

Hanover Republican Women's Club
April 19, 2022 6:00 p.m.
Anna's Italian Restaurant
Mechanicsville, Va.

Call to Order: President Nancy Russell

Invocation: Tywana Hampton

Pledge: President Nancy Russell

Mission Statement: President Nancy Russell

Republican Creed: President Nancy Russell

Welcome: President Nancy Russell

Guests: 1st District Congressman Rob Wittman
Trip Chalkley, Hanover Commonwealth's Attorney
Jack Dyer, Candidate for Republican nominee for State Senator for the 10th District
Mrs. Carol Dyer
Jerry Nolan
Oulie Bowman, new member
Donna Heath and sister-in-law Mary

Guest Speaker: 1st District Congressman Rob Wittman

"How lucky we are to have THREE elected Republicans to lead us!" he began.

OIL:

Last year, the United States was energy efficient. Now we are buying oil from Russia, Iran, and Venezuela. There have been NO permits granted by the administration for oil to be drilled in the US during the Biden administration.

SPENDING:

Massive spending by this administration.
\$4.5 TRILLION and now an additional \$2.5 trillion

INFLATION:

Recession + inflation = STAGFLATION

MILITARY:

The Biden policies ARE NOT rebuilding our military.
The Biden policies ARE NOT modernizing this country's military ships.
By 2027, the U.S. will have grown from 297 to 280 ships.
Whose turn will it be to be the strongest / largest power in the world? USA or China?

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IMMIGRATION:

Repeal of Title 42 will increase the number of illegal immigrants crossing the southern border into America, bringing drugs and disease, and increasing the control of the drug cartels.

OTHER ISSUES facing the country include:

- the weakened police forces due to "defunding"
- education issues
- parental rights

What does the future look like?

The Republican Party will present its Contract for America.
It must be laser focused.
The party **MUST DO WHAT WE SAY WE ARE GOING TO DO!**

What will we do?

Remember that Congress has the power of the purse.
With a Republican majority in the House and the Senate, things **CAN** and **WILL** change.

Mr. Wittman has spoken with former House Speaker Newt Gingrich.
Put in line bills that **SUPPORT** America.
Put in line bills that create **GOOD PUBLIC POLICY**.
Govern the **BEST** we can.
MAKE the President defend his decisions.
 Get the **POLICY RIGHT**.
 Put bills on the President's desk and make him defend them.

COMMUNICATE.....TRUTHFULLY!

CHINA:

China currently has:

- Artificial intelligence
- Super computers
- Ships
- Collaboration with allies [i.e., Russia]
- Cyber-security
- Confucius Institutes in a number of U. S. Colleges and Universities [funded by CHINA]
 The higher education institutions in this country have been far too trusting.

China is watching the reaction of the United States to Russia's attempted takeover of the Eukrain.
With this information, they are gauging what the U. S. response would be should China attempt a forced takeover of Taiwan. Is there anything that can be done to stop China?

YES! ...a STRONG, strategic, committed response.

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Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States are building nuclear submarines for use in the Southern Pacific Ocean and the South China Sea.

Policy changes are happening. We must engage our allies in the Indo-China region. These include the Phillipines, Viet Nam, and Japan. The Congressman is going to meet with officials in Viet Nam and Japan in August. He stated the U. S. has a long way to go and a short time in which to do it.

China is building 12-14 ships a year, a number considerably larger than that of the United States at present. The United States is currently moving from 2 to 3 Virginia Class Submarines. More Arley Burke Class Destroyers are needed.

In closing, the Congressman said, "We need another Ronald Reagan. ...The best way to take on a bully is by brute force!"

CLUB BUSINESS

Recording Secretary's Report:

Print copies of the minutes from the March 2022 Membership Meeting were provided to those in attendance at the meeting tonight. In addition, the minutes will be available to be viewed on the club website, hrwomen.com, within 48-72 hours.

President Nancy Russell called for a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was made and Seconded, and the membership voted to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

HRWC Treasurer Sandra Paulus presented the Treasurer's Report for April 19, 2022 to those members in attendance.

Balance on hand as of March 15, 2022.....\$ 3128.53

Receipts:

Dues (3 Regular members) @ \$35.00 ea.\$ 105.00

Dues (1 Associate member) @ \$10.00 ea.\$ 10.00

Fundraising/ Contributions.....\$ 10.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS:.....\$ 125.00

CASH ON HAND FOR THE PERIOD.....\$ 3253.53

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Treasurer’s Report Cont’d:

DISBURSEMENTS:

Dues: 3 @ \$1400 each for VFRW & NFRW:.....	\$ 72.00
Women’s Candidate Fund (\$2 per member).....	\$ 6.00
VFRW Sponsorship.....	\$ 150.00
VFRW BASKET.....	\$ 30.00
Speaker Meals / Printing / Misc.....	\$ 12.81
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....	\$ 270.81
BALANCE ON HAND AS OF 4/19/22.....	\$2982.72

Membership:

Three women were presented to those in attendance to be voted into membership of The Hanover Republican Women’s Club. They were Gerry Nolan, Oulie Bowman, and Carol Dyer. The vote was unanimous! The members welcomed the new ladies into HRWC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Volunteers are needed to work in the office of the Lt. Governor this coming Friday afternoon from 1-4 p.m. Please contact President Nancy Russell if you are interested in helping.

HRWC Delegates to the VFRW State Convention are Julie Coggsdale, Nancy Russell, and Jill Soniker.

Peter Foster and Joey Funi are members of Congressman Wittman’s re-election team.

Jack Dyer, candidate for the Republican nomination for State Senator for the 10th District gave a brief presentation regarding his beliefs, and goals for the 10th District. He is a businessman, and not a politician.

The 50/50 was held. New member Mrs. Carol Dyer won \$25.00

State Senator Siobahn Dunnivant will be the featured speaker for the meeting May 10, 2022.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan S. Cobb, HRWC Recording Secretary

