

2022-2023 MEETING SCHEDULE

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all ABCPSR, Inc. Executive/Advisory and Committee Meetings will be held via conference call until further notice. Meetings begin at 10:00 a.m.

> September 12, 2022 Meeting/Conference call

October 4, 2022 ABCPSR Fall Luncheon/Business Meeting The Forum Caterers

> **November 14, 2022** Meeting/Conference call

> **December 12, 2022** Meeting/Conference call

January 2023 NO MEETING

February 13, 2023 Meeting/Conference call

March 13, 2023 Meeting/Conference call

April 10, 2023 Meeting/Conference call

Please call Patrycia Pickett, President at 410-900-6781 if you have any questions. If there are any changes, you will be notified.

> Check our website: www.ABCPSR.org for updates.

President's Message

Greetings,

Thank you for your continued support!! I am honored to have been re-elected to serve you. I need your help as usual, to locate new members. Surprise me, text or email me the information for a retiree. Join us in October for our Fall Luncheon and bring a current member or a new member with you.



<u>COVID-19 Update</u> - COVID-19 vaccines (primary and booster shots) remain the best public health measure to protect people from COVID-19. However, breakthrough infections in people who are vaccinated occur. Have you been in **close contact with someone who has COVID-19?** You were a close contact if you were less than 6 feet away from someone with COVID-19 for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period. If so, wear a mask around other people and watch for symptoms of COVID-19 for 10 days. Do not travel for 10 days. <u>Get Tested</u>. Even if you don't develop symptoms, <u>get tested</u> at least 5 days after you last had close contact with someone with COVID-19.

If you have tested **positive for COVID-19 or have mild symptoms** and are waiting for test results: Isolate. Stay at home for at least 5 days. Do not travel for 10 days. To calculate the recommended time frames, day 0 is the day you were tested if you don't have symptoms, or the date your symptoms started. Contact your healthcare provider to discuss your test results and available treatment options. Watch for symptoms, especially fever. If you have an emergency warning sign, such as trouble breathing or persistent chest pain or pressure, <u>seek emergency medical care immediately</u>. For more information go to: CDC.gov.

<u>Free COVID-19 Tests.</u> Anyone receiving Medicare can request eight (8) COVID-19 tests each month, delivered to your door, free. For more information: call 800-937-0490 or go to www.RequestYourTest.com.

Please stay hydrated and get boosted. Let us hear any ideas you have to keep in touch. Please take care of yourselves.

Hope to see you soon,

Patrycia E. Pickett

GENERAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON ABCPSR Welcomed Spring

By Anna Boston

President Patrycia Pickett proclaimed May 3, 2022 a GREAT DAY for ABCPSR! Our Spring Luncheon was a huge success. Seventy seven people attended the enjoyable activity.

ABCPSR newsletter



Our MRSPR President George Denny was a special guest. He brought greetings and notifications of coming events. Mr. Denny also installed our new officers presented by our Past President and Nominations Chair, Velma Hicks. Kathleen Cain, our Secretary and Scholarship Chair has been ill, but she was on-the-job as she presented the most recent minutes.



Newly elected officers and stand-ins are, left to right, Patrycia Pickett, Janet Williams, Helen Barnes, Florine Camphor, Herbert Miller, Catherine Moore DeFord, Kathaleen Carey, George Denny, and Velma Hicks.

Herbert Miller, Treasurer and Edward Boston, Budget & Finance presented reports clarifying our financial status.

A guest presentation was delivered by Joe Maddalon and Jeffrey Buck of the AMBA organization which offers discounted essential services. They shared important data explaining how the AMBA group can be of value to us as retired persons. They also collected reply cards to keep in contact.



After a sumptuous Forum lunch, the program continued. Catherine Moore DeFord, a former ABCPSR President, eloquently presented an award of recognition to the ABCPSR Chorus. It was directed for many years by Dr. Ruth Pratt and more recently by Flora Johnson. Mrs. DeFord outlined numerous accomplishments of the chorus over the years. Pictured left, Flora Johnson, Chorus Director.



The Charm City Band performed rhythmically. The audience clapped along and a few retirees kicked up their heels on the dance floor. The band was a pleasant addition to a busy program. They will surely be invited again. Following a surprising raffle, conducted by Velma Hicks and Joyce Wilson, Luncheon chair, every participant in this GREAT DAY left with a broad smile on their faces! ASSOCIATION of BALTIMORE CITY

PUBLIC SCHOOL RETIREES, Inc.



Annual Fall Luncheon

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

THE FORUM CATERERS 4210 PRIMROSE AVENUE, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215

11:00 REGISTRATION 11:30 PROGRAM 12:00 NOON LUNCH

MENU. Appetizer: Garden Salad; Entree': Fried **OR** Baked Chicken, with Yellow Rice, and Southern Style Green Beans; Dessert; Yellow Cake w/Vanilla Icing; Fresh baked Rolls and Butter; Hot and Cold Beverages.

<u>COST</u>: \$40 pp. (\$35 pp for New Members and Choir Members.)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: ASSOCIATION OF BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL RETIREES, INC. or (ABCPSR). <u>NO CASH OR CHECKS</u> WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR. DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2022. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

Send check(s) with Reservation Form to: <u>Joyce Wilson, 9314 Lyonswood</u> <u>Drive, Owings Mills, Maryland 21117 Phone: (410)581-2602</u>. NOTE: TO BE SEATED TOGETHER, CHECKS MUST BE SENT TOGETHER.

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Save the Date!

ABCPSR Fall Luncheon - October 4, 2022 The Forum Caterers / 4210 Primrose Ave. / 21215

Luncheon Co-Chairs Dorothy Glasco-Jones Joyce Wilson

> Newsletter Co-Editors Anna Boston Joyce Wilson

CHANGE OF ADDRESS NOTICE

(Please Print)

Your Name _

Previous Address ____

New Address _____

Mail to: Angela Hill, 3320 W. Rogers Ave., Baltimore, MD 21215

MRSPA

The only organization that works to preserve the pensions of Baltimore City Public School Retirees. Sixty dollars (\$60.00) covers your membership in MRSPA and ABCPSR. You may join through dues deduction.

MRSPA: 8379 Piney Orchard Parkway, Odenton, MD 21113 410-551-1517

Current ABCPSR President's contact number: 410-900-6781



RSVP – An Invitation to Serve

Lead With Experience

The Corporation for National and Community Service provides grants to qualified agencies and organizations, including RSVP, for the dual purpose of engaging persons 55 and older in volunteer service to meet critical community needs; and to provide a high quality experience that will enrich the lives of volunteers.

Who Is Eligible for RSVP?

Individuals that are 55 and older, want to serve in Baltimore City and want to make a difference.

RSVP Volunteer Opportunities

Companionship and Outreach, Mentoring, Health and Other Education, Helping Seniors Living Independently, Senior Center Programs, Community Revitalization and Improvement, Disaster Preparedness, Serving Meals to Seniors, Delivery of Health Care Services, Food Collection and Distribution, and Marketing and Recruitment.

Benefits of Volunteering

Free volunteer placement, use your experience skills, gain new and marketable skills, supplemental accident and liability insurance, opportunity to meet new people, training opportunities, reimbursement for transportation, recognition and incentives, and the satisfaction of knowing you are making a difference.

For More Information, Call RSVP 410-361-9400 or Stephanie Ross 410-361-9401

