



BCRWC Trunkline

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General Meeting Notice

June 14, 2018

Red & White Catering
604 River Road, (Lower Level)
Villa Toscana Room
Binghamton, NY 13901

5:30 p.m. Social

6:00 p.m. Dinner Cost \$20.00

7:00 p.m. Program: Primary Candidates Forum & Special Skype Session w. Rep. Claudia Tenney

Gift Basket Donation: Shoba Agneshwar

Dinner Reservations Required:

Please make your reservation today with Dawn Young.

E-mail: Bcrwcreservations@gmail.com

"JUNE B. HARDING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP" 2018 WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The BCRWC is also proud to announce not one, but two winners of our annual "June B. Harding Memorial Scholarship". This year our club received a very generous monetary donation from recently retired Broome County Clerk Rick Blythe making it possible to fund an extra scholarship. Maine Endwell senior Dean Plaskon presented his winning essay "What my American citizenship means to me" at our club's GM meeting on 5/10/18. BCRWC Scholarship Chair Dawn Young presented Dean with a \$500 check at our meeting. Mia Horwath, a senior from Union Endicott, was chosen as our second recipient. Please watch her interview on WIVT, airing 5/22/18, to understand why her "American Citizenship" is so meaningful to her. The "June B. Harding Memorial Scholarship" is named after one of our longtime and very active members who passed away in 2009. Soon after, the club's annual scholarship program was renamed after June to honor her commitment and enthusiasm in participating in club activities and promoting the club to fellow Republican women in Broome County.

BCRWC Mourns Loss of Gerry DeAngelo



Gerry pictured with beloved husband Geno DeAngelo, former Broome County Sheriff B. 10/2/36 D. 5/23/18

Please see page 7 for more details on this remarkable woman.

Gerry was a longtime Broome County Republican Women's Club member rising to the position of President and Board Member for several years. During the height of her involvement, Gerry was elected and served as President of the New York State Federation of Republican Women.

*Rest in peace Gerry . . .
you are remembered
and you are missed.*

BCRWC First "Meet the Candidates Night"

The BCRWC is holding their first "Meet the Republican Primary Candidates Night: Issues of the Office". This is going to be held at our next General Meeting, June 14. The purpose of the event is for the Candidates to introduce themselves to our members, give some ideas of why they are running and the issues they feel are important to the office for which they are running for. Any Republican that is involved in a primary this fall will be invited. If you have any questions, you may contact Michelle Cornwell at Michelle5@rocketmail.com.

(Written by: Michelle Cornwell, BCRWC First Vice President)

NEW ELECTRONIC MEMBERSHIP FORM

An "Electronic Membership Form" is NOW available. Please click on the link below, fill out, please press "Enter" to submit, and you are almost done. You can then mail your BCRWC member dues of \$25.00 (or \$10.00 for "Patrons") to our new address a: BCRWC, P.O. Box 2809, Binghamton, NY 13902 or bring it with you to our next General Membership meeting. Please visit this link to access the BCRWC "Electronic Membership Form".

<https://goo.gl/forms/7JLTWKpIBOcudKJr1>

Special thanks to Dawn Young for creating our form!

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2018 OFFICERS

President: Debra L. Hogan
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1st Vice President: Michelle Cornwell

2nd Vice President: Dawn Young

Recording Secretary: Shoba Agneshwar

Treasurer: Deb Phelps

Corresponding Secretary: Heather Micha

Board of Directors

Nancy McReynolds
Darlene Smith
Bev Townsend
Linda Montero Wagner



SPECIAL THANK YOU TO GIFT BASKET SPONSORS

5/10/18 BCRWC GM Mtg. – Dawn Young
6/14/18 BCRWC GM Mtg. – Shoba Agneshwar

WE SUPPORT MOM'S HOUSE

THE BCRWC HAS A LONG HISTORY OF SUPPORTING MOM'S HOUSE. AS ALWAYS, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A ROLL OF PAPER TOWELS TO OUR MONTHLY MEETING TO SHOW OUR SUPPORT FOR MOM'S HOUSE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON MOM'S HOUSE,
PLEASE VISIT www.momshouseny.org

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Do not forget to check us out on Facebook.
Broome County Republican Women's Club
and NYSFRW @ www.facebook.com/nyfrw

**Will YOU have
the winning ticket?**



GIFT BASKET WINNER

Dawn F. Young, BCRWC
Second V.P., was the lucky ticket
holder and won her 'own'
"Outdoor Entertaining" Gift
Basket she donated.

