



NOVEMBER 1987

# BULLETIN

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - MARION BELLOWS

What an enjoyable time we 60 folks had at our Fall Scholarship Luncheon at Family Savings on October 22. Our speakers, Ms. Gaddy and Mr. Naegerli from Lynnwood High School, gave a fine report on all the counseling services that students receive these days. The luncheon provided by Family Savings was delicious--how nice it was not to have to fix a salad and take it to the meeting. We were pleased to see many new members and guests at the luncheon--we hope they will continue to attend our meetings.

You will be interested to know that our scholarship fund has reached the sum of \$6,500, and we are seriously considering giving a \$300 scholarship to a student in each of our three school districts. When you realize that the fund started in the spring of 1984, this is a tremendous growth. AND, our scholarship fund now has tax exempt status from the I.R.S.. So you can give lots of money and use that sum as a federal tax exemption!

Helen Beaver has knit a gorgeous sweater for our current raffle. This woman's sweater is in a heather tone and has a light lacy appearance. We will draw for it at our December meeting, so come buy your share of chances.

Our next two meetings will be outstanding. On November 19 Tony Angell will speak on "Skagit River Estuary Wildlife." We are hoping he will bring some of his carvings. On December 17 we will travel to the new auditorium at Shorecrest High School to hear their choral group sing holiday music. I attended a concert there recently--the acoustics are excellent and the seats are so comfortable. We will have a map in that Bulletin. So put the date on your calendar and get all your friends lined up to come with you.

By the way, is there someone out there who likes to work on scrapbooks? We thought it would be a good idea to have a history of our group outside of secretary and treasurer reports. Past presidents would write a short resume of their administrations, we have a few pictures, etc. If you have the desire and the talent, please call one of the officers.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 11 - 1:30 p.m. Board meeting at Marion Bellows'

November 19 - 1:30 p.m. Regular meeting in Board Room. Tony Angell on "Skagit River Estuary Wildlife"

December 9 - 1:30 p.m. Board meeting

December 17 - 1:30 p.m. Christmas meeting at Shorecrest High School's new auditorium - 15343 - 25 Avenue NE, Seattle

(News for the December Bulletin due November 20 - please send to Betty Odle, 2137 N 86, Seattle 98103, or phone 525-8276.)

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - Gordon Bowers

Your State Legislative committee, in Seattle on September 28, 1987, elected to present our proposal in bill form to the Legislature providing for:

1. A yearly Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for all Plan 1 teacher retirees;
2. A 3% compounded, capped COLA based on the Seattle CPI;
3. A 5-year waiting period following retirement before a retired teacher receives the COLA.

If your legislator is a member of the Joint Committee on Pension Policy, you are urged to write and ask the legislator to place retired teachers' COLA's on the 1987 agenda of the Joint Committee, and to support our proposal. Members in your Units should write, too.

Also, contact the AARP, PERS, and WEA representatives, and active teachers in your community to support our proposal. One of President Schroeder's main efforts this year is to gain their cooperation and support, so begin a chorus and help her get them to help us!

The T.R.I.P. Fund is growing. We knew it would. Currently over 3,000 people have contributed an amount in excess of \$40,000; however, about 6,700 persons have received an ad hoc COLA this year. There are about 14,000 other retired Plan 1 teachers for whom we are hoping to get a COLA and who do not now have one. It is hoped every retired teacher will donate at least \$11.00.

HEALTH AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE - John Hunter

If you have not received the packet containing information Washington Health Services Spectrum Plan covering long-term care please call John Hunter 486-6684 and he will see that you receive one. This plan which is limited to members of WSRTA is considered to be one of the top plans available and because it is a group plan and no commissions are paid the cost is considerably less than comparable plans. Don't hesitate to call John if you have any questions.

HEALTH COMMITTEE TIP OF THE MONTH - Edie Kirkpatrick

The GREENER the better when choosing salad greens for their nutritional value as well as good looks. The darker green leaf lettuce has six times as much vitamin A as the lighter green head lettuce.

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE - Betty Puckett

The response of members to "55 Alive" is appreciated and we hope to have a Spring '88 session if interest is shown. Members who have taken the course have appreciated the 5% reduction in their insurance that most companies give to those who have taken "55 Alive".

SCHOLARSHIP

A donation in honor of Dr. Ray W. Howard was given by Gladys Kuykendall Lennon and a donation by June and Gordon Roberts was given in memory of Julia Dorothy Martin.

NEWS ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

We are happy to report that Ken Angell has been the recipient of an award from AARP for his service as a National Community Service Volunteer. The award is given to AARP and RTA members.

Gladys Kuykendall Lennon attended a schoolwide reunion of the first school she taught Bus. Ed. in after graduating from U of Denver College of Business Adm. in Denver.

Connie Hayden, long time Smoking member has moved from the Magnolia District to the Kent-Auburn area. Hope she will still drive out to see us at meeting times. Best of wishes in her new home!

After a month in England Gordon & June Roberts spent a week in Cambridge, Mass. visiting their youngest daughter and her family. 71 degree weather on Cape Cod and a hike around Walden Pond amid the colorful fall foliage were highlights.

Irma Bendock is leaving November 16 for a month in sunny Kona, Hawaii with family.

Paul and Frances Weaver will spend Thanksgiving in Dallas, Texas - a family reunion and a wedding on the agenda.

Just received word that Jack (E.M.) Allen is to have surgery November 2 in Mesa, Arizona - our wishes for a speedy recovery.

It was great seeing so many people out for the Scholarship Luncheon - we were sorry that Ruthanne Warren was ill but happy to see Marjorie Hiitala who came in her place.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS - Kathryn Goren, Gladys Kuykendall Lennon, John McAdam, Donna Montzheimer, Betty Welch, and Bea Wyatte. We hope to see them at see them at all of our meetings - many of them were at our Scholarship Luncheon and we hope you were able to meet them.

ADDRESSES OF NEW MEMBERS TO ADD TO YOUR ROSTER

Goren, Kathryn J	18318 88th W	Lynnwood	98036	774-1089
Hillhouse, Dean E.	12711 N.E. 116th, #B-201	Kirkland	98034	823-0349
Hyman, Margaret M.	23822 80th W	Edmonds	98020	778-3696
Lennon, Gladys Kuykendall	13320 Hwy 99S, #10	Everett	98204	743-4861
McAdam, John	19902 Maplewood Dr.	Edmonds	98020	778-8463
Montzheimer, Donna J	16820 14th NW	Seattle	98177	546-6824
Welch, Betty	3830 NE 97th	Seattle	98115	522-7560
Wyatte, Bea L	5228 201st Pl SW	Lynnwood	98036	776-5587

# Happy Thanksgiving!



WASHINGTON STATE RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Local Unit No. 23, Sno-King RTA

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ADDRESS (Summer) \_\_\_\_\_

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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)

NOVEMBER 19 MEETING FEATURES TONY ANGELL  
SPEAKING ON "SKAGIT RIVER ESTUARY WILDLIFE"

Tony Angell, artist, writer and educator, has spent most of his life studying and interpreting the natural history of the Pacific Northwest.

Among the books written and illustrated by him are: *Owls; Ravens, Crows, Magpies and Jays; and Marine Birds and Mammals of Puget Sound.*

Mr. Angell has received two Governor Writing Awards as well as other International and National awards for his drawings, sculptures and writing.

We are very proud to have Tony Angell for our program in November and we hope that you will urge fellow members and friends to come and share this meeting.



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