



RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

MARCH, 1987

BULLETIN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Isn't it a joy to see the primroses, daffodils, and flowering trees blooming in all their glory? What a happy time of year!

I hope that you all have made those important calls to your legislators in Olympia. Our Legislative Committee has further information in the Bulletin on SB 5508 and 5509 and HB 583 and 584. Here's hoping we make some progress on COLAs this session.

Nominations for next year's officers will be made at our March meeting with voting taking place at the April Scholarship Luncheon. Pat Svendsen, Paul Weaver, and Ken Angell are on the Nominations Committee. Please say "yes" should one of them call you.

Please keep March 19 free so that you can join us for a wonderful trip to Japan via Dick Sacksteder's slides of his trip there late last year.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



March 11 - 1:30 p.m. Board meeting at Gordon Bower's home

March 17 - 7 p.m. Pre-retirement seminar on Long Term Care Insurance
Edmonds High School cafeteria

** March 19 - 1:30 p.m. Meeting in Board Room - Dick Sacksteder - slides on Japan - *don't miss this!*

March 24 - 7 p.m. Pre-retirement seminar on legal aspects of retirement and career changes. *Dick's slide shows are always spectacular!*

April 8 - 1:30 p.m. Board meeting at Betty Odle's home

** April 16 - noon (12) Scholarship Luncheon at Edmonds Unitarian Church - *sign-up data will be in next Bulletin.*

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Fuhrman, Norma	20005 Poplar Way	Lynnwood, WA	98036	776-3235
Hoxter, Philip	817 NE 194th St.	Seattle, WA	98155	364-1643
Bakken, John O.	21611 Sunglow Dr.	Sun City West, AZ	85375	
Wrightsen, Patricia	8919 NE 192nd Pl.	Bothell, WA	98011	
Strong, Dale J.	1015 12th Ave. N.	Edmonds, WA	98020	
<u>ASSOCIATE MEMBERS</u>				
Catey, John	8202 Sierra Dr.	Edmonds, WA	98020	776-5447
Elslip, Ken	7426-198th SW	Lynnwood, WA	98036	776-1601
Hartley, Gordon E.	6520 160th SW	Edmonds, WA	98020	
Johnson, C. Betty	15858 35th NE	Seattle, WA	98155	363-0495
Mayhle, Norma	7103 225th Pl. SW	Mountlake Terrace	98043	776-4708
Schlieman, Derris	4505 182nd Pl SW	Lynnwood, WA	98036	776-5482
Sterland, Ron	8430 225th Pl SW	Edmonds, WA	98020	774-1140
White, Dan	22916 72nd Pl W	Mountlake Terrace	98043	776-5251
Wood, Eugene	12020 Scenic Dr.	Edmonds, WA	98020	743-5717

WASHINGTON STATE RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Local Unit No. 23, Sno-King RTA

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS (Summer) _____

ADDRESS (Winter) _____

RETIREMENT NUMBER _____ SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____ LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT _____

I authorize the Washington Teachers Retirement System to deduct the following dues from my monthly retirement allowance and to pay such deduction to the Washington State Retired Teachers Association.

I agree to keep this deduction in force for the full membership year (July 1 through June 30). Should I wish to cancel ensuing deductions I will send a written notification of cancellation to WSRTA prior to May 1 to be effective July 1.

DUES DEDUCTION PLAN: (check) State (84¢) _____ Local (50¢) _____ Total _____ per month

I prefer to pay yearly: (check) State Dues (\$10) _____ Local Dues (\$6) _____

ASSOCIATE DUES (For spouses and working educators) Local (\$2)

DATE _____ SIGNATURE _____

(Mail this form to Sno-King RTA, P. O. Box 5253, Lynnwood, WA 98046-5253)



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - GENE OLMSTED

The bills that we need to give our full support to this year in the legislature are SB 5508 in the Senate and an identical bill in the House, HB 583. These bills would do two things; raise the base pay of those teachers who retired years ago and give all retired teachers who qualify an automatic COLA each year starting July 1, 1989. Here are the provisions of these bills:

Raise \$13.00 base effective July 1 -

- a. 1987 to \$20.00 per month per year of service,
- b. 1988 to \$28.00 per month per year of service,
- c. 1989 and each year thereafter: a COLA based upon the Seattle CPI, capped at 3%, to each retiree who has 20 years or more of service credit.
- d. No retiree would receive a COLA until he/she has been retired for a period of five years.

Two other bills that we may be called on to support are SB 5509 and HB 584. In 1973 the state legislature passed a bill intended to give COLAs to state pensioners, capped at 3%. Retired teachers have never received one cent in any pension increase under this bill, but PERS under the same provisions of this bill received annual increases of 3% each year 1974 through 1980. These bills would eliminate the restrictive provisions of this law and place retired teachers on the same standing as PERS in this matter.

There are other retirement bills in the state legislature this year, but only the above bills have the official support of our state legislative committee and our full-time, but not paid lobbyists, Harold Anderson and Dr. Stayner Brighton. So now is the time to write to your legislators! Tell why you think these bills are fair and equitable and how they will affect you personally.



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

Date March 1987

Dear Sno-King RTA Member,

I have been informed of your interest in 55 ALIVE/MATURE DRIVING.

The course is given in two separate sessions over a two-day period. Each class day lasts approximately 4 hours. You must attend both days to be awarded a certificate of completion. The classes are taught by trained volunteer instructors. Here are the details of my next 55 ALIVE/MATURE DRIVING Course:

Dates April 21 and April 22, 1987 Time 9:30 - 2:30 ^{Brown Bag Lunch Break}
or April 28 and April 29, 87
Place Edmonds Park + Recreation - 700 Main Edmonds

The course fee is \$ 700 for each participant. Please enclose with the enrollment application below a check or money order made payable to "AARP". Do not send cash.

Enrollment in 55 ALIVE/MATURE DRIVING is limited, so please send your enrollment application immediately to the address below.

Registration for this course closes on April 10, 1987.

I look forward to meeting you at 55 ALIVE/MATURE DRIVING.

Sincerely,

AARP Trainer, Instructor

Mail your enrollment application below to: Betty Puckett ^(Sno-King RTA Community Service Chair)
8235 Ashworth Ave. N.
Seattle, 98103 ⁵²²⁻⁸⁹²¹

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Please enroll me/ us in the 55 ALIVE/MATURE DRIVING Course on dates _____.

Enclosed is a check/money order in the amount of \$ _____ which I understand is not refundable.

Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms.

This enrollment covers:

Self @ \$ _____

and Spouse @ \$ _____

For TOTAL \$ _____

Street _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone () - _____

SHOPPING

I must go shopping today...for I am completely out of generosity and must get some more. I also want to exchange the self-satisfaction I picked up the other day for some real humility--they say it wears better, I must look at some tolerance, which is worn as a wrap this season..I saw samples of kindness...well, I'm a little low on that and one can never have too much of it. And I must try to match some patience. I saw it on a friend--it was so becoming and might look well on me. I must remember to get my sense of humor mended, and keep my eyes open for some inexpensive goodness. It's surprising how one's stock of goods is depleted. Yes, I must go shopping today.

Francis Lowrie
from Mal Webb

THINK SPRING!!



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News for April
Newsletter should
reach Betty Odle by
March 20 - 2137 N. 86,
Seattle 98103, 525-8276.

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