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The MRSPA Annual Business Meeting will be held at Camelot by Martin's in Upper Marlboro on May 11, 2022. Several AARSPA members will be serving as delegates to this important meeting.

Our final General Business Meeting and Luncheon is scheduled for May 12, 2022, at Two Rivers Steak and Fish House in Pasadena. An important part of this meeting will be a memorial ceremony remembering those AARSPA members that we have lost during the past year. "Voices in Melody" will participate in that service as well as provide entertainment. The proposed budget for the upcoming year will be presented for review and new officers will be installed.

The Travel Committee is working on several possible trips in the fall as well as a holiday outing at a local dinner theatre in December. On May 25, fifty-four lucky folks will be boarding the "Harbor Queen" in Annapolis for the Blue Angels Air Show Cruise followed by dinner at the Yellowfin Steak and Fish House on the beautiful South River.

As we finish our first year as your co-presidents, we want to thank all of you who have helped make this a successful year! We look forward to the coming year and hope to see many more of you taking part and being engaged in AARSPA activities and committees and various other events of this vital organization.

members at AARSPA functions! Some of us got a jump on springtime by heading South for our 29th "Florida Get-Together." We would like to thank Barbara Zelley and Kim Proctor for opening their home for an evening social and for planning for our luncheon at the Point Restaurant which overlooked a beautiful bay in Osprey. Twenty-seven of us enjoyed a superb meal, a great view and, of course, wonderful company! An added bonus is a \$104 donation to the scholarship fund due to a bookkeeping error on the part of the restaurant. The attendees decided to donate the difference! Thanks to each

Flowers are blooming! Trees are

sprouting new leaves! Daylight hours

are longer! Temperatures are getting

warmer! Allergies are abundant! And at

this time COVID is under better control.

As a result, we hope to see more of our

Spring is in the air!

to donate the difference! Thanks to each of them! And our thanks also to Bob Kanach for working closely with Barbara and Kim in coordinating the events!

On March 16, we participated in the MRSPA Local Presidents Meeting. Candidates for office were introduced and the proposed budget was reviewed. Virginia Crespo, Legislative Aide and AARSPA member, presented an update regarding bills being considered in the state legislature. MRSPA has supported 21 bills and opposed 3 which deal with voting restrictions, while monitoring many others that are under consideration.

REMEMBRANCE

MEMBER DEATHS

Mary V. Showell Albert W. Steen Flonell E. Wentz Rozanne A. Williams

FAMILY MEMBERS DEATHS

Paul T. Bagley wife Elva Goss husband Ida Mundell daughter Fran Nussle companion

Get Well/Thinking of You

Barry Fader Lou Kamm Marge Keating Barbara N. Johnson Lynne Kyle Judy McCorkill

EMERITUS BIRTHDAYS

April	24	Gene Gilhooly	93
May	6	Mary Tereshinski	95
	10	Olivia Thompson	97
	11	Josephine Reeves	97
	15	Marge Rasheff	96
	24	Helen Cook	95
	29	Jeanne Hawes	92
June	7	Emma Fortman	93
	13	Lois Porter	91
	15	Margaret Cutchins	98
	26	Thelma Sparks	101

ANNIVERSARIES

May	7	Joan & Rich De Luccio	45
	7	Carolyn & Tony Anzalone	56
	11	Linda & Lee Watkins	48
	11	Lorraine & David Foster	48
	16	Susan Bowen & Ray Rankin	30
	22	Dale & Ron Smith	51
	23	Karen & Dave Lanham	52
June	e 6	Vivecar & Marlin Michaels	52
	13	Mary & Larry Lynch	52
	13	Evangeline & Clifton Prince	52
	20	Patricia & Louis Aprigliano	51
	21	Shirley & Vernon Thomas	
	22	Brenda & Rick Terry	59
	22	Jeanne & Dick Hawes	69
	23	Burma & Lawrence Hill	60
	24	Earnestine & Joseph Butler	50
	25	Connie & Charlie Smith	56
	26	Jim & Carolyn Levay	68
	26	Sophie & Bill Sharkey	51

37 30 Amy & Mark Coover

If you have information concerning AARSPA members, please contact the following people:

Anniversaries and Congratulations Millie Gardner at milliegardner65@gmail.com or 443-784-2190

Deaths of AARSPA members and family members Linda Poole at mlp2118@yahoo.com or 410-570-4020

Illnesses and Accidents, etc. Dianne Rogers at wwdsrogers@verizon.net or 410-647-7585

Made a Change? Let Us Know!

