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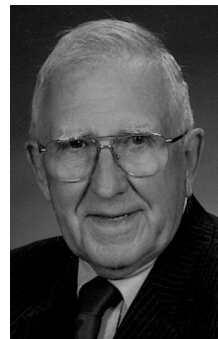
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From the President

BCRSPA has met these challenges...

The old saying, “Time flies when you are having fun,” somewhat describes this past two-year term as President. The hard-working Executive Board helped guide me with suggestions that enabled BCRSPA to continue its work in protecting members’ health care package with the Baltimore County Public Schools (BCPS). We, also, had members working with the Maryland Retired School Personnel Association (MRSPA) that kept the membership informed about changes on the state level that affect retirees.



Parker E. Koons

I cannot say enough about the amount of work our Board does. It would take too much space to highlight all of our activities. One area that needs to be noted is our work with recognizing our graduating high school seniors through our scholarship program. Unfortunate-

ly, the economy is affecting our abilities to continue the level of giving that has been done in the past. I urge you to read the article on scholarship funding elsewhere in this newsletter.

I would also like to acknowledge Mrs. Edna Harris-Kurre, our new President, who stepped forward when we had no one willing to do the job. There are two new Board members who came forward to aid the Association, David and Donna Copenhaver. I mentioned these three people, because we need more members to take that leap of faith. This organization has many committees that need extra help.

In closing, as years change, demands change and BCRSPA has met these challenges.

We still need new members, and we invite those of you who have not attended a general meeting and luncheon to visit us and see the work that this organization is doing for all BCRSPA retirees.

— Parker E. Koons

Membership update

From the CONSUMER Connection

A publication of the MRSPA Consumer Education Committee

NEW MEMBERS

The BCRSPA Board and the General Membership welcome the following new members:

Raymond W. Meyer
Hazel Rike
Patricia Ann Simon
Carmela A. Veit
Edward W. Veit

We invite you to join your friends and colleagues at our next BCRSPA Luncheon to be held at Columbus Gardens, October 23, 2012. More information to follow.

OTHER NEWS

Three of our members are observing their 100th birthday this year!

Eva Brooks (02/28/1912)
Marie Hoshall (05/12/1912)
Edna Morris (11/03/1912)

Cell phones

There are more than 327.6 million cell phone customer connections in the United States, Puerto Rico, Guam and the US Virgin Islands. That's more than the total population. This is also the reason for new area codes.

Also, according to our records, five of our members are over 100 years of age:

Phoebe Bollinger (01/27/1906)
Leona Bowen (10/05/1905)
Veronica Fisher (01/20/1903)
Jean Gregory (10/26/1908)
Isis Maguire (06/06/1906)

Congratulations and Best Wishes to all who celebrate!

— Charlotte Price, Chair,
Member Accounting Committee

Many people are using their cell phones as their only phone. The number of landlines has dropped. One word of caution—if you are using your cell phone for an emergency, be sure that you give good information so that you can be located because it is more difficult to determine where you are calling from.

Savings bonds

Have you been purchasing savings bonds such as Series EE at banks. Since January 1, 2012, savings bonds must be purchased exclusively online. Paper bonds are costly and the government expects to save money.

There is an advantage because you won't misplace or lose the certificate. You must open an account at www.treasurydirect.gov/ to purchase savings bonds. □

BCRSPA CALENDAR

June..... No Executive Board Meeting
Saturday, August 11..... BCRSPA Executive Board Meeting
Price's Saltpeter Resort, Noon to Dusk
Tuesday, September 17 BCRSPA Executive Board Meeting
Oak Crest Retirement Community, Parkville, MD, 10 a.m.
Tuesday, October 23... BCRSPA Annual Fall Luncheon Meeting
Columbus Gardens, 10 a.m.
Thursday, October 18 .. Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame
Michaels Eighth Avenue, Glen Burnie, Maryland, 11:30 a.m.

UPDATE Deadline

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UPDATE

The Baltimore County Retired School Personnel Association newsletter is published four times annually: September, December, March, and June, plus any additional necessary dates.

