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Annual ARTA
State Convention

October 9, 2018

Benton, AR

JUNE 15, 2018

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Find and like Arkansas Retired Teachers Association on Facebook to see upcoming events, travel photos, important information and member news.

Annual State Convention Planned for October

All ARTA members are invited to attend the Annual ARTA State Convention on October 9, 2018. The event will again be held at the Benton Event Center in Benton, Arkansas.

The agenda will include a business session, a report from ATRS, remarks from ARTA representatives, an insurance update, unit and individual awards, scholarship presentations and assorted guest speakers.

Select vendors and exhibitors will be invited to participate and the silent auction will again be a prominent feature. (For more infor-

mation about the silent auction, see page 5.)

The convention will be preceded by a board meeting on October 8, 2018.

Additional details about the event will be posted on our web site at www.artanow.com and in the next issue of the INTERLINK.

The ARTA office is already accepting registrations for the convention.

PLEASE READ THE REGISTRATION POLICY CAREFULLY BEFORE MAKING YOUR RESERVATION.

Annual ARTA State Convention

Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018 * Benton Event Center, Benton AR

Mail to: ARTA Convention

1200 Commerce Street Suite 103, Little Rock, AR 72202

If you are registering multiple members, please send a list with the following information for each attendee:

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ County _____
Phone _____ Email _____

CONVENTION REGISTRATION POLICY

- Registration forms with payment should be sent to ARTA by September 22, 2018.
- Luncheon reservations after September 22, 2018 will be assessed a \$10 late fee.
- **NO** luncheon reservations will be accepted after September 29, 2018.
- Paid registrations cancelled by September 29, 2018 may be refunded on request.

Business Meeting Only N/C _____
Luncheon \$30 x _____
Late Registration Fee \$10 _____
Total Due \$ _____

Message from the President

Farewell!

I am at the end of my year as president of ARTA. It has been an interesting and very busy year! Area Spring Conferences have just ended. "Kudos" to all of the areas for the work and preparation they put into having a great conference. All conferences were well attended and everyone seemed to enjoy them. They reminded me of a school reunion. It was great seeing old friends and meeting new ones! Traveling Arkansas this past year also gave me a new perspective on its beauty.



I mentioned this year as having been a busy one. Some of the initiatives we have tackled this year include: (1) Expanded from six (6) membership areas to eight (8); (2) Revised the ARTA Constitution-which is now in *draft form* to be voted on in July; (3) Organized a communication chain for ARTA leaders; (4) Participated in an NRTA-sponsored book club project for officers and board members on working with volunteers; (5) Appointed a committee to review and/or revise the end-of-year reports and the ARTA awards program; and (6) Participated in officer conference calls twice a month. These initiatives are all centered on member involvement and membership growth. I do believe that "member involvement will generate membership growth". Some of these items were not completed, so I look to Bob Thompson, President-elect, to continue the work.

In my year as president, I have learned so much more about ARTA and our wonderful ARTA members across the state. I can't say enough about the willingness of our members to step up to the plate when asked to serve on committees or to help when needed.

Thanks to Donna, Tammy, Linda and Mary who have been an invaluable resource in helping me get through the year.

Thanks to the ARTA officers, board, and all the ARTA members in helping to move ARTA forward. We have a great association with great officers, a great board, and great members! I am so fortunate to have had the opportunity to serve as president of this fine association!

Thank you for my year. If I can be of help to you, call me at 870-476-0113.

Reminder-ask a non-member to join ARTA!

Paulette Parker

ARTA President

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.

Thanks for helping us all stay connected.

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Message from the Executive Director

Keep on Changing

The ARTA officers and staff went on the road to seven ARTA Area Spring Conferences. We enjoyed visiting ARTA members at the different locations even though we got road weary, sometimes leaving Little Rock as early as 6:30 a.m. to get to the meeting sites. Area VI and the new Area VIII had a combination meeting in anticipation of the new areas officially beginning in July. The addition of the two areas allows each area to represent between 1000-1950 ARTA members instead of the former representation of 1000-3500 members. ARTA membership is based on the county where members reside, not in the county where local unit members choose to belong. We have over 900 ARTA members who reside outside of Arkansas.