Has any of your AARSPA information changed...address, email, home phone, cell phone? If so, please complete the form below and submit to Membership Chair Leslie Schell, 706 Rosewood Road, Severn, Maryland 21144 or lahschell@verizon.net. In the subject line, please indicate "AARSPA Update" and please include your full name.

Name___

Address

Email

Home Phone Cell Phone

Please indicate your primary phone number

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MEETING DATES

DATES TO REMEMBER

Executive Board Meetings -10:00 a.m.

June 9, 2022 July 14, 2022 Free School Center 2A, BOE



General Membership Meetings - 10:30 a.m.

May 12, 2022

Two Rivers Steak and Fish House Pasadena May 11, 2022 May 25, 2022

June 15, 2022

July 26, 2022

OTHER DATES

MRSPA Annual Business Meeting Camelot, Upper Marlboro Blue Angels Cruise and Lunch at Yellowfin, Annapolis Scholarship Fundraiser at Brian Boru Severna Park MRSPA Local Presidents' Meeting Zoom

February Luncheon/Business Meeting February 10, 2022



Vincent Leggett shared stories and remembrances of African American life along the Chesapeake Bay.



Executive Director Wanda Twigg brought greetings from MRSPA.



Joe Maddalon shared information about AMBA, an MRSPA benefit provider.



First time attendee **Stephen Ginaitis** was recognized.



Thanks to **Patricia Caldwell** and **Yvonne Henry** for providing the wonderful hospitality favors.





From the Free School

"Did You Know?"

In the last issue we published "Rules for Students 1872." In this issue we are printing "Rules for Teachers 1872."

1. Teachers each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys.

2. Each teacher will bring a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the day's session.

3. Make your pens carefully. You may whittle nibs to the individual taste of the pupils.

4. Men teachers may take one evening each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if he is going to church regularly.

5. After ten hours in school, the teachers may spend the remaining time reading the Bible or other good books.

6. Women teachers who marry or engage in unseemly conduct will be dismissed.

7. Every teacher should lay aside from each day's pay a goodly sum of his earnings for his benefit during his declining years so that he will not become a burden on society.

8. Any teacher who smokes, uses liquor in any form, frequents pool or public halls or gets shaved in a barber shop will give good reason to suspect his worth, intention, integrity and honesty.

9. The teacher who performs his labor faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of 25 cents per week in his pay, providing the Board of Education approves.



The annual Maryland Day Weekend activities took place March 25-27, 2022, and once again, the Free School Museum was included in the celebration.

Despite the dreary and chilly weather, over 50 visitors, including many

children, visited the Free School to learn about education in the 1700s and 1800s in Anne Arundel County. Three members of the Four Rivers Heritage Area Board were among the visitors.





Docent Karlie Everett answers visitors' questions while another guest points out the ever popular dunce caps.





Docent Gerry Everett stands by to greet visitors at the door.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Regained Members

Membership is important to all of us. Therefore, we reach out to those who may have forgotten to renew theirs at the appropriate time and have been dropped from our roles. To that end, we are happy to report that 5 rejoined our association either as MRSPA or LOCAL or Both.

How We Rank

Anne Arundel County has the second largest membership in the state of Maryland, next to Montgomery County, with 1489 members who belong to both MRSPA and AARSPA. However, there is always room for growth. **EACH OF YOU is truly the membership committee.** The following information provides you with the information you need to recruit new members.

PLEASE NOTE: Membership SPECIAL for March 1 to May 31, 2022!

