

Dear EACC Members, Here are the EACC updates as of Friday, April 29, 2016

Recap of past events:

**Truman-Kennedy Dinner** - 8 EACC members attended the Charles County Democratic Central Committee's 40th Truman-Kennedy Dinner on Friday, April 15th. The keynote speaker was Congressman Elijah Cummings. It was a night of great speakers and good company!

21 EACC delegates attended the **MSEA Spring Representative Assembly** on April 16th. Topics of discussion included MSEA's 2-year budget, the recent split vote of the Supreme Court in the Friedrichs vs. California Teachers' Association case and the possible future cases to stem from that, and the US Senate race.

On Tuesday, April 19th, the EACC recognized 24 students for the **Ruth Ann Hall Champion Student** award. These students have worked hard, despite having some difficulties, and have persevered. They have shown improvement in areas such as attendance, good citizenship, excellent effort or other related academic reasons. The students were presented with a certificate and gift card. Bob Hall, the late Ruth Ann Hall's husband, was also present to help hand out the awards. In addition to that, Peter Ullman, teacher at Hanson MS, and Joe McMahan, teacher at Dr. Brown ES, assisted. Thank you to all the middle school teachers who submitted nominations!!

Also on Tuesday, April 19th, EACC had **77 members** come out to the **Commissioners' Budget Hearing, wearing RED!**

- The school with the highest percentage of its members present at the Commissioners' Budget Forum was Smallwood MS with 17.78% of their members attending. The EACC will be providing a special breakfast at Smallwood for your members!! Congratulations to our EACC Rep, Lisa Terlecki, for getting her Smallwood members to come out and attend!
- A second place shout out goes to Stone HS with 11.22% of their members present.
- The Kindle Fire drawing for everyone that attended was won by Tunisha Bowman at Davis Middle School! Congratulations, Tunisha!!

### What's new?

**EACC Family Picnic Canceled!** Due to numerous weather forecasts that promise an 80% chance of thunderstorms, rain and wind all day on Sunday, we are canceling the EACC Family Picnic for this Sunday, May 1st.

The **MSEA NEA Director run-off election** is from April 11- April 29, 2016. **Deadline is today, April 29th at 5:00 PM.**

- Make your voice heard for OUR association! Vote! It's super easy and takes less than 2 minutes!
- To vote, go to: [www.marylandeducators.org/msea2016election](http://www.marylandeducators.org/msea2016election)
- You will need your MSEA member ID number- which can be found on the back of your ActionLine Magazine or your MSEA membership card (or your rep has a list).
- Please watch the following video on the importance of voting and how MSEA members can vote: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CHX8zKTtmEU>

**\*\*\* The school with the highest percentage of members who vote will receive a breakfast for their members compliments of the EACC. \*\*\*** See your building rep(s) for help with voting.

The Membership Committee has some great plans for **Teacher Appreciation Week (05/1-05/07)! Events are open to all CCPS employees, FREE to EACC members, small fee for non-members. Sign up on EACC website, <http://teameacc.org/register-for-events/>**

- o **Ice Cream at Cold Stone Creamery**, 05/02, 3:00-7:00 PM, Waldorf, \$3 non-members
- o **EACC Trivia Night**, 05/03, 5:30-7:30 PM, Hanson MS cafeteria, \$5 non-members
- o **EACC Paint Night**, 05/04, 5:30-7:30 PM, Thomas Stone Cafeteria, \$20 non-members [SOLD OUT]
- o **Happy Hour at Martini's**, 05/05, 3:30-7:30 PM, free for everyone
- o **Frozen Yogurt at Sweet Frog** 05/06, **La Plata**, 3:00-7:00 PM, \$2.50 non-members
- o **Free Blue Crabs tickets for members** (1-2 tickets per member, 150 tickets available by sign up on EACC website) 05/06, game 7:05PM [ALL TICKETS SPOKEN FOR!]

## **MAY 14: MSEA NIGHT AT CAMDEN YARDS**

MSEA Night is back at Camden Yards with a Saturday night game against the Detroit Tigers! Tickets with MSEA's special discount are just \$13, \$15, or \$25. Friends and family are welcome. It's also Youth Bat and Ball Set Night for the first 7,500 fans under 14! More than 1,000 members came to MSEA Night last year—make sure you join them this year! President Betty Weller throws the first pitch of the game if MSEA sells 1,500 tickets. See the linked flyer: [http://www.marylandeducators.org/sites/default/files/docs/communique/maryland\\_state\\_education\\_association.pdf](http://www.marylandeducators.org/sites/default/files/docs/communique/maryland_state_education_association.pdf)

**Coffee and Chat with Linda**- come visit with Linda at the **Waldorf Panera** on **Sunday, May 15th** from **2-4 PM**. Bring your concerns and questions, get a rundown on all the education bills that were discussed/passed/failed in the Maryland General Assembly session that ended on April 11th.

**Come to the EACC Rep Assembly!** All members are welcome at any of our Rep Assemblies. Our next RA is May 11, 2016, at 5PM at the Gwynn Center. Come hear the latest updates from EACC, ask questions, and see how the EACC is working for you! Talk to your building rep to come to the RA!

### **Future Coffee and Chats with Linda**

- Sunday, May 15, 2016, 2:00-4:00 PM – Panera, Waldorf

Mark your Calendars - **the EACC CRAB FEAST is August 26, 2016!** Tickets go on sale May 2, 2016. Tickets will be available online at [www.teameacc.org](http://www.teameacc.org)

- o \$20 per ticket until June 20th
- o after June 20th, price is \$30
- o ticket sales close on August 18th

### **VOLUNTEER AT THE NEA RA!**

This year Maryland and Virginia will be co-hosting the NEA RA in Washington, D.C. More than 200 volunteers are needed to ensure a great experience for delegates and attendees. We need volunteers. Contact: Mary Fenton, 301/751-4435; Liz Brown, 301/452-2102  
To register as a volunteer, request committee assignments, and learn more about the various committees, just go to <https://tinyurl.com/hostcommittee2016>

### **EACC Committees**

We would love for more members to become active on our committees! Please contact the committee chairs listed below if you are interested in joining.

Membership – Chair: Kathy Reamy

**Next meeting date TBD**

The Membership Committee helps grow the membership of the Association by planning and running member social activities.

Happy Hour Dates: May 5.

Teacher Appreciation Week (05/1-05/06) events planned:

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5. Sweet Frog, La Plata - 05/06, 3-7 PM
6. Blue Crabs Game Tickets - 05/06, 7:05 PM game, sign up required(limited number of tickets available)

Look for information from your reps/ flyers soon with information about how to participate and/or sign up!

Government Relations (GR) Committee- Chair: Veronica McFadden

**Next meeting- Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 5:00 PM, EACC office**

The GR Committee is involved in political activities and helps members become strong advocates for public education.

Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month, 5:00PM, EACC office.

Future meeting dates: May 10, 2016

Instruction and Professional Development (IPD) Committee – Chair: Heather Hartman-Jansen

**Next meeting – Tuesday, May 17, 2016, 5PM, EACC Office**

The IPD Committee plans and implements Professional Development and Member Wellness workshops and activities.

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Public Relations (PR) Committee- Chair: Joe McMahan

**Next meeting – TBA**

The PR Committee promotes and advocates for the education profession in a positive manner in all manners of media outlets in the community.

Minority and Human Civil Rights Committee – Chair: Margot Savoy

**Next meeting- Monday, May 16, 2016- 5:30 PM, Mattawoman MS Cafeteria**

The Minority and Human Civil Rights Committee helps make ALL members feel that they are part of the union.