



**Carteret County Retired School Personnel  
Minutes for May 14, 2019  
11:30 a.m., Sanitary Restaurant**

Welcome, Handouts, Name Tags, and \$\$ for Scholars Anne Upchurch  
at sign-in table

Call to Order CCRSP President Cathy Neagle

Devotions June Merrill

Pledge of Allegiance Cathy Neagle

Cathy Neagle demonstrated the strength of multiple wooden skewers as opposed to a single one. She reflected that we educators must stand together.

Jane Burbella, Scholarship Chair, announced scholarship winners and recognized the accomplishments of the current, retiring, and new recipients. The principal funding for the scholarship derives from a donation made by Geraldine Mayo Beveridge. Accrued interest is given to candidates who are graduating seniors from the three Carteret County high schools: Croatan, East Carteret, and West Carteret. Candidates are required to enter the field of education. Once approved, they are eligible for up to three renewals provided they continue to qualify. Funds are paid directly to the school of attendance.

Graduating seniors include:

Sarah Bischoff / UNC Wilmington. She has accepted a two-year position as an ESL (English As A Second Language) in Kuwait.

Macy Brinson / Meredith College. Macy hopes to have a teaching position in Wake County by the start of the upcoming school year.

Brianna Lewis / Elementary Education, UNC Pembroke. She has accepted a teaching position at Wake Forest Charter Academy, beginning August 2019.

Megan Barnett, who attends NC State, is changing career paths and will no longer be eligible for the scholarship as she no longer plans a career in art education. She thanked the members for their support.

Continuing recipients include:

Sarah Swain, who is qualifying for both the Beveridge and the Carteret County Retired School Personnel scholarships. Sarah is continuing her studies at Mount Olive University, studying Agricultural Education.

Maggie Guthrie will continue at UNC Wilmington, majoring in Special Education.

Jane presented two new candidates who will begin college in the upcoming fall term, 2019.

Jonathan A. Merrill completed his senior year at East Carteret High School. He has been accepted at Mount Olive University where he plans to study Music Education. He is an outstanding student who is active in his community and church. He stated he wants to work with elementary students.

Ashley Vasquez, graduating from Croatan High School, has been accepted at ECU. Her teaching interest is Special Needs students. She has an outstanding academic record and is active in her school and community.

Meg Bradford presented a Ceremony of Remembrance for 3 members who passed away during the year: Sandra Lynne Gillikin, Jenny Wise Spearman, and Mary Virginia Brown.

June Merrill presented the Member of the Year Award to George Burbella. His wife Jane shared details about his education and teaching experience. He was recognized for devotion to his family, including his father who is over 100 years of age.

President Cathy introduced Anne Upchurch who announced the scholarship collection was \$25.00. Ann Hill won a gift provided by Joanne Rittschof.

A card was sent to CCRSP member Rita Mullins who is recovering from a fall and surgery.

### Committee Reports

Legislative

Joanne Rittschof

Membership

George Burbella

Dollars for Scholars

Anne Upchurch

Scholarships

Jane Burbella

Money was collected for the Carteret County Public School Foundation for Hurricane Relief.

Lunch was ordered.

Our Financial Report was presented by Meg Bradford.

**May 29: Carteret County Retirement Seminar, West Carteret High School, 3:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to bring refreshments.**

[www.carteretcountyrsp.com](http://www.carteretcountyrsp.com)

[region7bncrsp.weebly.com](http://region7bncrsp.weebly.com)

[www.ncrsp.org](http://www.ncrsp.org)