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Annual ARTA
State Convention
October 29, 2019
Benton, AR

JUNE 15, 2019

Annual Reports Due
Scholarship
Applications Due

3% COLA

If you are eligible for the annual cost-of-living adjustment from ATRS, the new amount will be applied starting with your July benefit payment.

For more information about this benefit, call ATRS directly at 501-682-1517 or 1-800-666-2877.

Find and like us on Facebook to see upcoming events, travel photos, member news and important announcements.

New ARTA Membership Year Begins in July

Many local retired teachers associations have taken a break from their regular meetings for the summer. However, just as many are hard at work planning their programs and activities for the year that begins this fall.

As you plan your programs and activities for the next year, consider the following:

ARTA Representatives

The ARTA staff is available to address your local unit upon request:

Donna Morey, Executive Director
501-375-2958

Mary Huie, Travel Manager
501-993-3767

www.artanow.com

The ARTA website includes a wealth of resources to assist local units. You may utilize any of the publications that ARTA has produced to assist with local unit administration.

Local Unit Handbook

This guide contains planning suggestions for each recommended committee, as well as checklists, resource lists and reproducible handouts, all in one package.

Helpful Links A-Z

Also available on the ARTA website, this list includes phone numbers and web addresses for numerous state and federal organizations. Use it to generate program ideas or to contact them for a possible program.

Insurance Representatives

Contact the insurance agents listed on page 2 directly to invite them to visit your local unit.

AARP

AARP has volunteer presenters who are available around the state. Possible topics include fraud prevention, federal programs (Medicare, Social Security), retirement planning, family caregiving, financial basics, and various health topics. Contact AARP for more information and arrangements:

Lou Tobian, AARP
501-217-1638
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Elected Officials

Remember to include your elected officials in your programming. You can invite them to be a speaker, host a community forum with them, or plan to work as a group to develop questions/materials about your organization's members and concerns in preparation for the next election or legislative session.

Membership Forms

If you are receiving this newsletter, you are a member of ARTA. Annual members may use the form on the back page to renew their membership. Other members are encouraged to share this publication with a newly retired friend or other colleague.

Additional forms are available online at www.artanow.com or by contacting the ARTA office.

The ARTA office is open Monday—Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Contact us at any time if we can be of assistance in planning a great new year.

Message from the President

Politics 101

My goals as president of ARTA have been to increase the growth of ARTA membership, to have more transparency and to focus on an identity for our association. In order for this to happen, you as members need to know how ARTA operates and its functions so you can have input, make suggestions and offer your leadership in helping ARTA develop its identity.



Personally, this was my first time to be involved with a legislative session. I did not feel comfortable because of my lack of experience but was told to rest assured, there was no legislation on the horizon that would affect our retirement system. My first hurdle was in November when I learned that George Hopkins, executive director of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, had resigned. Most of you know, respect and admire Mr. Hopkins for his leadership of ATRS.

The second hurdle occurred when Gail Stone, executive director of the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System was replaced by the APERS board of directors. I learned that unlike the ATRS board, which is elected by its members, the present members of the APERS board are appointed. More apprehension – could this happen to the ATRS board? We do not need to change the method by which members of the ATRS board are elected.

Another hurdle came when bills on retirement matters started appearing. Most of the proposals focused on APERS retirees, but what happens in one retirement system could happen in others. Still APERS, not ATRS, was on the chopping block. Then a bill was introduced that included ATRS. It would adjust COLA increases from three percent (3%) to an adjusted cost of living index. This had the potential to reduce retirement benefits for future and present retirees. Stress levels escalated. I have always held myself accountable for any actions that happened when I was in charge of a school and now our association.

Every Monday for eight weeks I attended the meetings of the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs along with other ARTA officers and members. It was not until week nine that the committee finally shut the door. This legislative session was concluded with no changes to your retirement benefits.

I would urge you to avoid becoming complacent. There will be another legislative session in less than two years. Similar bills will probably come up again.

