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Happy New Year! May 2020 bring you much happiness, good health, time to share time with friends, and opportunities to provide service to others. The second General Membership/Luncheon meeting was held on November 14, 2019, at the Center of Applied Technology (CAT-N). There were more than 150 members present, including seven first time members and six emeritus members. The agenda included many officers and committee reports.

We had two excellent presentations for the membership. The first presentation was by Mr. Terry Gilleland, the President of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education. The second presentation was by Monique Jackson, who is the Deputy Superintendent for Student and School Support. Both of the speakers brought greetings and updated the AARSPA membership about current topics with the school system. After our speakers, the culinary arts students and staff prepared and served a wonderful lunch for the those present. The entertainment at the end of the meeting was the talented Old Mill High School Steel Drum Band.

Our Community Service/Consumer Education Committees distributed Vial for Life materials, shared the Little Library Project, and updated the Alzheimer's Walk. Our members donated food products to support the CAT-N service

project for local food banks to help those in need.

AARSPA was well represented at the MRSPA Legislative Workshop in November. The Voices in Melody (AARSPA Chorus) conducted eight concerts at senior centers, rehabilitation facilities, and for retiree groups during the holiday season. Other AARSPA members attended the "Christmas Spectacular" in Fredericksburg, Virginia, in December.

Also in December, a group of members volunteered at the Scholastic Warehouse in Odenton to provide four hours each of service in exchange for vouchers to be used in selecting books to be donated to new teachers in Anne Arundel County.

If you are looking for a warm weather trip, consider joining us for the 29th annual AARSPA Florida-Get-Together in St. Cloud, Florida, on Wednesday, March 18 and Thursday, March 19. Arlene and Ron Derflinger have graciously opened their home for the evening social on Wednesday.

The next General Membership Luncheon Meeting will be held at the Blue Dolphin Restaurant on February 13 with a snow date of February 20. The reservation form is in this *AARSPA Informer*. The speakers for the program



include MRSPA greetings, Anne Arundel County Partners in Care, Anne Arundel Financial Coalition, and Caregiving from the AARP Maryland Volunteer Summit.

After serving the past six months as the AARSPA President, I am blessed to have so many members that work tirelessly to support our organization. There are always opportunities with us to provide service to our members and others. Won't you consider becoming involved to move our organization forward?

Again, may you and your family have a Happy New Year!



**LAST CHANCE**

# 2020 Florida Gathering

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The annual AARSPA Florida event will be held in St. Cloud, Florida, on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, and Thursday, March 19, 2020. Arlene and Ron Derflinger have graciously opened their home for the evening social on Wednesday, March 18 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The general meeting and luncheon will be held at Eagle Creek Golf Club in Orlando on Thursday, March 19 between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The choices of entrees are listed below, so please carefully indicate the preference for each guest. Directions to both sites along with additional lodging information will be sent to you upon receipt of your reservation and payment.



Reservations and payments *must be received* no later than **Wednesday, February 26, 2020.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

The luncheon entrée choices are: **Skirt Steak** with a mushroom marsala sauce served with a vegetable medley and yellow rice, or **Chicken Romano** (breaded chicken breast stuffed with ham and mozzarella topped with garlic cream sauce) served with a vegetable medley and garlic mashed potatoes, or **Maple Glazed Salmon** with candied pecans served with a vegetable medley and garlic mashed potatoes. Included would be a house salad, dinner rolls and a beverage station of tea, water and lemonade. The dessert will be the choice of chocolate cake or cheesecake.

Guest's Name	Steak	Chicken	Salmon	
_____	_____	_____	_____	@\$38.00 = _____
_____	_____	_____	_____	@\$38.00= _____
_____	_____	_____	_____	@\$38.00 = _____
				Total Amount _____

**Make checks payable to AARSPA**

Even if you are not able to attend the luncheon on Thursday, March 19, you are welcome to join us at the Derflingers' on March 18. We need to know who will be coming so that we have enough refreshments.

I/We plan to be at the social at the Derflingers' house on Wednesday, March 18, from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. There will be \_\_\_\_\_ person/persons attending this event.

