

## Fraud & Scams 2025

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We live in a world where mobile phones are mini-computers, bitcoin is in (the penny is out) and the digital landscape is built on artificial intelligence. And we live in a world where fraud and scams are as prevalent as ever. But even as the tools and technology are more sophisticated, the fact remains that scams and frauds are perpetrated *by people, against people*.

Read on to learn more about the most common schemes and what you can do to prepare, prevent, and report fraud or scams.

### COMMON FRAUD TACTICS

Scammers rely on manipulation—of your emotions and of data and technology.

**Friendliness**—Con artists are friendly, personable and sympathetic, making you feel like they are “on your side”.

**Fear or Urgency**—They instill fear or a sense of urgency while also not giving you time to think or act rationally. “Act now or lose your money.”

**Helpful**—They appear helpful now to gain your trust, making you more inclined to return a “favor” later. “I hate to ask you this...”

**Emotional Arousal**—They appeal to your emotions, which can skew proper judgement.

**Credibility**—They pretend to be associated with a credible company, agency, charity or government agency to fake legitimacy.

**Ambiguity**—They are vague about details or change the subject throughout the conversation. This both serves to distract you and make it harder to hold them accountable later.

**Secrecy**—They want you to believe the offer is “exclusive” or that telling other will only worry them. “Don’t tell your family or the bank.”

**Payment Tricks**—They use remote transactions that are immediate and untraceable, such as gift cards, crypto currency or wire transfers.

**Coaching**—They offer to give you step by step instructions so they are using your voice, passwords, etc.

**Tech Abuse**—Use of AI voices, spoofed caller ID, fake web sites or business listings.

### HAVE A PLAN

Take steps now to protect your data and to establish relationships with trusted family members and companies.

**Family Pact**—Family members and caregivers agree not to make any major money decisions or

transactions without a buddy call or 72-hour grace period.

**Safe Word**—a shared word or phrase that family members can use to confirm authenticity.

**Practice Tech Safety**—

- Use two-factor authentication
- Update devices regularly
- Use strong passwords
- Don’t click unknown links or open attachments



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# Message from the President

## Fall Leadership Conferences

This fall was a busy time for ARTA. Area Leadership Conferences were scheduled September 23-October 28. I attended six of the seven conferences. A scheduling conflict prevented me from attending the Area 1 Conference in Fort Smith. Mark Gammill came to my rescue and filled in for me. Thank you, Mark!



Although our travel to the meetings was lengthy, it was well worth it to see how each area was doing. All of the conferences were well prepared and well attended. They all followed the guidelines as set forth by ARTA: breakout sessions for officer and committee trainings. Committees reported after their training sessions. Some areas had door prizes or a silent auction as a fundraiser for ARTA grants. All areas had good speakers, good food, and great entertainment.

Mark White, ATRS Executive Director, gave updates stating that ATRS is doing great! Investments are profitable and doing well. He added that the oldest pension recipients are two females each 107 years old!!

Mary Alice and Matt Hughes gave insurance updates, stating that premiums for both PSE Medicare-eligible plans will go up a minimum of \$6 per month starting on January 1, 2026. They also talked about the plans that they offer: dental, stroke, heart attack, cancer and annuities.

Linda Powell and Tammy Gray, ARTA staff, gave ARTA updates.

### Area highlights:

Area 1 met in Fort Smith. The speaker was from the Peak Innovation Center. The center provides students with opportunities designed to ignite their imagination and to help them achieve their goals for future careers.

Area 2 met at the Sheid Convention Center on the ASU-Mountain Home campus. The Center was beautiful. They have real Rembrandt paintings (under lock and key)! If you have not been to the center, put it on your bucket list of things to see.

Area 3 met on the Northeast Arkansas College campus in Blytheville. A silent auction raised \$477 for ARTA grants.

Area 4 met in Nashville. The whole area had matching t-shirts with each county having a different colored shirt. The logo was a rocking chair with the slogan "Retired, Not Tired", "Area Four", and "Rockin' on with ARTA, We Need You!"

Area 5 met in Sheridan. The Sheridan High School Food Safety and Nutrition class prepared and catered the luncheon! The students planned the menu, set the cost, shopped for, and prepared the food. They even decorated the food boxes!

Area 7 met in Harrison. The entertainment was the Harrison High School Elite Choir. There were as many boys as girls in the choir. That is usually not the case! All were amazing!

Area 8 met in Jacksonville. Attire for the meeting was cowboy hats, boots, and jeans. The meeting opened with a line dance to the song "Boots on the Ground" performed by area members. The Jacksonville High School cyber club discussed the use of AI and computers in their class instruction versus books and chalkboards, followed by Q and A from the retirees.

