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IS MY RETIREMENT SAFE? In a word, YES!

With both your state and county retirement, you have a promise from the government to make the monthly payments they agreed upon when you retired, plus a cost-of-living increase if the Consumer Price Index (CPI) [which measures the rate of inflation] rises during any year.

In 2009, the CPI fell (for the first time in more than 50 years) due to the economic downturn. That means no increase for next year for our social security, state and local retirement payments. And, for state and local, it means something less than the full CPI when it is again a positive amount because both state and local will take back the amount that should have been the 2009 decrease.

If you read the news carefully, you know that both state and county governments are having huge problems balancing their budgets for Fiscal Year 2011. We don't know the outcomes at the time this was written; but, whatever happens, it won't affect the amount of your pension or retirement payments.

On a separate but related topic, the Maryland General Assembly is likely to transfer some of the employer's share of pension costs back to the counties in the future. A legislative committee is studying ways this might happen and will publish recommendations in December 2010. Any recommended action taken will not affect current retirees or their pensions. However, moving costs from the state to the counties will certainly make the county and school system budgets even tighter than they are now. The General Assembly is likely to act on those or other pension funding recommendations in its January-April 2011 session. The Maryland Retired School Personnel Association will watch these proceedings very carefully and lobby intensely on behalf of its members.

What may be at risk in these perilous budget years is retiree health insurance. That's provided by each local board of education and because of budget short falls, a board could reduce or eliminate retiree health benefits.

This issue is one that your local retiree association is following closely and will take action if there are threats. Lobbying on your behalf is a major reason that retirees join their state and local retiree organizations. If you're a member, congratulations. We're working for you. If you know other retirees who aren't members, get them to join. The more members we have, the stronger our voice. Membership information is on page 3.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

This year MCPSRA will award fourteen scholarships of \$1000 each. The five teachers receiving scholarships from the Louise S. Walker fund are: Kara Ball, Brad Bliven, Rosemary Hudecheck, Kathleen Robens and Robynn Scott-Clayton. The Gibson Memorial scholarship will go to Christopher Schenk. Erin Connors will receive the Peters Memorial scholarship. MCPS employees receiving the remaining MCPSRA scholarships are: Katie Caldwell, Manuel Chavez, Heather Frank, Amy Goldberg, Lauren McDougal, Sara McGinn and Krystal Putnam. These scholarships will be presented at the MCPSRA luncheon on June 17, 2010. See page 11 for details.

Scholarship committee members are: Jean Bedenbaugh, Ann Eberly (co-chair), Romayne Hagyard, Ken Huff, Stephen Raucher, Joy Schwab (co-chair) and Dick Stevenson. A special thanks to Ms. Joy Schwab and Ms. Ann Eberly, Scholarship Committee Co-Chairs, for their excellent leadership in this important project.

GOLF IN THE FALL

Mark your calendars today. The 20th Annual MCPSRA Golf Outing will be held on Friday, October 8, 2010, (rain date is October 15, 2010) at the Laytonsville Golf Course, Laytonsville, MD. Further details and registration will appear in the October Newsletter.

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Message from the President

During our May MCPSRA Board of Directors monthly meeting, MCPS Superintendent, Dr. Jerry D. Weast, visited us. Dr. Weast has made visits to our MCPSRA Board meetings throughout his years of leadership in MCPS.

After Dr. Weast sampled a few snacks, we stopped our meeting and welcomed him. He moved to the chalkboard and took a piece of chalk saying, "Once a teacher, always a teacher." Dr. Weast then outlined some issues he is working on with the MCPS Board of Education, County Council and other agencies.

Some points Dr. Weast shared were his joy and love for MCPS; his strong emphasis on data analysis and its support in monitoring outstanding student/staff performances, locally and nationally; his willingness to stand up to challenges and, his continued rapport with the MCPS BOE.

We appreciate Dr. Weast's stopping by to share some time with the Board of Directors.

