

# Charles County Retired School

## Personnel Association



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## President's Corner

## Marcia Vreatt

We are quickly approaching Spring—the season of rebirth and renewal. March brings with it the return of Daylight Savings Time (March 11) and the first day of Spring (March 20). We at CCRSPA have seen a renewal of volunteer spirit among our ranks.

We sincerely welcome the contributions of Cathy and Dale Cornette for their part in making the luncheon arrangements for our March meeting. We are also most grateful for the willingness of Mimi Holt to attend the annual Legislative Committee meetings in Annapolis. Finally, I personally commend Claire Gritzinger and Karen Allison for their generous offer to coordinate the Clarence T. Rogers School Supply Drive for September of 2012 and the Christmas Connection Collection, which will take place in December of 2012. The good work of our organization would not be possible without the continuing contributions of our members.

The best teachers were always the ones most willing to give their time to help students. In retirement, those same (former) teachers extend their generosity to Charles County students in different and unique ways. We commend and appreciate them.



The best teachers also love to have fun and we have several fun events planned. On March 14, Jordan Burick will again entice us with a bus trip to Delaware for "Advance Study of Mathematical Probability with Practical Application in the Field"(aka "Gaming"). The universal reaction to these trips is always the same:"What a great time we had and when are we going again?"

The Spring luncheon at the Outback in La Plata will occur in March as well. Be sure to respond as soon as possible to reserve your place.

Several of us are meeting with Calvert and St. Mary's Associations to plan possible day trips to attractions in the D.C. Metropolitan area in the coming months. We will also plan a fun night at a Blue Crabs game- always a good time. We have also hosting a Pre- Retirement Seminar in March for those whose retirement is imminent. That is great opportunity for us to share just how much fun it is to be retired.

All of these activities have several things in common. They are all a source of good fellowship, good food, good friends and good times. Get involved with us and you will see for yourself.

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## Delivery Changes for CCRSPA Newsletter

For those CCRSPA members who have shared your email accounts with us, you will be receiving this newsletter by the postal service and through your email account. For the publication of our next newsletter, we will be reducing the number of postal accounts by our email accounts. In other words, if you are on our email list, that is the only way you will receive the CCRSPA newsletter in the future. We are trying to save money, time, and energy. Please give us your email information if you have not done so, or as you make changes. You may send it to: [jspotz@comcast.net](mailto:jspotz@comcast.net) Please feel free to let me know how you like this email service.

## Legislative Update

The most important news for us coming from Annapolis this legislative session will be relative to pension funding. Nothing has officially decided to date. The best way for CCRSPA members to stay informed is to read the MRSPA Newsletter. Additional news is available on the MRSPA website at [www.mrspa.org](http://www.mrspa.org). Log onto the website using your user ID (member ID number located directly above your name on your newsletter) and your password (first letter of first name plus entire last name all in lower case letters.) Scroll down through links on the left side of the Welcome Page to find the appropriate link under MRSPA Newsletter. If you have any questions about being able to access the newsletter, or if you are unable to log onto the website, contact the MRSPA office (410-551-1517) or by email at [www.mrspa.org](http://www.mrspa.org).

*CCRSPA  
Spring General  
Meeting*

*March 15, 2012  
11 AM*

*Outback  
Steakhouse  
La Plata*



## Spring General Meeting



The luncheon will be held on **Thursday, March 15, 2012, at 11:00 at Outback Steakhouse in La Plata**. The restaurant is located at the west corner of route 6 and 301. The cost will be **\$15 a person** to be paid at the door. There will be a buffet of Grilled Seasoned Chicken Breast, Atlantic Salmon, and center cut USDA "Choice" Sirloin. The meal will include garlic mashed potatoes or steamed green beans, a salad, and a slice of New York style cheesecake, coffee, tea, and soda.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the luncheon! Come and help us celebrate Spring! **Please RSVP** to Cathy and Dale Cornette at 301 934-9483 or Cathy at [mccornette@yahoo.com](mailto:mccornette@yahoo.com) or Dale at [idcornette@gmail.com](mailto:idcornette@gmail.com) **no later than March 7, 2012.**

# UPDATE: PORT TOBACCO ONE-ROOM SCHOOL

We will again host the Second Graders from the Charles County Public School System starting in April. All second graders spend a half-day at the school enjoying school as it was in the early 1900's.

The Annual visit of Japanese students will take place on February 22. We feel honored to host these

students. They visit each year and seem to have a great time. Margaret Marshall acts as the official host and conducts a lesson that lasts for about one hour.

### On the other hand !!!!!

Someone tried to break into the school three weeks ago. This happened in the middle of the day. The front door

was kicked in in an attempt to enter the building. Very little damage was done. Looks like we did a poor job of teaching reading—a large sign by the door warned that an alarm would sound. The police responded but no one could be found.



## ONE-ROOM SCHOOL News

We will again try to keep the Port Tobacco One-Room School open during the summer. An attempt will be made to be open on Saturdays and Sundays. Hopefully, with the help from the CCRSPA members, The School can be open at the same time that the Port Tobacco Court House is on display.

This will be discussed at our next Board

of Directors meeting and the General Meeting on March 15.

Keep this in mind. If you have a few hours to help, please contact me.

*Submitted by Dale Cornette*

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## BASEBALL . . .



Summer is on the way !!!

Before you know it, the long winter will be long forgotten. With this in mind, plans are being made for our Annual Night Out with the Blue Crabs Baseball Club.

Hopefully this night out can also become a fundraiser. Details will be worked out soon on a date and information on how each member can purchase tickets in order to benefit the Association.

Look for more details at the General Meeting on March 15.

### Sunshine / Necrology

Floyd Carpenter had same day Laser surgery on Feb. 8. He is doing well.

We sent a card to the Ronald Cunningham Family as our expression of sympathy.

The CCRSPA Board discussed and will recommend changing "Sunshine/Necrology" to the "Remembrance" committee. The recommendation will be presented to the Spring General Meeting along with a draft for a Resolution of Sympathy.

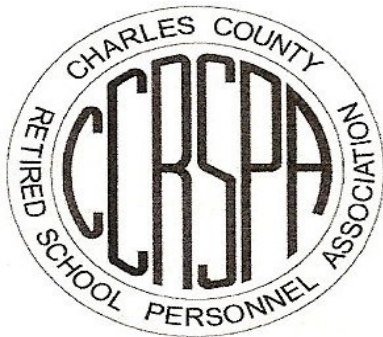
Please call Janice Carpenter at 301-645-6529 so that we may continue to let our members know that we care.

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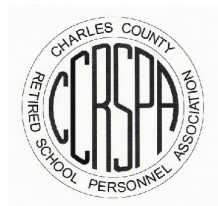
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<b>2011 / 2012 CCRSPA Calendar</b>			
<u>TIME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEETING</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
11 AM	December 8, 2011	General Membership Luncheon	Swan Point Country Club
10 AM	February 16, 2012	Board of Directors	CCBOE
11 AM	March 15, 2012	General Membership Luncheon	Outback in La Plata
10 AM	April 19, 2012	Board of Directors	CCBOE
11 AM	May 17, 2012	General Membership Luncheon	Gilbert Run Park
10 AM	June 21, 2012	Board of Directors, Planning Session	CCBOE