

I am a Southern Marylander by birth, growing up in St. Mary's County and moving to Calvert in 1985. My husband Richard and I have deep roots both in St. Mary's and here. Richard's parents owned the old Alta Hotel in North Beach in the late 40s and early 50s. He went to the old Calvert Elementary school before moving to Sandgates where his parents built a restaurant. My grandfather and father both were boat builders in St Mary's. We moved to Calvert to offer our children a chance to grow up in similar surroundings that my husband and I enjoyed. Our three children graduated from Northern High School in Owings.

Our first year in Calvert, we went to the County Fair, where we met none other than Joyce Lyons Terhes. Joyce registered us both as Republicans and thus began my entry into Calvert County politics. I became a member of the Republican Women of Calvert County and in 2004 when the Republican Women Leaders of Calvert (RWLC) came into existence, I was a charter member. I am a past President of the RWLC Club; member of the MD Federation of Republican Women (MFRW), where I most recently was editor of the MFRW's *Trumpeter*, a state-wide publication, for the past four years. I am also a member of the Metropolitan Republican Women's Federal Forum. In 2006, I was MD Republican Woman of the Year. Four years ago, Chairman Frank McCabe asked me to serve as Secretary to the Central Committee, later becoming a full member of the Committee. During my volunteer time with the Republican Party, I have chaired numerous events including the annual Lincoln Day Dinner. I was the Calvert Ehrlich Campaign Chair in 2006 and have worked on numerous campaigns for local races as well as for congressional, senatorial and presidential candidates.

While our children were at Northern HS, I was Vice President of the PTSA, and served on numerous committees. I also was the Chair of the Community College Advisory Board at Calvert County for over 10 years where we successfully worked towards the establishment of our own campus of the College of Southern MD here in Calvert County. Among my other volunteer work, I am a past President of the CC Chapter of the American Cancer Society and currently serve on the Arts Council of Calvert. We are active members of the Covenant Community of Jesus the Good Shepherd in Owings.

In our spare time, we enjoy spending time with our seven grandchildren and strive to keep Calvert a place where they can grow up and love as we do.

My priority will be to help Republicans get elected in November. I will work with our Chairman and Central Committee to recruit, train and raise money for candidates and work with those elected in Calvert over the next four years to hold true to our Republican beliefs. I will work to help make Calvert affordable for all citizens, especially for senior citizens, so that they can remain here with their families.