Sincerely, Gerald W. Johnson, President MCPSRA

NEW MEMBERS Welcome

Diana Bienenida, John W. Adams, Eileen Wilson, Laurel R. Gill, Catherine E. Bertin, Rochelle Kraus, Brady F. Blade, Fred Lowenbach, Sally Ladd, Jane Parra, Francine Pivinski, Carol D. Powers, Daria Pogan, Stephanie Price, Michael J. Riley, Brenda Randolph, M. Rebecca Soutar, JoAnn Richmond, Ray E. Steven, Thomas Price, John Ralph Wallis, Dianna L. Vargo, Andrew P. White

IN MEMORIAM

Charlotte Beaver Edward Maclay Janet Williams Edna Friedman Sandra Smookler

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A GOOD FRIEND STEPS DOWN

For over 25 years Henry (Hank) Heller, a fellow retired MCPS educator and member of MCPSRA has strongly represented children and all school personnel as a member of the Maryland House of Delegates.

Dr. Heller will retire from the House as of this coming November election. As one of our own, we wish him the joys of retirement experienced by each of us. Hank began teaching Civics at Belt Jr. High school in 1964.

On his first day of teaching, unbeknownst to him, the school building was about to undergo a bit of renovation. As he began his first lesson with this new class, maintenance workers with power drills entered his classroom to begin tearing down the wall in front of the class-- the very one he was writing on! What a never to be forgotten day that was. In 1977 he was elected President of MCEA which took him out of the classroom for two years. Upon Hank's return to teaching he became a career education teacher for students in need of support. He then served MCPS as a management and budget specialist.

In 1987 he was elected to the House of Delegates and served on the Appropriations Committee where he was instrumental in gaining for Montgomery County more than double the previous amounts of money for education. Unceasing efforts on Delegate Heller's part increased funding for ESOL, higher levels of funding for community colleges, bills designed to provide textbooks for the blind and visually impaired, health insurance for students with disabilities----and the list goes on.

Hank Heller we will miss your energy in Annapolis but welcome you back home, especially to MCPSRA. Bouquets of "Thank You" flowers for all you do for the citizens of Maryland.

ADULT LITERACY TUTORS NEEDED

The Literacy Council of Montgomery County will hold an information session for volunteers interested in helping adults learn to read, write, or speak English on Tuesday, July 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Rockville Library. A session is also scheduled at the Rockville Library on Wednesday, July 28 at 10:30 a.m.

Once volunteers have completed the orientation, they can select a two-part training session that fits their schedules. No foreign language skills are necessary. Tutors work one-on-one or with small groups, and typically meet with students in libraries or community centers at mutually convenient times. For complete details, call 301-610-0030, email info@literacycouncilmcmd.org, or visit www.literacycouncilmcmd.org.

MEMBERSHIP ALERT

MRSPA Membership Chair: Betsy Doyle

MCPSRA Membership Chair: Juliette Trevino

MRSPA is the state "watchdog" of our pension and retirement funds as well as of our health-care coverage. It is up to all of us to help recruit new members...the more members we have the more attention and support we have in Annapolis. Where do we get these new members? We get them from you, our retirees, of course!! Please talk to all of your retiree friends and encourage them to sign up if they are not already members.

WE DO NEED YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT!!

COMPLETE THIS FORM $\underline{\mathit{ONLY}}$ IF YOU ARE APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP

Maryland Retired School Personnel Association
Montgomery County Public Schools Retirees Association
Application for Membership



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This authorization will Association	remain effect until cancelled by written no	otice mailed to the Maryland R	Retired School Personnel
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Please inform Membership Chair Juliette Trevino of changes in your name, address or phone number by mailing it to MCPSRA, P.O. Box 4367, Rockville, MD 20849-4367 or by e-mail at jgtrevino@comcast.net.

ARE YOU A **HAVE** OR A **HAVE NOT**?

What comes to mind when you hear, "There's a big gap between the **HAVES** and the **HAVE NOTS** in our county, our country, our world?" I would bet that the majority of people would define the **HAVES** as those people who possess or have the economic means to buy everything that they need and most of what they want in life, and for those who live below the poverty line who can barely afford the common necessities in life and who rarely have the means to get anything extra that they might want would fall into the **HAVE NOTS** category. I imagine that we, as retirees of the Montgomery County Public Schools who now receive our well-earned monthly state and county retirement checks as well as one from Social Security (if you are old enough!), would consider ourselves among the **HAVES**. And that's a good thing.

