AARSPA can be proud of the participation of its members as well as the honors received during the 75th anniversary year. AARSPA from the Heart, an initiative of the Community Service Committee, co-chaired by Phyllis Cherry and Karlie Everett, collected a variety of items at the General Membership Meetings: school supplies for AACPS students, clothing for health rooms at Van Bokkelen and Park Elementary Schools, non-perishable food for the Harvest for the Hungry, books for the Stanton Center in Annapolis, toiletries for local charities, and money for a needy family at Christmas. AARSPA members participated in the 2016 Walk to End Alzheimer’s by walking and/or making donations, and five AARSPA members were inducted into the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame for their volunteer efforts. At the Maryland Retired School Personnel Association’s Annual Meeting in May, AARSPA received the Community Service Award for Outstanding Local Association. The members of the Board of Education of Anne Arundel County Schools honored AARSPA at their March meeting with a beautiful plaque and a letter recognizing our 75 years of service to the students, parents, and employees.

Throughout the year, other standing committees were active. Tony Anzalone’s Educator/Employee of the Month Committee worked with a member of the BOE to help identify individuals for recognition each month. The Legislative Committee, under the direction of Virginia Crespo, arranged for a luncheon for the Anne Arundel Delegation to the State Legislature. Karlie Everett and her docents provided tours of the Free School Museum, and Bob Kanach, along with quite a few members, kept the building and grounds clean. Lou Kamm and the Travel Committee planned trips for members. Once again, AARSPA was able to provide three $4000 scholarships to recent graduates of the school system through the efforts of the Scholarship Committee, under the leadership of Tillie Barckley. John Salwach’s Pre-Retirement Committee organized two pre-retirement events. Five issues of the AARSPA Informer were produced by Editor Carla Duls while Annette Smith and Bev Paul continued to update the AARSPA website. The AARSPA chorus, Voices in Melody, performed at Senior Centers and other locations.

Over the summer, the Executive Board put a lot of effort into planning for this coming year. Although AARSPA has over 1800 members, fewer than thirty are doing the majority of the work for the association. AARSPA is still in need of an Assistant Recording Secretary, a Constitution/Bylaws Committee Chair, a Parliamentarian, a United Seniors of Maryland representative, and most importantly, a President Elect for 2016-2017.

AARSPA’s membership is declining due to deaths as well as a lack of new members. We all need to focus on acquiring new members. The current size of our membership has enabled dues to remain at $15 a year. However, the cost of operating is increasing. We would like to maintain all of our activities and services for our members. Please join us in our efforts to keep AARSPA one of the best organizations!
As we look ahead to the upcoming year, the Community Service Committee asked “now what?” We are proud of our previous efforts and will continue to support them. However, what about our furry friends? You know, the ones that give unconditional love and expect nothing in return. (Unless they’re a cat!) So the committee decided to add one more effort to this year’s donation. We are partnering with the Anne Arundel Animal Control Center in Millersville to provide much needed items for the animals as they wait to be adopted. Some of the items needed include canned and dry food (unopened), toys, puppy pads, metal bowls, cat carriers, litter, (clay not clumping) towels, washcloths, blankets, and Petsmart/Petco gift cards. An entire list of their needs can be found on their website, (www.faacac.org).

If you would like to donate at our next luncheon, we will be collecting school supplies for Marley Elementary School, toiletries (such as toothpaste, shampoo, soaps, mouthwash, hair conditioner, tooth brushes, powders, handcreams, lotions, etc. - travel size preferred) for a local charity, and supplies for the Animal Control Center. Our hope is that you will support whichever of these efforts is closest to your heart.

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<td>New underwear, tee shirts, sweatshirts and pants, jeans and socks to be given to elementary school nurses for the children who have accidents</td>
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AARSPA From the Heart is once again participating in the Annapolis Alzheimer’s Association Walk to End Alzheimer’s. Scheduled for October 23, 2016, the walk will begin and end at Susan B. Campbell Park in downtown Annapolis.

We encourage you to participate! You can register with the AARSPA From the Heart team and walk that Sunday morning, donate money, or raise money as a participant. Or you can support the team or individual team members by donating money in their names.

Here’s how you can do online registration and/or make donations:

1. Go to (https://www.alz.org/walk). Click on FIND A WALK, type 21401, and choose Annapolis, MD.

2. You can then register, volunteer or donate. An opportunity to print a paper registration or donation form is available here.

3. Searching the team list for AARSPA From the Heart will not only get you to our team page but provide links for each team member. You will be able to register and join the team (PLEASE DO!), donate online to the team or donate online to an individual team member.

