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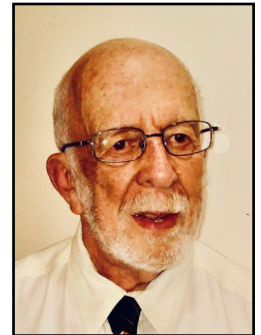
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FALL/AUTUMN arrived on Saturday, September 23 at 2:30 A.M. E.D.T. It is that time of year when sweaters replace swim wear; when colored leaves begin to "fall"; when Maryland's apple orchards beckon to us. It is also the time to prepare for Halloween, Thanksgiving, the *Walk to End Alzheimer's*, the *Annearundel Free School Museum's 300th Anniversary* and so much more.

First, let's begin with the September 14th meeting. The AARSPA year began with the kick-off Business Luncheon at beautiful Kurtz Beach, along the shores of the Chesapeake Bay. The Larry and Bill Duo entertained us while we enjoyed a delicious lunch.

Thanks to Susan Baugher, our Benefits Committee Chairperson, Carla Thomas and Tara Benson, Retirement Coordinators for AACPS, shared information regarding our health care benefits for 2024. Just like last year, retirees will receive a letter outlining rate increases for the coming year and information on what steps to take if changes are needed. Printed copies will still be available upon request. No action is necessary for those not wanting to change their coverage.

A PowerPoint presentation by Leslie Heiderman Schell and Carla Duls highlighted **OUR** strengths and diversities; **OUR** commitments and involvements; **OUR** Caring and Sharing.

AARSPA, along with MRSPA, work together as a cohesive unit for the well-being of all. This presentation was... and is... an absolutely thrilling way to acknowledge the good work that is done and the multitude of resources available to each member.

We acknowledged that four (4) \$5000 Scholarship winners from earlier this year are now enrolled at college, majoring in education. We will also be awarding 4 new scholarships for next year. Thanks to Tillie Barckley for again chairing the Scholarship Program.

Looking for things to do? **#1.** Take a TRIP with us. Gail Matthews and Kay Stawas, Co-Chairpersons for our Travel Committee, are continually presenting a variety of day trips and shows for you to enjoy. When a trip/show is announced, sign up quickly because they fill quickly. **#2.** Participate in the *Walk to End Alzheimer's*, led by Deb Ahalt & Carla Duls. Registration information can be found in this issue. **#3.** Volunteer for a committee...any Committee. The Educator/Employee of the Month Committee needs 1 additional person. Please contact Tony for more information. **#4.** Bring toiletry and/or pet shelter donations at each Members' Meeting/Luncheon. Watch each issue of the *AARSPA Informer* for additional specifically requested donations by our

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REMEMBRANCE

ANNIVERSARIES

October

10	Gale Erbe & Thomas Worthington	42
12	Wayne & Cindy Bark	44
17	Michele Einolf & Kenneth Grice	42
19	Vonnie & Tom Riffle	59
24	Carol & John Strigle	59
28	Ann & Allen Irvine	62
31	Lynn & Bill Grapp	63
31	Tom & Lisa Leary	9

November

24	Sharyn & Ed Doyle	52
25	Patricia & Michael Keaser	38
28	Carol & Eugene Kirby	65
30	Maggie & Will Walton	60

December

9	Jeanne & Wayne Shaw	61
5	Meg & Ed Meehan	
16	Linda & Rusty Swenson	51
16	Ann & Bob Schult	55
23	Martha & Jim Preston	57
27	Judith & John Youngblood	57
28	Michelle & Charles Day	49
28	Katie & Andy Borland	59
29	Linda & Tom Poole	39

EMERITUS BIRTHDAYS

October

1	Kathleen Graves	94
8	Ruth Joy Gulley	93
9	Robert Brooks	92
12	Ethel Bohle	97
15	Eva Palmer	95

November

5	Domenica Tozzi	92
10	Paul T. Bagley	97
17	Barbara N. Johnson	92
18	Katherine Tarter	96
22	Irma Messinger	97
24	Ola Legg	92
30	Jack Hogsten	94

December

5	John Wheeler	92
15	Mary Sue Hines	95
15	Matilda Pair	100
21	Mary Madeleine	96

MEMBER DEATHS

Virginia Bell	Mary Geri Malloy
Robert H. Borman	Karen K. Muir
Charles H. Bowens	John E. Richardson
Clinton G. Bradway	Martha Louise Rogers
Elsie H. Woodward Brown	Herman C. Schmidt
Laura Buchanan	Emma M. Schramm
Franklin William Delaney	Margaret S. Serp
Patricia D. Fogle	Charles E. Smith
Eugene E. Gilhooly	Ilene L. Sunderland
Rachel LaRose Herring	Adrian Harris Thompson
Gorman S. Johnson, Jr.	Mary Boulware Thornton
Jeanne P. Jones	Dorothy N. Weddington
Kurt Rudolph Keydel, Jr.	Linda V. Yirka
Martha Jean Kotschenreuther	

