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From the President

Parker Koons

It is an honor and privilege to be chosen to serve the BCRSPA members yet again. I want to thank the Past Presidents, Donna and David Copenhaver, for guiding this organization the past four years. They worked to make the organization more informational and socially friendly while keeping their finger on the pulse of legislative and benefits updates.

I also appreciate the new ideas and hard work that the BCRSPA Executive Board has done in meeting the challenges that face us today.

As BCRSPA members we need to set some important goals. We all need to try to recruit new members - not only new retirees, but former colleagues who do not belong. Remember, there is strength in numbers! We want to continue our working agreements with the Baltimore County Public School System and the Oak Crest Retirement Community. Oak Crest donates \$500 to our Scholarship Fund for every member who becomes a resident of their community. We hope to become more visible throughout Baltimore County to improve our relationships with state and county legislators and the Maryland Retired School Personnel Legislative Committee. We also want to continue to support our BCRSPA student scholarships. This is a direct byproduct of our membership.

These goals can be obtained if all of our members participate and work to make our organization more visible and viable in Baltimore County. Again, thank you for the opportunity to work on your behalf.

Oak Crest Presents Check to BCRSPA

ak Crest Village donated \$500 to the BCRSPA Scholarship Found on behalf of Mr. Dale Watkinson. Dale, a long-time member of BCRSPA, recently became a new resident at Oak Crest. The money will be used to help a deserving young person with college tuition. Thank you, Oak Crest!

Remember that BCRSPA has a partnership with Oak Crest Village! If you are contemplating a move to Oak Crest Village, be sure to mention that you belong to BCRSPA, and you will earn \$500 for our scholarship program. Also,



remember to send a change of address to MRSPA/BCRSPA Membership, 8379 Piney Orchard Parkway Suite A, Odenton, MD 21113-1508 so you continue to receive your newsletter.

Annual Quilt for a Cause Raffle

If you attended the April 2018 luncheon meeting at Columbus Gardens, you saw that Dr. Bob Dubel won the 1st Quilt for a Cause Raffle. A beautiful king size throw was crafted and donated by Della Curtis.

Well, Della has made another gorgeous quilt and has generously donated it once again. This masterpiece will be on display at the October 16th luncheon and we will begin selling chances at that time. All proceeds will go directly to the Scholarship Fund.



Membership News

BCRSPA/MRSPA welcomes the following new members:

Thomas Bruggman Ph.D. • Richard Englar • Amy Grabner • Lynn M. Hoffman Mary Ellen Maliszewski • Melvin Mossovitz • Joanne P. Perlin • Patricia R. Simon

We hope to meet all of you at our Fall Luncheon Meeting to be held October 16th at Columbus Gardens. More details elsewhere in this publication.

Submitted by: Donna Copenhaver, Membership Chairperson

Luncheon Meeting Tuesday, note:

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Registration......9:30 Call to Order 10:00

Pledge to Flag & National Anthem

Student Entertainment: "Great Expectations" Show Choir from Patapsco High School & Center for the Arts.

Greeting and Recognition of Guests

Teacher of the Year, Brendan Penn - Lyons Mill Elementary School

Updates

MRSPA

BCPS Office of Employee Benefits has been invited

Quilt for a Cause Unveiling

Luncheon 12:00

Luncheon Menu

Tossed Fresh Garden Salad • Baked Ham• Turkey Cutlet w/Stuffing Sautéed Red Potatoes • Green Bean Almondine • Hot Rolls & Butter Ice Cream Sundae Bar with Assorted Toppings Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee • Hot and Iced Tea with Dinner

Cost: \$23.00

Deadline for Registration: Monday, October 8, 2018 (no refunds after this date) Please remember to bring your nonperishable food/personal care items/school supplies/ financial donations to support our Community Service Project to ACTC. Directions to Columbus Gardens are on another page in this newsletter.

Reservation for Fall Luncheon Meeting October 16, 2018

Name:_____ Phone: _____ Address: _____

Name of Guest(s): Number of Reservations: Scholarship Donation: \$_____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$

Make checks payable to BCRSPA

Send reservation(s) and check(s) to: Luncheon Chairperson, PO Box 44016, Nottingham MD 21236-9998



You are our most valuable resource!

You are our most valuable resource! You can help bring more retirees into the fold of BCRSPA! Listed below are the latest 81 Baltimore County retirees. If you recognize someone, please take a few minutes to contact them and invite them to attend an upcoming event and to join the organization. BCRSPA is counting on you!

