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Harford County Public Schools
Teacher of the Year



Ronald O. Burke



Kelly A. Christ



Lauren M. Duell



Kristina J. Marzullo



Christina D. O'Neill

18th Annual Banquet
2012

Bayou Restaurant, Havre de Grace
Thursday, March 29, 2012 * 6:00 p.m.

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Program

6:00-6:30 p.m.	Social Time
Introduction.....	Ms. Teri D. Kranefeld Manager of Communications
Pledge of Allegiance	
"Dynamite" (Arranged by C. Slattery).....	Hall's Cross Roads Elementary Chorus
"I'll Be There" (Arranged by C. Slattery)	Mr. Christian S. Slattery, Sr., <i>Director</i> 2011-12 Teacher of the Year
A Moment of Reflection.....	Ms. Kranefeld
Dinner.....	Hosted by Bayou Restaurant and HARCO Federal Credit Union
Greetings from Harford County Education Association (HCEA)....	Mr. Randy C. Cervený President, HCEA
Keynote Address.....	Mr. Slattery Music Teacher, Hall's Cross Roads Elementary School 2011-12 Harford County Teacher of the Year
Teacher of the Year Finalists Introductions.....	Mr. William A. Lawrence Associate Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Students
Teacher of the Year Prizes.....	Ms. Kranefeld
Remarks from the Board of Education.....	Dr. Leonard D. Wheeler President, Board of Education of Harford County
2012-13 Teacher of the Year Announcement.....	Dr. Robert M. Tomback Superintendent of Schools Dr. Wheeler
Teacher of the Year Remarks.....	???
Closing Remarks.....	Ms. Kranefeld



Judging Committee

FORMER TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Howard Eakes, Assistant Supervisor of Outdoor Education
Alberta Porter, Instructional Facilitator
Christine Roland, Teacher Specialist
Christian Slattery, Teacher
Ronald Wooden, Assistant Principal

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Edward Herbold, Principal, North Harford High School
Larissa Santos, Principal, Edgewood High School
Anthony Bess, Principal, Havre de Grace Middle School
Patrice Brown, Principal, Edgewood Middle School
Tammy Bosley, Principal, Forest Hill Elementary School
Peter Carpenter, Principal, Emmorton Elementary School
Benjamin Richardson, Principal, William S. James Elementary School
Lisa Sundquist, Principal, Edgewood Elementary School
Terry Reilly, Coordinator of Teacher Induction
Kristine Scarry, Coordinator of Reading

PARENT

Sandra Monaco-Burton, North Bend Elementary School PTA

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Hall's Cross Roads Elementary School Chorus
Christian S. Slattery, Sr. Chorus Director & 2011 Teacher of the Year

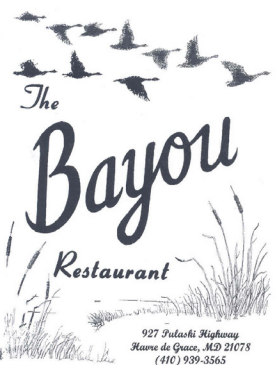
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2011-12 Educator Hall of Fame Inductees

Ms. Mabel E. Hart - April 2011

Dr. Jacqueline C. Haas - September 2011

Ms. Maudeline A. Banks - October 2011

Dr. Deborah J. Heiberger - November 2011

Ms. Donna E. Lewis - December 2011

Mr. Donald R. Osman - January 2012

Mr. Levin R. Heath - February 2012

Former Harford County Public School educators who have provided at least 20 years of extraordinary service to students and staff in the school system are considered for nomination by the Harford County Retired School Personnel Association (HCRSPA). The nominee is prominently featured on the Harford County Public Schools website, www.hcps.org. The nominee (or his/her family, in case the nominee is deceased or unavailable) is also honored at a subsequent Board of Education meeting where he/she is presented with a plaque as well as a Board certificate and certificates from County and State government officials. To see the criteria to nominate a teacher, visit www.hcps.org, click on "About Us" for the nomination form.