**Mail your reservations and payment to:**  
**Bob Kanach**  
**512 Augusta Drive**  
**Arnold, Maryland 21012**

# REMEMBRANCE

## MEMBER DEATHS

Ida Adams  
 Richard Bright  
 Carmen Donegan  
 Kathryn Hagberg  
 Lois Hohlmaier  
 Kay Merchant  
 Charles Skipper  
 Alice Taylor  
 Lucy Whittington  
 Pamelynn Woody

## FAMILY MEMBER DEATHS

Charles Garvin daughter  
 Yvonne Henry brother  
 Patricia Kelley husband  
 Mary Jane Knode husband  
 Helen Ann Schwartz mother  
 Marlene Stivers husband  
 Dixie Stack mother  
 Jean Trott son

## GET WELL/THINKING OF YOU

Laura Buchanan  
 Lou Kamm  
 Thomas Neuenschwander  
 Ken Nichols  
 Martha Preston  
 Don Smith

## ANNIVERSARIES

<b>January</b>	6	Donna & Robin Williman	47
	22	Albert & Suzanne Kairys	50
	29	Sandra & Charles Dewling	53
<b>February</b>	27	Patty & Ed Johnson	22

## EMERITUS BIRTHDAYS

<b>January</b>	2	Jean Hartge	94
	7	John Barbagallo	92
	11	Mary Rozmarynowski	92
	19	Bobbye Kudzma	97
<b>February</b>	9	Martha Clarke	97

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

### Anniversaries and Congratulations

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### Deaths of AARSPA members and family members

Nina Griffith at [bear1134@aol.com](mailto:bear1134@aol.com) or 443 304-2266

### Illnesses and Accidents, etc.

Linda Poole at [mlp2118@yahoo.com](mailto:mlp2118@yahoo.com) or 410-451-4782

# FROM THE FREE SCHOOL



**You  
 are  
 Invited!**

*You are cordially invited  
 to visit the  
 Annearrundell County  
 Free School on  
 February 13, 2020,  
 after the luncheon  
 meeting at the Blue  
 Dolphin in Gambrills.*

# NOVEMBER LUNCHEON



First Timers: Front row: Mary Ann Clevenger, Terry Dechene, Mary Harlene Nehring, Lorraine Pollard, Diane Schwartz.  
 Back row: Kay Dambach, Jane Wilhelm, Pam Collier, Kay Janiszewski



Monique Jackson,  
 Deputy Superintendent  
 for Student and  
 School Support



Emeritus members Mary  
 Ruth Tereshinski and  
 Ethel Bohle



Terry Gilliland,  
 AACPS Board of  
 Education President





# NEWS YOU CAN USE



On Sunday, October 20, 2019, the *AARSPA from the Heart* team braved the chill and rain to participate in the Annapolis Walk to End Alzheimer's. Eighteen AARSPA members and friends walked the route through historic downtown Annapolis, raising \$3590. Members of the team are grateful for the continued support of AARSPA members!



Tony Anzalone and Karlie Everett delivered "shower bags" to the Lighthouse Shelter. Each bag contains items for those individuals who come into the Lighthouse just to take a shower.

In December, Bob Kanach, Phyllis Cherry, Dixie Stack, Deb Ahalt and Zetta Hart volunteered at the Scholastic Warehouse in Odenton. Their combined 16 hours of volunteer work earned many books for the donation to new teachers' classroom libraries in August!



Bob Kanach



Phyllis Cherry



Dixie Stack

When you or a loved one is being rushed to the hospital is not the time to collect the vital information doctors will need, therefore the Consumer Education Committee of MRSPA has developed a form that will provide the information the hospital will request.

Complete the form we have included and place it in a plastic sleeve, then tape the sleeve to the front of your refrigerator where Emergency Response Teams are trained to look for it. You may also want to keep a copy in your wallet and the glove compartment of your car. Consider making additional copies of the form and sharing the form with others, particularly if there is a medical condition important to the doctors. You may want to make a copy for anyone in your family for whom you are the emergency contact.



Anne Arundel County has a special program called the "Vial for Life" program. Their EMTs are trained to look for a medicine vial containing the vital information on the top shelf of the refrigerator. It is suggested you place a note on the front of the refrigerator telling them about the vial. A special blue vial to hold the information form can be gotten free of charge at some county Fire Departments. However, any medicine vial will do and can be obtained free of charge as most pharmacies.

