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## **AARSPA** Informer

Carla Duls, Editor (410) 798-8999 kid3dle@aol.com It is my honor to serve as the President of AARSPA for the next two years. This organization has looked out for the interests of retirees from Anne Arundel County Public Schools for the past seventy-three years since its inception in 1940. There have been forty-three individuals who have served as President before me. I know that each and every one of them has made a positive impact on our organization. I want to take this opportunity to thank our last president, Bob Kanach, for his service to this group. As a result of Bob's leadership, AARSPA has prospered and continues to serve our members well. I have personally learned a great deal from him during the past couple of years. I appreciate the support, advice and assistance that he has given to me during the transition from President-Elect to President, I know that I have some very large shoes to fill -- I hope that I do not let him down or let vou down either.

As I start my tenure as President of this organization, I have established a few goals that I would like to achieve while in this position.

1. To strengthen AARSPA's By-Laws
2. To at least double the number of persons attending our Florida event in

March

- 3. To increase our membership to the 2,000 mark and to promote active participation among our members are particularly our new members
- 4. To identify interesting and informative guest speakers and entertainers for our General Membership Luncheon Meetings

The Constitution/By-Laws Committee will meet to review the rules and guidelines by which we operate. With the help of MRSPA, we have obtained copies of the By-Laws of several other locals that we can use as models as we consider revisions to ours. We need to review the duties



of some of the officers, responsibilities of committees, and possibly add a section on Parliamentary Procedure (e.g. to define a quorum, establish procedures for motions, etc)

On March 12-13, 2014, we will be holding our 23rd Annual Florida-Get-Together in Venice, Florida. Shirley Phillips has graciously accepted the responsibility for coordinating this event. She is very anxious to show off the region of Florida where she lives. There will be a reception at her house at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2014, to be followed by a luncheon at the Venice Yacht Club on Thursday, March 13th. This event

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drew as many as eighty persons in the past. Last year there were only fifteen persons who gathered for it in Naples, Florida, Efforts are being made to, at least, double that number for this upcoming event! Save the dates on your calendar and make an effort to join us in Florida. It will make for a great winter escape! We moved the dates to March in hopes of possibly making arrangements to attend an Orioles Spring Training game for those who are interested. The Orioles play in nearby Sarasota. Further information and a reservation form will be shared in the October Informer.

For the last several years, our membership numbers have fluctuated between 1900 and 1950. We were recognized by MRSPA at their Annual Business Meeting for a 1.05% increase in membership

last year. During the next two years, we would like to increase our ranks to number more than 2,000 members. Carol Kirby, our Membership Chairperson, works very hard to help recruit new retirees to join our organization. You can help as well by encouraging your friends who are retirees from AACPS to join us. Invite a friend to attend an upcoming luncheon with you so that they can learn more about our group. We are also hoping to get our current members, as well as some of the "younger" members, more actively involved so that we are able to perpetuate AARSPA well into the future!

During the past year the Program Committee has made an effort to include interesting guest speakers and quality entertainment at our General Membership Luncheon Meetings. We are committed to continuing to do this during the coming years. The Roadhouse

Ramblers, three retirees from CSX, will entertain us at our luncheon at Snyder's on September 12, 2013. If you have any suggestions for guest speakers or topics of interest that you would like to know more about, please let us know.

Before I close, I want to thank the members of the Executive Board. both officers and committee chairpersons, for all of the work that they do to enhance our organization. Many of these folks provide invaluable services for all of us with no compensation for their time and efforts. As Hillary Clinton once said, "It takes a village to raise a child." The same applies to AARSPA. Not any one person is responsible for the success of this organization. Our success is dependent on teamwork. Thank you for being part of our team!

## Five Things You Can Do To Keep Your Bones Strong

- 1. *Maintain a healthy weight.* Being too thin has been linked to a higher risk of osteoporosis and fractures.
- 2. *Exercise*. Choose weight-bearing activities like hiking or tennis, or use an elliptical machine or treadmill.
- 3. **Dont smoke**. Chemicals in cigarette smoke are bad for bone cells and make it harder for the body to make new bone.
- 4. *Get enough calcium and Vitamin D.* The recommended daily intake is 1,000 milligrams of calcium for women 50 and under and men under 71 (1,200 milligrams for those who are older). Aim for 600 IU of Vitamin D daily (800 IU if you're over 70).
- 5. **Go easy on alcohol, caffeine, protein, and sodium.** When consumed in excess, they are thought to interfere with the body's ability to retain calcium or form new bones.



