



RETIREED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

BULLETIN

JULY 1985

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Betty Odle

The fifty-plus members who attended our June Scholarship Luncheon enjoyed a delicious repast and an impressive installation conducted by Ralph Sellhorn a Past State President of WSRTA. The Scholarship Fund also grew by almost \$200 with the luncheon income, donations and chances on the Brazilian Agate clock!

Our Unit is really taking part in WSRTA now. Paul Weaver was elected to a two-year term as District I representative on the State Executive Board, Pat Svendsen was appointed Chairman of the State Pre-Retirement Planning Committee, Ken Angell was appointed Chairman of the State Convention Planning Committee and John Hunter was appointed Chairman of the State Informative and Protective Services Committee. Congratulations to these hard working members - we are very proud of them all.

This year we will ALL be working on WSRTA business as we work together to plan and prepare for the 1986 State Convention. Please offer your services to Ken Angell, 778-2244, he needs the help of all of our members to make this affair a big success.

As usual this time of the year we are requesting the members to fill out the enclosed form which will help us plan programs according to your interests and will also help us broaden our base as more members volunteer to help on the various committees. Won't you make this the year that you decide to take a more active part in your association?

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at the July 18 picnic to be held as usual at the lovely Martha Lake home of Al and Pat Svendsen. This is the time that we welcome as our special guests the retirees from Edmonds, Northshore and Shoreline Districts. A picnic reservation form and directions to get to the Picnic are in this Bulletin.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>JULY</u>	12	1:30 p.m. Board Meeting at Paul Weaver's home 1560 - 9th Ave. N., Edmonds 778-3933
	18	Noon - Picnic at Svendsen's home - west side of Martha Lake
<u>AUGUST</u>	7	Board "Get-Away" at John Hunter's summer home - details at July Board meeting
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	11	Leadership Conference in Ellensburg
	19	1:30 p.m. Regular meeting in the Board Room of the Edmonds School District Headquarters

IF YOU HAVE NOT HAD A CHANCE TO PAY YOUR 1985-86 DUES, PLEASE TEAR OFF THIS SECTION AND MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK TO:
SNO-KING RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION, P. O. Box 5253, Lynnwood, WA 98036-0878

MEMBER DUES

(Check appropriate box)

STATE-----\$10.00
 LOCAL-----6.00
 Total \$16.00

ASSOCIATE DUES

(For spouses and working educators)

LOCAL-----\$ 2.00

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ State Legislative Dist. _____

PICNIC RESERVATION FORM

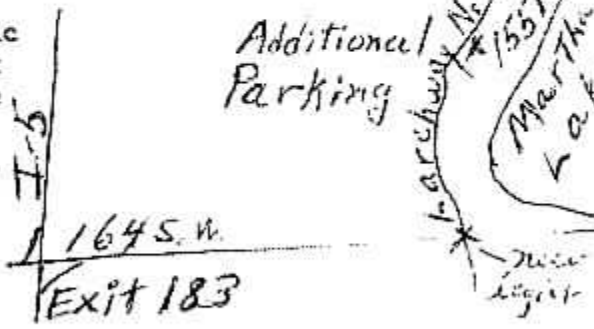
SNO-KING R.T.A. PICNIC, Noon, July 18, at Svendsens' Martha Lake Home
Reservations close July 12, 1985

Please reserve () places at the picnic at \$4.50 each.
My check for \$ _____ is enclosed. Signed _____

Mail reservations to: Sno-King RTA., P.O. Box 5253, Lynnwood, WA 98036-0878

New retirees will be honored guests at our Annual Picnic on Thursday noon, July 18, at the beautiful home of Pat and Al Svendsen, at 15515 Larchway N., on the west side of Martha Lake. Take Exit 183 from I-5 or 164 SW from Aurora and go East to Larchway North. If you get lost, call 743-3482.

Additional Parking



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (final) Bowers and Olmsted

Stayner Brighton, our State Legislative Chairman, gave some interesting observations about the recent Legislature. At the June 2 meeting at the WSRTA Convention in Olympia, Dr. Brighton said that 126 bills on state retirement had been introduced. He said that preventing certain legislation was even more of a hassle than realizing our legislative objective, namely getting a much-needed cost of living increase. After turning down our COLA bills without even a hearing, certain members of the Legislature introduced and campaigned hard for three bills that effectively would have prevented us from ever getting cost of living increases in our pensions. Dr. Brighton says these bills would require restrictive "up front" funding for all future pension benefit improvements (especially COLA's). These bills were HB 378, HJR 30, and LSSB 3717. Fortunately for retirees, all of these bills failed.