## FEBRUARY DONATIONS

If you would like to donate at the February luncheon, you have several options:

- **Children's underwear or socks** for distribution in elementary school health rooms
- **Toiletries** such as deodorant, soap, shampoo, hand sanitizer, wipes, mouthwash, hand lotions, etc.
- **Pet supplies** such as unopened canned and dry food, toys, puppy pads, metal bowls, cat carriers, litter (clay, not clumping), towels, treats, washcloths, blankets, and Petsmart/Petco gift cards

Our hope is that you will support whichever of these efforts is closest to your heart.

FLU SHOT DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PNEUMONIA SHOT DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

HEARING AIDS:      YES      NO

DENTURES:          YES      NO

GLASSES/CONTACTS: YES      NO

PACEMAKER:        YES      NO

MODEL

NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER IMMUNIZATIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIAL NOTES: \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Information Enclosed**

*Card may be duplicated with attribution.*



## AARSPA SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

The AARSPA Scholarship Committee expresses infinite gratitude for your generous donations to help our students realize their dreams of becoming educators.

### 2019



**Savanna Kerbe**, North County High School, has adjusted well to the rigorous curriculum at McDaniel College, taking such classes as Exploring Disabilities in the Media and an English class called Best Stories You've Never Read.

**Alexis Poe**, Southern High School, is in love with the college atmosphere at Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia, where she is majoring in Early Childhood Education.

### 2018



**Jessica Thompson**, Southern High School, is a sophomore at the University of Maryland majoring in Special Education and Elementary Education with a minor in Human Development. She is being challenged in her classes as she studied the Philosophy of Teaching and Child Development.

### 2017



**Hana Vicenta**, South River High School, will be graduating in May, 2020, from the University of Maryland with a degree in English Language and Literature as she plans to teach eighth grade English after completing the M.Ed. program.

### 2016



**Christine Swartz**, Severna Park High School, is a senior at James Madison University who will graduate with a BA in History and then begin her 5<sup>th</sup> year with an accelerated Masters in the Arts of Teaching with a dual licensure in Secondary Social Studies Education and Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages.

## Annapolis/Anne Arundel Financial Education Coalition

“AARSPA partners with AAAFEC to combat financial literacy issues”

**Interested** in learning more about important financial topics?

**Interested** in helping AACPS students improve their financial literacy?

**Volunteer** to be a guest speaker on financial literacy!

**Volunteer speakers needed:** The Coalition (AAAFEC) has been invited to build a Financial Literacy Speaker Bureau for AACPS. AAAFEC is partnering with AARSPA to recruit and train volunteers to teach financial education in AACPS middle school classrooms. The volunteer guest speaker will work alongside teachers to deliver 30 - 40 minute talks on financial literacy topics that align with AACPS' six personal financial literacy curriculum standards. All volunteers will have access to free financial literacy preparation conducted in a casual, fun setting.

More information: Contact Andy Baer at [andrewbaer58@gmail.com](mailto:andrewbaer58@gmail.com) or (239) 687-6464.



“For last year's words belong to last year's language  
And next year's words await another voice.  
And to make an end is to make a beginning.”

(*Little Gidding*)  
— T.S. Eliot



**MEETING DATES**



**OTHER DATES**

**Executive Board Meetings**

April 8, 2020 Center 2A (10:00 - 12:00 )  
 June 11, 2020 Free School (10:00 - 12:00)  
 July 9, 2020 Center 2A (10:00 - 12:00)

**General Membership Meetings. - 10:30 a.m.**

February 13, 2020 Blue Dolphin Restaurant,  
 Crofton  
 May 14, 2020 Renditions, Crofton

January 28, 2020 Deadline for February *AARSPA Informer*  
 February 19, 2020 AARSPA Legislative Luncheon, Miller  
 Senate Office building, Annapols  
 March 18-19, 2020 Florida Gathering, St. Cloud, FL  
 March 28, 2020 Pre-Retirement Seminar, BOE, Annapolis

**February Luncheon and General Membership Meeting**

**Donation Opportunities:**



Socks and Underwear  
 Pet Supplies  
 Toiletries

**DATE:** Thursday, February 13, 2020  
**PLACE:** Blue Dolphin Seafood Bar and Restaurant  
 1166 Rt. 3, South, Suite 201, Gambrills, MD