## **NEWS YOU CAN USE!**

- According to Washington University School of Medicine researchers, losing weight through diet alone without exercise increases the risk of developing osteoporosis in the lower spine and hips.
- The best time to buy a new appliance is in the fall when manufacturers debut new models and retailers clear out older versions.
- Lower air fares can usually be found on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Saturday. According to *Money Magazine*, the lowest fares for domestic flights can be found if booked 21 to 35 days before departure.



## MARYLAND SENIOR CITIZENS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

-Bob Kanach

It was very exciting to receive a letter from the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame, Inc. informing us that the two nominations submitted by AARSPA for induction into the Hall of Fame were accepted. This year, the Executive Board submitted Mrs. Patty Nalley and Mr. Tony Anzalone for consideration, and both will be recognized at the MSCHF Awards Luncheon on Thursday, October 17, 2013, at Michael's Eighth Avenue in Glen Burnie, Maryland. If you know an AARSPA member whom you feel would be a good candidate for nomination to the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame, please share that information with any member of the AARSPA Executive Board.

Patty is currently serving a second term on the AACPS Board of Education after completing 31 years as a classroom teacher and 12 years as an administrator. Born in the South, Patty completed her undergraduate work at the University of Mississippi with a degree in elementary education.



She began her teaching career in Pensacola, Florida with teaching experiences in Corpus Christi, Texas, before moving to Anne Arundel County in 1969. For the next 16 years, while raising a family and earning a master's degree from George Washington University, she taught in the Anne Arundel County Public School System's schools. After fulfilling all the state-mandated requirements for administrator certification, Patty served as assistant principal at Broadneck Elementary and Van Bokkelen Elementary. She was the principal of Davidsonville Elementary from 1998 until 2007. Upon retiring from the school system, Patty was appointed by Governor Martin O'Malley to her first five-year term on the Anne Arundel County Board of Education in 2007 where she served as Vice-President (2009-2010) and President (2010-2012). Dr. Maxwell has frequently commented that not only does Patty expertly represent the children of Anne Arundel County, but whenever possible, she promotes the activities and needs of the retired employees of the school system. Patty is also very active in the South Anne Arundel County Rotary and the Maryland Association of Boards of Education, serves on the board of directors for the Scholarships for Scholars and the Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts. and is an active member of the Severn Town Club as well as many other service organizations.



ony began his career with AACPS in 1962, teaching core curriculum for seventh grade for four years at Annapolis Junior High School before becoming a counselor at the school. In 1975, Tony moved to Annapolis High School as the Counseling Department Chair, which he

served for twenty-seven years. He has been an active member of AARSPA since his retirement. He can frequently be found in the cafeteria of the Board of Education helping put together the AARSPA newsletter, the Informer, or assisting in putting the benefits packets together for both the retired personnel and the current employees. He routinely helps with the maintenance of the Free School as well, but he is best known for serving for many years (2007 to present) as the Chair of the Selection Committee for the Educator and Employee of the Month Program for our school system. Having the responsibility to present the selections monthly before the Board of Education, Tony never misses an opportunity to point out all the work that AARSPA members perform for the school system. Tony also chairs the Annapolis Elks Lodge #622 "Most Valuable Student" Scholarship Program. Tony also serves as President of the Board of Directors, United States Fellowship, Inc., a 501(c)3 organization operating three residential group homes for troubled adolescent boys, overseeing and supervising operational activities, approving and monitoring the Operating and Capital budgets, rating the performance of the Executive Director along with many other responsibilities.

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## FROM THE FREE SCHOOL







Carolyn Webber and Mary Dunlap

## Open Houses

The Annearrundell County Free School Museum is open for unscheduled tours from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on the second Saturday and second Sunday of the months of April, May, June, July and August. Thanks to the following docents for making these open houses possible: Carla Duls, Pat Ericsen, Karlie Everett, Mary Ann Iverson, Max Muller, Martha Preston, Jim Preston, Carolyn Webber, Judy Youngblood, and John Youngblood. If you missed any of the open dates, please phone Karlie Everett at 410-268-8656 to schedule a tour.

## Scheduled Tours

The Annearrundell County Free School Museum has had an active season of providing special tours. Some tours, especially those with school-aged children, included a reenactment of a typical school day in the 1700/1800's by a school marm. The following groups have visited the Free School: The Severna Park Sunrise Residents, Broadneck Senior High and Northeast Senior High Future Educators of Ameria groups, two 7th grade classes from the Monarch Charter Academy, two 3rd grade classes from the Monarch Charter Academy, a kindergarten class from the Seventh Day Adventist Seabrook Early Learning Center, members from a local Doll Club, and children from a private home day care. Thank you to the following docents and school marms for making these tours possible: Virginia Crespro, Mary Dunlap, Karlie Everett, and Carolyn Webber.

