

# **CRSPA**



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## President's Message

Hello everyone,

The days are longer, the nights are getting warmer, the birds are singing, and we can finally put our heavy coats and gloves in the back of the closet. I am especially happy that we will again be gathering in person for our General Meeting on April 6, 2022, at O'Gannigan's in Prince Frederick starting at 11:00 a.m. I am sure we all have a lot to share with one anther since our last time together in 2020. Please remember to RSVP Debbie Hance that you will be attending the meeting. You can order off the menu. Everyone can pay separately for their meal. We will not be using Zoom for this meeting. The following topics will be discussed during our business meeting.

- Bills submitted to the General Assembly for the Spring 2022 Session
- ♦ No increase in CRSPA or MRSPA dues for FY 2022 and FY 2023
- Bridget Scott, Retirement Coordinator for Calvert County Public Schools, will share updates on our Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Care Plans. She will also address any open enrollment questions (that will occur in May).
- ♦ Nominations for CRSPA executive board
- ♦ Day Trippers Updates
- ♦ Raffle Prizes and more

Looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday, April 6, 2022.

Sincerely, Vicky Karol, CRSPA President

### Save These Dates

2021-2022 CRSPA Meeting Dates

Executive Mtgs/TEAMS

March 30 @ 11am

General Meeting

April 6 @ 11am—2pm
 O'Gannigan's Prince Frederick
 No Zoom available



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

# CRSPA's Next Meeting

**CRSPA Executive Board** 

2021-2022

**President** 

Dr. Vicky Karol

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**Vice President** 

Linda Mooney

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**Immediate Past President** 

Barbara McKimmie

**Recording Secretary** 

Vacancy

**Corresponding Secretary** 

Fran Armstrong

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**Treasurer** 

Merry Ellen McGown mellen20639@yahoo.com

**Newsletter** 

Debbie Hance debbiejhance@gmail.com

### **Safety Tips**

KNOW THE RED FLAGS

To begin with, if anyone contacts you and insists on payment by a wire transfer or gift card, it's a scam. End the conversation immediately.



Date: Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Place: O'Gannigans, Solomons Island Road, Prince Frederick

Time: 11am-2pm

Program: Remembrance of Members

Cost: Order off menu. Each member is responsible for their

own bill.

**RSVP:** CRSPA General Meeting RSVP



**Welcoming New Member** 

**Kimberly Roof** 

### **Zoom Door Prize Winners!**

Ray Enrico Pam Mackall Jan Travers



Carol Khalili Carole Wagner Carol Howard

**School Supplies** CRSPA is collecting school supplies and money donations this year to give to CCPS Student Services at our <u>April 6th</u> General Meeting. Cash donations are also welcomed. All items are greatly appreciated and will be distributed by Student Services.

Collection will be at our April 6th General Meeting.



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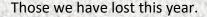
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### **Remembrance of Departed Members**

We pay tribute to friends whose lives have brought us joy, whose deaths brought us sadness, but whose memories bring us inspiration to carry on the work.



## **Evonne Ellen Thompson Russell H. Costley Barbara Bowen Elliott**

Their beautiful spirits are indomitable and their influences will endure. In mystery we are born, in mystery we live, and in mystery we die.



Archives - Vacancy

Auditing - Gary Graff

Community Outreach Co-Chairs - Jan Travers & Debbie Hance

Constitution/Bylaws - Anita Shephard Day Trippers Co-Chairs - Lynn Cox & Mellen McGown

Electronic Notifications Co-Chairs - Becky Lebow & Debbie Hance

- Hospitality Loujeania Johnson
  - Legislation Co-Chairs Ray Enrico & Vacancy
- Membership Co-Chairs Barbara McKimmie & Maureen Sengtack
- Necrology Co-Chairs Pam Mackall & Beatrice J. Fletcher

Nominations - Carole Wagner One-Room School - Carol Khalili Old Wallville School - Vacancy

CRSPA Newsletter Co-Chairs - Debbie Hance & Nancy Zinn

Scholarship Co-Chairs - Maureen Sengtack & Barbara McKimmie

Website - Lynn Cox





Calvert Marine Museum— March 29, 2022

Register Here

Coming Soon! Mt. Vernon—May 3, 2022

Our own Tricia Politte will be our docent!

Treasurer's Report March 2022

Balance: \$7,706.78



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## Happy Birthday CRSPA Members

<u>June</u>	July	<u> August</u>
Mary Horsmon 5	Nancy Highsmith 1	Berta Airey 6
Patrick Buzzerd 6	Leslie Baczynski 4	Inez Jones 9
Josephine Deska 6	Casey Duehrssen 6	Valerie Weems-Garber 9
Deborah Smith 7	Karen Neal 11	Barbara Fringer 13
Adrian Beard 10	Nicholas Parr 12	Jean Radeacker 13
Donna White 11	Carole Wagner 14	Donna Robertson 13
Susan Hammond 14	Glen Moulton 15	Lavetta Hutchins 20
Gretchen Jankovitz 16	Gayle Reid 17	Shirley Long 23
Rose Marie Mraz 16	Carolyn Distler 20	Barbara Smith-White 24
Geeta Holden 18	Desiree Stamps 25	Carol Donovan 25
Carolyn McHale 24	Bernadette Hager 26	JoAnn Hill 26
Bonnie Peterson 25	Sally Ayres 27	Irving Long 27
Beatrice Simpson-Brown 28	Alice Plater 27	Patrice Jenkins 28
Charles Craft 29	Kathryn Coleman 28	Lynn Cox 30