4. If you prefer not to use the internet to participate, all forms will be available at the September luncheon. You can also contact Carla Duls (kid3dle@aol.com or 410-798-8999) or Deborah Ahalt (djahalt@aol.com or 410-997-3942) for information or forms.

Young Chun, North County High School, Christine Schwartz, Severna Park High School, and Rebecca Meyer, Chesapeake High School, were awarded the AARSPA scholarships for 2016 at the Scholarships for Scholars Awards Ceremony on April 25, 2016.

Thank you for the following donations to the Scholarship Fund!

Marie Diamond for donating her share of the May 50/50 raffle

In honor of: John Hammond
-Photographer Extraordinaire
Charlie Gable
-Superb Leadership

In memory of: Paul Acito
Clint Gosnell
Florence Kerwath
Doretta Law
-a remarkable and inspiring woman
and educator
Francis Pittman
Ronald Shope

AARSPA members Barry Fader, Tillie Barckley, and Bob Kanach lead the Remembrance Service at the MRSPA Annual Meeting.

AARSPA Members Attend MRSPA Annual Meeting
Bottom Row (l to r): Sharyn Doyle, Bob Kanach, Tillie Barckley, and Charles Gable
Back Row (l to r): Barry Fader, Carol Kirby, Carla Duls, Ron Ruffo, and Phyllis Cherry
A Salute to Our Presidents and First Ladies and Buffet Luncheon at Dobbin House Tavern
Gettysburg, PA
Wednesday, October 19, 2016

Come join your fellow retirees for a delightful day in historic Gettysburg, PA. Our first stop will be a visit to the Lincoln Train Museum where you can step aboard the “Spirit of Abraham Lincoln” for a journey through American history. In the Hallway of American History, you will walk with President Lincoln through the history of our nation from the founding fathers to the present. View the museum displays from a working model of the train that carried Lincoln and his son Willy to their final resting place to the many displays depicting memorabilia of the American experience. Finally, you will be able to board the full size Lincoln Funeral Car, “The United States” and ride the rails in a simulated journey with the spirit of Abe as he shares his love of America.

Next, you will enjoy a delicious buffet luncheon at the Dobbin House Tavern which offers you a unique dining experience in a historic 1776 stone home authentically restored as a colonial manor restaurant, bed & breakfast, and gift shop.

You will conclude the day with a visit to the Hall of Presidents and First Ladies where you will enjoy a unique perspective on the culture and heritage of the Presidency throughout the nation’s history. The Hall of Presidents features the area’s only complete wax collection of American Presidents and their First Ladies set amidst beautiful background murals showing the development of the country. The Hall of First Ladies presents authentic 1/3 size, meticulous reproductions of the First Ladies in their inaugural gowns. All of this plus the taxes as well as the tips for the driver and tour escort for just $83.00 per person. As with other trips that cross state lines, seating must be assigned, so please be sure to indicate with whom you want to sit on the bus. The **deadline to make your reservation is Tuesday, September 13, 2016.** No refunds can be made after that date as well.

**Itinerary**

8:00 a.m. Depart the Severna Park United Methodist Church on Benfield Road
10:00 a.m. Arrive Gettysburg, PA at Lincoln Train Museum for self-guided tour
11:30 a.m. Depart Lincoln Train Museum
11:45 a.m. Arrive Dobbin House Tavern for buffet luncheon
1:30 p.m. Depart Dobbin House Tavern
1:45 p.m. Arrive at Hall of Presidents & First Ladies for self-guided tour
3:30 p.m. Depart Gettysburg, PA
5:30 p.m. Arrive at the Severna Park United Methodist Church

**A Salute to Our Presidents and First Ladies**
Wednesday, October 19, 2016

Please reserve ____ seat(s) for me. **The cost is $83.00 per person.** **Make your checks payable to AARSPA** and mail both the payment and this reservation form to: Bob Kanach, 512 Augusta Drive, Arnold, MD. 21012

Primary Contact Person: ____________________________________________
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Phone Number: ______________________ E-mail: _______________________

Please list any additional persons in your party for seating purposes:
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**LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!**
**FREE SCHOOL NEWS**

**Thank You, Docents!**

A warm and sincere thank you goes out to the following AARSPA members who served as docents during our Open Houses this season: Mary Dunlap, Bob Kanach, Victoria Hutchins, Carla Duls, Carolyn Webber, Max Muller, Jim and Martha Preston, John and Judy Youngblood, Jean Curry, Barbara Hunter, and Penny Quinn. The building was opened for the Orphan Car Rally by Karlie Everett.

**Artifacts Update**

An intern, Margaret McCready, has been found. Maggie is a recent college graduate and attended Severna Park High School. Maggie is working with Karlie Everett and Kate Dinnell, one of the original archeologists. They are identifying artifacts that would be representative of the Free School building’s use as a school and as a residence. The goal is to have a museum-quality display at the Free School.

