

KENDALL RETIRED TEACHERS



NEWSLETTER



SERVING RETIRED TEACHERS OF KENDALL COUNTY

SEPTEMBER 2014



The September 11, 2014 meeting of the KRTA will be held at Whitetail Ridge Gold Club, 7671 Clubhouse Drive, (Rt. 126), Yorkville IL, 60560. The luncheon, beginning at 12:30 PM, will be \$15. Bob Lyons, IRTA board member, and Chris Gluck, AMBA Benefits Program Co-coordinator will speak. Be sure to mark your calendar and let your caller know if you can join us. Deadline is September 5, 2014. It is imperative that you have your reservation in by then. If you don't get a call by then, you can RSVP to Theda McMinn, 552-8156. Also, don't forget your money for the 50/50.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MINUTES FOR THE KRTA UNIT MEETING: June 12, 2014.

The June 12 KRTA membership meeting met at Whitetail Ridge Golf course, Rt. 126, Yorkville. President Jim Hissong called the meeting to order at 12:40, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Grace was given by member Craig Weber.



Guests Pam Reilly, newly retired teachers Karen Johnson, Sherry Underhill and Sharon Pagoria, and grant recipients were recognized. The 4 KRTA grant recipients of high school FEA programs in Kendall County high schools were Oswego East High School, Oswego High School, Yorkville High School, and Plano High School.



FEA Program Recipients



Moler-Austin Scholarship Recipients

Those FEA programs received \$200 each. College students who were each awarded the Moler-Austin scholarship of \$4500 were Melissa McCanna, Mike Lauderdale, and Ilir Emini—Mrs Emini accepted for Ilir.

Guest speaker Pam Reilly presented her program as the 2014 Illinois Teacher of the Year. She is a second grade teacher at Woodbury Elementary School in Sandwich

School District #430. Pam talked about her experiences that took her to this educational honor. She also spoke of her trip to Washington D. C. along with the 49 other state recipients, and their visit & recognition at the White House. Pam was honored with a standing ovation by the membership!

Old Business

- ❖ April 10 minutes were approved.
- ❖ Treasurer report approved

Committee Reports

- ❖ Program: August 1 Cougar Game, September 11 meeting at Whitetail Ridge.
- ❖ Legislation: The SBI pension lawsuit is still in Sangamon Circuit Court. It is expected to be there some time.
- ❖ Membership: KRTA membership today is at 210.
- ❖ Community Participation: One share of the 50/50 collection will be donated to the IRTA Legal Defense Fund. Stacy Shute won the other share of 50/50 today.

The meeting was adjourned by Jim Hissong.

Respectfully submitted, Secretary Pat Johnson

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear KRTA members,

I hope you all had a wonderful summer! On Friday, August 1, some of our members shared an enjoyable evening with food, fireworks, and baseball with the Kane County Cougars.

This August, the Kendall County Food Pantry serviced nearly 600 needy families with donated school supplies. Thanks to all of you that took the time out of your schedule to volunteer and help those in need.

Thank You Pat: Recently one of our past Presidents, Pat Coleman, was a guest on WSPY to help promote our KRTA Association and give insight into some of the great things that we do for our communities.

Our September 11 luncheon meeting will give us information into what is happening in legislation and issues in Springfield. Bob Lyons, IRTA board member and Chris Gluck, AMBA district manager for IRTA benefits, will be our speakers.

Jim Hissong, President

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Thank you for your donation for school supplies to be given to the Kendall County Panty. I shopped for all the bargains, and was able to purchase many items. They are much appreciated.

Thanks, and I hope to see you at the meeting.

Alimae Persons, Community Participation Chair

**Love at first sight becomes easy to understand;
it's when two people have been looking at each
other for a lifetime that it becomes a miracle.**

Amy Bloom

**It makes no difference how many
peaks you reach if there was no
pleasure in the climb.**

Oprah Winfrey

MEMBERSHIP

Kendall County Retired Teachers Unit 10 Membership: Membership Report: We welcome two new members.

Sherry Underhill
Box 741
Newark, IL 60541

Sharon Pagoria
981 Lake Holiday Drive
Sandwich, IL 60548

The September meeting is the traditional kick-off for the next year's membership. We will begin accepting 2015 KRTA membership dues (\$15) at this meeting. If you cannot make the meeting, use the membership form in the back and mail your \$15 check to either Linda or Craig.

Also, if you are not a member of Illinois Retired Teachers Association, our parent organization, you need to be. There will be sign up forms at the membership table at the September meeting. The cheapest way to do it is to have two dollars deducted from each check, which is twenty-four dollars yearly. However, there are other options for dues payment available. We have a great organization, and everyone is important. There is strength in numbers--at the local and also at the state level.

