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President's Message by Kathy Campagnoli

Dear Fellow Members,

Thanksgiving Day is just around the corner, reminding us to acknowledge the goodness in our lives. We should remember that when Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November a day for giving thanks, our country was immersed in the turmoil of civil war. However, Lincoln still chose to believe in a better future and to feel grateful, because he asserted that gratitude does not come from our circumstances; it comes from how we choose to see the world. Should we not try to emulate Lincoln and choose gratitude in the face of adversity? Although many of our members have lost loved ones this year or have suffered health challenges themselves, they have remained mindful about the importance of being thankful and the readiness to show kindness and appreciation. This newsletter is dedicated to our members, for we are grateful for your staunch support of our association and its initiatives. We are thankful for you and your fellowship. We count each of you as a blessing!

We greatly appreciate the many volunteers who assisted school children with tours at the Frederick Fair, under the direction of Dr. John George. Gratitude is also extended to the volunteers who assisted with the FCPS Research ED conference held at Frederick High, with special recognition given to Carrie Mehl for her extensive work in overseeing the organizational planning for the event. We are also thankful for the members who joined us at our October picnic held at Ballenger Creek Park. The weather was perfect, the Mission Barbecue was delicious, and the camaraderie was sublime. The nearly one hundred members in attendance had much to be thankful for on that special day, especially the reduced cost of lunch as an acknowledgement from our Board of Directors of just how much we value your membership. Congratulations to Lee Jeffrey for winning the Panera gift card drawing at the conclusion of our fun ice-breaker picnic activity!

We look forward to sharing good fellowship at our upcoming holiday breakfast at Richland Golf Course in Middletown on December

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President's Message Continued

7 (details included in this newsletter). We are grateful to the new FCPS Superintendent, Dr. Cheryl L. Dyson who will be devoting time from her busy school schedule to join us. Also, we are hosting student singers from Middletown Elementary School, under the direction of music teacher Autumn Avila. We hope you will join us for our special holiday event and mark your calendar for upcoming gatherings this spring: a luncheon on March 15, 2023 at Morningside Inn, followed by a luncheon on May 17 at Schroyer's Tavern at Maryland National Golf Club.

With kind regards,

Kathy



On this day, we honor all current and former members of the Armed Services. Thank you for your service to this country. Your bravery, sacrifice, and strength do not go unnoticed, and we will always be indebted to you and your family for all that you have given to our country. We owe you our gratitude, but more than that, we owe you our freedom.

Good Times had by All at our Capital Crave Happy Hour on September 28!



SAVE THE DATE!!

Ring in the New Year Happy Hour January 11, 2023

4:00-7:00



906 N East Street, Frederick\$1.50 off Bar Drinks\$2.00 off Appetizers

RSVP by January 6 to Sally Smith

simplysally@comcast.net 301-694-7289

Photos courtesy of Tina Bruley, FCRSPA member

Health/Insurance News

Joe Polce

Medicare Changes for 2023

There are some changes with Medicare proposed for 2023 that if actually happens would be beneficial for retirees. The Medicare Part B premium is projected to be \$164.90 which is a decrease of \$5.20 from the premium in 2022 (170.10). As I have stated in the past Medicare premiums are income based. Go to Medicare.gov to view the chart of the income based premiums for 2023.

The Medicare annual deductible for 2023 is projected to be \$226.00 which is a decrease of \$7.00 from the annual deductible in 2022 (\$233.00). This deductible will reset on January 1, 2023. The deductible must be paid before medical claims are paid by CareFirst. The dental deductible also resets on January 1, 2023.

Social Security Increase

The annual increase to Social Security income is projected to increase by 8.7% for 2023. This would be the largest increase in many years.

(The changes mentioned above are projections at this time. We won't know the actual changes until we see them on January 1, 2023)

Medicare Open Enrollment

WE will or have started to get inundated with ads on Medicare open enrollment. Please remember that we are enrolled in a Medicare Part D prescription plan through FCPS. WE cannot be enrolled in two Medicare plans. So as good as some of these ads look, enrolling would terminate the FCPS plan.

Human Resources Staff Changes

Julie Ngugen has been appointed to the position of Director of Human Resources and Sarah Minnick has been appointed to the position of Senior Manager Benefits and Wellness. Christine Hubble remains as the retiree contact (301 644 5052)

CareFirst / Johns Hopkins Issue

The contract dispute between CareFirst and Johns Hopkins medical practice has been settled. Earlier Johns Hopkins threatened to stop accepting CareFirst insurance as an in-network client. In fact, several Johns Hopkins patients received letters from Johns Hopkins indicating that December 9, 2022 would be the effective day. The dispute centered on the amount of money CareFirst paid on claims. Hopkins decided to hold their patients hostage as a bargaining chip. The fact is that both parties needed each other. Finally after much agony, the dispute was settled. Hopkins will remain as an in-network practice. At least until the end of this contract term.