MRSPA is again offering the \$10 (prorated) state dues special for new and former members between March 1 and May 31, 2022, for the current 2021-2022 membership and fiscal year. Local dues rates remain the same. This change is to encourage new and former members to sign up for dues deduction during this March to May period and therefore pay NO state dues with the \$10 state dues reduction incentive (**dues deduction members only**). Local dues will be collected.

New or former members who sign up during this time who elect to pay by credit card or check will still owe the \$10 state dues and local dues. Checks are still payable to MRSPA for the state and local dues amount. Locals will receive their dues by check from MRSPA as is the usual procedure. These new and reinstated members will be billed for their 2022-2023 dues at the full rate in July. This is part of moving all dues payments to the appropriate fiscal and membership year, while encouraging member recruitment. A NEW membership application form and reinstated membership application form with the special \$10 state dues are now on the **MRSPA website**.

Gift Card Incentive

MRSPA is continuing indefinitely the incentive for recruiting a **NEW** member who signs up for **Dues Deduction**. Just add your name to the **NEW** member application on the line for recruiter, and we will send you a \$10 gift card. There is no limit on the number of gift cards you can receive. Please ask any retired school personnel who are not members to join the association. Current local only members are also eligible to become NEW Dues Deduction members of MRSPA.

Eastern Shore Luncheon

As of this writing, the information concerning the Eastern Shore Luncheon poised for April 2023 has not been fully tallied. The committee thanks all those who took the time to respond to the survey to provide the necessary feedback.



New Members

As the association continues to move forward, we are pleased to welcome into our ranks:

Janet Clayton

Catherine L. Hubbard

William T. Hubbard

Dawn Smith

Deborah Turner

Congratulations! You have joined a fabulous organization.

2022 AARSPA Florida Gathering March 9 - 10 Sarasota

The Florida Get Away started with fabulous gathering at the home of Barbara Zelley and Kim Proctor! Great food and libation, great setting, and, best of all, GREAT COMPANY! A wonderful start to our Get Away!



Front row (l to r): Dianne Myers, Julie Stoffel, Terry Moir, Kim Proctor, Louise DeJesu, Susan Baugher, and Debbie Ahalt

2nd row (l to r): Nancy Henkelman, Karlie Everett, Janis Horn, Barbara Zelley, Kim Bibeault, Kate Gilbert, Dan Ahalt, and Ray Bibeault

3rd row (l to r): Arlene Derflinger, Ron Derflinger, Terry Henkelman, Gerry Everett, Henry Horn, Charlie Gable, Bob Kanach, Bob Wagner, and Rick Wiles



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The second event of our Florida Get Away was a fabulous lunch at the Point Restaurant in Osprey, FL. Again, thanks to Barbara Zelley and Kim Proctor for the arrangements. A moist chunk of grouper, a yummy burger and a great chicken sandwich made up the superb meal; but the highlights were the view and, of course, the wonderful company. Put March 2023 on your calendar and watch for details next year! This is a great trip, and we'd love to see many more of our members join us!





Gerald Everett, Barbara Zelley, Kim Proctor, and Karlie Everett



Janis Horn, Kate Gilbert, and Henry Horn



Terry and Nancy Hankelman



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Consumer Education: Scams, Scams, Scams

Purchases charged to your credit card

"Congratulations on the purchase of your new computer, exercise equipment, subscription, microwave, etc. The amount of \$699.00 has been charged to your credit card. If you didn't authorize this purchase call the number below."

Does that sound familiar? I am sure we have all gotten similar emails and the amount is always large enough to get our attention. Our first reaction is to panic and call the number. Of course they need your credit card number to remove the charge, and when you give the card number, they have access to charge whatever they want to your account.

NEVER, NEVER, NEVER GIVE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION TO ANYONE WHO CONTACTED YOU FIRST.

To resolve the issue, go to the site where the amount was supposedly charged and check if such a transaction was made. Usually they will say it was charged to a credit card, Amazon account, eBay, PayPal or a bank. Go directly to that site and check your account. If there is an actual charge, contact your bank or credit card immediately using the phone number on the back of your credit or bank card.