FAMILY MEMBERS

Pamela Smith husband

GET WELL/THINKING OF YOU

Jean Curry
Barry Fader
Lin Hiatt-Proutt
Nina Griffith
Ed Johnson
Kathie Kamm
Marge Keating
Judy McCorkill
Dick Powell
Annette Smith



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Anniversaries and Congratulations

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Deaths of AARSPA members and family members

Linda Poole at mip2118@yahoo.com or 410-570-4020

Illnesses and Accidents, etc.

Dianne Rogers at wdsrogers@verizon.net or 410-647-7585

From the Free School Museum



1723-2023
**Annarrundell
County
Free School**
COMMEMORATING 300 YEARS
Thursday, October 26
11am
Official Ceremony &
Plaque Unveiling
Saturday, October 28
1-4pm
Family Fun Festival

FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL
Go back to school, back in time, at Maryland's oldest one-room schoolhouse!

- Meet 18th-century school teachers
- Docent tours
- Storytelling
- American colonial-era crafts & games
- Authentic refreshments

FREE AND OPEN TO ALL!
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28
1-4pm
1298 Lavall Drive
Davidsonville, MD 21035
Hosted by the Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association



Scholarship Update !

We have been blown away by your generosity. Your support means the world knowing that education is a life shaper for our four scholars continuing their educational journey. Committee: Anthony, Sharyn and Tillie

In Honor of...

Elaine N. Brown (55 years of devoted service)

In Memory of...

Henrietta Baker

Laura Buchanan – (Corkran Middle School)

Eugene Gilhooley

Iris Yvonne Jacobs

Betty Jane Mitchell

Carol Petrosky

Dorothy Rizo

Nancy Underhill



ANNE ARUNDEL RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION & BRIAN BORU PUB ARE TEAMING UP FOR A FUNDRAISER FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Reservations Strongly Encouraged

Cost: \$30 per person plus Tax and Gratuity \$10 from each menu chosen will be donated.

The following menu items are available for Dine-In or Carry-out.

STARTER

A cup of our traditional Potato & Leek Soup or Tomato Whiskey Soup or beginner's Caesar or Garden Salad

MAIN COURSE

Whiskey Leek Chicken

Grilled chicken topped with whiskey leek cream sauce served with mashed potatoes and steamed vegetables

Norwegian Salmon Kilkee

6 oz. Salmon topped with a Kerrygold mustard butter served with basmati rice and smashed peas

Beef Stew** Gluten Free

Tender chunks of beef stewed with red wine, herbs, carrots, onions, and celery topped with mashed potato

Shepherd's Pie**Gluten Free

Ground beef sirloin with onions, peas, carrots, in a rich gravy topped with mashed potatoes, and baked.

Irish Vegetarian Boxty

Potato pancake filled with grilled peppers, onions, mushrooms, cheese and topped with your choice of marinara or cheese sauce

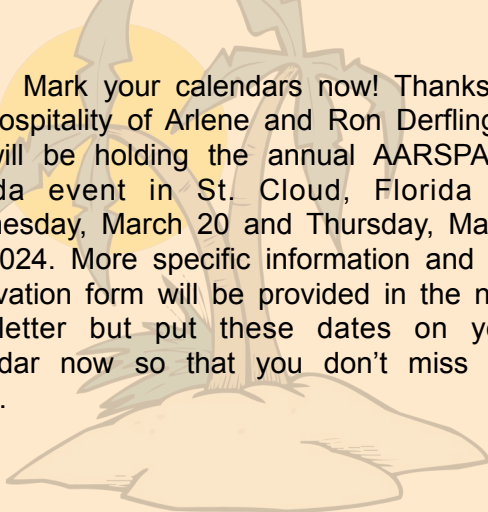
DESSERT

Bread Pudding or Bailey's Mousse

Severna Park Market Center,
489 Ritchie Hwy, Severna Park, MD 21146.
410-975-2678

AARSPA in Florida

Mark your calendars now! Thanks to the hospitality of Arlene and Ron Derflinger, we will be holding the annual AARSPA in Florida event in St. Cloud, Florida on Wednesday, March 20 and Thursday, March 21, 2024. More specific information and the reservation form will be provided in the next newsletter but put these dates on your calendar now so that you don't miss the event.