Now let's take a few minutes to imagine – better yet, look around! – what it must be like to be among the HAVE NOTS here in Montgomery County. Yes, the gap is a mighty cavern and growing even wider and deeper due to the current economic recession. It is heart-wrenching to read the statistics of how many of our county's residents have lost their jobs and subsequently their homes to foreclosure. These are willing and hard working individuals who have beautiful children, children who attend our schools, who are trying to just survive. We must be willing to reach out a hand to help. That is just what our Toolkits, Books, and Backpacks Project has been doing, thanks to many individuals who have been donating to the cause for over six years now. As you may know, our project has achieved local, state, and national acclaim and has been used as a model to start similar programs in other jurisdictions in Maryland and throughout the United States. Articles have been written about it and will soon appear in National Education Association publications as well as in a variety of AARP media releases and magazines. Our compassion and commitment to children has guided us to reach new heights in the evolution of this project from a mere 800 toolkits the first year to nearly 1500 this past summer. Over the years the books and backpacks components were added to the project to meet the needs of the ever increasing number of needy children attending Title I summer school.

Let's now ask again the question, "Are you a **HAVE** or a **HAVE NOT**?" Have you taken the time and effort yet to donate \$10 or more to sponsor a toolkit for a very worthy but needy child for this coming summer? Ten dollars in the general scheme of things is not that much but it can do wonders for a little kindergartner who will receive a kit of school supplies. There are nearly 2700 members of our association and yet only 205 can be considered among the **HAVES** who have sent in a donation. This means over 90% of our members are among the **HAVE NOTS**. PLEASE consider joining the **HAVES** in our effort to help many, many children of the **HAVE NOTS** in our county by making a donation as soon as possible. Please don't put it off – do it today. We have less than a month before we begin to assemble the toolkits. The need has never been greater than it is this year. Thanks to all of you who have assured the success of our project over the years through your generosity.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS RETIREES ASSOCIATION

2010-2011 Budget

Adopted by Board of Directors on May 6, 2010

Income	2009-10 Budget	2010-2011 Budget	
Local Membership Dues	\$ 27,000	\$ 25,810	
MRSPA Postage/Mbrship	137	137	
Grant			
Investment Income	*	*	
Newsletter Advertising		700	
Total Income	\$ 27,137	\$ 26,647	
Expenses			
Officers			
President	200	200	
Vice President	*	*	
Recording Secretary	*	*	
Treasurer/Asst. Treas.	*	*	
Membership Chair Stipend	2,400	1,000	
Committees			
Archives	725	725	
Auditing	*	*	
Budget	*	*	
Community Service	*	*	
Donations & Contributions	1,100	1,100	
Education & Protective	*	*	
Services			
Hospitality	1,000	1,000	
Insurance	*	*	
Legislative	*	*	
MRSPA Donation/Fees	*	*	
Membership	700	700	
Necrology & Recognition	150	150	
Political Action	100	800	
Program	800	800	
Publications	16,000	12,000	
Scholarship	6,000	6,000	
Special Projects	2,000	2,000	
Trips	150	150	
Contingency	500	500	
Website	1,200	1,200	
Total Expenses	33,025	28,325	
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Note: The budget for 2010-2011 shows a small deficit amount. Our experience over the years has been that many allocations are not fully used and there is always a surplus at the end of the fiscal year. In FY2009, a projected \$3,520 deficit actually ended up a \$2,152.10 surplus.

BUY A BRICK FOR KEY MS

Francis Scott Key Middle School, successor to Francis Scott Key Junior High School, is promoting a BUY A BRICK campaign. A \$50 donation will get you one brick in the school's rotunda. The proceeds will go to the general fund that supports the school's initiatives and programs.

For more information, please go to www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/fskms/. In the News section, go to the bottom and click on "Buy a Brick.

Zora Camp

WANT A WANT AD?

The MRSPA Board of Directors has agreed to accept advertising. Dimensions and per issue rates are as follows:

Business card	3.0" wide x 2.0" tall	\$35
Quarter page	3.5" wide x 4.75" tall	\$60
Half page	7.5" wide x 4.75" tall	\$110
Full page	7.5" wide x 10.0" tall	\$200

An ad cannot exceed the above dimensions and should be e-mailed to the Newsletter Editor as a WORD attachment.

Deadlines for future Newsletters are as follows
September 8, 2010 for the October 2010 issue
November 3, 2010 for the December 2010 issue
January 6, 2011 for the February 2011 issue
March 3, 2011 for the April 2011 issue
May 5 for the June 2011 issue

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Overnight trip parking information will be indicated in each trip description. Day trips will leave from Park & Ride lot on Norbeck Rd. & Georgia Ave.