Timothy Albert Mary Laslett Helen Agent Sophie Lew Esther Aiken Sharon Luciano Joanne Bare **Deborah Margulies** Denise Matuk-Kroupa Robert Barbagallo Amelia Barker Mary McDade Ellen Bookstein Diana Michael Judith Misterka Donna Bergin Marsha Bradlev Sandra Montalvo Norma Breeden Nancy Morgan Kathleen Breeden-Holmes Bella Nabutovsky Ruth Burdekin Riina Naumann Maureen Celano Maria Nowack Michele Conneely Mary O'Connell Lorena Clarv Marlene Porter-Blair Jean Considine Gayle Pottillo Gwendolyn Crawford Miriam Reiss Carol D'Anna Deborah Rodabaugh Sharon DeLauder Sylvia Roth Celia Donaldson Pamela Satterlee-Virginia Emerson Williams Stephany Faulkner Jo Ann Schaeffer James Fitzpatrick Lisa Scurci Jean Frazier Denise Shank Anne Gleason Donna Sibley Karon Goldman E. Sara Silverman Marsha Golob Stephannie Solomon Judy Graham Deborah Steelwright Doris Harrigan Jeanne Swanson Barbara Tegeler Sherma Henry Jullie Herman Chervl Thim Michel Hudson Linda Townsend Leslie Johnson Jeanne Urlock Denise Valancius-Ditman Vincent Johnson Rosa Jordan Linda Webb Eileen Kamel Linda Webbert Linda Killeen Kathleen Wiles Michael Wilson Pamela King Mary Jo Kuhn Carol Wingard

Monique Yates

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Nancy Lachnit

Martha Lappe

Rockin' Retirees

Dr. Robert Dubel, a product of Baltimore County Public Schools, had a distinguished career with BCPS after serving in the Marines during WWII. His last 16 years with the school system were spent as our esteemed Superintendent. After retiring in 1992, Bob spent time as the Director of the Field-Based Doctoral Program for the University of Maryland College Park.

Bob and his beloved wife Helen found time to travel to all 7 continents and 74 different countries. The Dubels enjoyed walking during their 58 years together. They walked across the sprawling ice sheets of Antarctica, the rugged and dusty jungles of Sub-Saharan Africa, and through the sky-high mountains of Tibet. Although he doesn't travel much anymore, Bob still enjoys walking.

Bob feels very blessed that he was able to be Helen's home caregiver throughout her battle with Alzheimer's disease. "I am pleased that she never spent a day in the Health Care Center or hospital."

Bob says, "I have been blessed with a wonderful life and have no regrets except that my golf game went sour at the age of 90. Now it's a good day on the golf course if I can shoot my age, 93!" Bob is part of a 25-year long golf foursome with his good friends Al Henneman, Phil Rhoades, and Ed Veit. One of Bob's close friends says that Bob Dubel is fun to be with because he tells wonderful stories about all aspects of his life.

Glen Meadows Retirement Community, Bob's home for many years now, has been the recipient of his leadership talents. Bob has served as President and Vice-President of the Resident's Association as well as the chair of the Finance Committee. In addition, Bob has served on various committees at his church. Besides his civic duties, Bob fills his days by hiking the many trails at Glen Meadows, playing golf, reading, attending various continuing education classes and attending his grandchildren's sporting games. Bob also closely follows the work of BCPS and the decisions of the Board of Education.

Bob recently stated, "I am now mostly known as the guy who won the beautiful quilt expertly crafted and generously donated to our Scholarship Fund by Della Curtis. It is by far the greatest prize I have ever won; I display it on my bed proudly."

Application for Automatic Dues Deduction



MARYLAND RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION



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BCRSPA Membership Chair	STAT	E DUES	
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Breakfast With Colleagues

BCRSPA Members, Guests & Prospective Members Are Invited To Breakfast Columbus Gardens, 4301 Klosterman Avenue, Nottingham, MD 21236

Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 9:30A.M.

Admission: A "new unwrapped" toy for Toys For Tots and/or a contribution to fight Cancer.

(Check(s) made payable to the American Cancer Society)

Delicious Full Breakfast Including:

Fruit; Bacon; Sausage; Cream Chipped Beef; Scrambled Eggs; Hash Browns; Belgian Waffles; Biscuits; Coffee, Tea, OJ (Mimosa or Bloody Mary Available at \$3.00 Each)



No Business Meeting

Perry Hall HS Steel Drum Band Visit With Santa Door Prizes



Visiting With Colleagues

Current Members – bring a former colleague and/or friend who is not a member for a free breakfast and to enjoy a morning with other colleagues.

Hurry – send in your registration; space is limited. **Deadline is November 30**.

Any reservation received after deadline may not be honored.

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Name(s)	Guest(s)
Number of ReservationsTelephone #	
Address	

Send Reservations to:

Mr. Dave Peters BCRSPA, P.O. Box 44016, Nottingham, MD 21236-9998

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In Memory of...

