



# MARYLAND FEDERATION *of* Republican Women

## OFFICIAL CALL TO 2018 MFRW FALL CONVENTION

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Maryland Federation of Republican Women (MFRW), Article XII, Section 2, I hereby call the MFRW Fall Convention (and Fall Board of Directors Meeting) to be held at the Holiday Inn Solomons Conference Center and Marina in Solomons, MD (Calvert County) on November 16 -17, 2018. Friday Registration opens at 1:30PM. Saturday Registration opens at 7:30AM.

The theme for this year's Fall Convention is "**Celebrating our Successes!**" Fingers-crossed, we will have many electoral successes to celebrate. But even if we come up a little short at some of the ballot boxes, we do, indeed, have much to celebrate this year! Come join us and celebrate your successes!!

All Club Presidents, MFRW Standing and Special Committee Chairs, MFRW Regional Chairs, MFRW Elected officers, and MFRW past presidents who are members of the MFRW are members of the Board of Directors. **If you hold one of these positions, attendance at our Fall Convention Board of Directors meetings is required.** A Club President may send a proxy to the meeting on her behalf. The proxy must be a full member in good standing of that club.

All members (both full and associate) are welcome and encouraged to attend both the Board of Directors meeting and the General Session of the Convention, as well as all other convention activities. The tentative schedule for the convention includes:

*Friday Afternoon* - Bay Club Event (a tour of historic St. Mary's - free for Bay Club Members) or a Communications Workshop from the Leadership Institute - "Surviving the Holidays - How to talk to friends, family, and strangers"

*Friday Evening* - Welcome Reception, hosted by the MFRW Bay Club, the Southern Region, and Delegates Rey, Morgan, and Clark

*Saturday Day* - Full Breakfast, Board of Directors Meeting, Regional Meetings, Working Lunch with workshop "Brave New World - Social Media and You", and the General Session of the Convention

*Saturday Evening* - A Reception and Dinner honoring the Legacy and Service of Joyce Lyons Terhes (and other great MFRW members that we lost this year)

Speakers include a representative from the Hogan Campaign, one of our amazing legislators giving us a preview of what to expect in the upcoming legislative session, our Pathfinder nominee Kristy Hess, Professional Communicator Dee Dee Bass Wilbons, Republican Women's Federal Forum Executive Director Kimberly Genau, and more! Workshops will feature ways to help you improve your communications skills.

Basic Registration (includes all workshops, meetings, lunch, and Friday reception) is only \$50 per person! Complete registration including Basic plus Breakfast and the dinner is \$125 per person. Other options available as well. (Guest pricing for Breakfast and the dinner is also available). Get your registrations in promptly – all convention registration rates will increase by \$20 after 11/2.

Rooms are available both nights for \$104 plus taxes per night. Click [here](#) to make you reservation or call the hotel at 410-326-6311. Use code MR8 when making your reservation. Room rate is guaranteed through 10/28/18

We will be offering our "**MFRW Country Store**" once again!! So we need your donations, please! For those of you who are unfamiliar with the store, it's like a VIP Indoor Yard Sale! It's a great opportunity to buy gifts for the holidays as well as find items you didn't even realize you needed!! Lots of great "Republican" items will be available as well as a plethora of other unique finds!

This has been an exhausting Election Cycle! Many of you have given many long days and nights to help your candidates campaign! Thank you for all that you have done to help them! But that is not all that you have accomplished this year. We have grown our number of clubs, we have participated in great charitable and humanitarian efforts, we have learned new skills, and we have made many new friends just to name a few successes! I hope you will come and join us as we celebrate our many successes across the state - electoral and otherwise!!

See you soon,



Diana Waterman, MFRW President

**2018 Fall Convention (including Fall Board of Directors Meeting)**  
**Holiday Inn Solomons Conference Center and Marina**  
**155 Holiday Drive, Solomons, MD**  
**Tentative Agenda – November 16-17, 2018**

**Friday**

1:00 – 4:00pm	Bay Club Tour (arrive in Historic St. Mary's by 12:45pm – Address will be provided to you after you register – Free for Bay Club members, Guests welcome)
1:30pm – 8pm	Registration
2:00 – 5:00pm	Workshop - "Surviving the Holidays - How to talk to friends, family, and strangers" (taught by the Leadership Institute)
5:00 – 7:30pm	Dinner on your own
6:30pm	Country Store opens
7:30 – 9:30pm	Reception - Hosted by Bay Club, Southern Region, & LD 29 Delegates
9:30pm	Country Store closes

**Saturday**

7:30am – 2pm	Registration
8:00am	Country Store opens
8:00 – 9:00am	Breakfast with Speaker Dee Dee Bass Wilbon
9:00 – 9:15am	Break
9:15 – 10:30am	Board of Directors Meeting
10:30 – 10:45am	Break
10:45 – 11:45am	Regional Meetings
11:45am – 12:00pm	Break
12:00 – 1:45pm	Lunch/workshop - "Brave New World - Social Media and You" (taught by MFRW 3 <sup>rd</sup> VP Marie Fisher-Wyrick)
1:45 – 2:00pm	Break
2:00 – 4:00pm	Convention General Session
4:00pm	Country Store Closes
4:00 – 6:00pm	Free time for members (explore area museum, visit a local winery...)
6:00 – 10:00pm	Reception/Dinner honoring the life and legacy of Joyce Lyons Terhes

### **General Information**

**Meeting Location:** 155 Holiday Drive, Solomons, MD

**Meeting Cost:** Basic - \$50/person, includes Convention Sessions, Lunch, Workshops, and all materials. Full Registration - \$125/person, includes Basic plus breakfast & dinner with reception (additional options available – see registration form or online registration)

**How do I register:** You may register by mail (see registration form included) or online:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2018-mfrw-fall-convention-tickets-51363057287>

**Hotel Reservation Information:** Rooms are available both nights for \$104 plus taxes per night. You can make your reservation online or call the hotel at 410-326-6311. Use code MR8 when making your reservation. Room rate is guaranteed through 10/28/18

**Featured Speaker for Breakfast**  
***Dee Dee Bass Wilbon, Principal at Bass Public Affairs***



**Dee Dee Bass Wilbon**

Dee Dee Bass Wilbon brings 10 years of experience in corporate America to her role as a principal at Bass Public Affairs and over 15 years as a professional communicator. The accolades and recognition that Dee Dee received is evidence of her success in corporate America. Her outstanding performance earned her the coveted Young Achievers Award at MBNA once the largest issuer of credit cards in the world.