## Schoolmaster and School Marm Training

Several tours requiring a schoolmaster or school marm are already scheduled for the end of summer and the fall. We expect requests for more tours with a schoolmaster or school marm so we would like to train some additional people to be school marms and schoolmasters. (Remember the teachers were all male until 1853 when Barbara Green became the first female teacher at the Free School.) Lesson plans with suggestions for teaching activities have been prepared and will be shared with individuals interested in teaching these lessons. There will be a training session on Thursday, September 19, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. at the Free School. Current and new schoolmasters and school marms are invited to attend. Please phone Karlie Everett at 410-268-8656 to confirm your attendance so the correct number of handouts can be made.

# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



A special hello to the 2013 retirees who are receiving the *Informer* for the first time. We hope that you will be attending the next luncheon meeting on September 12th to visit with friends and former colleagues. Members and retirees alike are cordially invited. Hope to see you there.

#### New Members April 5 through July 31, 2013

Judith Baumgartner Carolyn Beuerle Laura Buckanan Cindi Combs Webster Dorsey Bonnie Fisher Cynthia Fox Phyllis Hahn Carol L. Howie **Barry James** Beverly Johnson Marilyn Kelley Melinda Larson Maureen Lombardo Diane Lorton Roseann Mahanes Forest Mills Laura Murray Kitty Nelson Carol Newman John Oravecz Carol Reckner Thomas Rockstroh Rochelle Slutskin Bonnie Strohmer Adrian Thompson Robert Tierney Christina Tozzi Carol Ann Trumpy Mary Wagner Robert Wagner Frances Walker Margaret Wise-Tapp

## **SCHOLARSHIP NEWS**



Sarah Kraus, Tillie Barckley, Victoria McDermott, Bob Kanach, and Anne Galligan



In 1975, with only 300 members, the Anne Arundel Retired Teachers Association (AARTA) began making scholarship contributions to the Community College. Today, through

Scholarships for Scholars, Inc., AARSPA contributes \$12,000 to prospective teachers.

The scholarship winners for this year are Sarah Kraus, Victoria McDermott, and Anne Galligan.

**Sarah Kraus** graduated from South River High School in Edgewater and is looking forward to returning to Anne Arundel County as an elementary school teacher. She will attend Washington College.

**Victoria McDermott** is from Southern High School in Lothian and is interested in elementary education. She is seeking admission to Mount Saint Mary's University.

Anne Galligan is a graduate of St. Mary's High School in Annapolis. Her goal is to be an early childhood special education teacher. She has been accepted at the University of Maryland, the University of South Carolina, and Florida State University.

Members are encouraged to make donations to the scholarship fund in memory of a friend or loved one or to honor someone on a special occasion. Simply use the form on the back of this newsletter!

## REMEMBRANCE COMMITTEE

### **Member Deaths**

Donald Barger Marilyn Deady Barbara Dow Francis Evans Hannah Finney Lillian Harvey Elizabeth Hession Frank Hoeppel Veronica Klein Ruth Knight Martin Lowry Margaret Matters Edith Meiniczak Margaret Milroy Margarene Munn Joyce Nellenback Doris Newsom **Edward Pavne** Mary Ann Perogoy Louise Taybron Linda Thomas Patricia Wilhoit

## Family Deaths

Ethel Bilderback - husband Barry Fader - father Marie Hogue - sister Jim Preston - brother Patty Nalley - husband Joyce Nellenback -sister Oliver Rephann - wife JoEllen Staicer - father & mother-in-law Carol Lee Strigle - mother

## **Get Well Wishes**

Abe Brown wishes to thank those who remembered him during his recent illness. He says: "The response to my medical problems was very humbling and I thank God for all those contacts. I want to thank you all and further say that I am blessed to have you all in my life."

## Congratulations

**Jodie Hogan**, a Spanish teacher at South River High School, was named the Anne Arundel County Public School Teacher of the Year.

Patty Nalley and Anthony Anzalone will be inducted into the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame on October17, 2013. Evelyn and Clayton Green will celebrate their anniversary on October 3, 2013.

