

# THE FCRC CHRONICLE

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### FCRC Meetings

Dec 19

no regular meeting

Christmas Open House

Dick & Louise Shickle

Jan 23, 2018

Regular Meeting

### FCRC Activities

Dec 19

Christmas Open House

Dick & Louise Shickle

Feb TBA

Lincoln Reagan Dinner

### FCRC Precinct Operations

Jan 13, 2018

Precinct Training

### Republican Party of Virginia

Dec 8 & 9

The RPV Advance to 2018

The Omni Homestead Resort  
Hot Springs, VA

### Top of Virginia Regional Chamber

Dec 5

Pre-Session Legislative Briefing

The George Washington Hotel

Jan 2018

The Greater Good Awards

### Fundraisers

None noted at this time; please  
notify the FCRC if you have any  
you would like to have included

### Campaign Activities

None noted at this time

### Virginia Department of Elections

March 6, 2018 Primary (if held)

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The Frederick County Republican Committee is the local chapter of the Republican Party in Virginia, and our mission is to nominate, support, and elect Republicans to public office. We believe in Republican principles and subscribe to the Republican creed.

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Visit our website at [www.frederickvagop.org](http://www.frederickvagop.org)

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

# 2017 ELECTION SEASON WRAP UP

As we wrap up the 2017 Election Season, I want to thank everyone who has been a part of the political process here in Frederick County. It is not always easy to persevere in such a polarized and often unpleasant environment, but we can raise a high bar and elevate the standard of conduct and discourse, no matter what the opposition chooses to throw at us.

Thanks are due to all our dedicated volunteers who worked so hard for our Republican ticket. The election results were not what we wanted, but the voters have spoken and we will not undermine our constitutional processes with subversive propaganda and violence.

Instead, we will move forward and keep striving in the cause of good governance. Stay tuned for announcements about upcoming events, training sessions, and other plans for building a stronger party.

The timeless principles of the Republican Creed are still as valid and sound as they ever were. We

are proud of all our Republican candidates who stepped up to serve and who ran such positive, upstanding campaigns.

~ Rose Focht  
Chairman, FCRC

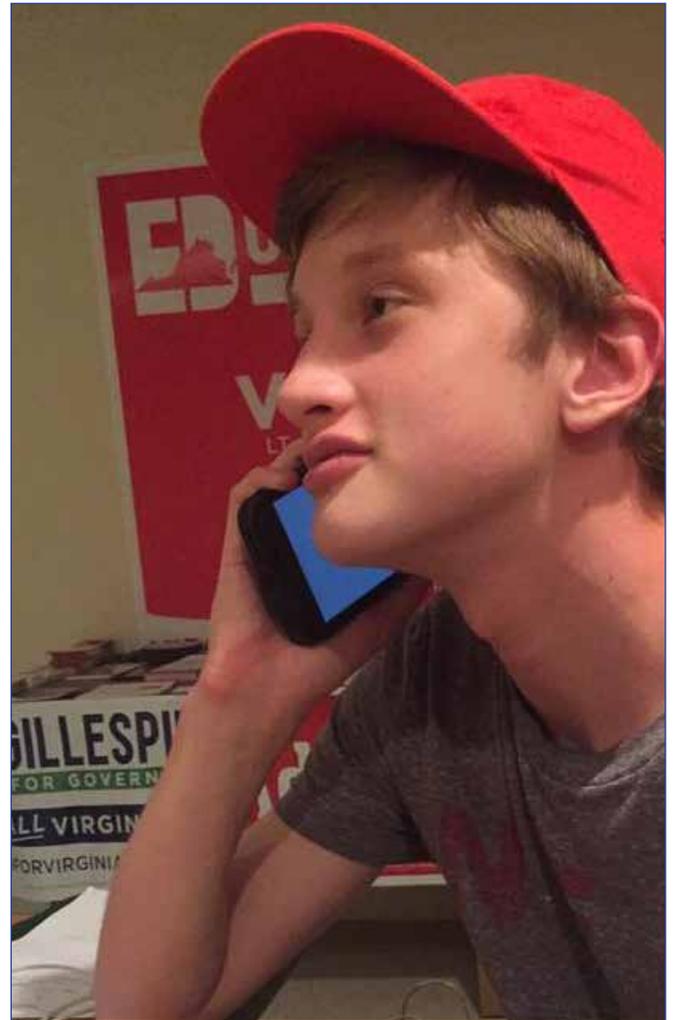
*“Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just, and this be our motto: In God is our trust.”*