FCRSPA Auditor Report



The auditor met with Treasurer Shirley McDonald on August 31 to complete the annual audit of the FCRSPA Treasurer reports. All records were in order so the report prepared by Treasurer McDonald was signed. Thanks to Shirley McDonald for her accurate financial work for our organization.

Shirley Stroup, Auditor



The 160th Great Frederick Fair featured 68 retired educators who covered 81 positions as volunteers to host 5,000 Frederick School elementary students chaperoned groups, Monday, September 18 through Thursday, September 22. Many of

volunteers (and some spouses) served multiple days. The balance of 101 positions were covered Rotarians from the Noonday Club. The eleven agricultural education stations were overseen by AgEd Chairperson and FCRSPA member Jim Ferrant.

Dr. George is very grateful for the many who volunteered for this successful event:

THANK YOU to all!!

Photographer: Dr. John George



Dr. George with Kay and Debbie Schroyer



Linda Sanders & Jim Ferrant (AgEd Chair



Dahl Drenning with Linda Geiser and Debbie Smith

Julie Seiler And Mary Ann Frank





Charlie & Mike Perry



Paula Blundell and Gail Slezak



Kenny Garvey



Special Thanks to FCRSPA Executive Board Members

We applaud the dedicated work of our leadership!

President Kathy Campagnoli

President-event Kenny Garvey

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Nominating Judith Brandenburg

Remembrance & Sunshine Brenda Martz, Faye Buckingham

Publications Jenny Powell

Social Events Ann Keyfauver, Mary Straits

Scholarship Nancy Gordon
Webmaster Carroll Kehne

Our Leadership Team just needs YOU!

Please consider joining us to help keep our organization strong.

We need a Nominating Committee Co-Chairperson: The nominating committee presents a slate of officers on a two-year basis. The officers include a President, President-elect, Treasurer and Secretary. Current chair Judy Brandenburg is seeking assistance from a fellow association member to assist her in seeking qualified candidates to serve in these officer positions. The President will be elected in even years and the Secretary and Treasurer in odd years.

Please contact our President, Kathy Campagnoli if you are interested in either of these positions: Kathy2157@comcast.net (phone #301-401-1637)

Remembrance and Sunshine Committee

Please notify us if you know of any members who are ill, have passed away, or who have had an immediate family member pass away. We will send thinking of you, get well, and sympathy cards.

Brenda Martz

Faye Buckingham

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A Perfect Day for a Picnic! Ballenger Creek Park, October 6



Photos courtesy of Luke Perry, FCPS Career Technology Center Student



National Day of Giving November 29

The National Day of Giving or "Giving Tuesday" (which takes place on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving) was created in 2012 to unleash the power of radical generosity to those in need of charities. Non-profits and charitable organizations usually participate in the day to fundraise for the disadvantaged and underserved. The movement has now grown to eighty countries around the world. If you would like to participate, we encourage you to donate to your favorite charity or to visit the MRSPA.org website so you can donate to our state organization to support contributions to the Maryland Food Bank. Thank you!

BRING A FRIEND AND JOIN US AT THE 2022 FCRSPA Holiday Breakfast

Wednesday, December 7th, 2022 Vistas at Richland Golf Club

50 Glenbrook Drive, Middletown, MD 21769

From Frederick: Rt. 40 Alternate to Middletown, left at the stoplight by the shopping centers onto Middletown Parkway, left onto Glenbrook Drive.

An elevator is available on the lower level up to ballroom.

Doors open at 8:30 with breakfast served at 9:00 AM.

Fruit Salad, Scrambled eggs, Sausage and Bacon, Breakfast Potatoes and Muffins,
Freshly Brewed Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea and Juice
\$15.00 per person



Reservations are due to Ann Keyfauver, 205 Linden Blvd., Middletown, MD 21769 by November 24, 2022

Phone 301-371-5782 Checks or cash only

Name	Guest(s)		
Phone _	Email		
	Total number attending		
	Have you become a new member since March 2020? YES NO Emeritus (90 or older)		
	Amount enclosed (\$15.00 per person Members and Guests)		

Please mail the bottom of this form and check to FCRSPA as soon as possible.

Seating is limited so please make your reservation early.

The deadline for reservations is November 24, 2022.

Thanks to our Blanket Makers! Join us!