THANK YOU DAWN!

Come see what gift basket and
surprises will be in store for us at
our meeting on 06/14/18.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 14, 2018 BCRWC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLACE: RED & WHITE CATERING - VILLA TUSCANA ROOM
604 River Rd. Binghamton, NY 13901 (Next to Mc Girk's)
TIME: 5:30 p.m. Social / 6:00 p.m. Dinner / Cost \$20.00
7:00 p.m. Program: Primary Candidates Forum

AUGUST 10, 2018 BCRWC JUNE B. HARDING MEMORIAL

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER AND BAKE SALE

PLACE: Vestal Four Corners Big Lots Parking Lot
TIME: 11:00 TO 6:00 P.M. BAKED GOOD DONATIONS NEEDED
Call Bake Sale Chair Shoba Agneshwar @ 607-766-9975
Electronic signups: <http://www.volunteersignup.org/4KWH3>

CHECK OUT NFRW 40TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

WHEN: SEPTEMBER 26-29, 2019 INFO. WWW.NFRW.ORG
HELD AT: JW Marriott Indianapolis, Indianapolis, Indiana

SEPTEMBER 13, 2018 NYS PRIMARY DAY

For more information, please visit: www.BroomeVotes.com

SEPT. 20, 2018 BCRWC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE DUE TO PRIMARY DAY 9/13/18

TIME: 5:30 p.m. Social / 6:00 p.m. Dinner: Cost \$20.00
7:00 p.m. Program: "Meet the Candidates Night"
PLACE: TBD

**FIRST
CLASS
STAMP**

No GM meetings in July and August
NEXT MEETING: Thursday, 09/20/18

Note date change due to NYS Primary Day
BCRWC GM Meeting
Thursday, September 20, 2018
Location: TBD
Program: Annual "Meet the Candidates Forum"

NEW Can and Bottle Drop Off Drive

Please take your bottles and cans
anytime during business hours to

The Can Man:

24 Olive Street, Johnson City or
1448 Upper Front Street, Binghamton
Please call the Can Man for hours:
607-797-2970

What My American Citizenship Means to Me

By: Dean Plaskon

The part of my American Citizenship that means the most to me is my duty to others and my country. When I was 12, my Boy Scout troop participated in a Ramp-It-Up project, where we built a ramp at the house of a disabled person. While doing this project, I discovered my passion for helping others. After this, I began expanding my community service by joining the Maine-Endwell Key Club. In this club, every member is required to get at least 30 hours of community service each year. I really connected with this club and the amazing things they were doing for the community. Three years later, I became president of this club and worked to expand its impact on the area. After hundreds of emails and phone calls to different organizations, churches and event coordinators, our club has contributed over 3000 hours of community service so far this school year. Leaving my mark on the American human condition is what my citizenship means to me.



Entering the next stage of my life, I will continue to work on helping others, using what I learn from my studies to improve the human condition in America and in the world.

Dean Plaskon receives \$500 BCRWC scholarship check from Dawn Young, Scholarship Committee Chair



Update: Dean will soon be graduating from Maine Endwell High School and will be attending Georgia Tech and studying Electrical Engineering in the fall.

What My American Citizenship Means to Me

By: Mia Horwath

I would like to be considered for this award because I am heavily interested in politics, particularly conservative politics. In addition, I am involved with a local student board and hope to become an attorney in which politics go hand-in-hand with. I have huge aspirations to change our world for the better, but can't get there without a strong college education that I can afford.

My American citizenship means everything to me. But I didn't always have it. When I was a baby, I was abandoned on a street in China. Caught between a life in an orphanage or a life full of blessings, I was adopted by my single mother and started my life here in the United States.

In this nation with my citizenship, I am free. I can dream without limits. And then I can make those dreams come true. I have the ability to be whomever I choose and have the power to impact other people's lives. I have rights and access to basic human necessities, plus much more as a result of



freedoms appointed to all U.S. Citizens. A quick glance around the world and you'll see other people who don't have the resources or freedoms that I have. I do not ever assume the right I have here would be afforded to me in other nations. It's important to realize what being a U.S. citizen means and to cherish it because it can be taken away so quickly. I recognize this privilege and honor my citizenship because it's allowed me to accomplish even my wildest dreams.

Update: Mia will soon be graduating from Union Endicott High School and will be pursuing a BS in Economics at Binghamton University in the fall.