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## Important Contact Information

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# Message from the Executive Director

## Season of Service

The fall season rushed by this year. I want to thank President Paulette Parker, Tammy Gray, Linda Powell and Past President Mark Gammill for attending and speaking at the seven area conferences this fall. Each was unique and the ARTA members enjoyed the fellowship and information shared.

The 2024-25 ARTA Annual Report is available on the website. ("Bee Inspired" was President Gammill's theme for the 2025 Annual ARTA State Convention.)

ARTA did many great things this year. The report especially highlights our local units and individual members. Local units contributed over \$71,914 in cash and goods to local organizations in their communities. The dollar value of member volunteer hours that were reported totaled over \$7,244,182. Just consider all the volunteer hours and in-kind donations ARTA members shared that were NOT reported. I am sure we gave over \$10,000,000 back to local communities in Arkansas. Thank you to ALL retired public-school personnel.

**"Everyone can be great,  
because everyone can serve."**

**Martin Luther King, Jr.**

ARTA is part of the Ballot Initiative Committee for the 2026 For Our Kids issue. This is the same ballot initiative we supported in 2024. The signatures, over 92,000, have to be collected again. ARTA would love for our members to help in the process. If a member is willing to go to other ARTA locals to explain the process and collect signatures, ARTA will reimburse your round trip mileage between your home and the county meeting place. Contact ARTA if you are willing to help public schools in this endeavor.



As we journey through the holiday season we should be reminded of our many blessings. We need to be generous with those in need of our compassion.

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah and a Blessed Kwanza to all of Creation.

Peace,

**Donna**

## Conference, *continued*

The area conferences were great and met the expectations of ARTA. I saw friends and made new connections. I want to thank everyone who helped make the 2025 Area Leadership Conferences a success. Keep up the good work!

Now it's time to get back to the task of increasing membership. We need to grow ARTA. Invite a nonmember to your county meeting, explain the importance of being an ARTA member, and invite them to join ARTA. Remember, there is strength in numbers!

I want to send a big "Thank You" to Donna, Linda, and Tammy. They do take good care of us!

Take care and have a wonderful holiday season! Contact me if I can be of help to you.

**Paulette Parker**  
ARTA President



Cowboy Country—August 2025

### REMINDER: AR Benefits Retiree Coverage

You must be on the Public School Employee Plan on your last day of employment AND you must be eligible to begin drawing your retirement from ATRS to enroll in the AR Benefits Public School Employees Retiree Health Insurance Plan.

Eligible retirees can enroll in retiree coverage **one** time. If you decline coverage, you will have to take multiple steps to apply later. If you drop coverage, you will **not** be able to rejoin later.

# Fraud & Scams, *continued*

Voice Assistants—Save trusted businesses in your contacts so Alexa, Siri or Google Home call the right number.

Unknown calls—Let unknown calls go to voicemail, especially during the holidays, after a natural disaster or weather event, and during Medicare season.

Banking—Report all suspicious transactions.

## **MOST COMMON TYPES OF SCAMS—WHAT TO KNOW**

Health Insurance Scams—Fraudster poses as a Medicare representative or “senior benefits provider” for the purpose of getting your personal information or to bill insurance for service never received.

Telemarketing Swindles—No legitimate financial institution or government agency, or reputable company, will call and ask for your personal information over the phone.

Fake Accident Emergency—A team of scammers work to convince you that a loved one is in trouble, such as in jail or the hospital, and they need money right away to get help.

Robocalls—Pre-recorded calls that attempt to get you to say key words, such as “yes” or your name, to be used as a voice signature.

Charity Scams—Especially common during the holidays or following a natural disaster. Verify online or ask for materials to be sent to you.

Internet Fraud—Emails created to look like they are from a legitimate bank or business that urge you to share personal information to fix an account error or issue. Emails or ads that direct you to fake business or shopping sites where you are asked to provide payment information.

Tech or Computer Support Scams—Claims there is a problem with

your computer. Recommends a software download or offers to “fix” it via remote access. Do not click on or respond to unsolicited offers.

Lottery or Fake Prize Scams—You are asked to pay a small fee to collect your prize. Similar to the “Pigeon Drop”, where you are offered a sizable sum of money in exchange for a smaller sum. Not a win, especially if you didn’t sign up to play!

Counterfeit Prescription Medications—Offer of better prices on prescription drugs that turn out to be counterfeit. Consult a doctor or family member before purchasing any medication online.

The “Grandparent Scam”/AI Voice Cloning—Similar to the fake accident emergency. Scammers use AI to mimic a loved one’s voice in distress. Protect yourself by utilizing a family safe word.

Investment Schemes—If you have only a few hours to make a decision about an investment or take advantage of a “deal”, especially one that sounds too good to be true, it’s probably a scam.

Mortgage Scams—Letters claiming to reduce your property tax burden for a fee. Contact your county assessor’s office directly.

