

# CRSPA



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Greetings To All!

As I sit to write this message, I'm aware we are heading into that time of year where we are all busy getting ready for the Thanksgiving and December Holiday gatherings. It's a time to be with and enjoy family and friends and I'm looking forward to it. It is also a time when we can remember and reflect on all the blessing that are still in our lives. As a community we have been through many ups and downs these last three years. Hopefully we will all have a healthy and happy year in 2023.

I want to thank all those who were able to attend our October 5th meeting. It was nice getting back to the Christ Church Fellowship Hall. Members were again excited to catch up with friends and hear about summer vacations and adventures. Committee reports were given and members shared ideas and thoughts. Unfortunately our MRSPA President, Ms. Carla Duls, and Executive Director, Ms. Wanda Twigg were unable to join us as they had planned. They are hoping to attend a future meeting in 2023.

I want to thank Bob Riccardo for attending the September 27<sup>th</sup> MRSPA Leadership Zoom Workshop with me. Much was discussed regarding engagement, belonging, and succession planning in regard to membership involvement. I also want to thank him for putting together our meeting Ice Breaker, Seek and Find. It was fun trying to find someone who could complete one of the six statements. Two that were a challenge to me - finding someone who can speak one or more languages other than English and someone who has 10 or more grandchildren. Thank you to our Community Outreach Committee Chairs Debbie Hance and Jan Travers. The Meals on Wheels Fall Project was very successful, raising over \$1900 to donate. CRSPA is truly a membership team effort and I thank everyone for all you do to make us successful.

I am hoping to see many of you at our December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Guests are always welcome if you would like to bring a friend or spouse to our Holiday Season Meeting. You will need to contact Loujeania Johnson to make a lunch reservation. (Full information on Page 3.) We will have several special guests with us. The new Calvert County Superintendent, Dr. Andrae Townsel will be joining us as well as Calvert County's Teacher of the Year - Rachael Ulmer, an English Teacher from Huntingtown High, and the Educational Support Professional of the Year - Dana Smith a School Nurse from Plum Point Middle. Entertainment will be provided by the Choir from Huntingtown High under the direction of Sandra Daelemans. We will again be collecting school supplies or money donations to be given to CCPS Student Services Department. These supplies and funds will be used to help CCPS students in the New Year. Anything you think that students can use will be greatly appreciated and is a wonderful way to give back to our schools.

With all good wishes for a wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year,

**Barbara M. McKimmie**



# In Memoriam

## **Winnie Heberle**

***May 10, 1939 — Date Unknown, 2022***



It is with sadness that we share the passing of Winnie Heberle. Winnie had been ill for some time now. She had been a member of our organization for 20 years.

Winnie lived in Middletown, Virginia, with her husband, John. We have heard that there was no service, and we have been unable to locate an obituary. We have, however received a message that her husband would be grateful to hear any stories, shared by those who knew her as a teacher. If you worked with Winnie and are willing to share something with John, please send a note to John Heberle, PO Box 606, Middletown, VA 22455-0606.

## **Grace Louise Creeger Wood Cook**

***November 23, 1927 — August 1, 2022***



Grace Louise Creeger Wood “Susie” Cook of West Palm Beach, Florida passed away on August 1, 2022 at the age of 94. She was born on November 23, 1927 in Thurmont, MD. the “middle child”, as she loved to say, of seven siblings. She graduated from Thurmont High School and attended the University of Maryland where she graduated with a degree in education. Thus began her long career as a kindergarten and first grade teacher. She taught in Frederick County, Md. at Thurmont and the Walkersville Elementary schools before moving to Calvert County in 1969 where she taught at the Solomons and Appeal Elementary schools. She retired after 40 years of teaching. She loved teaching all her life and instilled the love of reading into her young students. A role model as a professional educator, Susie continued to support public schools as a member of the Calvert Retired Personnel Association.

She was devoted to her family, and especially her children, Penni, Pete and Chip. She excelled at being a mother and was always cognizant of her children’s situations and abilities. She was their greatest fan and supporter! Her other love was her church, Middleham & St. Peter’s Parish, where she was a member of the choir, Daughters of the King and a Lay Eucharistic Minister.

After moving to Calvert County, she lived in Scientists’ Cliffs in Port Republic until moving to the Asbury Solomons retirement community. In March, 2020 just as the Covid pandemic began, she moved to West Palm Beach, Florida in 2020 to live closer to her daughter. She was still her sweet and loving self until her death.

She was predeceased by her husband of 25 years, Charlie Cook.