BCRWC Celebrates Past Presidents

Every year the Broome County Republican Women's Club celebrates the leadership and dedication of our Past Presidents. These women have demonstrated leadership and are stewards of the values and principles of our club and the Republican party.

This year our celebration was held on May 10, 2018 at a brand new location for the club at the Red and White's Villa Tuscana Room in the Town of Chenango. We welcomed 34 members, patrons, and guests for a delicious meal and a wonderful program designed by BCRWC First Vice President, Michelle Cornwell.



**L to R Past BCRWC Presidents:
Linda Wagner, Violet Kenville, Ann Van
Savage, Bonnie Cornick, and Anita Miller**

Guest presenter Joe Mihalko spoke about his duties and experiences in office since January as the newly elected Broome County Clerk.

He then surprised each of our Past Presidents with personalized certificates in honor of their past service as presidents of our club. Michelle Cornwell then presented each past president with a beautiful gardening container, sunflower seeds, and a card commemorating the event.

We thank you for your dedicated service to our club and our members (Written by: Debra L. Hogan)

Joe Mihalko with Anita Miller



Joe Mihalko with Ann Van Savage



Joe Mihalko with Violet Kenville



Joe Mihalko with Bonnie Cornick



Henrietta Wells Livermore

'Woman of the Year Award'

Linda Montero Wagner

"On February 14, 1910, 12 women met at the New York City home of Henrietta Wells Livermore to organize a suffrage movement for the State of New York. Mrs. Livermore was elected President of the group. After a seven-year effort, these women were rewarded when the suffrage amendment was passed on January 1, 1919, and women could vote. Mrs. Livermore believed that women should know what they were voting about.

Following in the footsteps of Mrs. Livermore, today there are outstanding women whose contributions have helped our Republican Party. To honor the accomplishments of one of these exemplary women, NYSFRW presents a Woman of the Year Award.

This prestigious award gives members of our federated clubs the opportunity to celebrate the contributions of an extraordinary woman. Any current member of a NYS Federated Club may nominate a woman who deserves to be recognized for her achievements in furthering women's political involvement by showing personal excellence and professional achievement

It is our way of thanking an outstanding woman in our state who has shown courage, commitment, and conviction in her political beliefs."

Reason for Nomination

"This year's recipient is a native New Yorker, originally from Brooklyn. After college she became a teacher but left to raise her family. When her husband accepted an employment opportunity in California the family moved to Orange County.



***R to L: Linda Wagner, NYS Assembly Member
CW Crouch, and BCRWC President Debra Hogan***

Once there she joined the local federated Republican women's club and served as an officer of her club, and began attending not only State Conventions, but also those of the National Federation of Republican Women. When she moved to Anaheim, she continued her affiliation with the Federation and attained the office of club president.

In 2004 she remarried and returned to New York, to Broome County where she immediately registered as a Republican and joined the Broome County Republican Women's Club. Once again, she took an active role and has held several offices, the latest of which is 6th Judicial District Director. She has also served the NYSFRW as Recording Secretary, First Vice President, and President.

In addition, she has served on the Broome County Board of Elections, as a member of the Broome County Republican Committee, and the New York State Republican Committee.



Linda Wagner honored as a BCRWC (and NYSFRW) Past President on 5/10/18. Linda received a certificate from BC Clerk Joe Mihalko with Michelle Cornwell, First Vice President.

Article written by: Karen Smith, NYSFRW President. Award presented to Linda Wagner at NYSFRW Spring Conference on April 23, 2018.

Nominated by: BCRWC Member Darlene Smith



Broome County Republican Women's Club

P.O. Box 2809

Binghamton, NY 13902-2809

May 24, 2018

Dear BCRWC Members and Patrons,

It is with a heavy heart I can share the news of the passing of Geraldine (Gerry) DeAngelo. I learned of her death yesterday from her good friend Ann Van Savage and her husband Paul shared her obituary with us for distribution.

Gerry was a longtime Broome County Republican Women's Club member rising to the position of President and Board Member for several years. During the height of her involvement, Gerry was elected and served as President of the New York State Federation of Republican Women.

Last evening at our board meeting we shared fond memories and stories about our experiences with Gerry. Just a few of the words shared to remember Gerry were loyal, "you knew where you stood with Gerry", sharp, articulate, encouraging, tough, and someone with a fierce love for family and community. For me personally, she was a mentor, a source of encouragement, and advised me to "never give up and try again". I remember when she served as a BCRWC board member, that if our meeting was held on a golf league night, we could count on an empty seat as she would be on the course.

