

## OCTOBER LT 2011

### OCTOBER 2011 RETIREES

Best wishes in retirement to Allison B. Davis, Sandra L. Tallant and Officer Susan Lee Toth. They retired from the Commission effective October 1, 2011.

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

The ERS welcomes to the Board two newly appointed Trustees. Effective September 6, 2011, Commissioner Elizabeth M. Hewlett was elected to serve as the Chairman, and Commissioner Casey B. Anderson was elected to serve as the Vice Chairman, of the ERS Board of Trustees for two year terms. Chairman Hewlett is currently the Prince George's County Planning Board Chairman. Vice Chairman Anderson is a member of the Montgomery County Planning Board.

### NOVEMBER BOT MEETING



The next ERS **Board of Trustees meeting** is scheduled for **November 1, 2011, 10 a.m., in the ERS/Merit Board Conference Room**. For more information, please contact the Retirement Office at 301-454-1415.

### ANNUAL MAILINGS

The ERS has scheduled the mailing of personalized *Annual Statements*, the *Summary Plan Description (SPD)* and the *Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR)* for fiscal year ending June 30, 2011 for November 2011. An *SPD* and *PAFR* **only** will be mailed to each retired member and survivor. Please read the November 2011 *ERS LETTERS* for more details about *Annual Statements*.

### NATIONAL SAVE FOR RETIREMENT WEEK

October 16 - 22, 2011 is designated as *National Save for Retirement Week*. This annual event was established by Congress to raise public awareness about the importance of saving for retirement. If you have not already created a retirement plan, this is the perfect opportunity to do so. You can also commemorate *National Save for Retirement Week* by doing any or all of the following:

- Establish a retirement savings goal that will work for you.
- Do an assessment to see how close you currently are to your retirement savings goal.
- Look for ways to supplement your retirement if you are falling short of your retirement savings goals.
- Consult with financial planning professionals if you are uncomfortable planning on your own.
- Review/update the beneficiary information for your retirement benefits.

If you have any questions about how your ERS Retirement Benefit fits into your general retirement plan, please do not hesitate to contact the retirement office at 301-454-1415.

### CONDOLENCES

The ERS Board of Trustees and staff would like to extend their deepest sympathies to the family and friends of the following retirees who recently passed away:

- **Raymond C. Trude** passed away on August 23, 2011. He worked for Prince George's County Parks and Recreation before retiring on July 1, 1981 with 11 years of service.
- **Joseph E. Bateman** passed away on September 5, 2011. He retired from Prince George's County Parks and Recreation on March 1, 1989 with nearly 19 years of service.
- **James C. Good** passed away on September 9, 2011. He retired from the Commission on October 1, 1992 with 30 years of service. He worked for Montgomery County Parks prior to his retirement.
- **Ryszard A. Gasowski** passed away on September 30, 2011. He worked for Prince George's County Parks and Recreation before retiring on October 1, 2001.