Change is part of life. I continue to speak about change at local units around the state. We may hate change but it happens and we must deal with it. According to W. Edward Deming there is an alternative - "It is not necessary to change. Survival is not mandatory". ARTA is in the process of changing that began with the revised committee structure under James Morris' presidency. Next, the state convention voted on the addition of two more ARTA areas beginning July 2018. This year a committee has worked on constitutional changes which will be voted on by the ARTA board in July and which, if passed, will be referred to the membership at the Annual ARTA State Convention in October.

This has been a great year working with the ARTA officers to advance the organization. President Paulette Parker, President-Elect Bob Thompson, Secretary Sue West, Vice-President Lura Campbell and Past-President James Morris have served as a team, energizing the ARTA board down to the local units. The group had monthly conference calls and with the six ARTA board members were invited to be part of a book club. Area II

Board Member Anna Floyd accepted the call to be part of the study and each of the six conference calls. We can offer the books and a four-session call study to local leaders. The book, The New Breed: Understanding and Equipping the 21st Century Volunteer, shares ideas about how to include younger members who don't want to follow the customary meeting structure. Please let us know and we will send local presidents the book and set up the four calls.

I challenged the ARTA members at the area meetings to, as an area, start one new local unit, help reactivate an inactive unit or invite an inactive group to join their active unit – even if it is in another county. I am now challenging each of you to give this issue of the INTERLINK to a friend who draws monthly pension benefits from ATRS and does not belong. Invite them to read it and then join using the membership form on the back. Each of you, more than 12,500 members, know others of the 45,000 individuals drawing benefits from ATRS who are NOT ARTA members. We need them to join ARTA to help us protect the retirement system and continue the state-sponsored health insurance and Medicare supplement program, as well as to enjoy being part of our organization with fun and fellowship. Please put your name at the bottom of the membership form so ARTA can thank you for encouraging others to become ARTA members.

Have a wonderful summer. Continue enjoying the well-earned benefits of being a retired public school employee. Let ARTA hear from you with ways we can reach out and invite others.

Keep on changing!