Richard L. Barranger by Bill and Faith Hermann
Helen L. Barshay by Anne Jones
William Beckwith by Marge Sebeck
Mary Elissa Beere-Metzger by Kathy Cobert
Doris C. Farley by Anne Jones
David Greenwood by Carolyn C. Mowlds
David Greenwood by Susan Tusa
John and Dottie Heck by Ruth and Stu Tucker
Beverly Hickman by Chana Bass
Morris Hoffman by Dr. Robert Dubel
Morris Hoffman by Bill and Faith Hermann
Al Marsilio by Stu and Ruth Tucker
Florence McKeener by Anne Jones
William Pfeiffer by Carolyn C. Mowlds
William Saterlie by Carolyn C. Mowlds

In Honor of...

Camille Marx by BCRSPA Executive Board Della Curtis by Dr. Robert Dubel

In Memoriam

Priscilla J. Angotti • Michael B. Bakas Richard L. "Dick" Barranger • Alma D. Brocato Mary Frances Earhart Brown Harry E. Buchheister Jr. • Hugh A. Cherry Jr. Thomas Degraziano • Robert Eads Doris R. Ensminger • Vernon Fowble Wilber Fox • Patricia A. Francesco Albert L. Frantz • Christine M. Gonzalez Eleanor M. Greentree • Burleigh Heffner Morris C. Hoffman • Sueanne M. Houck Frank G. Hubbard Jr. • Rosemarie A. Jones Robert P Kloss • Rose Anna Kottler Edwin Lynch • Doris E. Mathews Mary Beere Metzger • Barbara Pac Mary C. Paulus • William H. Pfeifer Clare Sanker • Albert G. Straub Louis M. Winkelman Joseph O. Woodfolk Clarence M. Young Jr. Rosalie E. Zurlo

How to Report the Death of A BCRSPA Member

Name of Deceased Member:
Date of Death:
Death Reported By:
Relationship of the Reporter to Deceased:
Mail this form to: Mary Ellen Zimmerman
9001 Chateaugay Court • Parkville, MD 21234

Call Mary Ellen Zimmerman at 410-668-2563



Directions to Columbus Gardens

From I-695, take exit 32B (Bel air) north for 1.25 miles to the blinking light at Klosterman Avenue. turn right and follow the street down until it ends at Columbus Gardens Parking lot.

BCRSPA Memorial Scholarship Fund

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*For non-tax deductible contributions, make the check payable to BCRSPA Memorial Scholarship Fund.

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Mail to:

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UPDATE

The Baltimore County Retired School Personnel Association Newsletter will be published four times annually: September, December, March & June.

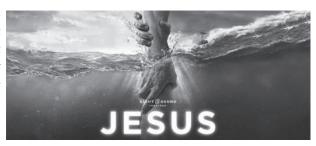
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Bus Trip(s) News

Sight and Sound Theatre, Lancaster, PA

Looking for a wonderful religious holiday show to see? How about joining BCRSPA on a trip to Sight & Sound Theatre on November 14 to see "Jesus"? The cost of the trip is \$115 and includes bus transportation, ticket to the show, lunch at the Hershey Restaurant,



continental bag breakfast on the bus, and all gratuities. We only have 11 tickets left. If genuinely interested, contact David Copenhaver ASAP at cdavidcopenhaver@gmail.com or 410-515-0456. You don't want to miss the opportunity to see this very popular show, so act now, the cut off date is September 24, 2018.

Let's Celebrate the Christmas Season in a Patriotic way!

We are looking into taking a trip on December 16, 2018.

The itinerary would be:

- Special tour at Arlington National Cemetery...visiting the following, up close and personal... The Welcome Center, President John F. Kennedy Gravesite, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and Changing of the Guard Ceremony.
- Attend the U. S. Navy Band Holiday Concert at DAR Constitution Hall.

If I can get all the necessary tickets and there are enough genuinely interested individuals, we will be in for a very memorable trip. Only 50 seats available. Let me know ASAP if interested, send eMail to cdavidcopenhaver@gmail.com or call me at 410.515-0456.

Trip (March/April)

Visit the National Museum of African American History & Culture and enjoy lunch, on your own, at the Sweet Home Café. Let me know ASAP if interested, send eMail to cdavidcopenhaver@gmail. com or call me at 410.515-0456.

Do you have a suggestion for a future trip or social event?

If so, drop a line to your Social Committee Chair, C. David Copenhaver. He can be reached by email at cdavidcopenhaver@gmail.com,

by mail at 419 Amy Drive, Abingdon, MD 21009, or by calling him at 410-515-0456. We do good work for our charities and scholarships; let's have some fun as well.

Crab Feast



3:00 p.m-6:00 p.m.