YOUR TRAVEL INFORMATION

PLEASE TAKE TIME TO READ THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION. SHARE IT, ALONG WITH SPECIFIC TRIP INFORMATION, WITH YOUR GUESTS.

- 1. We all travel at our own risk.
- **2.** There is always some walking involved as we travel. Read each itinerary carefully, keeping in mind your own capabilities.
- **3.** Itineraries, times and details are approximate. Changes are sometimes necessary and unavoidable.
- **4.** Trips are open to members, their families and friends (adults).
- **5.** Smoking and drinking of alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the coach.
- 6. About three to five days before a day trip, participants are called to remind them of the day and departure time of the trip. For overnight coach trips, about two weeks prior to the date of departure, a letter with up to date information, including parking details, and one baggage tag per person will be mailed to you.
- **7.** Write a separate check, payable to MCPSRA, for each trip. Include name and date of trip on check
- **8.** Send check with completed reservation form.
- 9. Your reservation is definite upon receipt of deposit/full payment, whichever is required. If a trip has to be cancelled because of insufficient numbers of participants needed by the deadline as published, your check will be returned to you. Feel free to call to find out if your reservation and payment were received.
- **10.** Refunds are made only when your space can be filled
- **11.** Gratuities for driver and local guides are not included in the price of the trip.
- **12.** Anyone interested in insurance for overnight trips should call Ellen at Eyre Tour and Travel at 301-854-6600, ext. 3252 or 410-442-1330, ext. 3252 or 1-800-321-3973, ext. 3252.
- 13. We do not provide transportation to and from the airport for trips that require flying.

TRAVEL CO-CHAIRS

MCPSRA TRIPS 2010

All trips are listed and described on the web site:

www.mcpsretirees.org

Information was in April newsletter for the following trips:

June 6 River Dance
June 30 Newseum Payment due June 3.
July 21 Allenberry Theater – Show – My Fair
Lady. Payment due June 3

August 24 Sight and Sound theatre – Show – Joseph Payment due July 16

October 8 -10

Autumn Glory Festival
Deposit due June 1

June 18

December 2

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Autumn Glory Festival
Deposit due June 1

New England Cruise
Hawaii Cruise

Information in June newsletter

July 14 Tea and Luncheon at Johns Hopkins

University Museums

September 15 Antietam and Shepherdstown with lunch at

The Bavarian Inn

October 13 Western MD Scenic railroad

November 27 Merry Tuba Christmas and Winterfest

October 1 - 8 The Pacific Coast Cruise

If interested in this cruise, send a **self-addressed**, **stamped**, **legal size envelope** to Frieda and she will send you the information. Or you may call Grand American Tours and Cruises for information: 1-800-423-0247. Identify yourself as an MCPSRA member.

Save-the-Dates

TEA AND UNEXPECTED TREASURES HOMEWOOD AND EVERGREEN Johns Hopkins University Museums, Baltimore, MD Wednesday, July 14, 2010

HOMEWOOD is one of two Museums of Johns Hopkins University and was the generous wedding gift of Charles Carroll of Carrollton to his son, Charles Carroll, Jr. in 1801. It was built in a Palladian-inspired five-part plan and is renowned for its "...elegant proportions, fine workmanship and superb examples of Baltimore furniture." This beautifully styled brick home of the Federalist period was restored and opened as a museum in 1987 and is a National Historic Landmark on the campus of Johns Hopkins University.

The second of the Johns Hopkins Museums is a first-rate example of Gilded Age architecture set on 26 landscaped acres in Baltimore and is also on the National Register of Historic Places. Named **EVERGREEN**, it contains 48 opulent rooms which had belonged to Baltimore's Garrett family, an influential and important part of railroad development of the time. EVERGREEN contains over 50,000 of the Garretts' belongings, including post-impressionist paintings, Chinese porcelain, Japanese lacquerware, the Garrett Library of rare books, and one of the largest collections of Louis Comfort Tiffany art glass. In addition, the Leon Bakst-designed theatre in the mansion provided artists space for working and performing through the generosity, hospitality and support of the Garrett family.