So what was in the budget for the state retirement program? Sen. Rick Bender's office says \$779,000,000 has been allocated to fully fund the state Retirement System for the next two years. Rep. Katie Allen, who incidentally sponsored HB 519 (our COLA) bill, said that "some" appropriation was made by the Legislature to reduce the state pension system unfunded liability, which now stands at about \$3.3 billion.

TRAVELS, NEWS, COMMENTS

IRMA BENDOCK is going to Norway in August and will be taking the Bergen Line Fjord trip up to Kirkenes.

JACQUI REID is going to the Calgary Stampede and having a daughter's wedding in late August.

GENE OLMSTED will be attending his fiftieth high school reunion in Deming, Washington.

BETTY PUCKETT found that spring in the Midwest was ideal as they visited family and friends. Opening of high lake fishing here gave them a chance to take their new motor home over the North Cascades Highway.

BARBARA CHAMBERLAND left for Europe June 21 and will return July 25. She is traveling with the Lo-Grande group.

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SNO-KING RTA INTEREST INDICATOR

NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE: Home _____ Office/other _____
(Please indicate best hours to contact: _____)

COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITIES: (Please check those of interest to you)

Community Participation

Community Service Programs and Projects _____
(55-Alive-Driver Improvement Program, assisting at Blood Bank Drives, etc.)

School Volunteers _____
Reading to children in Elementary School classrooms _____

Assist with Kindergarten testing _____
Tutoring(Indicate your special field of interest) _____

Informative and Protective Services - to promote the well-being of retired teachers

Resource Development _____
(Gather and disseminate information on retirement housing, Medicare and Medigard, Social Security changes, etc.)

Health Care _____
(Provide assistance in selection of hospitals, nursing homes; detecting individuals in need and referring them to appropriate source of help.

Sunshine (Friendly visitor service) _____

Legislative

(Inform Unit members of pending legislation affecting their lives and work to improve condition of older citizens through legislation.)

Membership Expansion and Development

(Recruit new members, hold present members and regain previous members who have dropped their membership.)

Pre-retirement

(Plan and set up annual pre-retirement seminar.)

Communications

Publicity for Newsletter, WSRTA Journal and Community Papers _____

Mailing Newsletter _____

Telephone Committee _____

Refreshment committee _____

Scholarship _____

PLEASE INDICATE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE(DO YOU TYPE? DO YOU PLAY A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT? WOULD YOU MIND USING YOUR CAR FOR UNIT ACTIVITIES?

PLEASE SHARE ANY IDEAS YOU HAVE ON WAYS TO IMPROVE OUR UNIT. DO YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS FOR PROGRAMS THAT WOULD APPEAL TO NEW MEMBERS AND BRING BACK SOME OF OUR "STAY-AT-HOMERS"?

Please return to Betty Odle, 2137 N. 86th, Seattle, WA 98103)

YES, I WANT TO HELP ON THE CONVENTION COMMITTEE _____

MELBA BYERS and MAYBELLE CHAPMAN will be in China from June 26 to July 12.

IRV and VELMA POTTER will leave July 5 for Managua, Nicaragua, as part of the Seattle Sister Cities program and return July 13.

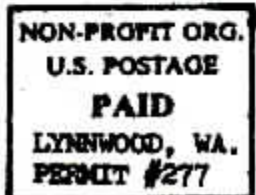
FRAN BOLERJACK is recuperating at home after undergoing major surgery.

RUTH HOBAN, formerly a teacher of the blind and partially sighted for Edmonds School District is now living at Madison House in Totem Lake in Kirkland (phone 821-8210). She has limited mobility and so especially appreciates visits and phone calls from friends.

PAUL and EVELYN HYLTON hosted a Father's Day family reunion with four daughters and their families present, from Anchorage, Brier, Palouse, and Lopez Island. A son in San Francisco was unable to attend.

We will be having a new AARP office in the Northgate area soon staffed by Jean Malibow, who has purchased a home in the Richmond Beach area. Jean comes from the California office.

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News for SEPTEMBER BULLETIN must reach Marion Bellows by AUGUST 20 at 9700 - 24 N.W. Seattle, WA 98117. (782-3046)

Make those PICNIC reservations.

Mail in your suggestions for programs next year.