## **CRSPA Members Milestone Years in 2022**

#### **25+ Years** 10 Years Jane Fletcher 41 Berta Airey Vivian Jones 41 20 Years **Bruce Armstrong** Barbara Barrett 36 Barbara Fringer Mary Bannerman Alice Gray Grace Cook 34 Mary Connell Winnie Heberle Robert Conway 31 **Gary Graff** Glossie Leake 31 Jean Radeacker Bernadette Hager Irving Long 30 Cynthia Hayward Matthew Barnhill 28 Karen Neal Zelma Jones Brooks 28 Sharon Whalen Jean Rose 28 15 Years Ronald Rose 28 Fran Armstrong Eugene Uhlan 28 Beatrice Simpson-Brown 5 Years Dorothy Greene 27 Karen Burnett Shirley Long 27 **Debbie Hance** Donna Robertson 25 Congratulations! E Lloyd Robertson 25 Nancy Smith 25



# 2022 Maryland Legislation



As of 3-12-22, the only legislation listed on the government website that has passed both houses of MD's congress is the <u>Legislative Redistricting Plan of 2020</u>. It has been sent to the Governor for approval or veto.

Several other issues are controversial and worthy of attention.

- 1) Lawmakers will be voting on the fiscal year 2023 budget. Like many states, thanks to federal recovery funds, Maryland has a \$6 billion surplus this year, some of which will be incorporated into the upcoming budget. Governor Hogan has said he'd like to spend it on items like the rainy day fund, shoring up the federal food aid program, known as SNAP, and additional pay for state employees, including police officers.
- 2) Senate Bill 528, the <u>Climate Solutions Now Act</u>, aims to drastically reduce Maryland's use of greenhouse gas emissions. The bill is co-sponsored by Senator Michael Jackson (D-PG/Calvert). Senator Jack Bailey (R-Cal/St. Mary's) stated, "This bill proposes the total phase-out of energy sources such as propane, heating oil, and natural gas for residential and commercial buildings by 2040. Fourteen Republican senators and I are trying to stop or amend this bill. This will have a negative affect on small businesses and residents."
- 3) SB367 and HB716 propose to reinstate environmental advocates to the Patuxent River Commission. These bills are in response to the removal of Riverkeeper, Fred Tutman and other watershed advocates who were not reappointed to their positions by State Planning Secretary, Robert McCord. Tutman served on the commission for 23 years and stated that the only longer serving member was the late Senator Bernie Fowler. As the Patuxent Riverkeeper, Tutman and others dismissed served as stewards for the river and worked to protect its interests. McCord's explanation of the dismissals was "Fred Tutman, in particular, was not reappointed out of a desire to have a new perspective added to the commission." Tutman commented, "talking about the river's water quality is the only thing we do. If you ask good questions about bad development, that attracts attention. I believe that is the nexus of why we were tossed off this commission. We were moved away from the discussion table and into the audience." The Patuxent River is Maryland's longest and stretches 115 miles from its headwaters near Damascus through or past eight counties to the Chesapeake Bay.
- 4) Maryland's US Senator, Ben Cardin, stated that two spending measures of the US Federal Congress—the \$1 trillion Infrastructure Bill and the Omnibus Appropriations Bill could provide funds to get the Thomas Johnson bridge replaced. In January, MDOT Secretary, Jim Ports, told the Southern Maryland Tri-County Council, "It's just not possible (for Maryland) to fund this project."

Submitted by Ray Enrico, Legislative Chair



# Calvert Retired School Personnel Association Nomination Form Submitted by: Carole Wagner, Nominations Chair

### We are in need of these Board Members. These are the duties of elected officers.

### **President**

- a. Shall preside at all general meetings and at all Executive Board and Executive Committee meetings
- b. Shall appoint and present the standing and special committee chairs for his/her term of office
- c. Shall call special meetings as the need arises
- d. Shall call to the attention of the members any situation influencing their well-being, and ask support for activities required to meet such situations
- e. Shall approve all expense vouchers, except vouchers submitted by the President
- f. Shall be authorized to appoint ad hoc committees as the need arises
- g. Shall, with the approval of the Executive Committee, fill any vacancy which may occur among the officers of this Association

officers of this Association	
Nomination from the floor:	 
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### **Vice President**

- a. Shall in the absence or incapacity of the President, have the powers of, and perform all the duties of the President
- b. Shall succeed to the Office of President at any time the Office of President becomes vacant
- c. Shall perform such duties as are prescribed by the President and/or the Executive Committee

d. Shall	approve all expense vouchers submitted by the President
	Nomination from the floor:
	Nomination from the floor:

### **Recording Secretary**

Shall take the minutes and maintain a full record of all business transacted at regular and special
meetings and meetings of the Executive Committee
Nomination from the floor:
Nomination from the floor:





### **New Member Recruitment Incentive!**

Earn a \$10 gift card for each NEW MEMBER you sign up as a DUES DEDUCTION member.





This allows automatic renewal, so no membership interruption while











Write your name on the membership application, as recruiter.
Return the completed application to:

MRSPA 8379 Piney Orchard Parkway, Suite A Odenton, MD 21113

Questions: Email MRSPA at mrspa@mrspa.org or call MRSPA at 410-551-1517







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## Join or Rejoin MRSPA

\$10 Special on New MRSPA Dues March 1 - May 31, 2022 only Plus your CRSPA Dues (\$10) For 2021 –2022 Click Here

# Why Join MRSPA?

Find out **HERE!** 

## Calvert County Board of Education Appoints Superintendent of Schools



At the Board of Education's meeting on March 24th, Board Members appointed Dr. Andrae Townsel as the next superintendent of Calvert County Public Schools (CCPS). Dr. Townsel will assume the role on July 1, 2022, contingent upon the approval of the appointment, in writing, by the State Superintendent of Schools. With the announcement, Dr. Townsel becomes the first African American to be appointed Superintendent in Calvert County. For more on Dr. Townsel click HERE.



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