I want to give my sincere thanks and appreciation to the following: Clint Rhoden for his leadership as the new executive director of ATRS; Jeff Stubblefield, chairman of the ATRS Board of Trustees, ATRS board members who were present at nearly every meeting; Donna Morey, executive director of ARTA; Charles Tadlock, ARTA legislative committee chair; all of the ac-

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Important Contact Information

Arkansas Retired Teachers Association

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Arkansas Teacher Retirement System Retirement Benefits and Checks

Inside Pulaski County: 501-682-1517
Toll Free (Nationwide): 1-800-666-2877
E-mail: info@artrs.gov
www.artrs.gov

Arkansas Employee Benefits Division (Health and Life Insurance)

Inside Pulaski County: 501-682-9656
Toll Free (Nationwide): 1-877-815-1017
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www.arbenefits.org

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Message from the Executive Director

Springing Forward

ARTA members and *all* Arkansas retired public school employees should be thrilled that the 2019 General Assembly did not make any changes to their Arkansas Teacher Retirement System benefits. The Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs worked very diligently, using common sense for the common good this session. If one of your elected officials served on the Joint Committee, please take time to thank them for their service.

Each Joint Committee meeting was attended by ARTA officers and many ARTA members, who kept close contact with the workings of the committee. Thank you, ARTA members for your personal contacts and attendance at the capital.

No further legislative changes can occur to the ATRS until the 2021 general session. There will be Legislative Committee meetings in the interim to discuss the different public retirement systems in Arkansas.

Spring stayed busy for ARTA with eight Area Spring Leadership Conferences. It was a pleasure to visit with ARTA members who chose to attend these meetings. The meetings are always full of information for retirees, and an opportunity to network and fellowship with friends living in other communities. A big thank you to the ARTA area directors, associate directors and area leadership councils for planning and presenting the area programs.

The ARTA year of service is from July 1-June 30. The ARTA officers have represented the membership tirelessly this year at

the ATRS Board of Trustees meetings, at the Joint Committee meetings at the capital, and some of the state-sponsored insurance meetings with the Employment Benefits Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

Being an ARTA officer is too often a thankless job. President Bob Thompson took the responsibility for leading the organization very seriously, serving countless hours and driving many miles to represent ARTA members. He helped ARTA refocus on helping active public school teachers by highlighting the Parsons-Burnett Scholarship Program, as well as the Clark County

active teacher grants. He also inspired the creation of posters explaining the acronyms of ARTA, ATRS and EBD with a space for local units to share their own contact information and encouraged board members and directors to place them in all public schools. Thank you Bob, for reminding us that the future of ARTA is in public schools today.

I am asking each ARTA member to personally share this copy of the INTERLINK with a public school employee who is close to retiring or with a retired educator friend. As you know, there is a membership form on the back of each INTERLINK. The information shared from you will mean much more

than any form letter. ARTA wants ALL retired or close to retiring public school educators to be part of the ARTA family.

Knowledge is power,
Donna

Politics 101, *continued*

tive and retired teachers who were there week by week; members of the Arkansas Education Association and its leaders; Shelley Smith and followers of her Facebook page; Representative Les Warren; Senators Bill Sample, Joyce Elliott, Larry Teague, Jason Rapert, Eddie Cheatham and others whose wisdom and experience prevailed; and finally, my fellow officers

Lura Campbell, ARTA president-elect and Emilie Monk, vice president. I appreciate their input, advice and leadership in helping me through "Politics 101".

Bob Thompson
ARTA President



"Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much."

- Helen Keller

ARTA News

YES! I want to make a contribution to the ARTA Parsons-Burnett Scholarship Fund.

I understand that my contribution is NOT tax-deductible and WILL be used to fund scholarship grants for practicing educators in Arkansas to further their education.

Detach, sign and mail this form with your check made payable to ARTA to 1200 Commerce Suite 103, Little Rock, AR 72012.

Name of Individual or Organization

Phone Number

Email address

ARTA Expands Scholarship Program

The ARTA Board of Directors voted to expand the Parsons-Burnett Scholarship for 2019. ARTA will now award up to eight scholarships of \$2,000. In addition, scholarship checks will now be presented to recipients at their school or district, rather than at the annual convention.

The purposes of these changes are to a) increase support for practicing educators in Arkansas public schools to further their education and b) increase awareness of ARTA among active teachers *before* they retire.