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Former Teachers of the Year



Christian Slattery + 2011-12

Lisa Mullen + 2010-11

Kimberly Schmidt + 2009-10

Ronald Wooden 2008-09

Christine Roland + 2007-08

Susan Summerfield 2006-07

Lori Frendak 2005-06

Joan Hayden 2004-05

Donna Clem 2003-04

Howard Eakes 2002-03

Alberta Porter+ 2001-02

Donna Zavacky+ 2000-01

Craig Harvey+ 1999-00

* Maryland Teacher of the Year

Kurt Bittle+ 1998-99

James Mason+ 1997-98

Cathy Cervený* 1996-97

James (Pat) Whitehurst+ 1995-96

Marybeth Ford 1994-95

Victor Petrosino 1993-94

Martha Banghart 1992-93

Gemma Hoskins* 1991-92

Donald Osman+ 1990-91

Anthony Sarcone+ 1989-90

Robert Handy 1988-89

Paul Schatz* 1987-88

Laurie Neeper* 1977

+ Maryland Teacher of the Year Finalist



A note from the 2011-12 Teacher of the Year...



We are at a crossroads in education, a time of great change in the profession. No matter what changes occur in the future, the heart of this profession, the students, will always remain. Great teachers understand this and despite challenges, guide every student toward reaching their highest potential. This is our mission and our obsession. Because teaching is not a job, it is a passion! A passion that is projected into the hearts of every individual who enters our classroom and who hears our voice. Our passion is powerful and our reach is infinite, because when we inspire

the generation of today, we shape the generation of tomorrow. It is this enthusiasm and this reach that makes teaching the most powerful profession in existence. Having the opportunity to serve as the 2011-2012 Harford County Teacher of the Year has enabled me to share my own experiences and love of teaching music. It has been a year of learning, a year of growing, and a year of celebrating teaching! I am honored to pass this opportunity on to another incredible teacher. The teachers being honored here this evening each have their own passion to share. These finalists know how to reach every student and guide them down a road full of high expectations. Please thank all of the teachers who are sitting here; for they are the essence of passion and the creators of tomorrow.

- Christian Slattery,
HCPS Teacher of the Year 2011-12

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Harford County Public Schools Teacher of the Year Semi-Finalists



Joyce L. Boyd
Mathematics Teacher
Aberdeen High School
Nominated by Kenya M. Davis - Parent of a Student



Jaime C. Hoback
Third Grade Teacher
Meadowvale Elementary School
Nominated by Anna Jones - Student



Carrie B. Rosales
Spanish Teacher
North Harford High School
Nominated by W. Edward Herbold - Principal



Wendy L. Steo
Mathematics Teacher
Edgewood Middle School
Nominated by Joel M. Tracy - Teacher



Christopher R. Wilson
English Teacher
Joppatowne High School
Nominated by Marcia B. Buckley - Teacher

Christina D. O'Neill

*Sixth Grade Language Arts
Bel Air Middle School
18 Years of Service*

*Nominated by Sean Abel
Introduced by Kiley Ernest*



Christina O'Neill has served the students, staff and community of Harford County for the last 18 years. She has served as a teacher, reading specialist, literacy leader and volunteer with HCPS. Ms. O'Neill earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the College of Notre Dame in 1993, a Master of Education from Loyola College in 1997 and administrative certification from Towson University in 2003. At the local, state, and national levels, she has presented on issues related to leading and learning, school improvement and state assessments. Currently, Ms. O'Neill is a member of the Instructional Leadership and School Improvement teams at Bel Air Middle School (BAMS). She volunteers her time and resources to initiate school-based service learning projects such as a letter writing campaign to the United States Military, collecting items for the Johns Hopkins Children's Center and participating in the American Heart Association's Hoops for Heart initiative. Ms. O'Neill also organizes a book breakfast for the entire BAMS staff in January, giving teachers a chance to share and exchange current books, create reading profiles to engage students as readers and donate books to women's shelters and other organizations. When she is not dedicating her time and talents to HCPS, Ms. O'Neill teaches Sunday school at her church and serves as a parent liaison for the Monkton Country Day Care Center.