Camp Running Bear in Monkton

Price \$40

Visit...

https://bcrspaevents. shutterfly.com

(password is lower case bcrspa)

& www.bcrspa.org

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Five Ways To Stretch Your Travel Dollar



1. National Parks Service Senior Pass.

If you're age 62 plus, this is your ticket to see America's natural beauty. For \$20 a year (or \$80 for a lifetime membership), you get access to all 59 parks, including Yellowstone, Yosemite and the Grand Canyon.

2. British Airways AARP Member Discount.

British Airways offers AARP members \$65 off economy fares and \$200 off business class tickets.

3. Hyatt Hotels Discounts.

Hyatt guests age 62 plus may be able to book rooms for up to 50% less than standard rates.

4. Carnival Cruise Deals for Seniors.

Carnival makes it easy to search for special rates on its website. You can select your destination, departure city, travel dates, and cruise duration and an easy-to-read-calendar will show you the prices on each for passengers 55 and up.

5. Amtrak Senior Discount.

Amtrak's passengers age 65 plus receive a 10% discount on tickets. And passengers age 62 and up can score 50% discounts on Amtrak's Downeaster trains between Boston and Portland, Maine, making for an economical tour of New England.

Submitted by BJ Rounsaville, Consumer Services Chairperson. Reprinted from The Tribune Erickson Living May 2018

How To Spot Scams Online

Warning! Warning! Click this Link!

Imagine that while you're reading this article, a window pops up on your computer screen that said: "Microsoft Warning Alert": "Your computer has been hacked! Please call us immediately at 800-555-5555. Do not ignore this critical alert. If you close this page, your computer will be disabled. If you do not call in the next five minutes your data will be lost."

Scammers like to use our emotions against us. In this case, preying on our anxiety when an alert suddenly appears.

A friend of mine recently received a warning message just like it, and with no time to spare, quickly called the number listed. A member of the "Microsoft Security Team" informed him that he did, indeed, have a breach on his computer.

They told him they could clean the hard drive

remotely for \$550. All he needed to do was provide his banking information and to click on a link in an email they would send, which would allow remote access to his computer.

The red flags in this scam are easy to spot. First, Microsoft is not going to contact you about a hack on your individual computer. Second, no one other than a legitimate financial institution should ever ask for your bank account information. Finally, no one with good intentions will solicit you for remote access to your computer. Once in, scammers can infect your computer with malware and steal personal information that you have stored.

Commands to take immediate action should be met with a healthy dose of skepticism. When in doubt, seek the advice of friends or relatives.

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Healthy Habits Can Lengthen Life

Physical activity is one of five healthy lifestyle factors that can lower your risk for several diseases and lengthen your life. Have you heard the advice to exercise, choose a healthy diet, keep a lean weight, never smoke, and limit alcohol? Researchers wanted to find out whether people who follow this advice live longer than those who don't. So, they compared lifespan and other data from thousands of adults with all five of these healthy habits to those without.

People in the healthy habits group got at least 30 minutes of exercise each day. They ate the recommended amounts of fruits, vegetables, nuts, whole grains, and healthy fats. And they limited salt, sugary drinks, trans fat, and red and processed meats. They also limited alcohol.

Women had no more than one drink each day and men no more than two drinks. They also maintained a normal weight and didn't smoke. The people in the other group didn't exercise, have a healthy diet, or limit drinking. They smoked and were overweight.

Based on the results, the researchers estimated that a 50-year-old woman who had all five habits would live, on average, to age 93. In contrast, if she didn't have any of these habits, she would live on average to age 79. For a 50-year-old man, the average lifespan was about 88 years old with healthy behaviors and only 76 years without.

"This study underscores the importance of following healthy lifestyle habits for improving longevity in the U.S. population," says Dr. Frank B. Hu of Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, senior author of the study.

Go to: https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/educational/lose_wt/eat/calories.htm

for additional information.

Source: NIH News in Health.
Some changes were made.

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BCRSPA Calendar:

Early September	Newsletter Distribution
September 18th	Executive Board Meeting St. Isaac Jogues - Church Hall
September 30th	5th Annual Crab Feast
October 16th	Fall Luncheon Meeting
November 13th	Executive Board Meeting St. Isaac Jogues - Church Hall
November 14th	Sight and Sound Show "JESUS"
December 6th	Breakfast with Colleagues at Columbus Gardens
December 16th	Possible Trip

UPDATE Deadline:

Special tour at Arlington National Cemetery and attend the U.S.

Navy Band Holiday Concert at DAR Constitution Hall

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Emeritus Membership in BCRSPA

(Age 90 as of June 30, 2018)

Name: ______
Address: (Include Apt. # & Zip +4 Code)

Date of Birth: (month/day/year) _____
Telephone: _____

Mail to: MRSPA/BCRSPA Membership

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