The changes to the program were made in response to ARTA president Bob Thompson's encouragement to tell active school employees more about ARTA and to let them know that ARTA supports them not only in retirement, but now as well.

Applications for scholarships are due in the ARTA office by June 15, 2019. Forms can be downloaded from the ARTA website at www.artanow.com/resources.

The Parsons-Burnett Scholarships are funded by memorials and donations from members and their families. Contributions to the scholarship fund may be sent to ARTA at any time.

Welcome New Life Members

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Yell County
Julie Campbell

Out-of-State
Debra Garrett
Bruce E. Grindstaff
Belinda Walker

2019 Annual State Convention

All ARTA members are invited to attend the Annual ARTA State Convention on October 29, 2019. The event will again be held at the Benton Event Center in Benton, Arkansas.

The agenda will include a business session, reports from ATRS and ARTA and remarks from our invited guests, as well as recognition of individuals and local units.

Select vendors and exhibitors will be invited to participate and the silent auction will again be a prominent feature.

Additional details about the event will be posted on our web site at www.artanow.com. Registration will open September 1, 2019 with a form included in the next issue of this publication.

Plan now to attend with a new member you have recruited.

ATRS Benefit Payment Schedule Checks Mailed/Direct Deposit Dates

June 26, 2019

July 29, 2019

August 28, 2019

September 26, 2019

October 28, 2019

November 27, 2019

December 23, 2019

2020 Travel Opportunities *(continued from page 9)*

Islands of New England

June 18 — 25, 2020

The Atlantic coast is calling! Explore New England's majestic seaboards, from Rhode Island to Cape Cod. See Plymouth Rock and step back in time in the town where the Pilgrims landed in 1620. "Eat like a Pilgrim" by sampling recipes from that era and enjoy a Thanksgiving feast. Visit a working New England cranberry bog, a thriving crop of Cape Cod. Experience the charming, once-famous whaling port - "the Vineyard." Travel along Newport's breathtaking Ocean Drive past the sprawling mansions of Bellevue Avenue. In historic Boston, view iconic landmarks including Faneuil Hall Marketplace. Explore the idyllic island of Nantucket, including picturesque beaches and lighthouses. Celebrate the taste of Cape Cod with a traditional New England seafood and lobster dinner. **Save \$100 pp—Book before December 11, 2019**

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta

October 7 — 12, 2020

Up, up, and away! Witness one of the world's most spectacular airborne events and be enriched by the diverse cultures of New Mexico. Visit a true "land of enchantment" as you explore Albuquerque and Santa Fe, a rich blend of multicultural-

ism, natural beauty and profound history. Highlights include: Santa Fe open-air tram tour, Loretto Chapel, Santa Fe School of Cooking, Old Town Albuquerque, National Museum of Nuclear Science & History, Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, a drive along the eclectic Route 66 and the main event of watching hundreds of balloons launch during the Mass Ascension — one of the most spectacular displays of sound and color in all of aviation. **Book before March 31, 2020**

Spotlight on New York Holiday

December 2 — 6, 2020

Rock around the (Rockefeller) Christmas tree. From Radio City Music Hall to Times Square, see the Big Apple dressed in its holiday best. Your New York City getaway is filled with shopping, sight-seeing, endless entertainment and holiday cheer. Spend four nights in the heart of midtown close to Times Square. Enjoy an optional excursion to the NYC Garment District Showroom for shopping. Take your seat and watch the curtain rise for two exciting Broadway Shows, one being the famous Radio City Hall Rockettes' Christmas Spectacular. Other highlights include: 9/11 Memorial, 9/11 Museum, Statue of Liberty, Greenwich Village, Wall Street and Ellis Island. **Save \$200 pp—Book before May 26, 2020**

Area News

Area I

Donna Morey, ARTA executive director was invited to address the Yell County RTA at their March meeting. She is pictured below with Debbie Witt, YCRTA president.



Area II

Area II held its area spring leadership conference at Harding University in Searcy (White County). Members from Cleburne, Fulton, Independence, Izard, Searcy, Stone, Sharp, Van Buren, White and Woodruff Counties were present. Highlights included updates from ARTA, ATRS and Insurance Advantage and entertainment from the Riverview High School Band ensemble.