In keeping with a tradition of the times of the Gilded Age, we will be served "High Tea and Luncheon" at the EVERGREEN Museum before touring the mansion. It was the custom to serve what was termed "high tea" in the late afternoon about 4:00 pm. or later; however, in order to keep within our day's time schedule, we will enjoy the types of foods served for our luncheon tea but at a slightly earlier hour of the day! After tea and the tour, we'll return to Norbeck.

9:00 a.m. Depart Norbeck Park & Ride
 11:00 a.m. Arrive HOMEWOOD for guided tour
 12:15 p.m. High Tea and Luncheon at EVERGREEN Guided tour of EVERGREEN immediately

3:00 p.m. Depart for Norbeck

4:00 p.m. Return to Norbeck Park & Ride

Included: Round-trip transportation to all places in itinerary on deluxe EYRE motorcoach; luncheon tea, including tax and gratuity; admission to museums. Does NOT include gratuity for driver.

Cost per person: \$50.00 Date due: June 28, 2010

Make checks payable to MCPSRA and mail with completed

Registration Form to: Frieda J. Price

105 N. Summit Ave. #4

Gaithersburg, MD 20877-2935

ANTIETAM NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD LUNCH -BAVARIAN INN, SHEPHERDSTOWN, W VA Wednesday, September 15, 2010

8:00 am

Depart Norbeck Park and Ride

9:30 am

Arrive Antietam Visitor Center; explore museum exhibits; view introductory film "Antietam Visit," browse the Museum Store, where you will find publications, maps, multi-media and other theme-related merchandise.

10:45

Riding tour on our coach with a guide who

relates historic facts and fascinating stories of the 12-hour battle: a clash between North and South that changed the course of the Civil War. The battle still ranks as the bloodiest one-day battle in American History. The battle of Antietam, September 17, 1862, was part of The Maryland

Campaign of 1862.

Clara Barton became known as "The Angel of the Battlefield" because of her services at the Antietam Battlefield Hospital. She founded American Red Cross in 1881.

1:00 Depart for lunch at the Bavarian Inn and

time for browsing downtown

Shepherdstown.

Depart for home

3:30 Depart for home 5:00 pm Arrive at Norbeck Park and Ride.

Cost per person: \$62.00

Due date: August 9, 2010

Included: Transportation by Eyre motorcoach: tour guide, lunch, gratuities and taxes (for lunch). Does not include gratuity for guide or driver.

Choose an entree and a dessert by number and enter on reservation form.

Entrée

- 1. Hawaiian Chicken Salad
- 2. Crab Melt
- 3. Filet of Salmon
- 4. Schweinbraten
- 5. Vegetarian

Dessert

- 6. Black Forest Cake
- 7. German Chocolate Cake
- 8. Bayarian Nutball
- 9. Apple Strudel

Make check payable to MCPSRA and mail with completed

reservation form to Frieda Price

105 N. Summit Ave. #4 Gaithersburg, MD 20877-2935

Join us as we board the Western Maryland Scenic Railroad. You will experience a wonderful 17 mile round trip through Maryland's most beautiful mountains to Frostburg. Upon arrival at the Old Depot in Frostburg you will watch the train engine turn around on the turntable. You will have time to walk around the area of Frostburg before the return trip.

After returning to Cumberland we will have a tour of Emmanuel Episcopal Church that was built on the site of Fort Cumberland during the French and Indian War. You will explore tunnels underneath the church that were used to protect George Washington's soldiers and "Underground Railroad" travelers. The church also features Louis Comfort Tiffany stained glass windows.

8:30 am Depart Norbeck Park and Ride

11:00 am Arrive Western MD RR in Cumberland

2:30 pm Return to Cumberland

3:00 pm Visit Emmanuel Episcopal Church in

Cumberland.

6:30 pm Arrive back home

Cost per person: \$114.00

Date due: August 25, 2010

Included: Round trip transportation by Eyre deluxe motorcoach. **Luncheon train trip,** tolls, taxes and gratuities. Does not include gratuity for the motorcoach operator.

Select your lunch option by number and enter on reservation form.