Reverse Mortgage Scams—An attempt to get your personal information, often for the purpose of using your home equity.

Funeral Fraud—Fraudsters approach widows and widowers claiming the deceased had debts that must be paid.

Imposter Scams—Scammers pretend to be IRS or other government agents. Often threaten fines or arrest. Hang up and report.

False Fraud Alert—Fake warnings about suspicious activity that ask you to verify your information or tell you to transfer funds to a “safe” account. No real bank or agency does this.

Scams on Siri, Alexa, and Google Home—Voice assistants may be tricked into calling fake business numbers planted by scammers. These calls can lead to fake websites or requests for remote computer access.

Door-to-Door Sales and Service—Fraudsters pose as security, utility workers or tradespeople to gain entry, gather information, or sell fake or shoddy services. Verify by calling the company directly.

Romance and Digital Friendship Scams—Criminals create fake profiles or accounts to form relationships where they can eventually ask for money. Never send money to someone you have not met in person.

Scammers are ever-present and more creative than ever. You can avoid scams by being proactive, being aware of the ways that others may try to manipulate you, checking with official sources, and relying on family members and trusted professionals. Doing so can protect both your money and your peace of mind.

## **IF YOU SUSPECT A SCAM**

**STOP**—Do not send money or share personal information

**VERIFY**—Call official numbers from your card, statement, or Medicare ID

**REPORT**—

- **National Elder Fraud Hotline:** 1-833-FRAUD-11
- **FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3):** ic3.gov
- **Medicare:** 1-800-MEDICARE
- **Senior Medicare Patrol:** smpresource.org
- **Social Security Office of Inspector General:** oig.ssa.gov
- **Federal Trade Commission (FTC):** ftc.gov/scams
- **AARP Fraud Watch Network:** aarp.org/fraudwatch

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## ARTA Grant Program

ARTA will accept applications for the ARTA grants Program beginning January 15, 2026. Applications must be completed online at [www.artanow.com/grants](http://www.artanow.com/grants).

The Parsons-Burnett Grant will be awarded to certified public-school educators who are seeking an additional degree, certificate or endorsement. Applicants must be currently working in an Arkansas public school.

The Mitchell-Fair Grant will be awarded to classified public-school employees who are working to obtain an education degree.

Complete application criteria and guidelines are found at [www.artanow.com/grants](http://www.artanow.com/grants).

For more information about the grant program or to make a donation, please contact the ARTA office.

## ARTA Annual Report



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# SAVE the DATE

2026 Annual ARTA State Conference

May 5, 2026

Benton Event Center, Benton AR

## Welcome New Life & Life Continuing Members

**Boone County**

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\* **Life Continuing** members are Life members who have elected to have additional dues deducted from their monthly benefit check.

These additional dues are used to support the ARTA Grants Program.

# Member News

## Area I

The **Fort Smith RTA** kicked off their program year in style. After a busy fall, they will enjoy a Christmas luncheon program before resuming meetings in the new year.



## Area III

The **St. Francis County RTA** held their first meeting of the year in September. They are pictured here with guest speaker Lincoln Barnett (State Rep—Dist. 63).



## Area II

Members of the **Woodruff County RTA** thanked Augusta and McCrory School District employees by presenting them with “A+ with Us” report cards.



## Area IV

The **Hempstead County RTA** was recognized by the administration of Clinton Primary School for their donation of tissue, wipes and sanitizer.



The **Miller County RTA** honored to have Mrs. Remica Gray, a founding board member of the Texarkana Symphony Orchestra, as their October guest.



## Area IV

Members of the **Clark County RTA** showed up to their October meeting with needed supplies for their local humane society.



## Area VII

Members who gathered for the Area 7 Leadership Conference were rewarded for braving the weather as they connected with colleagues from across the area.



## Area V

Joye Stephenson, Delores Skender and Judy Reves of the **Ashley County RTA** presented an in-service grant to April Adams.



## Area VIII

The **North Pulaski Retired Teachers Association** kicked off their year with speaker Mark White, ATRS Director. Thirty members in attendance were grateful to learn that the retirement system continues to perform well for its members.



Members of the **Bradley County RTEA** had a wonderful experience learning about watercolor painting techniques from fellow member Colleen Watkins.



## ARTA Travel Policy

ARTA members are invited to participate in safe, affordable group travel. Guests are welcome but must travel with an ARTA member. Whenever possible, ARTA trips are escorted by a member of the ARTA staff.

**BOOK EARLY**—ARTA partners with Collette Travel to offer these customized travel opportunities. Plans include a reserved block of airline seats for each trip. A deposit is required to reserve your seat and to ensure you receive any advertised price reduction. Reservations made after the seating block is filled, or after the booking date has passed, are based on availability and are subject to a price increase. Prices include round trip airfare from Little Rock National Airport. Departures from alternate gateways can be requested when booking.