Area III

Representative Chris Richey was the invited guest of the Phillips County Retired Teachers Association following the closing of the 92nd General Assembly. Representative Richey spoke on issues concerning the Arkansas Teachers Retirement System, public education, Arkansas highways, and other issues of importance to the group.

The PCRTA members praised Rep. Richey for his willingness to share with them after a long legislative session and his accessibility during his term.



The Greene County RTA hosted the Area III spring leadership conference in Paragould. In addition to speakers and reports, the event included a silent auction to raise funds. A total of \$1,130 was raised to support the Parsons-Burnett Scholarship Program.



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Area News

Area IV

Local units from Area IV collect contributions for the Parsons-Burnett Scholarship Program each year to be presented at the area spring leadership conference. Pictured below are representatives from Clark, Little River, Columbia/Lafayette, Miller, Ouachita, West Central, Hempstead, Howard and Nevada Counties. Area IV presented ARTA with \$1,000 for the scholarship fund.



Area V

The Area V Spring Leadership Conference was hosted by the Arkansas County RTA. Members who braved the rainy trip to Stuttgart were treated to a lively program and local barbecue.

Area VI

The Garland County RTA has recently created a Facebook page. Anyone can like and follow the page, which features meeting information, group photos, and more.



Area VI Spring Leadership Conference, Conway (Faulkner County)

Area VII

Mary Faye Jones was recently placed in the "Hall of Honor" by the Alumni and Friends Organization of the Fayetteville Public Schools. Following 39 years of service in FPS, she has continued to serve her community in numerous capacities, including as vice president of the Washington County RTA.



Area VIII

The Area VIII Spring Leadership Conference was held in Jacksonville. Hosted by the North Pulaski RTA, it's theme of Team ARTA offered a lively kickoff to the spring meetings.

The North Little Rock School District REA held a "book club" meeting in March. Their guest was Arkansas author Cecilia Wilson.

Ms. Wilson wrote *Back to Bremen* in cooperation with Edith Ropke, who grew up in the heavily-bombed town of Bremen during World War II. The book tells the journey of Ms. Ropke's family from 1939 to 1945 from a German perspective. Ms. Ropke, who is now in her late 80s, accompanied Ms. Watson, who is pictured below with members and guests of the NLRSD REA.



ARTA members and their families are invited to join us for fun and exciting trips of a lifetime!

ARTA trips are customized for our members. 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.

BOOK EARLY—Due to limited airline space, early booking with deposit will help ensure your airline seat and a price reduction. Reservations made after ARTA's 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 are available if you prefer to depart from there (usually at no additional cost). Travelers would join the group at the trip destination.

ARTA has contracted with a new motor coach company for the October bus trip. We look forward to working with Little Rock Tours for this exciting trip. Again, book early, as we expect this trip to fill quickly.

For pricing and additional information, availability or to have a trip brochure mailed to you, call Mary Huie, ARTA Travel Manager, at 501-993-3767 or 501-843-6190.

Links to detailed trip information are also available on our web site, www.artanow.com/travel.

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

2019 Travel Opportunities

The Ark Encounter, Creation Museum and National Quilt Museum (Motor Coach Trip)

October 13 — 18, 2019

Join us as we tour the ARK Encounter in Williamstown, Kentucky and be amazed when you see a full-size replica of Noah's Ark, built according to the dimensions given in the Bible. This is the largest timber frame structure in the world, containing three decks of world-class exhibits. In Paducah, Kentucky you will visit The National Quilt Museum, an art museum that exhibits fiber art and quilting from around the world. The museum is recognized by USA Today as one of the world's top quilt displays. Other highlights include: Creation Museum, Garden of Hope tour, Miss Maggie's & Hotel Metropolitan and Patti's 1880's Settlement. **Booking deadline—August 13, 2019 with \$500 deposit**

