

# **CRSPA**

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#### Presidents' Message

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Well, it's another pleasant weather afternoon in September as I sit here preparing this message to welcome everyone back for another fun CRSPA year. On behalf of Barbara, who is on a wonderful European cruise, and I, we are looking forward to seeing everyone and getting reacquainted at our first meeting of this school year, on Wednesday, October 1st. We hope you will be able to attend this inperson meeting and luncheon.

The summer started off with quite a bang with all the heat that rolled in during June and July. Prior to that, your CRSPA representatives attended the annual MRSPA Business Meeting in Ellicott City. The meeting was informative and the new MRPSA logo was officially launched. The subject of recruiting new members continues to be a priority, not only at the state level, but from the local associations, including ours, as well.

Your CRSPA Executive Board met on August 27th to plan out our current year. It was great getting to see everyone and enjoy lunch together as we discussed options for our quarterly meetings. Our October 1st meeting will include a presentation from Kristy Owen from the Calvert County Department on Aging. I am sure we will receive an interesting and informative presentation. Again, we hope you will attend.

There is always so much going on with our active CRSPA organization. Our current community service project is with the Calvert Churches Community Food Pantry. If you would like to support this organization, please check out our Facebook page or bring a non-perishable food item or cash/check (made out to CRSPA) to our October meeting. Have you noticed how often I have mentioned our October 1st meeting? That's because we would really like to see you, so mark your calendar. The next meeting after that will be on December 3rd.

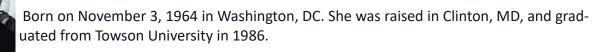
If you haven't already done so and you are a Facebook member, please "follow" us. You will find the CRSPA page if you search for Calvert Retired School Personnel Association. There is always something interesting to catch up on, so please check it out.

Ok my friends. That's all for now. We wish you a happy start to the Fall Season. Keep enjoying the lovely weather.

Bob Riccardo and Barbara McKimmie, CRSPA Co-Presidents

## In Memoriam





While attending a wedding in May of 1987, Justine met her future husband, Michael A. Novy. They were married in October of 1988 and resided in Clinton, Maryland. They have two children, Angela and David. The family moved to Huntingtown, Maryland in

1993. Shortly after becoming empty nesters, Justine and Mike fulfilled a dream and moved to Washington, DC, in 2015.

Justine loved being a wife and mom and stayed home with her children until they entered school. She was employed by the Calvert County School System and was a history teacher at Northern High School where she finished the last 15 years of her career. She was a proud member of the NHS Family.

In 2008 Justine was diagnosed with a rare blood cancer but was able to manage it with help. Sadly, after a tremendously courageous fight, she lost her battle with Leukemia and passed away on June 20, 2025.

She is survived by her husband, Michael A. Novy and her children, Angela Novy (Nathan) and David Novy (Ryan).

Pease consider sending a donation in Justine's name to: The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society: www.lls.org

### Glossie Malline Crawley Leake September 1, 1932 - July 13, 2025

Mrs. Glossie Malline Crawley Leake, age ninety-two, departed this life Sunday, July 13, 2025. She was born September 1, 1932 in Person County and was a member of Hyco Zion Baptist Church.

Glossie was educated in the Person County School System and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education from Winston-Salem Teacher's College and received

her Master's of Science Degree in Early Childhood Education from Bowie State University in Bowie, Maryland in 1972. She was employed by the Calvert County Public School System in 1960 until her retirement in 1991.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Auley Ross Leake, Jr. She leaves to cherish precious memories, one brother, Curtis Crawley (Cora) of Baltimore, Maryland.

The funeral service was held Saturday, July 19, 2025 at the Hyco Zion Baptist Church, North Carolina. Burial followed at the Hyco Zion Baptist Church Cemetery.



# CRSPA's Next Meeting



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### **Safety Tips**

Ignore phone calls from numbers you don't know. Let the caller leave a message; you can scan later to see if the call was from a person or business you know and trust.



Date: Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Place: Christ Church Parish – Port Republic, MD

Time: 12pm Lunch; 1pm Meeting **Program: Welcoming Fall and Friends** 

**Guest Speakers:** Kristy Owen, Calvert County Department on Aging

Menu: Caesar Salad, Chicken Masala, Steamed Vegetables, Crab

Balls, Roasted Potatoes, Rolls, Dessert, and Beverages

Cost: \$20

RSVP by September 28,2025. Call Loujeania Johnson at 410-586-

1066 or email her at lsjohnson58@verizon.net.