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)

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Meet Our New Members !

Kim Baicar	Rebecca Hogan
Catherine Briggs	Kim Huyer
Joan Briscoe	Volandta Kelly
Barbara Cannon	Dorothy J. Masterson
Danelle Chapman	Ellen Oakes
Lorraine Faris	Annette Zimmerman
Walter W. Federowicz	



MRSPA Website

For those who couldn't attend the September luncheon, your MRSPA President, Carla Duls, and MRSPA Membership Chair, Leslie Heiderman Schell, presented a brief overview of the MRSPA website. From the comments after the presentation, those attending were pleased with the review. Having said that, I encourage you to visit the website on your own to avail yourself of all the information and benefits the state association provides for retirees across Maryland. Many of the people who chair or serve on a state committee are members of Anne Arundel County who are already looking out for you. Should you have any questions, speak to Carla Duls or Leslie Schell. Happy cruising through mrspa@mrspa.org!

Eastern Shore Luncheon Update

We have heard from Chris Stockett and Julia Barker, our Eastern Shore representatives, concerning the April luncheon. A tentative date and location proposal is being submitted to the Executive Board for consideration. All members of AARSPA are invited to attend this luncheon as it is not just for the Eastern Shore members. The more the merrier!



MRSPA Membership Reminder

If you are a cash paying member, please remember to submit your dues before **October 31**. After this date, MRSPA will drop your name from the membership files. Final billing notices mailed in early September are the last you will receive. Please **renew** your membership so MRSPA is **there to advocate for and represent you in the future**.

Also remember MRSPA offers a recruitment incentive of a **\$10 gift card** to ANY member who recruits a **NEW** member who signs up for **DUES DEDUCTION**. Applications are available at luncheons and on both the MRSPA and AARSP websites.



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Community Service Committee led by Phyllis Cherry. #5 Support the *300th Anniversary of the Annearundel Free School Museum*. Karlie Everett and her team have put together an exciting day on Saturday, October 28, 2023 (1-4pm, rain or shine) of free family fun to commemorate the 300th anniversary of Maryland's oldest one-room schoolhouse. Activities include docent tours, storytelling, colonial crafts and games for school-age children, plus refreshments inspired by the 18th century. Refer to her article in this issue. #6. Help send a "hello" card/note to someone mentioned on our Remembrance page, developed by Millie Gardner and Linda Poole, Co-Chairs. #7. COME JOIN US AT EACH LUNCHEON. The next one is November 9th at the RENDITIONS Golf Course, as arranged by Bob Kanach and #8. Send /Give this newsletter to a non-member and encourage them to join us.

A Final Thought: Your Membership is *Vital*...Your Involvement is *Essential*...You are **Needed!**



We all have experienced the increase in the price of everything: gas, food, our electric bills, and all those other expenses. When budgeting our weekly expenses, where does the purchase of food factor? For many working families trying to make it on an income that is just above minimum wages, the purchase of food is with whatever money left over when rent is paid and the car has gas. As I learned recently, most people who seek help from a food bank are either fully employed or suffering from severe medical issues. Let's do our part to help them provide a nutritious dinner for their family.

If you are using the donation at the November meeting as an opportunity to clear your pantry selves, please check the expiration dates. All donations will be given to the Anne Arundel County Food Bank so if you wish to make a monetary donation, please make out your check directly to the Anne Arundel County Food Bank.

Recently, The Light House Shelter in Annapolis has reached out to Tony Anzalone asking for donations of personal toiletries. Donated items can be of any size. The most requested items are tooth paste and brushes, deodorant, shampoo and conditioner, razors and new socks.

And of course we are always accepting donations for our furry friends. (The kind of friend who loves us no matter what)

Because of your generous donations, 500 earbuds have been purchased and will be given to students at two elementary schools in the county along with all the other school supplies donated at the September meeting. You are making a difference to residents of our country in so many ways. Thank you!

The AARSPA from the Heart Alzheimer's Team is organized again for the 2023 Walk to End Alzheimer's. The Anne Arundel County Walk is Sunday, October 22, at Sandy Point State Park, 1100 E. College Parkway, Annapolis MD. Registration is at 11:00 a.m., and the walk begins at 12:00 p.m.. Go to <https://act.alz.org> and search for the team by name or for a specific walker to make donations. All are also welcome to join the team or join the walk. Would love to see lots of AARSPA folks at Sandy Point on October 22!



