

ECHOES

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S PUBLIC SCHOOL RETIREES ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With my term as president coming to an end, I am reminded of the theme chosen in September. It was: Making Connections: Past, Present, and Future. It has adequately described the work of PGPSRA members for we have interacted with learners of all ages, and formed meaningful bonds with academic success as the common focus. Committee members have worked well together to reach the goals for this year and have not stopped when colleagues were unable to be active. We have members who have been mentors, tutors, and caring adults. Some have gone the "extra mile" by updating their certification to be helpful to the school system that has been "first" with us for a long time.

Much needs to be said about PGPSRA members involved in educational, social, and financial matters relative to our communities, homes, and schools. My reference is to the canned food and shoe projects. It is my belief that the incoming executive committee will continue the work of our Association with new and enriching ideas. We ask for your sincere support and involvement whenever they are needed, whether requested or perceived.

Additionally, we have traveled beyond Prince George's County in order to interact with other retirees, get new ideas, and to keep abreast of current trends in education. As the new editor of our newsletter, I will keep these matters as focal points, maintaining an attitude of cooperation and support as I encourage others to do the same thing. Thanks for your support during my tenure!

Rose W. Miller, President

INSTALLATION IN MAY Officers for July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

President - Kitty Walker

President- Elect - Bonnie Brouse

Recording Secretary – Gretel James

Corresponding Secretary - Vacant

Treasurer- Dr. Edward Vest

Reminders: * Only PGPSRA members and their guests may attend this and other luncheon meetings. * The transition meeting is scheduled for 10:00 A.M. on June 14, 2006 at the PGCEA Center.

FLORIDA MEMBERS HOST CRUISE 2007

Dr. Donald and Mrs. Delores Kiah will host the Prince George's County Florida Retirees Cruise in 2007. As plans are developed, Echoes readers will receive the information.

CRUISE 2006 - BIG SUCCESS

PGPSRA members, Dr. Robert (Joe) and Mrs. Patria Shockley were hosts for the cruise aboard the Sun Princess. Sailing from Port Everglades for a 10-night cruise of the Caribbean, St. Thomas, St. Lucias, and Grenada were among the six ports of call visited.

Prince George's retirees aboard were: Don and Delores Kiah, Dotty Bishop, Jerry and Ginny Keeney, Lester and Nancy Guin, Alice Wieland and Don Stafford, Harriet Goldfon, Marlene Smith, Ruth Bond, Mary Sweigart, Fred and Carol Cardano, Tom and Carol Howie, Larry and Jeanne Hervey, Edward and Bernetta

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PROPOSED BUDGET 2006 - 2007

CATEGORY	CURRENT BUDGET 2005 - 2006	PROPOSED BUDGET 2006 - 2007
Archives	1600.00	500.00
Awards and Recognition	300.00	100.00
Liaison Professional	50.00	50.00
Operational	1000.00	1000.00
President	200.00	200.00
Secretarial	300.00	300.00
MRTA Meetings	2500.00	2500.00
Treasurer	100.00	100.00
Newsletter/Publications	12000.00	13000.00
Edu/Protective Services	500.00	500.00
Hospitality	1500.00	1500.00
Legislative	1000.00	1100.00
Membership	300.00	500.00
Program	1500.00	1500.00
Remembrance	300.00	300.00
Community Service	2500.00	2500.00
Convention Gift	50.00	50.00
Scholarship	10000.00	10000.00
Contingency Fund	1700.00	1700.00
Incorporation Expenses	500.00	500.00

GRAND TOTALS 37900.00 37900.00

ESTIMATED INCOME 2006 - 2007

DUES FROM MEMBERS @10.00 PER MEMBER - ESTIMATED MEMBERSHIP OF 1700	17000.00
FROM CHECKING ACCOUNT	14000.00
FROM SAVINGS ACCOUNT	6900.00
TOTAL	37900.00

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Alveta Jones, Chairperson

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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MRTA will be sending membership renewal notices in May. Watch for them in your mail. Our present membership year ends June 30, 2006 and your check should be mailed as soon as you get the notice. PLEASE do not send the check without the renewal notice. If you have signed for dues deduction, the cost of your dues will be deducted from your end of July check.

Jane Jones, Co-Chair

JUNE TRIP TO CAPE COD

This information is for the trip to Cape Cod and the Islands.