A memorial service will be held in Thurmont, Maryland on April 22, 2023.

*Teachers affect eternity; no one can tell where their influence stops.*

**Henry Brooks Adams**



# CRSPA's Next Meeting

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## Safety Tips

If someone calls and promises you COVID-19 tests, medical equipment or medical services in return for your Medicare number, hang up. It's fraudulent activity.



**Date:** Wednesday, December 7, 2022

**Place:** Christ Church Parish—Port Republic, MD

**Time:** 11:30am Lunch; 1pm Meeting

**Program:** Celebrating the Holidays Season

**Guest Speakers:** Dr. Townsel, CCPS Superintendent  
CCPS Teacher and Support Staff of the Year

**Entertainment:** Huntingtown High School Choir

**Menu:** Garden Salad, Seasoned Green Beans, Yellow Rice, Chicken, Cranberry Stuffing, Honey Ham, Rolls/Butter, Assorted Desserts, Tea, Coffee, and Water

**Cost:** \$20

**Reservations Required:** Call Loujeania Johnson at 410-586-1066 or email her at lsjohnson58@verizon.net by December 5th.



## Save These Dates

2022-2023 CRSPA Meeting Dates

### Executive Meetings

- November 30, 2022
- March 1, 2023
- April 12, 2023

### General Meetings

- December 7, 2022
- March 8, 2023
- April 19, 2023

## Welcoming New Members!

*Catherine Page*

*Barbara Tompkins*

*Diane Workman*

## October's Meeting Door Prize Winners

Bob Riccardo  
Carole Wagner  
Carolyn Sacher  
Jan Travers  
Allyson Sigler

Tricia Politte  
Cathy Lucas  
Misty Ellison  
Bridget Kluwin  
Cathy Page



## MRSPA Foundation Fund

The MRSPA Community Service and Scholarship Committees provide tremendous support to students and staff in our schools across Maryland. Therefore, we are seeking **donations** to the *MRSPA Foundation Fund* so that we can continue our work. Again, this year, raffle tickets will be purchased solely through the MRSPA newsletter using the form below and through local association newsletters using the same form. All donations are tax deductible and come with our thanks and appreciation!

Your name will be entered into a drawing upon receipt of your donation based on this criterion: Donations of \$10 will earn 1 raffle ticket while donations of \$25 will earn 3 raffle tickets incrementally. MRSPA staff will write your name on the correct number of tickets when we receive your check. The drawing will take place at the May 2023 Annual Business Meeting whether held in person or virtually. You can win the \$300 cash first prize, a Maryland themed basket valued at \$150 second prize, or one of 5 third place themed baskets valued at \$75: Cooking, Spa, Wine Lover, Movie Night, and Sports Lover. Out of state winners will receive gift cards in lieu of basket contents.

**Entering the drawing is fun and easy!**

1. Make your **check payable** to **AEF FBO MRSPA Foundation Fund R22420**
2. Write **MRSPA Foundation Fund R22420** on the FOR line
3. Date and **sign** your check
4. **Mail** check and completed form to MRSPA at 8379 Piney Orchard Parkway, Suite A, Odenton, MD 21113 **before March 22, 2023**

**Will you send a donation today?**

**Receipts will be sent via US Mail.**



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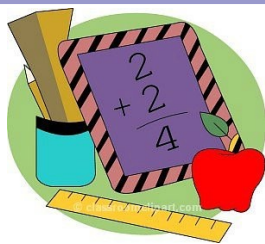
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## CRSPA: Community Outreach Winter Project



### School Supplies

CRSPA will again collect school supplies and monetary donations to donate to CCPS Student Services at our **December 7th** General Meeting. All donations are greatly appreciated and will be distributed by Student Services.

**If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, you may (1) drop off a check to the Community Bank of the Chesapeake, (2) mail your check to Merry Ellen McGown, CRSPA Treasurer, 9140 Nana Russell Road, Owings, MD 20736, or (3) bring a check, cash, or school supply to our December 7th meeting. Make all checks payable to CRSPA and please put in the check memo line School Supplies. If you donate, you get an extra ticket for one of the door prizes at the December meeting! Donating ends Dec. 7th.**

# This and That!

## Certificate of Appreciation

Presented to

Calvert County Retired School Personnel Association  
for your generous support  
to Calvert Meals on Wheels, Inc.