- 1. Baked Steak w/rosemary potatoes and veggies
- 2. Pasta Primavera w/jumbo shrimp
- 3. Chicken Salad Sandwich w/chips
- 4. Chef's Salad

Make check payable to MCPSRA and mail with completed

reservation form to Frieda Price

105 N. Summit Ave. #4 Gaithersburg, MD 20877-2935

MERRY TUBA CHRISTMAS AND WINTERFEST Weinberg Center – Frederick City, Maryland Saturday, November 27, 2010

Get your holiday spirit 'on'! Come with us to the Weinberg Theatre in Frederick, MD, for the Merry Tuba Christmas Concert, which has more tubas and euphoniums on one concert stage than you can count! Music featured is holiday appropriate and performed by musicians from local areas. Arrangements for these instruments are usually played with many other instruments in the band or orchestra. For this program, it's tubas all alone! Following the Merry Tuba Christmas segment, is "Winterfest" program featuring the "mighty Wurlitzer" theater organ and an hour sing-a-long and show. Admission is free with a canned food donation. After the concert and sing-a-long, we'll go to Dutch's Daughter Restaurant in Frederick for a festive meal and good fellowship and conclude the evening with a drivethrough of the holiday lights festival in Seneca Creek Park.

10:30 am	Depart Norbeck Park & Ride
11:30 am	Arrive Weinberg Theatre, Frederick, Md
3:00 pm	Depart Weinberg Theatre
3:30 pm	Arrive Dutch's Daughter Restaurant
5:00 pm	Depart Restaurant for Seneca Creek Park
	Winter Lights
6:30 pm	Return to Norbeck Park & Ride

Cost per person: \$75.00

Due: November 5, 2010

Included: Round trip transportation, deluxe EYRE motorcoach; dinner, taxes and gratuities. Does NOT include gratuity for driver.

Select your dinner option by number and include on your reservation form:

- 1. Prime Rib
- 2. Fresh Atlantic Salmon
- 3. Jumbo Shrimp
- 4. Dutch's Chicken
- 5. Vegetarian Pasta

Make checks payable to \boldsymbol{MCPSRA} and mail with completed

reservation form to: Frieda J. Price

105 North Summit Avenue, #4 Gaithersburg, MD 20877

THE PACIFIC COAST CRUISE With Norwegian Cruise Line on the Norwegian Star October 1-8, 2010 8 Days and 7 Nights

Itinerary: Seattle; Vancouver, British Columbia; Astoria, OR; and by sea to San Francisco and Los Angeles

- Day 1 Fly into Seattle and meet your guide. Tour Seattle then depart for Vancouver. Check into the Westin Bayshore, on the harbor in Vancouver.
- Day 2 Tour Vancouver, including the Olympic Centre Park, Canada Hockey Palace, the Athletes Village and the UBC Thunderbird Arena. Board the Norwegian Star which sets sail at 4:00 PM.

	PORT	TIME
Day 3	Victoria, BC, Canada	8:00 am-5:00 pm
Day 4	Astoria, Oregon	8:00 am-5:00 pm
Day 5	At Sea	
Day 6	San Francisco, CA	8:00 am-8:00 pm
Day 7	At Sea	
Day 8	Los Angeles, CA	8:00 am

Cost per person	Inside Cabin Category	J	\$1,559
	Outside Cabin Category	G	\$1,639
	Balcony Cabin Category	BB	\$1,939

Rates are per person, double occupancy and include roundtrip airfare from Baltimore, 1 night pre cruise in Vancouver at the Westin Bayshore, tour of Vancouver, tour of city of Seattle. 6 nights cruise on the Norwegian Star, transfers, government fees, port charges and taxes. Prices subject to change and are not guaranteed until full payment has been received.

PASSPORT REQUIRED

Deposit Policy: An initial deposit of \$350.00 per person, double occupancy or \$700.00 per person, single occupancy is required to secure reservations and assign cabins. Final balance is due **June** 19, 2010.

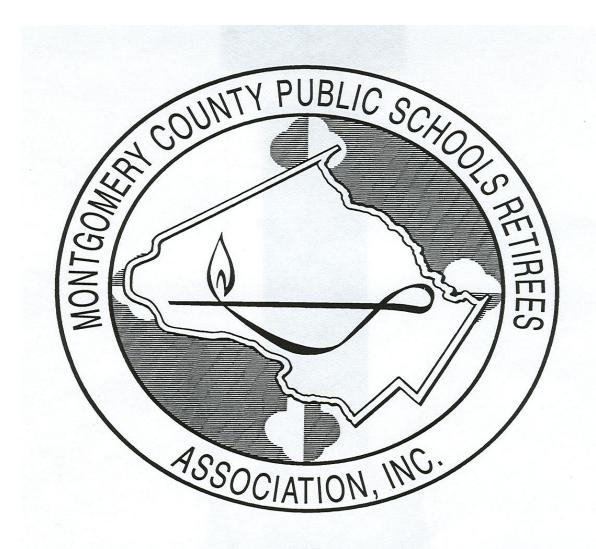
For reservations contact GRAND AMERICAN TOURS 1-800-423-0247. Ask for Cathy. Identify yourself as a member of MCPSRA.

