

From Bob Kanach, AARSPA President:

We are sending out this abbreviated newsletter because several time-sensitive items have come up that we need to bring to your attention immediately. I want to remind our members to be sure to sign up for our next luncheon on November 10 at the Center for Applied Technology - North. Please note that because the school needs to place the order for food supplies ahead of time, the registration deadline for this luncheon is October 18.

For many years Bob Cox has reviewed the financial records of this organization and has donated the fee that he would normally charge to the Scholarship Fund. Bob informed me recently that he will no longer be able to review the records but, true to his practice, asked that we again donate his fees to the Scholarship Fund. I want to personally thank Bob for his expertise over the past years as well as for his generous contributions to the Scholarship Fund.

Message from Karlie Everett, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee:

For many years the KiWives of the Commodore Mayo Kiwanis Club contributed to the schools in the Edgewater and Mayo communities. The group, no longer able to maintain its active status, has donated their remaining funds, \$736.08, to the Scholarship for Scholars program through AARSPA. Both Bob Kanach, AARSPA President, and Karlie Everett, Scholarship Chair, have written letters of appreciation to the KiWives of Commodore Mayo. By way of this newsletter article, AARSPA publicly thanks these women for their continued support to the education community.

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21st Florida Event January 26 - 27, 2012

The Florida Get-Together will be held January 26 and 27, 2012. On Thursday, the 26th, there will be a reception/party at Joanne Hogan's house. The Luncheon will be at the Flamingo Island Club.

Registration deadline is January 13. When registrations are received, we will send directions to the Flamingo Club and to Joanne Hogan's house.

There are some motels just off of I-75 at exit 101, which is closest to the events. Comfort Inn & Suites (239) 353-9500 and Holiday Inn Express (239) 348-1700. There are hotels on Marco Island which is south of the others, but still on Collier Blvd. Marco Island Marriott (239) 394-2311 and Hilton Marco Island Beach Resort (239) 394-5000.

The buffet meal is \$25.00. Checks should be made payable to Joanne Hogan, 5157 Lochwood Court, Naples, Florida 34112-3656, Phone: (239) 775-7849

REGISTRATION FORM

Name of person(s) attending: _____

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Your Phone: _____ Amount enclosed (\$25 per person) _____

November Luncheon and General Membership Meeting

Center of Applied Technology - North 800 Stevenson Road Severn, MD 21144

Thursday, November 10, 2011

Driving Directions: From Route I-97 * Take exit 12, New Cut Road and head toward Papa John's Farm/Vegetable Stand - NOT toward Glen Burnie * Take the 1st RIGHT onto Stevenson Road (If you reach Grover Road, you've gone too far) * 800 Stevenson Road will be on the RIGHT (If you reach McNelin Way, you've gone too far) (Call the school at (410) 969-3100 if necessary)

Parking: Park and enter the front door (park in the lot directly in front of the main entrance). Anyone with mobility issues can be dropped off at the left of the building (transportation wing). There will be CAT-N staff and possibly SkillsUSA students to direct everyone to the cafeteria.

NOVEMBER LUNCHEON RESERVATION DEADLINE – October 18, 2011

PLEASE NO WALK-INS No refund after October 18, 2011

Name of person(s) attending _____

Phone _____ No. of reservations _____ Cost: \$25 - Amount Enclosed _____

Two Entrée Choices:

_____ Chicken Cordon Bleu _____ Baked Stuffed (crabmeat) Flounder

Each entree served with steamed broccoli and herb wild rice, coffee, iced tea and water

Dessert options (please pick one)

_____ Caramel apple puff – soft puff pastry filled with sliced baked apple and sauce

_____ New York style cheese cake (homemade)

_____ Chocolate mousse

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO AARSPA AND MAIL TO

Ms. Pat Ericson, 8223 Grainfield Road, Severn, Maryland 21144.

_____ Is this your first AARSPA luncheon. _____ Are you an Emeritus Member. (age 90+)

Registration: 9:45 – 10:30am

Business Meeting: 10:30 – 12:00pm

Luncheon: 12:00 – 12:45pm

* * Entertainment: 12:45 -1:30pm

**** South County Senior Center ShowStoppers**

We are very excited about our luncheon meeting at CAT-N as it will be prepared and served by the Culinary Arts students on site.

WHERE ARE YOU ?

Dear Members,

I keep hearing that AARSPA is important. I also hear that there are persons who want to help our association. **BUT WHERE ARE THEY?** The Nominating Committee worked hard, but could not find anyone to run for President-Elect and there are several vacancies for Committee Chairs and members.