Given this 26th day of October, 2022

Shirl E. Hendley, President

*Shirl E. Hendley*

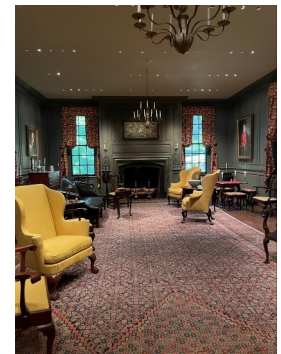
## North Beach Senior Center



Community Outreach's Fall Project donated \$1910 to Calvert Meals on Wheels. Jan and Debbie presented the check to Shirl Hendley, CMOW President.



## CRSPA's Day at Winterthur Museum!





## Treasurer's Report

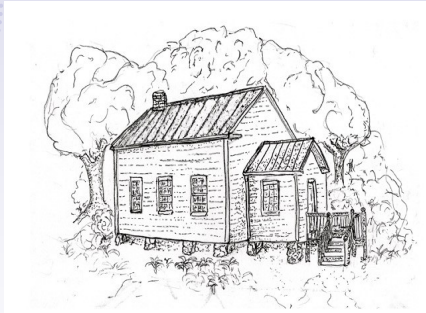
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\$10,005.00



# Save the Date

**Toby's Dinner Theater  
January 11, 2023,  
Wednesday Matinee**



**The One Room School House in Port Republic completed another successful Fall Session. Students from Dowell, PAC, St. Leonard, Mutual, Barstow, and Calvert elementaries spent the day reliving life in the 1930s.**

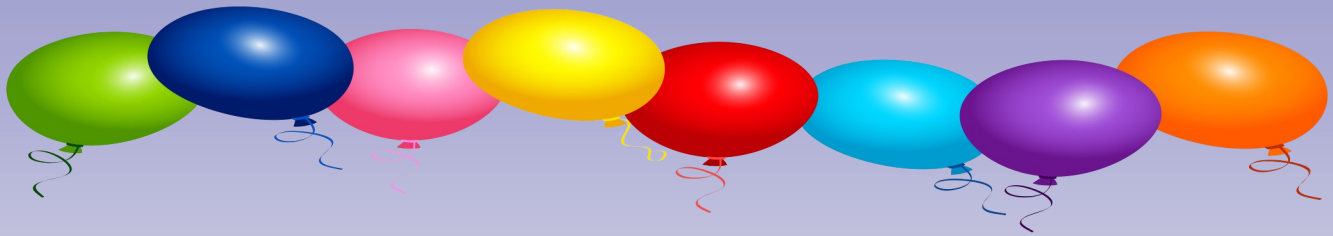


**Port Republic School #7 needs more classroom teachers, farm life presenters, and trail guides.**

**Whether you can give a day or an hour we will welcome and train you.**

**Call Carol Khalili 410-474-2692.**

# Happy Birthday CRSPA Members



## December

Sandra Burton 2  
Annetta Spruill 2  
Charlotte Clark 15  
Tricia Politte 16  
Debbie Hance 22  
Lula McDonald 25  
Amy Gibson 28

## January

Victoria Frierson 1  
Bridget Kluwin 1  
Kay Weber 5  
Gail Black 6  
Bruce Armstrong 10  
Arthur Fournier 10  
Jackie Gray 13  
Linda Sinagra-Smith 13  
Phillip Bikle 19  
Mary Connell 21  
Jan Hill 21  
Pam Mackall 22  
Guffrie Smith 25  
Debbie Wilson 25  
Christine Coffren 26

## February

Carol Gross 1  
Sharon Damalouji 6  
Kathleen Gardner 8  
Susan Shifflett 10  
Cynthia Hayward 12  
Anna Laughlin 12  
Misty Ellison 15  
Daisy Hardenstine 16  
Eugene Uhlan 16  
Cathy Lucas 19  
Bob Riccardo 20  
Peggy Vogel 22  
Suzanne Zimmerman 22  
Claire Hayward 28

## REMEMBER!

Our next meeting on December 7th begins at 11:30am. To reserve your lunch you must call or email Loujeania at 410-586-1066 or lsjohnson58@verizon.net by December 5th.



## Important Links

Website: <https://lynncox1.wixsite.com/calvert>

FaceBook: <https://www.facebook.com/calvertretiredschoolpersonnel>

MRSPA: <https://www.mrspa.org/>

CCPS: <https://www.calvertnet.k12.md.us/departments/human-resources/> Retiree Benefits

SRA: <https://sra.maryland.gov/>  
State Retirement and Pension System

*The CRSPA Newsletter is published in September, November, January, and March. Copies are emailed and mailed and can also be found on our website.*

[www.crspa.org](http://www.crspa.org)

For the latest newsletter, meetings, legislative updates, photos, and more

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