Classic Christmas Markets

December 7—15, 2019

Experience the 600-year-old holiday spirit of "Christkindlesmarkts" in Germany, France and Austria. The holiday spirit abounds on this classic European tour filled with delightful Christmas markets, medieval towns and spectacular mountain views. Visit the Nuremberg Christmas Market, one of the oldest and most famous markets in Germany dating back to 1628. Learn about the Imperial Castle and the Justice Palace, where the War Crimes Tribunal sat in 1946. Enjoy a stop in lovely Rothenburg, one of the most well-preserved medieval walled towns in all of Germany. Spend two days in Oberammergau (location of the 2020 Passion Play), a perfect example of a Bavarian Alpine Village. It's the ideal place to shop for cuckoo clocks, nutcrackers and Hummel figurines. **Save \$300 pp— Book before June 1, 2019**

Watch for Details

ARTA is working to finalize the trips listed below. Details will be shared in the fall issue of the INTERLINK and posted on our website, www.artanow.com/travel as soon as they are available.

British Landscapes—July 2020

Spectacular South Africa—August 2020

Treasures of Europe—September 2020

Heritage of America—November 2020

2020 Travel Opportunities

Exploring New Zealand featuring the North & South Islands

February 22 — March 11, 2020

Cross the International Dateline and begin the adventure of a lifetime by skipping a day ahead. Your tour begins in Auckland, the “City of Sails.” On this exciting journey you will cruise through the Bay of Islands’ famous “Hole in the Rock”; visit spectacular Mt. Cook National Park seeing permanent ice fields and glaciers blanketing the ragged peaks; visit a working, family-owned sheep farm and learn about daily life in New Zealand’s high country. Must-See Inclusions are exploring Te Puia, a Maori cultural and geothermal experience; enjoying wine tastings in the famous Marlborough wine region and relishing a breathtaking cruise through Milford Sound fjord. Other highlights include Wellington, New Zealand’s capital city; Christchurch; Queenstown; Dunedin; Blenheim and Picton. **Save \$500 pp—Book before August 16, 2019**

Classical Greece (New Tour)

March 1 — 10, 2020

Learn the storied history of Greece as you explore the ancient and modern sites of Athens, Meteora, Delphi, Olympia and Corinth. Discover the beauty and timeless wonder found only in Greece. Your tour begins in the capital city of Athens. In Athens see the Temple of Zeus, the Royal Palace, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Olympic Stadium. In Meteora enjoy guided tours of two remote monasteries situated on limestone rock “towers” that extend nearly 900 feet into the air built by Byzantine monks over 600 years ago. Travel to Delphi, one of Greece’s most important religious centers during Classical times. Other highlights include: The Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, Delphi Museum, the Olympic Stadium – where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C.; a Mediterranean cooking class, a Greek Dance Class, Mycenae and Nafplio. **Save \$100 pp—Book before August 26, 2019**

Southern Charm

April 25 — May 1, 2020

Embrace the leisurely pace and charming allure of America’s southeast as you explore cobblestone streets, historic homes and unspoiled coastline. Come to know its rich history and deep traditions highlighted by stays in Jekyll Island, Savannah and Charleston. See St. Simons Island’s 106 ft. tall lighthouse and enjoy a trolley tour of Savannah’s Historic District. Other highlights include: the 19th-century Andrew Low House and Gardens, a cooking demonstration and dinner of regional specialties in Savannah, shopping at City Market, one of the oldest public markets in America and the epicenter of Gullah sweetgrass basketry and a “choice on tour” of either Boone Hall Plantation or Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum.

Book before October 18, 2019

Tuscany & the Italian Riviera

May 22 — 29, 2020

From the rolling hills of Tuscany to the sun-soaked coast of the Italian Riviera, a romantic rendezvous awaits. Experience a guided tour including a visit to the beautiful Cathedral of San Martino. Spend three nights in a beautiful Tuscan estate. Journey to Florence for a tour of the “Cradle of the Italian Renaissance” and explore the medieval city of Siena. Stop in the medieval city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century walls, then continue to Italian Riviera for a three-night stay. Other highlights include: Cinque Terre, a boat ride to Portofino, a day exploring the colorful cliff-side villages of the Cinque Terre with a local guide and a rail travel tour to take in the picturesque, rugged coastline dotted with terraced vineyards. **Save \$300 pp—Book before November 15, 2019**

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In Memoriam

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

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Ashley County

Sylvester Tucker

Baxter County

Hal K. May

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