

KCRSPA, General Meeting Minutes, December 6, 2018

The meeting was convened by president Jean Wright in the Heron Point dining room in Chestertown, MD at 11:20 am. We said the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 31 members and guests attending.

Vice President Fay Miller reported on the new health insurance and encouraged us to keep all new documents on file.

V.P. Miller also welcomed retired superintendent and member Dr. Lorraine Costella. Fay read a letter from retired superintendent and member, Bonnie Ward. Dr. Ward sent information about the \$500 scholarship donation made by members Lorraine Costella and Bonnie Ward and also their friends, Anne Hummer, Pat Custer, Jean Flory, and Mary Ellen LeDuc. Bonnie Ward was recognized as being Citizen of the Year in Sussex County, Colorado. Congratulations to Bonnie!

Sue Coleman, Sunshine Committee Chairman, reminded us to contact her if there is an occasion to send a card to a member or a member's family. Her email address is magpiesuze@gmail.com. Sue also reported that she had recently visited Thelma O'Grady "Miss Nick" in Elkton. "Miss Nick" is 90 years old and had worked in Kent County for 43 years as a teacher and for 22 years as a volunteer.

Billie Lynne Roberts, Scholarship Chairperson, is seeking nominees for the MRSPA Service Award and for the Maryland Senior Citizen of the Year. She also reminded us that members may volunteer to work in assembling and distributing holiday food baskets on December 17, 2018 at 8 am. Billie Lynne reported that KCRSPA donated \$50 to the holiday food basket drive.

Nancy Harrington distributed the new 2018 – 2019 KCRSPA Directory. A phone tree was also distributed. This tree will be used to notify members of important events.

Jean Foreman reported that KCRSPA will no longer be involved with the Cliff School. That property has been sold and is now a private property.

Nancy Harrington reported that the Little Library Project will be established in Worton, MD, but the date of establishment has not yet been decided.

We honored our emeritus members, Peggy Smith and Rosemary Brown.

After a delicious lunch, we celebrated the holidays with Christmas carols, led by Jeannette Ryan. Carole Lupis arranged for Jeannette to join us. Thank you, Carole.

Bonnie Smith presented each attendee with a beautiful poinsettia. Thank you, Bonnie, for this generous and thoughtful gift. Kathy Clark, Bonnie Smith and Nancy McCloy made the beautiful Christmas centerpieces which were awarded to members by lottery. Many thanks to Kathy Clark, Bonnie Smith and Nancy McCloy for making our holidays even brighter. A silent auction, arranged by Nancy McCloy, Sue Schaubert, Nancy Harrington, Jean Wright, Kathy

Clark and others, was held. Auctioned items included items donated by members and by local businesses (Luisa's, Acme, and Pip's Liquors, Kings Towns Tractor, Schauber Lumber). Proceeds from the auction were \$136.

An additional fundraising activity, a used book sale, was arranged by Emily Massey. Proceeds were \$31.

Margie Baker reported that Community Food Pantry contributions at the October general meeting were 43.8 lbs. of food and 12 books.

President Jean Wright adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Bostic