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Please let us know if you or an ARTA member you know has moved. Call us toll free at 1-888-929-0955 or locally at 375-2958.

You can also help us stay in touch between newsletters by sharing your email address with us at office_arta@att.net.

 Find us on Facebook and on the web at www.artanow.com

TAX STATEMENTS

Income statements for tax purposes (1099s) are sent from the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System.

If you have not received your statement, contact ATRS directly at 1-800-666-2877.

SAVE THE DATE

Annual State Convention
September 26, 2017
Benton, AR

ARTA Members Prepared for Legislative Session

The 1st Regular Session of the 91st General Assembly has convened and legislators are busy reviewing the hundreds of bills that have been filed. Among these bills are those addressing taxes, health care, education, services for the elderly and Arkansas' public employee retirement systems. Also among these bills are the 20 bills proposed by the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System.

The ARTA leadership and members of the legislative committee have been working diligently to monitor the progress of the ATRS bills as

well as others of interest to retired and current public school employees.

If you would like to be informed quickly and concisely of legislative matters, be sure to subscribe when prompted at www.artanow.com or by emailing a request to subscribe to office_arta@att.net. You can also find us on Facebook.

We have also included a variety of helpful resources for legislative advocacy on pages 4 and 5 of this publication.

Area Spring Conferences Announced

The dates and locations of the Area Spring Conferences have been announced as follows:

Area I

May 3 Fort Smith Presbyterian Church
Contact: Linda Riley, 479-651-3621

Area II

May 9 First Baptist Church, Batesville
Contact: Sue West, 870-668-3615

Area III

May 11 Jonesboro SW Church of Christ
Contact: Jessica Foster, 870-275-6885

Area IV

May 2 DeQueen, location TBA
Contact: Sue Ward, 903-748-8996

Area V

May 16 Sheridan 1st United Methodist Church
Contact: Lura Campbell, 870-247-4734

Area VI

May 4 Second Presbyterian Church
Cantrell Road, Little Rock
Contact: Linda Remele, 501-392-6184

These regional meetings are for the benefit of ARTA members in each of the six membership areas.

Programs typically include a business meeting, speakers and entertainment. The ARTA leadership and staff will be available to provide training and information on a variety of topics. Additionally, a representative of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System usually reports on the business of the system.

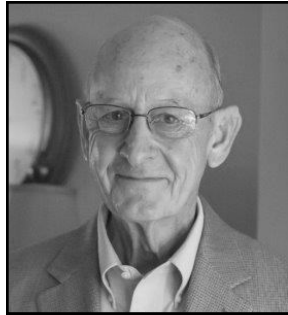
All members, especially incoming and outgoing unit presidents, are encouraged to make plans to attend one of these fun, informative meetings with their colleagues.

For more detailed information about each conference, contact the area director listed to the left.

President's Message

Help ARTA Grow

As I am writing this article in mid-February, the temperatures are in the high 60's and low 70's. It seems that the spring season is here now. I grew up on a farm in South Arkansas and taught high school agriculture for the first half of my career in education. This may be one reason that I enjoy spring, which brings new beginnings from nature, so much each year. Without fail the early spring flowers bloom, trees leaf out and the farmers plant crops with great expectations.



I want each ARTA member to consider spring a time for ARTA to bloom, grow, and produce new members. This is a good time for planning to engage and recruit the new retirees as members locally and also as state members. There is a large group of retirees that are not ARTA members. Now may be a good time for each local member and unit to reach out to those nonmember retirees and get them as new members. I would ask, along with the membership committee, that each member strive to enroll retirees that are not ARTA members. ARTA and our retirement system is strong because of past and current members, but we need more retirees involved if we are to keep a strong organization and retirement system for future generations. Increased membership allows ARTA to consider new opportunities and possibilities, remain a strong, viable organization providing services to its members, and ensure we are there for the next generation of retirees.

The current Area Board Member and four Area Directors along with the hosting local unit have been planning for the Annual Area Spring Meetings. These meetings provide an opportunity for local ARTA units to come together to learn, to meet with fellow retirees and the ARTA Executive Director, Donna Morey, Communication Coordinator, Tammy Gray, and Travel Coordinator, Mary Huie. These three ladies maintain the daily duties of ARTA and provide support for the state officers and ARTA Board, as well as area and local units of ARTA. Each area should have representatives from the local units attending the 2017 Area Spring Meetings to elect an Area Board Member and two Area Directors. These three individuals, along with the two continuing Area Directors, will represent your area on ARTA's State Board. At the 2016 ARTA State Convention the members voted to change the number of standing committees from the nine committees to six committees. Each of the six committees has representatives from each of the six areas of the state. Representatives for these six standing committees should also be elected at the 2017 Area Spring Meetings. There are many opportunities to serve in ARTA at local, area and state level.