## **Emeritus Birthdays**

8/26 Christina Green

9/16 Buttrill Heron

9/21 Elaine Ward

10/03 Betty Dawson

10/17 Hope Myer

10/17 Hope Myel 10/28 Beverly Wood

11/05 Mary Etta Dorr

11/12 Ella Roberson (100+)

11/16 Doretta Law

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

Anniversaries and Congratulations - Millie Zipay at mz2teach@aol.com / 410 401-0172

Deaths of AARSPA members and family members - Nina Griffith at bear1134@aol.com / 443 304-2266

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



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AARSPA members Carol Kirby, Annette Smith, Tillie Barckley. Bob Kanach. Don Smith. and Ken Nichols greet delegates at the MRSPA Annual Meeting.



MRSPA Officers for 2013-2014: Frances Miller (Treasurer), AARSPA Members Carla Duls (Secretary), Max Muller (President-Elect), Estelle Johnson (Vice-President) and Stuart Tucker (President)

## AARSPA Delegates

John Salwach, Bob



## IMPORTANT DATES

Executive Board Meetings - 10:00 a.m.

October 15 - Center 3

General Membership Meetings - 10:30 a.m. September 12 - Snyder's Willow Grove November 14 - Center of Applied Technology-North

## Other Dates

Barckley, Charles Gable, Novella Wright, and Sandra Edmonds

September 19 - Schoolmaster and School Marm Training at 10:00 a.m. at the Free School

September 25 - Dorothy-Megan Crab Feast Cruise

September 26 - MRSPA Fall Leadership Workshop

September 27 - Informer Deadline

October 17 - Senior Citizens Hall of Fame

October 26 - Pre-Retirement Seminar at Old Mill

November 14 - MRSPA Legislative Workshop

December 7 - White Christmas at the

Hippodrome in Baltimore



# FROM THE TRIPS COMMITTEE



There are still a few seats available for the **Dorothy-Megan Crab Feast Cruise** on Wednesday, September 25, 2013. If you are interested in participating, fill out the form below and mail it with your check made out to AARSPA to **Bob Kanach**, **512 Augusta Drive**, **Arnold MD 21012**. **Deadline for tickets is September 5**, **2013**!

| DOROTHY-MEGAN CRAB FEAST CRUISE                                  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| Please reserve   | ticket(s) @ \$80.00 each.   |  |
| Name:  |   |  |
| Address:   |   |  |
| Phone Number:  | E-Mail address:   |  |
| Names of persons in yo   | our group if ordering for more than yourself:   |  |
| `  | White Christmas at the Hippodrome Saturday, December 7, 2013  |  |
| <b>White Christmas</b> . This heart Clooney. The memorable Irvin | and delighted with musical merriment! The Hippodrome Theatre presents the classic holiday production of warming musical is based on the beloved movie which starred Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, and Rosemary and Berlin score features, "Blue Skies," "The Best Things Happen When You're Dancing," "Sisters," "Count nnial favorite, "White Christmas." Irving Berlin's <i>White Christmas</i> promises a merry and bright experience   |  |
| Severna Park United Methodi<br>p.m. If you are interested in     | includes the performance plus the bus, taxes, and tips, including the driver. The bus will pick up at the st Church on Benfield Blvd. and will leave the left rear parking lot promptly at 12:45 p.m. returning at 5:45 this trip, please complete the form below and mail it along with payment to Bob Kanach at the address <b>mber 18, 2013.</b> Tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Mail the check and form below to: <b>rive, Arnold, MD 21012</b> |  |
|  | White Christmas at the Hippodrome Baltimore, Maryland Deadline for tickets is November 18, 2013.  |  |
|  | ticket(s) for this event. The cost per ticket is \$115.00. Make your checks payable to the ired School Personnel Association and mail to Bob Kanach at the address above.   |  |
| Name:  |   |  |
| Address:   |   |  |
| Phone Number:  | E-Mail address:   |  |
| Names of persons in y  | our group if ordering for more than yourself:   |  |
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# MAY 9, 2013 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Renditions - Davidsonville



Tillie Barckley, Charles Gable, 2012 AACPS Teacher of the Year Martha Gardner, Mrs. Galligan, Scholarship Winner Anne Galligan, Mr. Galligan, and Robert Kanach



Standing: Mary Ruth Tereshinski and Margaret Wolfe Seated: Jeanne Hartge



Millie Zipay, Diane Rogers, Robert Kanach, and Nina Griffith



Deborah Ahalt, Mary Overholser, and Carla Duls



First Timers Sherri Tolson, Carolyn Webber and Lynn Morgan with President Kanach



MRSPA Area II North Director Carla Duls with AARSPA Officers for 2013-2014: Bob Kanach (Immediate Past President and Assistant Treasurer), Charles Toth (Recording Secretary), Charles Gable (President) and John Hammond (Assistant Recording Secretary) Not Pictured: Alicia Hardisky (Treasurer) and Mary