Because of Dee Dee's commitment to corporate responsibility, she received the MBNA Community Service Award for her leadership in developing and executing a company-wide mentoring program. The program allowed MBNA to forge long-term mentor relationships with public schools throughout Delaware.

Dee Dee has worked as a media consultant for community organizations, business leaders, entertainers and elected officials. In this role she has served as spokeswoman and ghostwriter helping to manage both the owned and earned media relations for a diverse set of communities. National and international media outlets have called on her for her acute political insights.

Dee Dee is a graduate of Fisk University.

Her community involvement includes having served on the Board of Read Aloud Delaware. Dee Dee is a member of the Prince George's County Maryland Chapter of Jack and Jill of America. She is a Diamond Life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Dee Dee recently spoke at the National Federation of Republican Women's Fall Board of Directors meeting and was an overwhelming success! Dee Dee brings a passion and unique perspective to the topic of Activism and today's Republican Women.

Dee Dee and her husband Brian Wilbon live in southern Maryland with their children.

***Dee Dee will our breakfast speaker and, trust me, you do not want to miss her!***

# REGISTRATION FORM-MFRW FALL MEETING NOVEMBER 16 & 17, 2018

*(all rates will increase by \$20 after November 2)*

**Please print clearly- SEPARATE FORM FOR EACH PERSON**

## Contact Information

Registrant Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name for badge \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## MFRW Status

MFRW Board Member Position \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUB STATUS**-Club Representing (no initials please) \_\_\_\_\_

Club Member \_\_\_\_\_ Club Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Types: please use a separate form for each member** *(all rates will increase by \$20 after 11/2)*

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50=Basic (includes all sessions, workshops, Friday night reception, Saturday Lunch)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$70=Basic + Saturday Breakfast

\_\_\_\_\_ \$110=Basic + Saturday Reception/Dinner

\_\_\_\_\_ \$125=Basic + Saturday Breakfast +Saturday Reception/Dinner

\_\_\_\_\_ \$110 Bay Club Membership (does not increase after 11/2)

## Guests (prices per guest)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25 Breakfast only      \_\_\_\_\_ \$65 Reception/Dinner only      \_\_\_\_\_ \$80 Breakfast/Reception/Dinner

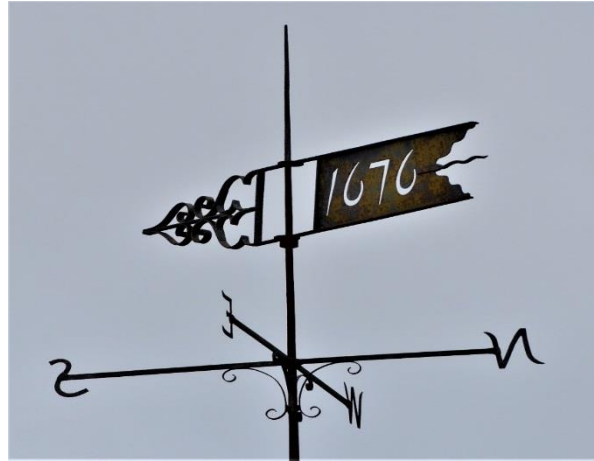
Please check all activities you will be participating in:

- Bay Club Event ( \_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I am a member or \_\_\_\_\_ No, I'm not a member yet)
- Friday Workshop
- Board of Directors General Session
- Regional Meeting (my region is \_\_\_\_\_)
- General Convention Session

Make checks payable to MFRW and mail to corresponding Secretary : Meg Carpenter, 7789 Arundel Mills Blvd, Apt #44, Hanover, MD 21076 To register on-line visit [www.mfrw.org](http://www.mfrw.org)

# Tour Historic St. Mary's City

## Bay Club Event



## Join the Bay club for a Guided 2-hour walking tour of Historic St. Mary's City.

**When:** Friday, November 16, 2018; tour begins at 1pm

**Where:** Arrive at Historic St. Mary's City on your own by 12:45. There will be no bus for this event. Participants will be emailed exact meeting location closer to our tour.

**What:** We will spend 2 hours touring several historically significant sites including the Brick Chapel, Town Center and the reconstructed 1667 State House. Our tour will end at the gift shop.

**Who:** MFRW members and their guests are invited to join us for this Bay Club Event.

**Cost:** NONE for current Bay Club members (or one designated person from member Clubs)

\$13 for MFRW members and guests.

To register to attend this event please, please use the MFRW Fall Convention registration form. Historic St. Mary's City has requested as much notice as possible to ensure they have enough tour guides available for our group, please try to register by **NOV 1, 2018**.

It is a 30 minute drive from Historic St. Mary's City to our hotel on Solomon's Island.

There will be limited capability to accommodate those unable to walk the 2 hours, please note this request on your registration.

Questions: Contact Krista Kniesler at [kniesler@live.com](mailto:kniesler@live.com) or 410-596-5511