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410-866-8721

UPPER CASE Letters, *Publisher*
410-803-1970

\$13,500 in scholarships awarded in 2012

The Baltimore County Retired School Personnel Association awarded nine \$1500 BCRSPA Memorial Scholarships to qualified applicants.

BCRSPA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS for 2012

<u>APPLICANT</u>	<u>HIGH SCHOOL</u>	<u>CAREER GOAL</u>
Emily A. Braverman	Franklin	Health Care Administration
Michaela S. Bubier	Hereford	Visual/Performing Arts
Stephanie Neumeister	Eastern Technical	Lawyer
Diana M. Reighart	Towson	Scientific Research
Brandon M. Sacks	Franklin	Criminal Prosecutor
Denise E. Saint-Jean	Randallstown	Neonatologist
Taylor Sartor	Loch Raven	Nursing
Rachel B. Stein	Carver Center Arts/Technology	Art Therapy
Dominique P. Youngblood	Carver Center Arts/Technology.	Broadcast Journalism

Congratulations to our winners!

BCRSPA Memorial Scholarship applications may be obtained from www.bcrspa.com or by calling 410-847-9700.

— Camille Marx
Edith Kozlowski, Co-chairs
BCRSPA Memorial Scholarship Fund

BCRSPA officers installed at Annual Luncheon

The BCRSPA officers for 2012–2013 were installed at the Annual Luncheon on April 17, 2012.

The complete slate [including those who are serving the second year (+) of their two-year term] is:

PresidentEdna Harris-Kurre
Past PresidentParker E. Koons
Recording SecretaryRobert Kane+
Corresponding SecretaryLinda Yaffe+
TreasurerDavid Peters+
Assistant TreasurerDavid Copenhaver
Directors

Edith Kozlowski (2011–2013)
Bonnie Patrick (2011–2013)
Donna Copenhaver (2012–2014)
Weston Dean (2012–2014)
Clair Price (2012–2014)

Officers, Directors and Committee Chairmen will assume their duties July 1, 2012.

Available from MRSPA

The Maryland Retired School Personnel Association (MRSPA) in cooperation with the Department of Aging has created a folder file card for financial information, your legal documents and your investment/insurance information. Also along with the Consumer Education Committee, MRSPA has printed emergency medical cards for use on your refrigerator and to carry in your wallet/purse. The information is also available on the MRSPA Web site: www.mrspa.org.

**For a membership packet
or information call:
Charlotte Price at 410-847-9700
or go online at www.bcrspa.com
and www.mrspa.org**

WEBCO awards \$1500 scholarship!

The Women Educators of Baltimore County (WEBCO) award a \$1500 scholarship! The recipient of the WEBCO Scholarship is Allison R. Williams from Eastern Technical High School.

Allison plans to attend Frostburg University. Her career goal is to become an educator in the field of Health and Physical Education. She plans to teach middle school and high school students what they need to do in order to become active and healthy adults.

Congratulations to Allison Williams!

The scholarship award perpetuates the primary mission of WEBCO—furthering the education of Baltimore County students.

— Edith Kozlowski, Trustee, WEBCO Scholarship Fund



Recipients of the BCRSPA and the WEBCO (Women Educators of Baltimore County) Scholarship Awards were recognized at the Annual Spring Luncheon in April 2012: (left to right) Taylor Sartor, Denise E. Saint-Jean, Diana M. Reighart, Dominique P. Youngblood, Brandon M. Sacks, Allison R. Williams (WEBCO), Stephanie Neumeister, Michaela S. Bubier, Emily A. Braveman. Not pictured is Rachel B. Stein.

Changes in Scholarship Fund ahead

For many years BCRSPA has been giving ten-\$1500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors. With the economic downturn, the BCRSPA Memorial Scholarship Fund has not been receiving enough donations to support the program. We have been using the Fund reserves. The Executive Board has decided that changes will be made. Beginning in 2013, BCRSPA will award only

five (5) \$1500 scholarships.