I have about one third of my term as president remaining. As I reflect back to July 2016, I am amazed at how fast the time has passed but also at all the activity that has taken place within ARTA. I have attended board meetings, the ARTA State Convention, committee meetings, and local unit meetings. I am scheduled to attend several local unit meetings this spring and also plan to attend all of the six Area Spring Meetings. Some of the activity happens on the state level, but local units are the heart and soul of ARTA. As your local unit elects new officers and makes plans for the 2017-2018 year, please include becoming involved at the area level - attend the 2017 Area Spring Meetings of your area and possibly actively seek to serve in a position at the area or state level. We need all to become more involved in ARTA. I am asking that each of you support ARTA. Help ARTA grow and help it better serve its membership.

James Morris, ARTA President

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Message from the Executive Director

Active Leadership

The ARTA Board of Directors met January 31st to conduct the business of the association. We are closely monitoring the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security of the Arkansas 91st General Assembly. You will find the names and contacts of the committee members in this publication. At the time of writing, the bills filed which affect ATRS are changes that the ATRS Board of Trustees approved. There *is* a shell bill floating that could be fleshed out which is NOT a product of ATRS members. Please stay informed on the issues that affect current and future public school retirees. There may be the need for a call to action from each of you before the session adjourns.

Mark your calendars for the ARTA Area Spring Leadership Conferences listed in this issue. Each year one ARTA board member is elected from the floor to represent each area for one year. Any ARTA member present may submit

their name for consideration at the Spring meeting. There are also area director positions with staggering terms elected from the members present. Also, one area elects from the floor a member to be the ARTA Vice President. This year that position will be selected from Area V. The ARTA leadership expectation is that all newly-elected and current local officers attend the Spring Conference in their area to receive training on their positions. The day is fun and fellowship with other retired educators who all enjoy the benefits of our great retirement system in Arkansas.

“No man will make a great leader who wants to do it all himself or get all the credit for doing it.”

— Andrew Carnegie

Mr. Hopkins or a representative from ATRS is on the program to share about the system. There are so many wonderful ATRS investments helping bring jobs to Arkansas highlighted. This brings personal pride from being a member of the ATRS. I share this information with the general ARTA membership so that each of you may have a better understanding of the governance structure.

My hope is that each of you are enjoying an active retirement.

Our local units compile the number of volunteer hours that members contribute to their local communities. Those totals are shared at the Annual ARTA State Convention. This is also a component of our relationship with AARP/NRTA – to give back by volunteering.

As a reminder, if you are an AARP member, you can be a member of the NRTA without any additional yearly dues. There is a link on the AARP website to register as a retired educator. Please take the time to make that designation. ARTA receives support from NRTA, so the more members from Arkansas RTA, the better.

Highest Regards,

Donna



Welcome New Life Members

Carroll County

Beverly A. Kepford

Clark County

Diana Boyce

Cross County

Judith Lynn Gardner

Faulkner County

Linda L. Lewis

Franklin County

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White County

Teresa Moore

Yell County

Randy L. Isley

Constituent Resources

Visiting the Capitol

The Capitol is located at 500 Woodlane Street, Little Rock, AR 72201. It is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays. Parking and other information is available at www.sos.arkansas.gov.

All visitors must go through security.

Elevators are found on the east side of each floor.

Restrooms are located on the first floor and in the basement.

Public wi-fi is available throughout most of the building.

The Arkansas House of Representatives is located on the north end of the third floor. The House Gallery, available to the public, is located on the fourth floor. Visitors must sign in to see staff. The House livestreams its committee meetings on the House website, www.arkansashouse.org

The Arkansas Senate is located at the south end of the third floor. The Senate Gallery, available to the public, is located on the fourth floor. Visitors must sign in to see staff.

During the session “Red Coat” guides are available to assist visitors.

The legislative meeting schedule is posted at www.arkleg.state.ar.us. **Always check the schedule before traveling!**

Visiting a Legislator

If you would like to meet with a legislator, ask a “Red Coat” to send a note into the chamber. If the legislator is inside and is free to speak, he or she should step outside to visit with you.