Thank you to Tess Blumenthal, Cheryl Concannon, Linda Sanders, Lisa Freel, Caryn Driebelbies, and Donna Bowman for working together to make 12 blankets for Children of Incarcerated Parents Partnership. We will be getting together again on Monday, November 14 at the Spires Cafe at the Career and Tech Center from noon - 3:00 PM. Hope you can join in the fun with old friends. All you need is sharp scissors. If you plan to help, please contact Sally Smith at simplysally@comcast.net or 301-694-7289 by November 12 so we will have enough kits.



Community Services Committee

Irene Bailey, Claudia Harrington, Charlie Perry

TOYS FOR TOTS!



The December 7 holiday breakfast at Richland Golf Club will feature our annual Marine Corps Toys for Tots collection. Please bring unwrapped toys for children aged 0 to 12. The Marines are also always happy to accept cash and checks (made out to Toys for Tots). Please also bring any school supplies or toiletries you may have accumulated.

Thanks to those who attended the Ballenger Creek Park picnic in October and the Lewistown luncheon in July there were enough school supplies plus \$13 in cash to donate to a school which had never received a donation from FCRSPA: Windsor Knolls Middle. The generous contributions of toiletries went to SHIP, the Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership. If you would like to make a monetary donation to SHIP, which provides "new clothing, funding for youth enrichment activities, counseling services, and emergency shelter when no other options exist" (from the website www.shipfrederick.com), please make checks payable to FCRSPA with SHIP on the notation line and bring to the holiday breakfast or mail to:

Shirley McDonald 3677 Ridgeview Rd. Ijamsville, MD 21754



The 2022-23 Sailing Through the Winter Solstice boat display on Carroll Creek in downtown Frederick will take place from November 19 to March 4. If you choose to vote for the Hood College boat entry you will be benefitting scholarship aid to SHIP students. There is a SHIP student currently attending Hood and doing well.

Many thanks to the 17+ FCPS retirees who volunteered at the ResearchED conference at Frederick High on October 22.

The dues renewal period is closed. HOWEVER, if you did not renew and still wish to do so (we hope you do!), you can still forward your renewal to the MRSPA office to be reinstated. An easy way to ensure that your membership is always up-to-date is to Switch to dues deduction. Your dues will automatically be deducted once a year from your retirement check.

As always, we appreciate your assistance in recruiting new members, sharing the names of those who have passed away, and informing us of contact information changes. It really is a team effort. MRSPA continues to offer a \$10 gift card to ANY member who recruits a NEW member who signs up for DUES DEDUCTION.

> Since our last newsletter, we have gained 30 new members, but sadly, we have lost four members to the Memorial Roster.



"EACH ONE REACH ONE"

You know why you belong to MRSPA and FCRSPA. Talk to a retired friend and invite him or her to join us. You know why you are a member. Let your friend know, too! We have learned from new members that personal contact is the most effective approach to recruit new members.

Our FB page provides up-to-date, FCRSPA-related news and reminders. If you are a FB member, you should be able to find our page by searching for Frederick County Retired School Personnel Association.

All requests will be vetted against our membership roster. Currently we have 212 members who have joined our page.



Please join us!



Since our last newsletter, we have gained 30 new members.

That impressive list fills the following page.

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Member Changes

Noted in bold font

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In Memoriam	
Roger Copeland 8/28/1951 ~ 10/14/2022	
Helen Schley 8/28/1927 ~ 9/29/2022	Samuel Staub 4/1/1938 ~ 1/31/2022
	Roger Copeland 8/28/1951 ~ 10/14/2022 Helen Schley



MRSPA Membership Application (Please Print)

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Return completed form to:	MRSPA	8379 Piney Orchard Pkwy Suite A	Odenton, MD 21113

The MRSPA Membership year is July 1 through June 30



MARYLAND RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION 8379 Piney Orchard Parkway, Suite A Odenton, MD 21113-1508

AUTHORIZATION FOR ANNUAL DUES DEDUCTION SWITCH AND SAVE!

y authorize the Maryland State Retirement Agency to deduct state and local annual membership dues for thorization will remain in effect until cancelled by written notice by me. I understand that my full social ryland Retired School Personnel Association from one of my retirement checks each membership year. y number is required, if I wish to become a dues deduction member.

SSN:	Date:	ton, MD address above.
Print Name	Signature;	Please mail this form to the Odenton, MD address a

MRSPA dues \$35* + Local Association dues \$10 = Total Membership Dues \$45 Frederick County ~ \$10

Switch and Save dues deduction members will receive a one-time \$10 reduction in state dues. MRSPA dues is \$35 the first year and \$45 per year thereafter.

(Recurring Dues deduction is made once/year from the July 31 pension check.)

If you would prefer not to mail your social security number, you may call the MRSPA Office at 410-551-1517 or toll-free at 877-625-6782 to relay your number.

You will still need to print and mail the authorization form with your signature.



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SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION

8101 Claiborne Ct. Frederick, MD 21702

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