Support the Humanitarian Efforts for The Ukraine

It is sad to say there are many sorry individuals who are attempting to take advantage of a devastating situation. They call and identify as a member of an organization you recognize such as the Red Cross. Usually they want you to make a donation over the phone using your credit card. Hang up, and if your want to make a donation, go directly to that organization's website.

NEVER SEND MONEY OR ALLOW A CREDIT CARD CHARGE TO ANY ORGANIZATION THAT CALLS YOU.

Grandma, I am in trouble

A young voice claims to be your grandchild. They are in trouble and need your credit card information to pay for a car repair. I am sure we all recognize our grandchild's voice, but in doubt, ask them a question for which there is no correct answer. This should be something that cannot be determined from information that can be found on FaceBook or other such sites. "What is the name of your Aunt Susan's cat?" (There is no Aunt Susan.)

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SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Thank you for turning mirrors into windows for our future educators with your generous donations. We selected 4 applicants out of 8 to receive \$4000 each to further their educational journey.

Donations have been made in memory of:

Jay Catlin	Mary Ann Averson	
Dr. D. Delores Chambers	Shirley Phillips	
John and Ann DiSimone	Bonnie Schmeltz	
Candy Howard	Don Smith	

SAVE THE DATE

Dining for Scholars at Brian Boru Pub Wednesday, June 15, 2022 12 noon to 10:00 p.m.

Check out the following pages:

Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association (AARSPA)

Maryland Retired School Personnel Association (MRSPA)



National Retired Teachers Association (NRTA)

Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS)

Spring won't let me stay in this house any longer! I must get out and breathe the air deeply again. Gustav Mahler





May Donations

Because of Covid, some agencies are still restricting access or limiting the types of donations they will accept. Therefore for the May luncheon we will only be supporting two organizations.

Anne Arundel County Animal Control

Wet and Dry Food

Dog and Cat Toys

Cash, Checks, Pet Store Gift Cards

They are currently NOT accepting towels because of limited storage space.



Maryland Food Bank

Cash and checks only.

We are $\underline{\mathsf{NOT}}$ collecting any food or staples at this luncheon

A member of the community service committee will deliver all donations to the Maryland Food Bank.

May Luncheon and AARSPA 2021-2022 Business Meeting Thursday, May 12, 2022

Our annual business meeting will be held Thursday, May 12, 2022, at **Two Rivers Steak and Fish House** located at 4105 Mountain Road, Pasadena, MD. Registration will begin at 9:45 a.m. with the meeting starting at 10:30 a.m. *The deadline for reserving a seat is Monday, May 2, 2022,* and after this date, we will not be able to give any refunds.

Our entrée choices are:

- Chicken Chesapeake fresh chicken breast stuffed with spinach, prosciutto and lump crab, served with Dijon cream sauce
- 6 oz. center cut sirloin grilled to medium temp
- Grilled vegetable stack
- Two-layer sheet cake sliced and served
- Non-alcoholic beverage

Each entrée is served with Basmati rice, green beans, a garden salad with ranch dressing and freshly baked rolls.

Cost: \$38.00 per person (Please make checks payable to AARSPA) Mail reservation and payment to: Bob Kanach, 512 Augusta Drive, Arnold, MD 21012				
	DEADLINE * MAY 2	, 2022		
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Contact person:				
Phone number:	E-mail address:			
В	elow please indicate the entrée choice for ea	ch person in your	party.	
Name	Chicken Chesapeake	Sirloin Steak	Veggie Stack	
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			Total due	
Please check he	ere if this is your first AARSPA luncheon.			

Please check here if you are an Emeritus Member (age 90 or greater).



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Scholarship Fund Donation

Scholarships are of the utmost importance to ensure the contribution of quality teachers entering the education profession.

I wish to make a donation to the scholarship fund.

Donation Amount is:			
In memory of:	Name and Address of the honoree:		
In honor of:	We will inform the honoree(s) and/or the family of the deceased that a gift has been made to the scholarship fund.		
for:	Send notice of my donation to:		
birthdayanniversaryother (please indicate)	Name Address		
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