Harford County Public Schools *Teacher of the Year Finalists*



Ronald O. Burke

*Music Teacher
Patterson Mill High School
20 Years of Service*

*Nominated by Kelly Manning
Introduced by Chase Phillips*

Ronald Burke's career spans 20 years. Mr. Burke received his Bachelor of Science in Music Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1991 and a masters degree in Music Education from Towson University in 1997. In January 2011, Mr. Burke earned his master plus 30 program of study while concurrently attending the HCPS Teacher Leadership Institute. Before teaching at Patterson Mill, Mr. Burke spent five years teaching strings at Edgewood Middle School and was the band director for ten years at Edgewood High School. For the last five years at Patterson Mill High School, Mr. Burke has served as the music teacher, band director, staff development presenter for new school teacher in-service, a Professional Learning Community (PLC) activist and facilitated the organization of the Music Boosters. Mr. Burke is a member of the National Association for Music Education, the professional music fraternity Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, and serves as the Bel Air Community Band Assistant Director.

Kelly A. Christ

*English and Dance Teacher
Edgewood High School
12 Years of Service*

*Nominated by Amy Woolf
Introduced by Chelsey Eggleston*



A graduate of Harford County Public Schools, Kelly Christ is in her 12th year of teaching at Edgewood High School (EDHS). Ms. Christ earned her bachelor's degree in English and Secondary Education from Towson University in 2000, her Master of Fine Arts in Creative Nonfiction from Goucher College in 2008, and received a post-graduate degree in Dance Education from Coppin State University in 2010. She currently teaches dance, Journalism and English at EDHS, choreographs pieces for school musicals, serves as school newspaper advisor and television production studio coordinator. Ms. Christ earned the Greater Excellence in Education Foundation (GEEF) Everyday Hero award and the Edgewood High School Excellence Award in 2011. Passionate about watching students gain confidence and skills as they use dance as a form of physical activity, Ms. Christ collaborates with teachers across content areas to create meaningful connections between arts and academia.



Lauren M. Duell

*Fifth Grade Teacher
William Paca Old Post Road Elementary School
Seven Years of Service*

*Nominated by Gail Dunlap
Introduced by Petronilla Onyebadi*

Lauren Duell received her Bachelor of Arts in Childhood Education from Canisius College in Buffalo, New York in 2004 and her Master of Science in Literacy and Childhood Education from the University of Buffalo in

2005. Currently, Ms. Duell is the Arts Integration Team Representative, School Improvement Team Representative and Chairperson of the 5th grade teaching team. She has been the Before-School Math and Reading Intervention Program and the 21st Century Community Learning Centers afterschool program site coordinator. Ms. Duell mentors student teachers from Towson University and has provided model lessons for HCPS leadership and new teachers. In addition, she has joined a committee to help raise funds for high school students in financial need in Harford County, is a member of the National Education Association (NEA) and volunteers to help keep voters informed about education initiatives during election season. Ms. Duell enjoys spending her time volunteering at her church with a variety of ministries that help feed and clothe families in need.



Kristina J. Marzullo

*English Teacher
C. Milton Wright High School
Six Years of Service*

Nominated and Introduced by Shelby Stange

Kristina Marzullo earned her Bachelor of Science in Corporate Communication from the University of Baltimore in 1998 and her Master of Arts in Teaching from Johns Hopkins University in 2008. She is currently working toward her Masters plus 30 in School Administration. She is a member of the School Improvement Team, Anti-bullying Sub-Committee and serves as the yearbook advisor. Ms. Marzullo has led several HCPS professional development workshops including technology training, yearbook design and data-driven instruction modules. After implementing data-driven instructional practices in her classroom, her student's benchmark scores rose more than 13 percent in one quarter. Ms. Marzullo continues to strengthen and improve her teaching by being a life-long learner and reflective practitioner. In 2009, her work with technology in the classroom earned her a Best Buy Teach Award and in 2010 she was a nominee for the Maryland/DC Scholastic Press Teacher of the Year Award. Ms. Marzullo serves as a Girl Scout Troop leader, enjoying the programs and instilling leadership qualities in her troop.