As editor of the BCRWC newsletter "*Trunkline*" since 2016, I asked her for a brief history of our club to use as an article. I received not one, but two.

I would like to leave you with her words as we humbly honor a woman of true grit, persuasion, and a passionate Republican . . .

"BCRWC has attracted community spirited women as leaders since its inception in 1929. What started out to be a meeting to disband the area women's "Hoover for President Club", turned into the beginnings of the Broome County Republican Women's Club and a meeting scheduled for April 1929. The objective of the club is to inform and unify as well as give service to the Republican Party and community."

(Written by: Gerry DeAngelo, 2016)

Rest in peace Gerry . . . you are remembered and you are missed.

Sincerely,

Debra L. Kogan,

President

Broome County Republican Women's Club

Broome County Republican Women's Club
May 10, 2018
Location: Red & White Catering, Binghamton, NY

The monthly General Meeting was called to order by club President Debra Hogan. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Linda Wagner and invocation given by Broome County Clerk, Joe Mihalko. Joe Mihalko and staff member, Liz Tuttle were introduced (prior to the dinner break).

BCRWC recognized our 2018 June B. Harding Scholarship recipient Dean Plaskon. Dean is a senior of the Maine Endwell (M-E) school district; graduating #2 in his Class with a cumulative GPA of 102. Dean shared his winning essay, followed by the presentation, our \$500 scholarship check.

Joe Mihalko and Michelle Cornwell recognized the attending Past Presidents Anita Miller, Violet Kenville, Ann Van Savage, Linda Wagner, and Bonnie Cornick with a certificate of proclamation and gift.

Officer's Report:

(1st Vice President) Michelle Cornwell

- Reminded everyone of the Doug's Fish Fry on August 10th at the Tractor Supply parking lot in Vestal
- The June meeting will feature the 2018 primary candidates to address the BCRWC
- The September meeting date will be September 20th in lieu of Primary Election day
- Our August 10th Doug's Fish Fry volunteer sign-up bake and shift-work sheets were distributed

(2nd Vice President) Dawn Young

- Thanked everyone for their prompt responses and spoke of trying to implement a more "electronic" friendly meeting reminder and rsvp format. Please respond to which ever method you'd prefer to be contacted.
- Electronic volunteer forms will be provided for the August fundraiser
- Electronic membership forms are available
- E-ballot for a second scholarship was sent out. You can also vote at tonight's meeting.

(Treasurer) Deb Phelps

- The current checking account balance is
- A motion to accept the Treasurer's report for audit as presented was made by Gloria McCormick and seconded by Violet Kenville; motion carried.

(Corresponding Secretary) Heather Micha

- Read a thank you card from Sharon Ray and unveiled samples of our new personal "logo" cards
- Sent two thank you cards to Sen. Akshar and a get well card to Fred Kelley
- Jackie asked Heather to send the following individuals cards: Gerry D'Angelo; Pat Curran; Arlene Nannery. All three past members have health issues and would welcome a card of good thoughts and wishes.

President's Report: Debra Hogan

- Recognized the Veterans in attendance at tonight's meeting
- A motion to accept the April 2018 meeting minutes was made by Ann Van Savage and seconded by Meryl Deemie. (March meeting minutes TBA)
- Congratulated Linda Wagner on her receipt of the Henrietta Wells Livermore "Woman of the Year" award. Linda was recognized for her achievements in furthering women's political involvement by showing personal excellence and professional achievement. Linda continues to show courage, commitment and conviction in her political beliefs. Linda thanked Louise Martin for being her mentor throughout the years.

New Business:

- If any member wants to chair a Rumble Ponies baseball night-out please see Debra Hogan
- Spoke about the importance of carrying petitions

Jackie Sammon made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Barb Kulp seconded the motion.
Meeting adjourned at 7: 40pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Shoba Agneshwar
BCRWC Recording Secretary



2018 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Broome County Republican Women's Club

Annual Membership (voting) Dues \$25.00 (through 12/31/18)

Annual Patron/Associate (non-voting) Dues \$10.00 (through 12/31/18)

Please complete this form and mail it with your check payable to BCRWC to:

Deb Phelps (Treasurer/Membership)

Broome County Republican Women's Club

P.O. Box 2809

Binghamton, NY 13902-2809

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