#### **Save These Date**

2025-2026 CRSPA Meeting Dates

Executive Mtgs./Zoom

- December 3, 2025
- February 4, 2026
- April 1, 2026

**General Meetings** 

- October 1, 2025
- December 10, 2025
- February 11, 2026 Snow Date – February 18th
- April 8, 2026



### **Welcoming New Member**

Carol W. Dargan



#### DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ....about IRMAA?

Submitted by Jan Travers

I recently learned that some income brackets will have an Income Related Monthly Adjustment Amount - and Medicare surcharge. The attached handout explains how this could affect you - if not now, perhaps in the future depending on life changes - and moves you can make to avoid or prepare for it.

Please see second attachment to this email.

# Good Times at our April Meeting!



CRSPA Officers 2025-2026



**Memorial Ceremony** 



Betty Weller, MRSPA President



Donna Hase, CareFirst BC/BS

**Account Specialist** 



Jennifer Stalker and Nellie McClung, CCPS Human Resources









**CRSPA Community Outreach Presentation** 

Bob, Jan, and Debbie present Randy Kozik, Christmas in April VP, with CRSPA memberships' donation of \$2100.





In June, Jan and Debbie added additional supplies to the CCPS Hygiene Closets.

Accepting those items for Pupil Services is Linnea Haines.

## **CRSPA: Community Outreach Fall Project**

Our *Fall Project* will be a monetary or non-perishable food item donation to Calvert Churches Community Food Pantry located on Jibsail Drive, Prince Frederick. Their consortium of nine local churches serves over 800 people in Calvert County. To learn more about this group visit their website at <a href="https://www.cccfp.org">www.cccfp.org</a>.

If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, you may (1) drop off a check at the <u>Shore United Bank</u> made out to <u>CRSPA</u>, (2) mail your check to Merry Ellen McGown, CRSPA Treasurer, 9140 Nana Russell Road, Owings, MD 20736, (3) bring a check or cash to our October 1st meeting, or (4) bring non-perishable food items to our October 1st meeting.

Make all checks payable to CRSPA and please put in the memo line Calvert Churches Food Pantry.

As mentioned, you may donate non-perishable food. The CCCFP site mentions these items as most needed.

Tuna Fish

Peanut Butter and Jelly

Canned Fruit and Vegetables

Canned Pasta

Canned Pork and Beans

Canned String Beans

Soups (canned/dry)

Cereals (hot/dry)

Macaroni and Cheese

Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce

\*If you donate, you get an extra ticket for a door prize at the October meeting!\*

\*\*Donating starts today and ends October 1, 2025.\*\*





### **Important Links**

Website: https://www.crspa.org

FaceBook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/calvertretiredschoolpersonnel">https://www.facebook.com/calvertretiredschoolpersonnel</a>

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













## Carlyle House Historic Park

Alexandria, Virginia June 19, 2025































Docent Mary





















Docent Sue







Van Driver

# Happy Birthday CRSPA Members

<u>September</u>	October	November
Marquerite Kaupp 2	Lloyd Robertson 1	Dorothy Gre
Carolyn DeBolt 4	Lynn Gauthier 3	Barbara Tho
Loujeania Johnson 4	Pat O'Brien 3	JoAnn Rober
Margaret Jenkins 5	Lamar Giles 4	Diane Workr
Jean Phillips 5	Jan Travers 4	Carma Latva
Lorraine Shamberger 5	Allyson Sigler 5	Robert Conw
Janette Wysocki 5	Cheryl Blockland 6	Gary Graff 8
Gene Bridgett 7	Gwendolyn Brooks 8	Juanita Whit
Mark Hammersla 8	Judith Buckler 8	Ellie Girsang
Geraldine Lee 8	Ron Saunders 10	Christine Sch
Joe Clark 13	Donna Boylan 13	Anita Shepho

Carol Schmitz-Corken 18 Cathy Page 18 Cheryl Lord 21 Pat Quinn 21 Vicky Karol 22 Stephanie Riddle 22 Carolyn Sacker 23 Carol Khalili 24 Nancy Zinn 26 Carol Ann Howard 27 Art Hefferon 28

Maureen Sengstack 28

Anne Weems 29

Jeanne Bass 15

Sharone Whalen 15

Donna Boylan 13 Don Phelps 14 Fran Armstrong 15 Becky Lebow 19 Elaine Bradley 20 Eva Cox 20 Ellen Hahn 21 Valerie Weems-Garber 27 Kim Roof 27 Jackie Gray 29 Christine Blesy-Krohn 29 Kim Seton 29

othy Greene 1 bara Thompkins 2 nn Roberts 4 ne Workman 4 ma Latvala 5 ert Conway 6 y Graff 8 nita White 9 e Girsang 10 istine Schmidt 10 Anita Shepherd 10 Judith Haines 14 Iris Schaecher 21 Louvenia Banks 24 Patti Prohaska 24 Oreal Morsell 27 Janet Gross 28 Jeff Walker 29



# Honoring our Emeritus Members

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

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

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