**BOOK ONLINE**—Collette Travel utilizes an online reservation booking system. Go to [www.artanow.com/travel](http://www.artanow.com/travel) and click on each trip for the customized web page with itinerary, pricing and online reservation form.

**BOOK DIRECT**—Collette Travel also offers a direct booking number for those who prefer to call. Call 1-800-581-8942 and refer to the ARTA booking number provided for each trip.

**MOTORCOACH TRIPS**—ARTA contracts with local companies for motor coach trips to U.S. destinations. These trips require a minimum number of travelers booked **with deposit**. Reservations are accepted on a first come-first serve basis.

For general questions about traveling with ARTA, contact Donna Morey at [donna\\_arta@att.net](mailto:donna_arta@att.net) or call the ARTA office at 501-375-2958.

## BOOK NOW!

Space available on the following trips:

African Safari—March 30-April 13, 2026

Majestic Cities of Europe—April 26-May 9, 2026

Contact ARTA or visit [www.artanow.com/travel](http://www.artanow.com/travel) for more details.

### Alaska Discovery Land & Cruise

#1336129

#### May 13-24, 2026

See the Alaska you've always imagined as you traverse the Pacific coast by land and sea. This breathtaking journey from Alaska to Vancouver, British Columbia, includes these highlights along the way: Denali National Park, Tundra Wilderness Tour, Talkeetna, Alaskan Wildlife Conservation Center, Hubbard Glacier, Glacier Bay, Skagway, and Inside Passage. **Seat reduction date has passed. Contact us for more information.**



### Colorado Rockies

#1244383

#### June 19—27, 2026

Explore the rolling meadows and towering peaks of Colorado. Highlights include Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado National Monument, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park, Durango and Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, Mesa Verde National Park and the Pikes Peak Cog Railway. **Save \$150 pp—book by Dec 12, 2025.**



**Discover America’s 250th Anniversary**

#1336272

**September 7—15, 2026**

Celebrate the marking of America’s 250th anniversary with a journey from “the Cradle of the American Revolution” through the historic hubs of New York and Philadelphia and to the nation’s capital, Washington, D.C. Highlights include the Museum of the American Revolution, West Point Academy, NYC Panoramic Tour, Arlington National Cemetery, U.S. Capitol Building Tour, Lexington & Concord and the Liberty Bell. **Save \$150 pp—book by February 28, 2026.**

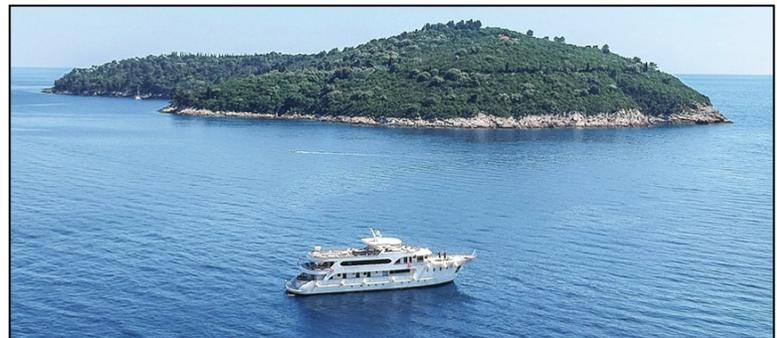


**Venice & Croatian Islands Cruise**

#1336229

**September 28-October 10, 2026 2026**

Discover magical Venice, explore the Slovenian coastline, and admire Croatia’s trendiest islands along the northern Adriatic Sea. Experience the natural beauty, wondrous history, and local hospitality of these Mediterranean gems as you leave Venice to cruise among the many islands aboard a privately chartered ship. **Seat reduction date has passed. Contact us for more information.**



**Sunny Portugal Discovery**

#1336436

**October 11—20, 2026**

Ancient castles and Roman ruins, groves of orange and almond trees, quiet whitewashed villages, and welcoming locals—Portugal awaits. Highlights on this leisurely tour include Lisbon, Belem, Cork Factory, Evora, Alentejo, Algarve, Picnic Lunch in Monchique, Portuguese Riviera, Obidos, Sintra, and UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Extend your discovery with a tour extension or optional add-ons. **Save \$250 pp– book by April 5, 2026.**

**New York City Holiday 2026**

#1336124

**December 5—9, 2026**

“Start spreading the news” - you’ll be enjoying America’s most exciting city as it shines during the holiday season. Highlights include Greenwich Village, Wall Street, Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall, Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, 9/11 Memorial, 9/11 Museum, and a Broadway Show. **Save \$500 pp—Book by May 5, 2026.**

# In Memoriam

*"These immortal dead who live again in minds made better by their presence"*

## **Arkansas County**

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