New avenues for sources of funds will also be sought. Some suggestions have been: a bus trip, Quarter auction, Bingo.

We would like to hear from you as to whether we should proceed with plans for one or two of the above projects. If you have any suggestions, talk with a Board member, and by working together we can build our Scholarship Fund.

Scholarship news

The Scholarship Committee, Edith Kozlowski and Camille Marx, would like to thank the following people who helped screen the 2012 BCRSPA and WEBCO scholarship applications:

Parker Koons
Theresa Margolis
Guy Schmidt
Caroline Seamon
Charlotte Wesley

The screening process is time consuming, but very rewarding.

Many, many thanks to Madeline Lovera for organizing and arranging the scholarship portion of the Spring Luncheon. She purchases the favors for the tables and arranges the scholarship recipient with the hosts and hostesses. Every year she does a great job! Thanks, Madeline.

Scholarship contributions

Contributions to the Scholarship Fund as a result of the Spring Luncheon are as follows:

Included with registration — \$395

50/50 at Luncheon — \$60

In addition, each time a current member is deceased BCRSPA contributes an amount to the Scholarship Fund.

Emeritus Membership in BCRSPA

(Age 90 as of June 30, 2012)

Name _____

Address (include Apt # and ZIP+4 code)

Date of Birth (month, day, year) _____

Telephone (____) _____

Mail to: Mrs. Charlotte Price
4862 Brightleaf Court
Baltimore, MD 21237-4946

Change of Address

BCRSPA (effective date) _____

Name _____

Old Address _____

New Address (include Apt # and ZIP+4 code)

New Telephone (____) _____

Mail to: Mrs. Charlotte Price
4862 Brightleaf Court
Baltimore, MD 21237-4946

BCRSPA'S FALL LUNCHEON MEETING

Tuesday, October 23, 2012

Columbus Gardens

4301 Klosterman Avenue, Baltimore MD 21236

Program:

Student Musical Entertainment
and more...

Lunch:

The menu will be announced
in the September issue.
The cost will be \$23.00

Be an "early bird." Send in your reservation for the Fall Luncheon today!

Name: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

Address: _____

Name of Guest/s: _____

Number of Reservations _____ I am enclosing \$ _____ as a gift
to the Memorial Scholarship Fund

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to BCRSPA. Send reservation(s) and check(s) to:

Mr. Clair Price, 4862 Brightleaf Court, Baltimore, MD 21236-4946

BCRSPA

305 East Joppa Road
Towson, MD 21286-3252

BCRSPA welcomes memorial contributions

The Scholarship Committee welcomes and encourages memorial contributions to the Scholarship Fund in memory of deceased colleagues. Checks should be made payable to BCRSPA with “Memorial Scholarship Fund” written on the check memo line, and sent to the Treasurer, David Peters, 1708 Goodview Road, Parkville, MD 21234.

Please include the name of the person(s) being remembered and the name and address of the person(s) to be notified. Your contribution is tax-deductible and will be acknowledged.

We acknowledge with thanks the following contributions to The BCRSPA Memorial Scholarship Fund:

IN MEMORY OF

Gerri Martin

Helen Silk

Marion Sprecher

Robert Taylor

Nola Stuart

Luciel Lekites

DONOR

Patricia A. D'Ercole

Cathy Piraino

Gwendolyn M. Skeens

Edward J. & Joanne Schwiegerath

Anne F. Jones

Mildred H. Murray

In memory of *Mitzi (Mary Jane) Shank* by:
William & Faith Hermann
James W. Shank & Family

In memory of *George Trageser* by:
William & Faith Hermann
Robert Y. Dubel

In memory of *G. Wayne Burgemeister* by:
Robert Y. Dubel
Mildred H. Murray
David & Arline Ford

In memory of *Blanche L. Stevens* by:
Dennis Lane
Barbara M. Reed

BCRSPA supports the Scholarship Fund with a contribution of \$25 from the Remembrance Committee in memory of each deceased member.

— *David Peters, Treasurer*
