Henrico Retired School Personnel Association Fall Luncheon/Meeting October 26, 2023

The Luncheon was held at Deep Run Park Recreation Center.

Attendance - 60

PROGRAM -

Jackie Warren welcomed everyone, especially the new members. She led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave an invocation. Reminder to put donations in the lobby for HEF, Henrico Christmas Mother, HRSPA Scholarship Fund, and food donations for HCPS school food banks. Most schools have food banks now and the need is dire.

Jackie introduced John Vithoulkas, County Manager, Frank Thornton, retiring Henrico County Superviosor, and Terrell Hughes, Director of Public Works.

Program - Families First

Henrico FACE - Alexis Simms - discussed her program and encouraged people to donate and/or volunteer. They believe in Build, Bridge, and Boost.

Henrico Christmas Mother- Helen Wood - a member of HRSPA. She described what people receive at Henrico Christmas Mother. She encouraged people to sign up to help set up the warehouse or help shop with people.

CASA - Kristin Blalock - Described what CASA is and who it helps. They always need volunteers.

Henrico Education Foundation - Brittany Flippen, Daniel Jongleux, and Marci Goode. They have expanded their afterschool program and would love volunteers to tutor in math or literacy or help with enrichment classes.

BUSINESS -

Copy of budget and legislative goals on each table.

Tina Whitaker - early voting until 11/4, VRTA, VRS- claim your online account so no one else can. Pat Rollison - need more funding for Scholarships. Could only give \$1,000 to a student instead of the usual \$2,000 in previous years.

Susan Howe- need more members!

Jackie Warren - Book Awards - given out at 7 of the 11 high school programs. Juniors in High School are awarded a copy of The Water is Wide and a Barnes and Noble gift card.

Reminders - to update email, phone, address, VOTE, VRTA Spring Meeting is April 15-17, and Spring Luncheon is April 25.

Election of new officers in the spring - Diane Shuler is head of the nominating committee.

Lee Reynolds - please save ink cartridges to offset printing costs.

Table prizes - if your program has a sticker on it you win the potted mum on your table. 50/50 Raffle - Was won by Becky Duncan and she donated the money to the Scholarship Fund.

Adjournment - 1:15 pm Jackie thanked Deep Run Recreation Center and Henrico County Parks for the use of the facility and for their help.

Respectfully submitted by Betsy Pike Secretary