Dates: Monday, June 5 to Friday, June 9, 2006

Bus transportation w/AC, toilet, reclining seats

Features: 4 nights in a good hotel

4 full breakfasts

4 full dinners (including one lobster)

Tour of Provincetown

Ferry and tour of Nantucket

Ferry and tour of Martha's Vineyard

Visit to Kennedy Museum

Visit to Chatham

Gratuities for all meals

1 suitcase per person handled for you

Cost: 40 or more \$520.00 pp (Dbl. Occupancy)

35 -49 540.00 pp (Dbl. Occupancy)

30-34 575.00 pp (Dbl. Occupancy)

25 -29 625.00 pp (Dbl. Occupancy)

Single Supplement will cost \$115.00. Full payment due May 1, 2006. Make checks payable to:

PGPSRA Tours. Mail checks to:

Charles Hudson

Hunter Glen Apt. 319

3154 Gracefield Road

Silver Spring, Maryland 20904

Questions? Call Mr. Hudson at 301-572-9778 after April 10, 2006. Minimum of 25 required for the trip. Have 18 signed up so far.

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IN MEMORIAM

Members

Cossette Dumont	10-30-05
Dorothy H. Harding	03-09-06
Elizabeth Johnson	10-30-05
Madeline Parker	12-10-05
Dorothy Phelps	?
Claire Sheitelman	03-18-06
Marjorie T. Johnson	03-26-06

Non-Members

Winifred Harvey	01-16-06
Eldridge Johnson	02-22-06
Alfred Little	03-14-06
Douglas Crowe	03-18-06
Helen Davis	02-24-06
Delores Dixon	02-14-06
Mary Finneran	02-20-06
Florence Ford	01-18-06
Hazel Gruman	01-15-06
Doris Harris	02-27-06
Theresa Hulbert	02-22-06
Mildred Lester	03-20-06
Nancy Powell	11-16-05
Pauline Reddie	03-12-06
Herbert Ryle	09-21-05
John Rogerson	03-12-06
Barbara Williams	07-30-05

Bits and Pieces – May, 2006

President –Elect Bonnie Curry Brouse will be attending the Annual American Symphony Conference in May. The conference will be held in Los Angeles. Bonnie is attending as the President of the Women's Committee for the National Symphony Orchestra. While attending workshops and seminars will be important, a highlight will be attending a concert at the new Walt Disney Concert Hall.

Joseph and Maud Pinkney spent a few days in Hawaii in October. They visited a pineapple farm and the Pearl Harbor Memorial. It was an awesome and inspiring moment to stand over

the "Arizona". They also visited the only palace in the USA which is in a building that had electricity and plumbing with underground wiring as early as the 1800's. From there they went to Los Angeles to visit their daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter. They were also able to visit the King Tut exhibit .

William and Ann Robinson's 50th Wedding Anniversary was on February 18, 2006. The celebration was held on March 18 at St. Mary's School in Upper Marlboro. This affair was hosted by their children and grandchildren .

Doris Hall informed us that the elementary school named to honor her late husband, William W. Hall, was dedicated on April 28, 2006 in Capitol Heights, Maryland.. He began as a classroom teacher in Prince George's County and during a tenure of more than thirty six years, was also an elementary Supervisor and teacher at Bowie State College. Incidentally, Doris has served as the Chairman of Necrology for the Retirees Association for nineteen years and we extend sincere thanks to her as she decides to pass that responsibility to someone else.

Elizabeth C. Kelly retired as Elementary County Supervisor in 1980. This winter she celebrated her 88th birthday. (*Our congratulations) She recently moved from her home of 19 years in Annapolis, to Cincinnati, Ohio , where she has a nephew and two great-nieces. Elizabeth enjoys reading, and working crossword puzzles.

Beulah Drake-Butler retired as a classroom teacher from Skyline Elementary in 1993. She lives in The Willows Senior Community in Bowie, where she uses her free time to participate in Alpha Kappa Alpha Women's activities, crocheting and other crafts, planning trips, and is learning to use the computer. She has three step-children , several nieces, and nephews.

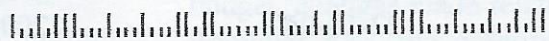
Elizabeth Ann Wells has been living in Belgrade Lakes, Maine for he past 22 years. She enjoys traveling, and during 2005 she took a trip to Scotland.

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Installation of Officers
Report from Scholarship Student
Heritage Singers

Cost - \$18.00

Please mail check/form to address below no later than May 17, 2006

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Reservations are for (list names):