**Anne Arundel County Board Members Visit**

(I to r) Karlie Everett with Board Members Tom Frank, Patricia Nalley, Stacey Korbela (President), Teresa Milio Birge, and Julie Hummer (Vice President)

**MEMBER DEATHS**

Virginia Bloomfield
Julie Cebulski
Hannah Chambers
Peggy Eichelman
Katherine Hyde
Doretta Law
Frank Maminski
Gloria Mariani
Phyllis McNeill
Eleanor Pierschek
Consuelo Purnell-Clark
Mary Salchunas
Sherry Schindler
Ronald Shope
Beatrice Smith
Daisy Stinemire
Sheila Walsmith

**FAMILY MEMBER DEATHS**

Sue Centurelli - mother
Majorie Johnson - husband
Linda Kolosky - husband
Harry Sharkey - wife
Marie Sharp - mother
Nancy Shope - husband
Elsie Smith - husband

**EMERITUS BIRTHDAYS**

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**GET WELL**

Rosalie Burcaw
John Fleming
Nancy Mann
Joseph Marino
Phyllis Mentzell
Bev Paul
Rose Raush
Ron Ruffo

**ANNUVERSARIES**

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<td>Ione and James Williams (61 years)</td>
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If you have information concerning AARSPA members, please contact the following people:

**Anniversaries and Congratulations**

Millie Zipay at (mz2teach@aol.com) 410 401-0172

**Deaths of AARSPA members and Family Members**

Nina Griffith at (bear1134@aol.com) 443 304-2266

**Illnesses and Accidents, etc.**

Dianne Rogers at (wwdrogers@verizon.net) 410 647-7585
Travel to Toby’s Dinner Theatre in Columbia, MD and spend an afternoon with the cast of _A Christmas Carol_. You will be magically transported to Victorian London, 1843. Dickens reminds us that, even for a crusty curmudgeon like Ebenezer Scrooge, it is never too late to change! With the help of three ghosts, Past, Present, and Yet-To-Be, coupled with the enduring love of Tiny Tim, Scrooge learns to spread love and goodwill and to cherish what Christmas is all about. _A Christmas Carol_ is a delight for all ages!

Before the show, enjoy a delicious buffet lunch. All this for only $75 per person which includes transportation, buffet lunch, reserved seats for the show, and all taxes and tips, including the driver.

**Itinerary**

10:00 a.m. Depart the Severna Park United Methodist Church on Benfield Road
10:30 a.m. Arrive at Toby’s Dinner Theatre in Columbia, Maryland
10:45 a.m. Buffet lunch
12:30 p.m. Showtime, “_A Christmas Carol_”
3:00 p.m. Depart Toby’s
3:30 p.m. Arrive at the Severna Park United Methodist Church on Benfield Road

*Keep the above information for easy reference as the event approaches.*

Please reserve ____ seat(s) for me at a cost of $75 per person. **Make your check payable to AARSPA** and mail both the payment and this reservation form to: **Bob Kanach, 512 Augusta Drive, Arnold, MD 21012**

**Primary Contact Person:**

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**Address:**

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**Phone Number:**

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**E-mail Address:**

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**Please list any additional persons in your party for seating purposes.**

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In our conversation with our service provider, Constant Contact, we learned that there are two reasons why we have email addresses in our list of members’ emails that are “bounced” or are not sent the *AARSPA Informer.* Either we have an incorrect email address or the member has indicated that they did not want to receive an email from another of Constant Contact’s clients and unsubscribed from that sender’s email list. Once a person unsubscribes from any client of Constant Contact, that person’s address is suspended and can be reactivated only with permission from the client. AARSPA needs to know if our suspended members would like to receive the *AARSPA Informer* electronically, so below are the names of our suspended members. If you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, please let us know by emailing us at (asst.treasurer@aarspa.org) and include your email address. If we do not hear from you, we will remove your name from the email list. You will still receive your newsletter via US Mail.