We all are thankful for the Board of Education for providing help with health insurance and where would we be without our pension? This association makes every effort to keep our legislators aware of our needs. We work closely with the state association to keep members informed. But, we must continue working. **Are you aware that AARSPA has no bargaining power?** We are at the mercy of the Board and Legislative Body so we must be visible to them and let them know of our needs and of the interests that are so important to retirees.

Is it asking too much of those who are able to volunteer some time to this association? Our president, Robert Kanach, can't do it alone; let him know of your willingness to help. So think about what you can do to make AARSPA an organization that works for Retired Anne Arundel School Employees. **WHAT CAN YOU DO?**

A believer in AARSPA, *Betty Ann White*



THEATRE TRIP TO THE KENNEDY CENTER Washington, D. C.
Tony Award Winning Musical "BILLY ELLIOT"

This long-running musical was in London and New York and is now on tour in USA. It is the story of young Billy living in a small town and destined to become a boxer. One day, he stumbles into a dance class and discovers he has a talent for dancing. The townspeople cannot believe it as it changes everything in the small town. This show won ten Tony Awards in 2009.

Tickets are available for the Saturday, December 17, 2011, matinee at 1:30 p.m. at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Cost of the trip is \$99 which includes an orchestra seat ticket, bus transportation from Annapolis and the Kennedy Center handling fees. If you are interested in this trip, please complete the form below and mail to Howard Hall, 704 Ballast Way, Annapolis, MD 21401 on or before November 1, 2011. Tickets will be mailed to you with all information about bus departure time and parking location.

"BILLY ELLIOT" Ticket Reservation

Deadline for tickets is November 1, 2011

Please reserve _____ ticket(s) for this musical. Cost is \$99 per ticket. Make your check to Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association and mail to Howard Hall at the above address.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Names of Persons in Your Group: _____

THANKS TO THE FREE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS - *They give a great tour of this early school.*

The Free School is open, 1 - 4 P.M. on Sunday afternoons, July and through October 30 2011. The restoration of this first school built with tax monies in the 1720's is one of AARSPA's greatest achievements. If you have not visited this 287 year old school, there is still time to do it this year.

It is located at 1298 Lavall Drive off of Rutland Road, a short distance from Route 450 between Annapolis and Crofton. So, come to this Living History School/Museum on a Sunday afternoon for a most interesting tour by one of the following volunteers: Carol Aleksei, Betty Ann White, Judy & John Youngblood, Victoria Hutchins, Patricia Ericson, Elaine D'Aiso, Barbara Hunter, Martha Collison, Mary Ellen & Frank Street, Nancy Andrews, Betty Mitchell, Kay Tarter, Carolyn Webber, Carla Duls, Mary Ann Iverson, Karlie Everett, Martha & John Preston and Howard Hall.

Visits to the Free School at other times are by appointment. Call Max Muller, (410) 768-2824 or Howard Hall, (410) 573-0840 to arrange a visit.

There are six schoolmarms and school masters who lead lessons for Cub Scouts, Girl and Boy Scouts and school classes. They are Karlie Everett, Carla Duls, Betty Ann White, Carolyn Webber and Linda & Rick Wiles.

Admission to the School is free for all visitors. Select a date to visit and bring your neighbors, friends and grandchildren.

Remember that this old school has two features of the present time: air conditioning and indoor plumbing. So, plan your visit to the Free School.

About our Members . . .

New Members 7/1/11 - 9/30/11

Deborah J. Ahalt
Richel M. Aquino
Phyllis Bloom
Linda S. Butler
Geraldine M. Cappuccio
Jane A. Chitwood
Donna C. Combs
Kevin Dennehy

Jean Graf
Daisy V. Harris
Carolyn P. Keenen
Raymond W. Meyer
Linda L. Mumper
Richard P. Naegele
Mildred D. Nick

Carol Ann Petrosky
Deborah L. Poole
Roberta R. Puglisi
Randall Rice
Janet M. Sherbert
Linda Simanowith
Margaret Tipton
Mary Ann Yarborough

Member Deaths 7/1/11 - 9/30/11

Monimia Barker
Clara Charlesworth
Bernice Chenoweth
Ruby Hamlette
Catherine Hulslander
Barbara Jones

Dorothea Kelly
Chaya Eliana Levy
Betty Makell
Russell "Buz"
Meyer
Pauline O'Neill

Dolores Potocki
Lorraine Schier
Robert Shillingburg
Elizabeth Simons
Nanine Smith
Mary Trott

Be sure to look for the new members in the directories available in November. If you want a directory, please send your name and phone number to: AARSPA Membership Committee, 121 River Road, Edgewater, MD 21037 or email membership@aarspa.org. Save postage; you can pick up your directory at the November Membership/Luncheon meeting at CAT-N.