Sincerely,
Membership Committee: Linda Adkins and Craig Weber

TREASURER'S REPORT

OPENING BALANCE – 4/25/2014		<u>\$3,246.04</u>
RECEIPTS	Lunch Receipts	\$1,135.00
	Replace lunch change	\$200.00
	Cubs Game	\$1841.00
	Dues	\$45.00
	Cougars Game	\$1530.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$4,821.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS		\$8067.04
EXPENSES	Lunch Change	\$200.00
	White Tail	\$1,245.00
	Newsletter	\$115.98
	Pam Reilly Speaker	\$500.00
	Grants	\$800.00
	CASA	\$100.00
	Cougars Game Tickets	\$1,580.00
	IRTA Legal Fund.	\$70.00
	Cubs Expense	\$365.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		<u>\$4,525.98</u>
RECONCILED BALANCE – 8/19/2014		<u>\$3,541.06</u>
Kyle Price, Treasurer		

LEGISLATIVE

The SB1 lawsuit is in Sangamon Circuit Court. Nobody knows for sure how long it will stay in that court. The next court it will move to is the Illinois Appellate Court. Then it will move on to the Illinois

Supreme Court. So, given the time these things usually take, retired teachers may still receive their 2015 cost of living raise.

Sid Simmons, Legislative Chair

E-MAILS: I am happy to state that we currently have 122 E-mail members. If you would like to join us, please let me know. This is especially handy for people who travel. You may do so by e-mailing me, Janet Reardon, at janetreardon44@sbcglobal.net. After receiving your e-mail, I will gladly put you on our list. You will receive the newsletter in two formats: by Word 97 – 2003 and PDF file. I look forward to putting your name on this list.

IN REMEMBRANCE: If you learn of any member, teacher, or teacher family member who has passed away, please let the membership committee and president know.

Happy Birthday!!

The following members are celebrating their birthdays this quarter. *Happy Birthday* to all of you--and May you have many more!

OCTOBER

Stacey Shute 10/4
Peg Schulte 10/4
Madeline Mead 10/11
Susan (Reed) Ahuja 10/19
Beverly Rehberg 10/19
Nancy Larson 10/22
Ruth Aagesen 10/24

NOVEMBER

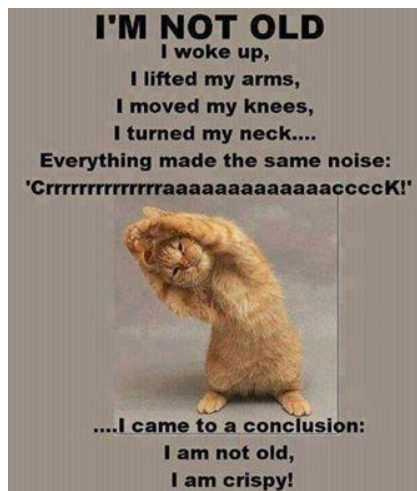
Identa Austin 11/2
Janelle Burd 11/5
Judith Davis 11/7
Marsha Friedman 11/10
Norm Meier 11/11
Janice Williams 11/13
Ron May 11/20
Truby Szewczyk 11/25
Gene Palmer 11/28
Jean McBride 11/29
Nancy Reynolds 11/30

DECEMBER

Susan Schindel 12/3
Don Snyder 12/5
Richard Sitch 12/8
Barb McCoy 12/11
Pat Lofthouse 12
Theda McMinn 12/13
Diane Gerner 12/18
JoAnn Beane 12/19
Alimae Persons 12/23
Carol Hayner 12/23
Judy Gilmour 12/26



So far, 115 members are celebrating their birthdays with us. I would love to have more join. If you did not see your name in the birthday recognition for this quarter and wish to be honored, please let Janet Reardon have your birth month and day by e-mail (janetreardon44@sbcglobal.net.) If you notice any errors, please let me know as well.



Renew your KRTA Membership for 2014...

Just complete the form below, enclose a check for \$15., and return to one of the membership co-chairpersons below. You can also pay your 2014 membership at the September 11th Luncheon Meeting. Please encourage other retirees to join our wonderful organization!

KRTA membership committee co-chairpersons:

Linda Adkins 630-554-8788
303 Edgebrook Ct.
Oswego, IL 60543

Craig Weber 630-688-7980
584 Sudbury Circle
Oswego, IL 60543

Local Unit Membership Form for Regular and Associate Members:

IRTA Local Unit Name: **Kendall County Retired Teachers' Association**

Name: _____

Last

First

Middle

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: () _____ Retirement Year: _____ District Retired From: _____

E-Mail: _____ Dues Paid: \$ _____ (\$15.)

BRITISH HUMOR IS DIFFERENT

These are classified ads, which were actually placed in U.K. Newspapers:

FREE YORKSHIRE TERRIER.

8 years old,
Hateful little bastard.
Bites!

FREE PUPPIES

1/2 Cocker Spaniel, 1/2 sneaky neighbor's dog.

FREE PUPPIES.

Mother is a Kennel Club registered German Shepherd.
Father is a Super Dog, able to leap tall fences in a single bound.