Cynthia Blake  
Bernice Cohn  
Carolyn Dixon  
Marie Hogue  
Tess Johnston  
Elaine Lebar  
Sally Marinsek  
Mildred Nick  
Ronald Price  
Sally Schley  
Wayne Shipley  
Doris Shaneor  
Arlene Wells  
Barbara Bowman  
Joan Doherty  
Eleanore Flanzraich  
Carolyn James  
Lynn Killigrew  
Lydia Lumpkin  
Barbara Mason  
William Norris  
Stephan Raucher  
Betty Seddon  
Jeannette Smith  
Donna Sponheimer  
Delores Williams  
Margaret Buzzelli  
Kerry Drapalski  
Sharon Gibb  
James Johnson  
Hunter Kesmodel  
Kathie Lund  
Edna McClelland  
Janice Oesterle  
Helen Ricketts  
William Selway  
Carol Sowa  
Mable Thompson  
Shirley Young  
Lynn Clark  
Joseph & Judie Dunn  
Ann Graham  
Pamela Jones  
Phyllis Kahat  
James Levay  
Thomas Nevin  
Van Pindell  
Kathleen Rosenberger  
John Shiplette  
Stanley Stawas  
Sharon Walker

By sending out the *AARSPA Informer* electronically, we are holding down printing and mailing costs and thus reducing the need to increase dues. We hope that eventually more members will want to receive the newsletter electronically. If you are not on the list above but are not receiving the newsletter electronically and would like to, please contact us at (asst.treasurer@aarspa.org) and give us your email address. Be sure to give us your full name as well.

**RENDITIONS - May 12, 2016**

Charles Gable and Barry Fader presented flowers to Judith Zahren who is retiring as MRSPA Executive Director.

The *Voices in Melody* Chorus entertained with songs from *South Pacific.*

President Barry Fader (far right) with *Emeritus Members* (l to r) Jean Trott, Mary Etta Dorr, Frances Middleton, Herb Sappington, and Jeanne Hartge.

**First Timers:** Pearl Fier, Wanda Trimnal, Nancy Shope, and Kathy Russo.
LUNCHEON AND GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

DATE: Thursday, September 8, 2016
PLACE: Two Rivers Steak and Fish House (located in the Lake Shore Shopping Center on Mountain Road just east of Jacobsville Elementary at 4105 Mountain Road, Pasadena MD 21122).

PROGRAM: Speakers: Susan Baugher, AACPS Benefits Office, and Representatives from the Maryland House of Delegates
Entertainment: T-o-o-o Cool Dudes will entertain during lunch.

ENTRÉE CHOICES: Chicken Chesapeake, 6 oz. center cut sirloin, or grilled vegetable stack, each served with basmati rice, green beans, garden salad with ranch dressing, and freshly baked rolls with a two layer cake for dessert. Beverages will be coffee, iced tea, and water.

COST: $30.00 per person

IMPORTANT DATES
Executive Board Meetings - 10:00 a.m.
October 6, 2016 - Center 2A
January 12, 2017 - Center 2A

General Membership Meetings - 10:30 a.m.
September 8, 2016 - Two Rivers Restaurant, Pasadena
November 16, 2016 - CAT-N, Severn

No refunds after reservation deadline August 23
Because of limited space, we are limited to the first 130 guests.

PLEASE NO WALK-INS

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

LUNCH RESERVATION - Deadline August 23, 2016

Contact person: ________________________________________________________________

Phone number: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

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

Name (s) - Including Contact Person above Chicken Sirloin Vegetable Stack
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Number of reservations _________ X $30.00 per person = Total Due: ___________

__________Please check if this is your first AARSPA luncheon.

__________Please check if you are an Emeritus Member (90 or over)
Travel: Traveling out of the country? Consider signing up for the State Department’s Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP). This service allows the U.S. Embassy in your destination to communicate important updates about security threats, incidents, or natural disasters. This free service also provides the embassy with your emergency contact information. For more information, visit (step.state.gov).

Money: Why pay for what you can get for free. Some private companies are scamming individuals for services that can be gotten for free. Don’t fall for an “official” looking letter requiring you to pay up to $50.00 for a copy of the deed to your property. If you want an official copy, go to the county clerk or recorder’s office. The cost is typically less than $10.00.

Free or low-cost credit counseling is available at the nonprofit, National Foundation for Credit Counseling. The NFCC is funded through grants and donations and has an office in every state. Its website, nfcc.org., offers a lot of helpful advice and tools for coping with debt. The toll free number is 800-388-2227.

The Anne Arundel County Board of Education recognizes an Educator and an Employee of the Month from September to June. The Selection Committee consists of members of the Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association. Each awardee was nominated by their school or office for consideration.

Tony Anzalone, Chair
Betty Coleman
Larry Day
Carl Stewart
Charlotte Stewart

Welcome New Committee Chairs
Deb Ahalt - Public Relations Committee
Lucy Travers - Travel Committee
Congratulations!

Volunteer Opportunity
The Maryland Historical Society is looking for Volunteer Docents. Tours at the Historical Society are offered on Wednesdays and Fridays between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. from September through June. Groups are primarily elementary and middle school students with an occasional high school group. Contact Karlie Everett (410-268-8656) for further information and an application form.
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:
Marilda Barkley
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 ______________________________

For questions, please contact:
Marilda Barkley • barkleya@comcast.net • 410-768-3408

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