You can also make an appointment with a legislator by contacting his or her office.

Contacting a Legislator

Information about each legislator, including his or her phone number, email address, mailing address, committee membership and biography is listed on each chamber web site and the State Legislature website.

Arkansas House www.arkansashouse.org

Arkansas Senate www.arkansas.senate.gov/senate

Arkansas Legislature www.arkleg.state.ar.us

Contacting the Governor

The Governor’s office is located on the north end of the second floor. You can call his office at 501-682-2345, tweet at him (@AsaHutchison) or use the contact form found at www.governor.arkansas.gov.

Send a Message to Members

Arkansas House

501-682-6211 (In-Session)

501-682-7771 (Out-of-Session)

Arkansas Senate

501-682-2902 (In-Session)

501-682-6107 (Out-of-Session)

When constituents call the in-session number and ask to leave a message for a legislator, a note is left on his or her desk. **A stack of messages indicating “for” or “against” can send a real message to elected officials!**

To download and print the complete publication of **The Determined Constituent—Guide to the Arkansas Capitol**, visit <http://gregleding.com/determined-constituent-guide>.

Constituent Resources

Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs

This committee reviews the actuarial solvency, adequacy of benefits, and all other aspects of the publicly supported retirement systems of the state.

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Additional Resources

ATRS Executive Director Updates

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2017 Arkansas Legislative Roster

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www.artanow.com

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Area News

Area I

Area I will hold its annual spring conference on Wednesday, May 3, 2017. ARTA members from Benton, Carroll, Crawford, Franklin, Johnson, Logan, Madison, Newton, Polk, Pope, Scott, Sebastian Washington and Yell Counties are invited to attend. Local unit presidents and board members are especially encouraged to participate.

Area II

Area II will hold its annual spring conference on Tuesday, May 9, 2017. ARTA members from Baxter, Boone, Cleburne, Fulton, Independence, Izard, Jackson, Marion, Searcy, Sharp, Stone, Van Buren, White and Woodruff Counties are invited to attend. Local unit presidents and board members are especially encouraged to participate.

Area III



The **St. Francis County RTA** recently honored Edward Norman (CM), for being the oldest member of the group. Norman, 90, was given a plaque by the members of the group. Pictured with Mr. Norman are, from left: Norman's daughter, Mary Allen, Lola Chalmers (LM), Johnette Crumbly, Lula Pitts (CM), Elizabeth McNutt (LM) and SFCRTA president Johnnie Toney (CM).

Area IV



Six members of the **Miller County Retired Teachers Association** shopped for two seniors from the Salvation Army Angel Tree. They got most of their needs, some of their wants and a few surprises. This is a project that the MCRTA enjoys doing each year.

Applications for the Parsons-Burnett Scholarship Grant are now available on the ARTA web site. Practicing educators in Arkansas' public schools, who are interested in furthering their education, are encouraged to apply. The deadline to apply is **June 15, 2017**.

Other News

Area V



Area V membership chairs and presidents met to discuss ways to promote ARTA membership. The membership co-chairs reported that the meeting resulted in some good conversations and ideas for the committee and local units. Seated from left: Brenda Hopkins (LM), Anne Smith (AM). Standing from left: Etoyle Mouser (LC), Ann Ritter (CM), Betty Coles (CM), Lura Campbell (LM). Not pictured: Pat Rauls (LM), Rebecca Whitehead (CM).

Area VI

Area VI will hold its annual spring conference on Thursday, May 4, 2017. ARTA members from Conway, Faulkner, Garland, Hot Spring, Lonoke, Monroe, Perry, Prairie, Pulaski and Saline Counties are invited to attend. Local unit presidents and board members are especially encouraged to participate.

SUBMISSIONS

ARTA welcomes your news, photos and story ideas at any time. Submissions may be sent to tammy_arta@att.net or 1200 Commerce Suite 103, Little Rock, AR 72202. Include a SASE to have photos and materials returned to you. They will be included in the INTERLINK as space allows. Submissions may also be shared via social media unless specified otherwise. The deadline for inclusion in the next issue is April 15, 2017.

Medicare Card Changes

The Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) of 2015 requires the removal of Social Security numbers (SSNs) from all Medicare cards by 2019.

