overrun with illegal migrants while our cities strain to house and feed them. Children are floundering academically after months of being locked out of their schools. Family members still refuse to speak to us or to let us see the grandkids because we declined an experimental vaccine, supported Donald Trump for President or felt disenfranchised by the last election. God forbid we say January 6<sup>th</sup> was not an insurrection. Our church and synagogue services are thinner because people never came back to in-person worship. We have old friends we no longer see or hear from. We struggle in our professional lives because companies have betrayed us. We have illnesses and health challenges of all sorts. We've lost loved ones. Endured great sadness and yet, here we are. Almighty God has sustained us through another year of challenges and heartache.

**In 2024 let's savor all those precious, little moments of joy. Let's recognize and appreciate all the good things and good people that surround us. Let's tell people how much we love and appreciate them. Let's make those hugs last a little longer. And above all, let's pray fervently for our country and its people's restoration.**

## **2 Chronicles 7:14**

King James Version

<sup>14</sup> If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

God bless you all. Let's have a great 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Davies, President BRWC