TRIP RESERVATION FORM

TEA AND UNEXPECTED TREASURES Wednesday, July 14, 2010

*Name		Phone #	Member of MCPSRA? Yes No
Name		Phone #	If not, guest of:
Name		Phone #	
Total # of reservations	Total amount e	enclosed	Make check payable to MCPSRA.
*Cell phone #			
TRIP RESERVATION I		ANTIETAM NA	reATIONAL BATTLEFIELD AND SHEPHERDSTOWN y, September 15, 2010
*Name		Phone #	Member of MCPSRA? Yes No
	Entrée #		Dessert #
Name		Phone #	If not, guest of:
	Entrée #		Dessert #
Name		Phone #	
	Entrée #		Dessert #
Total # of reservations	Total amount e	enclosed	Make check payable to MCPSRA.
*Cell phone #			
TRIP RESERVATION I		We	RN MARYLAND SCENIC RAILROAD ednesday, October 13, 2010
*Name			Member of MCPSRA? Yes No
	Lunch #		
Name			If not, guest of:
	Lunch #		
Name			
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			Make check payable to MCPSRA.
*Cell phone #		 cut here	
TRIP RESERVATION I	FORM		HRISTMAS AND WINTERFEST lay, November 27, 2010
*Name		Phone #	Member of MCPSRA? Yes No
	Dinner #		
Name		Phone #	If not, guest of:
	Dinner #		
Name		Phone #	If not, guest of:
	Dinner #		
Total # of reservations	Total amount e	enclosed	Make check payable to MCPSRA.
*Cell phone #			





MCPSRA LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING Thursday, June 17, 2010

GOLDEN BULL GRAND CAFÉ 7 Dalamar Street Gaithersburg, MD 20877 Telephone: 301-948-3666 Breast of Chicken..... \$17.50 Broiled Salmon...... \$20.00 English Prime Rib.... \$20.00 Vegetarian Pasta..... \$16.50

TIME: Gathering at 11:00 a.m.
Business Meeting at 11:30 a.m.
Luncheon at 12:00 Noon
Program following the Luncheon

DIRECTIONS TO THE GOLDEN BULL GRAND CAFÉ:

- Take Exit #11 off I-270 onto Route 124E (Quince Orchard Road Toward Gaithersburg and Montgomery Village)
- Turn RIGHT onto Rt. 355 South (Frederick Ave.)
- Go approximately 0.6 miles

Fresh Garden Salad
Red Skin Potatoes
Vegetable of the Day
Dessert
Choice of Coffee, Hot or Iced Tea
Cash Bar

CIRCLE ENTRÉE CHOICE

(\$20.00)

(\$20.00)

Vegetarian Pasta (\$16.50)

Salmon

Prime Rib

MEAL ALSO INCLUDES:

- Turn RIGHT onto Dalamar Street. Restaurant is on the left, parking available to the left or right of the building as well as in the lot across the street.

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RESERVATIONS FOR MCPSRA LUNCHEON/BUSINESS MEETING Thursday, June 17, 2010, at the Golden Bull Grand Cafe

Gathering: 11:00 a.m. Business Meeting: 11:30 a.m. Luncheon: 12:00 Noon Program

Total Amount Enclosed:

e-mail address

YOUR RESERVATION FORM AND CHECK MUST BE RECEIVED BY June 11, 2010

Mail reservation form and check PAYABLE TO MCPSRA to:

LeeAnn Kaye 15436 Merrifields Lane Silver Spring, MD 20906

For information call: LeeAnn Kaye 301-598-5480 or Trish Bendler 301-540-5160

geolakay@verizon.net patricia bendler09@comcast.net



MCPSRA Luncheon/Business Meeting Thursday, June 17, 2010

GOLDEN BULL GRAND CAFÉ

Gathering: 11:00 am Business Meeting: 11:30

Luncheon: 12:00 noon

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