*At our October FCRC meeting, Lauren Cumming of the Northern Shenandoah Valley Substance Abuse Coalition spoke about the growing opioid crisis in our community and what we can do to help combat it. For more information, please visit <http://www.roadtorecovery.info/>*

THE VICTORY OFFICE

# WAS A HUB OF ACTIVITY



# 2017 RPV ADVANCE

The Republican Party of Virginia Advance is the premier state-wide event for Republicans in Virginia. The 2017 Advance is expected to draw over 600 Republican activists, legislators, and statewide leaders. The 2017 Republican Party of Virginia Advance will be held in Hot Springs, Virginia, and will focus on our state-wide races with the theme "Advancing Into 2018."

The 2017 Advance will feature breakout sessions led by grassroots activists, conservative advocacy

groups, the business community, and leaders in federal and state government.

Most importantly, though, Republican grassroots activists will hear first-hand from our candidates running for statewide office in 2018!

For more details and to purchase tickets, go to <https://2017advance-virginiagop.nationbuilder.com>



*Our guest speaker for the November FCRC meeting -- appropriately, right after Veterans' Day weekend -- was Dianne Klopp of Top of the Valley Honor Flight. The message on how we can honor our local veterans was moving and very well-received. For more information on how to get involved, please visit [www.honorflight-tov.org](http://www.honorflight-tov.org)*

# STANDING FOR RIGHT

By Cynthia Dunbar  
Republican National  
Committeewoman, Virginia

True courage is not exhibited by staying the course while we are victorious. Rather, it is when we stay the course even in the midst of apparent defeat that courage is shown. Now, more than ever, we must stand by who we are and what we believe as Republicans, not because those beliefs are popular, but because they are right.

We do not believe what we believe because it gets us votes. We believe what we believe because those

principles are time-tested and true. Our belief in limited government through self-governance is historically documented to be the best course for liberty and justice for all. Our belief in the superiority of the private enterprise system over government socialism has equally proven itself to be the best course for the prosperity of the masses. And our unabashed belief in God as embraced by our founding fathers has proven to foster a government freer and more blessed than any other throughout history.

Now is not the time to re-evaluate

our beliefs; it is the time to more fully understand and embrace them. Time will prove us to be on the winning side of history. Personalities do not save nations, principles do. We are on the side of right, and only by fearlessly and unabashedly embracing the above principles do we ultimately win.

Let us never forget the poignant words of our Star Spangled Banner, "Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just, and this be our motto, in God is our trust!"

I am proud to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with you in the fight for RIGHT!



*Young Republicans volunteering at the polls.*

PRECINCT OPERATIONS

# AN AWESOME TEAM WITH AWESOME RESULTS

Thank you to all our volunteers who stepped forward to serve at the polls and distribute sample ballots on Election Day. Despite the rain and cold, the Republican team came out in full force in Frederick County.

This year, our team accomplished a great deal. We recruited Precinct Captains who invited volunteers to work at the polls on Election Day, bringing in many people from outside the FCRC membership. We assembled signs, sample ballots, and candidate materials for easy pick-up at the Victory Office. We achieved 100% coverage by volunteers at all precincts during polling hours, and at the end of the day we won all but one Board of Supervisors seat. (Other localities caused election loss for some multi-jurisdictional candidates.)

We learned some valuable lessons, including that pop-up tents are a wonderful thing!

Next year we will have races for the US Senate and House of Representatives. Our goal is to build on the foundation we have

begun and create a lasting team of precinct captains who will develop and maintain a strong Republican presence throughout Frederick County.

To that end, we are planning a Precinct Training session on Saturday, January 13th, 10-12. This will involve more detailed training for our precinct captains who

served in the 2017 Election Cycle, and is also open to new volunteers, as we have several precincts that still need captains. Contact Tim Stowe at [timstowe@timstowe.com](mailto:timstowe@timstowe.com) to RSPV or for more information.

Once again, thank you to everyone who served this election season.



*Precinct workers greet voters with smiles, sample ballots, and candidate literature on Election Day.*

EVENTS IN AND AROUND TOWN

# SAVE THESE DATES



YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR

*FCRC and Friends*

Tuesday, December 19 6:00 PM

**Shickle Home**  
292 Green Spring Road  
Winchester, VA

**RSVP**  
BY Friday December 15