Each person enrolled in Medicare will be assigned a new number and will be sent a new Medicare card. The new randomly generated Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) or Medicare number will replace the SSN-based Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) on new Medicare cards.

The new number will be clearly different than the current Medicare number—it will be 11 characters in length and will be made up only of numbers and uppercase letters (no special characters.) The new number is confidential like the SSN and should be protected—do not carry it with you; do not give the number out to people over the phone.

The new number will not change your Medicare benefits. You may start using the new Medicare cards and numbers as soon as you get them.

State Insurance Cards

The Employee Benefits Division, which administers state employee health insurance, did not issue new cards for 2017.

If you did not make any changes to your plan during Open Enrollment your current card is still valid. If you made changes during Open Enrollment, you should have received a new card.

If you need a new card, contact EBD Member Services at 501-682-9656 or at 877-815-1017 ext. 1.

2017 ATRS BENEFIT PAYMENT SCHEDULE

CHECKS MAILED	DIRECT DEPOSIT
March 24, 2016	March 28, 2016
April 26, 2016	April 28, 2016
May 25, 2016	May 30, 2016
June 27, 2016	June 29, 2016
July 26, 2016	July 28, 2016
August 25, 2016	August 29, 2016
September 26, 2016	September 28, 2016
October 26, 2016	October 30, 2016
November 20, 2016	November 22, 2016
December 20, 2016	December 22, 2016

Travel Opportunities

2017 TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

February 10 – 16, 2017

ICELAND'S MAGICAL NORTHERN LIGHTS—SOLD OUT

March 10 – 19, 2017

SUNNY PORTUGAL – ESTORIL COAST, ALENTEJO & ALGARVE—SOLD OUT

May 9 – 21, 2017

ALASKA DISCOVERY LAND & CRUISE—SOLD OUT

July 18 – 25, 2017

AMERICA'S COWBOY COUNTRY—SOLD OUT

August 10 – 19, 2017

DISCOVER SWITZERLAND, AUSTRIA & BAVARIA—SOLD OUT

Trips for 2018 are in the planning stage. Watch for new destinations in the next edition of the INTERLINK or view them on the ARTA web site at www.artanow.com/travel.

June 1 – 9, 2017—MOTOR COACH TRIP TO CHARLESTON & SAVANNAH. Bus trip to Savannah and Charleston. Trip highlights include: Guided Carriage tours of Savannah and Charleston, Savannah Botanical Gardens, Antebellum homes, Savannah Coastal eco-tour, Charleston Harbor tour, St. Simons and Jekyll Islands, Charleston City Market, two nights in Chattanooga, Tennessee and much, much more. **A deposit of \$250 per person due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis.**

September 13 – 20, 2017—PACIFIC NORTHWEST & CALIFORNIA. Your scenic tour through the Pacific Northwest and California opens in one of America's most picturesque cities, Seattle. Embark on a sightseeing tour of the "Emerald City," including the colorful restored waterfront area, historic Pioneer Square and lively Pike Place Market, a famous fish and vegetable market dotted with restaurants and shops. Traveling south through Oregon, discover the awe-inspiring landscapes on a tour of the magnificent Columbia River Gorge and the Bonneville Dam, where you will learn about its fascinating hydropower and history. On the way to the coastal town of Newport you will see the Willamette Valley. It contains some of the most fertile agricultural soils of Oregon and nurtures vegetables, flowers,

ARTA members and their families are invited to join us for fun and exciting trips of a lifetime! Guests are welcome but must travel with an ARTA member. Whenever possible, ARTA trips are escorted by the ARTA Travel Manager or the ARTA Executive Director. A detailed itinerary and the cost for each trip are available by calling the ARTA office at 501-375-2958 or by visiting our website artanow.com. **ARTA reserves 25 airline seats with Collette for each trip. Therefore, an early booking with deposit will help ensure your airline seat and a price reduction. Reservations made after ARTA's airline reserve of seats are booked or the seat reduction date has passed, are based upon availability and the price reduction no longer applies. Alternate airline gateways, other than Little Rock, such as Northwest AR, Fort Smith and Memphis, TN are available if you prefer to depart from there (usually at no additional cost). You would join the group at the trip destination.**

For the last three years ARTA has partnered with Collette – Guided by Travel and one of the benefits Collette provides is: travel loyalty, through a simple online process, after booking a trip. Once you depart you will receive, from Collette, a \$150

credit per person towards your next trip if you travel within the next 12 months or \$100 credit per person if you travel before the end of 24 months. Another benefit is a worry-free travel protection plan. If you need to cancel for any reason, right up until the day prior to departure, you will get a full refund (less the cost of the insurance plan). Additionally, you are covered on tour. If you have to stop your trip or return home early, need medical assistance or evacuation, suffer a baggage loss or delay, or are delayed on tour for 12 hours or more you are covered.