**DIRECTIONS:** **From Annapolis:** Take MD Rt. 50 to MD Rt. 424 and turn right at end of ramp. After you cross MD Rt. 3 go approximately .01 mile and make right into Princess Shopping Center. **From Baltimore:** Take Interstate 97 South to Rt. 3, South/Crofton. Go 5 traffic lights and bare right on MD Rt. 424/Conway Rd. Go approximately .01 mile and make right into Princess Shopping Center. **From Washington:** Take MD Rt. 50 East towards Annapolis. Take Exit 13b/ MD Rt. 3 North. Follow 4 traffic lights and make a left onto MD Rt. 424/Conway Rd. Go approximately .01 mile and make a right into Princess Shopping Center. Park in the rear of the building and use the private entrance to the banquet hall.

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

No refunds after FIRM  
 reservation deadline  
**February 3, 2020**

**PLEASE NO WALK-INS**

**MEAL CHOICES:** Our **entrée choices** are: **Crab Cake**, 14 oz. New York **Strip Steak**, or **Chicken Marsala** served with vegetable and mashed potato. A mixed salad with two dressings will be available on the table. Coffee, tea, or soft drink will also be available. There are three **dessert choices**: chocolate mousse, strawberry shortcake, or carrot cake.



**Make checks payable to AARSPA and mail to**  
**Bob Kanach, 512 Augusta Drive,**  
**Arnold, MD 21012**

Should the weather be inclement, and if **AACPS has a delayed opening or is closed**, the luncheon will be moved to the snow date of February 20, 2020.

*Cut below and keep the upper portion for your reference!*



**LUNCH RESERVATION - Deadline February 3, 2020**

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Name (s) - Including Contact Person above	Crab Cake	Steak	Chicken	Shortcake	Mousse	Carrot Cake
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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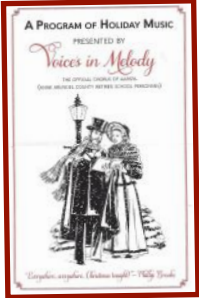
Number of reservations \_\_\_\_\_ X \$32.00 per person = Total Due: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Please check if this is your first AARSPA luncheon.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Please check if you are an Emeritus Member (90 or greater)



# AARSPA OUT AND ABOUT

The AARSPA chorus, *Voices in Melody*, spread holiday cheer throughout Anne Arundel County. They presented a series of eight concerts in senior centers and rehabilitation centers to rave reviews.



The AARSPA Scholarship Committee hosted two fundraising events in October. On October 10, AARSPA members met at the Brian Boru Pub in Severna Park to enjoy Irish fare, raising funds to support AARSPA scholarships. A second fundraiser was held at Killarney House in Davidsonville on October 21.



Gregg and  
Brenda Gibson



Tillie Barckley



Jim and Carla Duls



Dan and Deb Ahalt

AARSPA members hopped aboard buses to travel to two destinations recently. On October 16, members journeyed to the Eisenhower National Historic Site and Gettysburg Battle Field. Members enjoyed the Riverside Dinner Theater "Christmas Spectacular" Fredericksburg, Virginia, on December 13.



Joanne Antkowiak  
and Nancy Horne



Millie Gardner, Charlie  
Gable, and Leslie Schell

# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Happy New Year from your membership committee. This is a friendly reminder that it is never too late to join (or rejoin) MSRSPA (Maryland State Retired School Personnel Association) and AARSPA (Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association). These two organizations are the "watchdogs" of your state and local benefits which all of us cherish. Whether you live in Anne Arundel County, the state of Maryland, or outside the state, these groups work diligently to preserve and protect your future. Many of our local leadership, who are also state members, serve at the state level which provides a unique perspective. If you, or someone you know, has yet to join or renew, please feel free to contact me, Leslie Heiderman Schell, at 410.969.0129 or [lahschell@verizon.net](mailto:lahschell@verizon.net).

# WELCOME

**New Member 9/24/19 - 12/30/19**

- |                 |               |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Kay Dambach     | Sean Swanson  |
| Carolyn Keenan  | Susan Wilson  |
| Amy Lynn Praley | Andrea Zamora |
| Patti Robertson |               |



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)**



Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association  
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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:** \_\_\_\_\_

**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 all checks to:**  
 Matilda Barckley  
 8238 Great Bend Road  
 Glen Burnie, Maryland 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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