Lonnie Kelly and Millie Herold



Jean Trott

Wagner (Secretary)

# EDUCATOR/EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

## **AWARDEES FOR 2012-2013**

SEP Educ: Laura Kodyman, Manor View Elem. School, Art Teacher Empl: Darren Smith, Annapolis High School, Sr. Facilitator Engineer OCT Educ: Iris Crankfield, South River High School, English Teacher Empl: Sherri White, Tyler Heights Elem. School, Cafeteria Worker and Tech Assistant

NOV Educ: Sue Powell, ECI/Special Educ. Early Childhood Intervention Specialist

Empl: Debra Jolene, Nantucket Elem. School, Tech Media Assistant Educ: Sean Swanson, Old Mill High School, English Dept. Chair

Empl: Cindy Wengert, Marley Middle School, Data Processing/
Attendance Clerk

JAN Educ: Denise Drenning, Marley Elem. School, School Counselor Empl: Gail Matthews, Central Office, Senior Buyer

FEB Educ: Barbara Segatelli, Severna Park High School, Social Studies

Empl: Sharon Shadle, Richard Henry Lee Elem. School, Teacher Assistant

MARCH Board Meeting Cancelled - Code Red

APRIL Educ: Tara Lambden, ALP Central Office, Advanced Learning Program

Empl: Annie Lindsey, Point Pleasant Elem. School, Teacher Assistant, Special Needs. K-1 Cluster

MAY Educ: Michael Miller, Old Mill High School, Music Teacher (Steel Drums)

Empl: Debra Petr, Mills-Parole Elem. School, Tech Support Educ: Kathy Plitt, Arundel Middle School, Mathematics Teacher

Empl: Dorcell Holland, Chesapeake High School, Custodian

# REPORT OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE

The AARSPA Selection Committee for the AACBOE sponsored Educator of the Month and Employee of the Month Program is proud to list the awardees for the 2012/13 School Year. Each month the Committee reviews the nominees that have been submitted by staff from schools, field offices and the Central Office. On the first Wednesday of the month from September to June, the Board of Education publicly recognizes and honors these individuals that have beechosen by the Selection Committee by presenting with a Certificate of Appreciation, and an engraved brass bell. Pictures are then taken following the presentations.

Tony Anzalone, Chair Betty Coleman Larry Day Carl Stewart Charlotte Stewart





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## **LUNCHEON AND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

# September Luncheon & General Membership Meeting

On Thursday, **September 12**, 2013, we will have our luncheon at Snyder's Willow Grove at 841 North Hammonds Ferry Road in Linthicum, Maryland.

Registration......9:45 - 10:30 Business.......10:30 - 12:00 Lunch.......12:00 - 12:45 Entertainment...12:45 - 1:30

> No refunds after August 23, 2013

PLEASE NO WALK-INS

| LUNCH RESERVATION - Deadline August 23, 20 |
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| Name of person(s) attending:   |                     |  |  |  |
|--|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Phone  | No. of reservations |  |  |  |
| Cost is \$25.00 per person   | Amount Enclosed     |  |  |  |
| Crab CakePrime RibChicken w/Cornbread Stuffing   |                     |  |  |  |
| Entrees are served with a Salad/Italian Dressing, Baked Potato (w/Crab Cake and Prime Rib), Warm Apple Pie for dessert, and Coffee and Tea |                     |  |  |  |
| MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO AARSPA AND MAIL TO:<br>Bob Kanach, 512 Augusta Drive, Arnold MD 21012   |                     |  |  |  |
| Please check if this is your first AARSPA luncheon.  |                     |  |  |  |
| Please check if you are and Emeritus Member (age 90 or over)   |                     |  |  |  |



# 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: for:birthdayanniversary  | We will inform the honoree(s) and/or the family of the deceased that a gift has been made to the scholarship fund. Send notice of my donation to: |
| other (please indicate)   | Name  |
| Please make checks payable to: Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association or / for Tax Deductible Donations, make checks payable to: | Address  Donor's Name   |
| 21st Century Education Foundation, Inc.   | Donot's Traine  |
| Mail all checks to:<br>Matilda Barckley   | Address   |
| 8238 Great Bend Road<br>Glen Burnie, Maryland 21061   | For questions, please contact:<br>Matilda Barckley • barckleya@comcast.net • 410-768-3408   |

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