MEETING DATES

Executive Board Meetings -10:00 a.m.

October 12, 2023 Center 2A, BOE
January 11, 2023 Center 2A, BOE

General Membership Meetings - 10:30 a.m.

November 9, 2023 Renditions Golf Course, Davidsonville
February 8, 2024 Olive Grove Restaurant, Linthicum Heights

DATES TO REMEMBER



October 11

October 22

October 26

October 28
December 8

December 29
January 20, 2024

OTHER DATES

Scholarship Fundraiser @ Brian Boro Severna Park

Walk to End Alzheimer's Sandy Point State Park

Official Free School Birthday Celebration

Free School Family Fun Festival
American Music Theater, "The First Noel"

Deadline for January AARSPA Informer
MRSPA Legislative Workshop

AARSPA SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON and BUSINESS MEETING



September 14



Barbara Watkins and Pat Emery



Gwen Downer, Pat Caldwell and Gloria Hutchins



FIRST TIMERS: (1st row): Denise Anderson, Carolyn Burton-Page, Deborah Turner (2nd row) Walter Federowicz, Reggie Hazeltine, and Nancy Hazeltine



Charlie Gable and Zetta Hart



Virginia Crespo and Bob Jervis



Larry and Bill Duo



NEWS YOU CAN USE

Contact local law enforcement.

Don't discuss the collision until law enforcement arrives. Once they arrive, explain what you know about the accident. Get the officer's name, police department, and badge number as well as a copy of the report, if possible.

Document all damage to vehicle(s).

Document the accident by taking pictures and notes of the damage to the vehicles involved. This will aid in filing out an accident report as well as when filing insurance claims.



Exchange information with all involved parties.

Get the other driver's information before leaving the scene. (See the chart below.) Also, ask for the names and phone numbers of any witnesses.

Remain calm and check for injuries.

If anyone is seriously injured, dial 911 immediately. If the collision is minor, move your vehicle from the roadway to prevent other accidents.



Notify your insurance carrier.

Inform your carrier right away to help the claims process go smoothly.

What To Do After a Car Accident

Officer Name: Police Department: Badge Number:	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
Date of Accident: Time of Day: Weather Conditions: Location: Other details:	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
Other Party Name and License #: Contact Information: Vehicle Make & Model: Vehicle Licenes plate #: Insurance Carrier & Policy #:	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

Keep a copy of this form in the glove box of each of your vehicles.

November AARSPA General Meeting and Luncheon Thursday, November 9, 2023

The next AARSPA general meeting and luncheon will be held at Renditions Golf Course, 1380 West Central Avenue, Davidsonville, MD 21035 on Thursday, November 9, 2023. Registration begins at 9:45 a.m. with the meeting starting at 10:30 a.m. The reservation deadline is **Monday, October 23, 2023**, and after this date, we will not be able to give any refunds. Please remember that we cannot accept walk-ins. The meal choices are:

- Chicken parmesan with mashed potatoes and a vegetable
- Sliced roast beef with sherry mushroom gravy, mashed potatoes and a vegetable
- Salmon with mashed potato and a vegetable

Each entrée is served with a mixed green luncheon salad and an ice cream sundae for dessert. Coffee, sweet tea and iced water will be served with the meal.

Cost: \$43.00 per person (Please make checks payable to AARSPA)

Mail the reservation and payment to: Bob Kanach, 512 Augusta Drive, Arnold, MD 21012

KEEP THE UPPER PORTION FOR YOUR REFERENCE

Cut here and return the bottom portion with payment



Contact Information, should there be any question:

Contact person: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail address: _____

Below please indicate the entrée choice for each person in your party.

Name	Chicken	or	Beef	or	Salmon		
_____	_____		_____		_____	X	\$43 = _____
_____	_____		_____		_____	X	\$43 = _____
_____	_____		_____		_____	X	\$43 = _____
_____	_____		_____		_____	X	\$43 = _____
						Total amount due	= _____

____ Please check here if this is your first AARSPA luncheon.

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



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 Annapolis, MD 21401



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: _____

In honor of: _____

for:

_____ birthday _____ anniversary

_____ other (please indicate) _____

Please make checks payable to:

Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association
 or for

Tax Deductible Donations, make checks payable to:
 21st Century Education Foundation, Inc.

Mail checks to:

Matilda Barckley
 8238 Great Bend Road
 Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Name and Address of the honoree:

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:

Name _____

Address _____

Donor's Name _____

Address: _____

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