ARTA contracts with **Cline Tours** for motor coach trips taken twice a year. A minimum of 40 passengers booked with a deposit is required for these trips. Again, book early! Your deposit is refundable until 30 days before final payment is required. Suggestions for future ARTA trips are always welcome so let us hear from you regarding your dream destination.

Some of the world's best people travel with ARTA!!

*Happy Travels,
Mary Huie, ARTA Travel Manager*

Travel Opportunities

herbs and vineyards. Next stop – Gold Beach, know for amazing wildlife including bald eagles, cormorants, seals and blue heron. Further south, you will enter the Redwood Country of California. In Redwood National Park, see trees that rise to nearly 300 feet tall and later enjoy Eureka, CA, a historic timber and fishing village featuring Victorian architecture of Old Town. Last but not least, San Francisco with several different choices for you to enjoy your time there. **A deposit of \$250 per person due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of March 6, 2017 are based upon availability. Book now and save \$200 per person.**



ARTA traveler Joe Gibson enjoys the view from Ober Gatlinburg during the 2016 Fall Foliage Trip.

October 7 – 14, 2017—MOTOR COACH TRIP TO THE AMISH COUNTRY. October is a colorful and wonderful time to travel to the Pennsylvania Dutch Country located in the heart of Lancaster County. Stay three nights and enjoy day trips from Lancaster County, with guided tours, to Philadelphia and Gettysburg. Save your appetite for down-home cooking made from traditional Dutch recipes handed down from Grandma Smucker, of the Smucker family. Visit local villages such as Kitchen Kettle Village offering authentic Pennsylvania Dutch Country shopping, homemade food and specialty shops. With over 40 shops you are bound to find something for everyone. **A deposit of \$200 per person due upon reservation. Reservations are based on a first come, first served basis.**

October 26 – 31, 2017—SPOTLIGHT ON WASHINGTON, D.C. Explore America's heritage and history on this in-depth tour of the capital city of the United States. Spend five memorable nights in the heart of Washington, D.C. Highlights include: a visit to mount Vernon, the beloved home of the first U.S. presi-

dent, George Washington; Smithsonian Institution; choice of famed Air and Space Museum or the National Museum of American History; Washington National Cathedral; Ford's Theatre; Arlington National Cemetery with a narrated tour including the Tomb of the Unknowns and the Kennedy gravesites; World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Korean War Memorial. **A deposit of \$250 per person due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of April 19, 2017 are based on availability. Book now and save \$100 per person.**

December 29, 2017 – January 2, 2018—CALIFORNIA NEW YEAR'S GETAWAY (with optional 3-night Las Vegas post tour extension). Ring in the New Year in style with the ever-popular tour featuring the Tournament of Roses Parade. Arrive in Pasadena with a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to view the floats in their final stages of decorating. Next attend Bandfest which features selected bands from all over the country that will perform in the parade. Return to Los Angeles for free time to explore on your own. Perhaps you will visit The Grove, a large shopping complex with several shops and 10 restaurants, or hop aboard the trolley to see the historic Farmers Market. Sunday get ready for a New Year's Eve Gala Dinner Dance with live entertainment and a champagne toast to help ring in the New Year. Monday – Welcome to the Tournament of Roses Parade, a grand tradition since 1890. You will have reserved seating for prime viewing. The parade consists of 43 floats and 21 marching bands. For more information on an optional 3-night Las Vegas post tour call the ARTA office. **A deposit of \$250 per person due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after July 22, 2017 are based upon availability. Book now and save \$100 per person.**



ARTA travelers Sandra Morris and Priss Maddux enjoy the Spotlight on/in New York.

In Memoriam

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

Arkansas County

Reva T. Lorick
William T. Walton
Gerald R. Whitcomb

Ashley County

Linda F. Hill
Russell W. Kelley
Robert L. Young

Baxter County

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Hiram Johnson
James L. Reaves

Greene County

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Iva A. Hicks
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Hempstead County

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Melba J. Hall

Hot Spring County

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Howard County

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