Donna

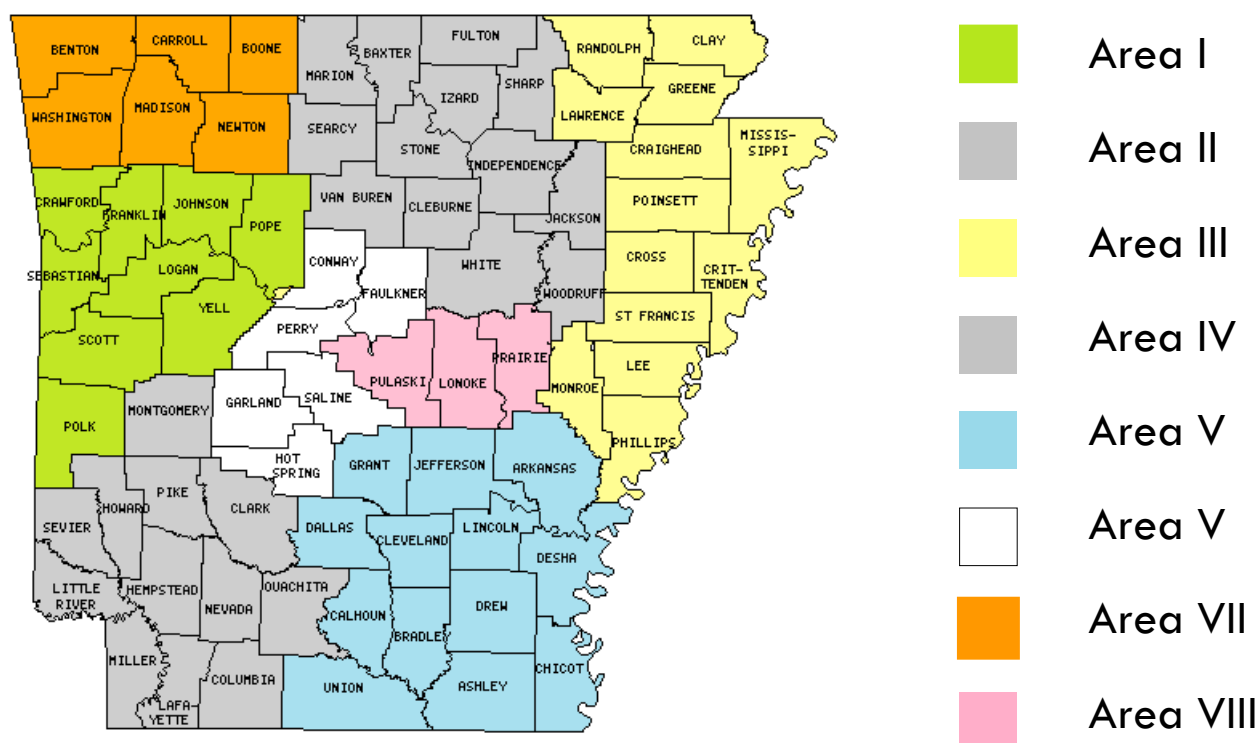


ARTA Executive Director and Special Olympics Arkansas Chair, Donna Morey (L), ARTA President Paulette Parker (R), and Parker's grandson, Kris Shipman (C), wait for the 14th Annual Polar Plunge to begin.

Participating teams braved the cold waters of Lake Wolcott in western Greene County to raise more than \$28,000 for Special Olympics Arkansas.

ARTA News

New ARTA Membership Areas Effective July 1, 2018



Area officers were elected at the recent area spring meetings.

A full list of state, area and local leadership will be published in the next issue of the INTERLINK.

Welcome New Life Members

Baxter County Sandra K. Walker	Desha County Patricia A. Branch-May	Johnson County Debra R. Johnson	Poinsett County Charlotte Sue Lindsey	Sebastian County Deborah Davis Dr. Rhonda F. Gray
Benton County Jennie Bea Rehl Regenia West	Drew County Sheila Gardner Barbara W. Milburn	Lonoke County Della M. Brown Terry W. Donham Jacqueline Hefner Connie Kirk Melanee Yielding	Pope County Laura Sorey	Sharp County Janet R. Wesley
Boone County Ernestine Taylor	Faulkner County Kyndell Rea	Marion County Katherine J. Jones	Pulaski County Linda George	Washington County Cynthia Melon
Clark County Martha May	Franklin County Barbara A. Sax	Nevada County Frances A. Ross Dr. Gene M. Ross	Saline County Gregory E. Burl Vickie Kingston R. Steve Tarkington Karen Westbrook	White County Pat Brewer Connie Dianne Thomas
Columbia County Mary F. Thompson	Independence County Dolores Britton			Out-of-State Carol H. Miller
Crawford County Gloria Chitwood	Jefferson County Susan Farlev			

Becoming an Effective Advocate for Public Education

One of ARTA's goals as an organization is to maintain an active interest in Arkansas's public schools and support for active teachers. This interest includes helping others understand the importance of a high-quality education for all and empowering them to become effective advocates for such.

Public school funding, salaries and pensions have been in the news around the country more than usual this year. They are expected to be on the upcoming Arkansas legislative agenda as well.

To assist members in advocating for high-quality education for all, ARTA has developed a booklet of things retired educators, families and community members can do to support local school districts and public school employees.

The booklet is available at www.artanow.com/resources. It can be copied and distributed at local unit meetings, to schools, and to the community at large.



- ◆ Get Involved in Your Local Public School System
- ◆ Join an Advocacy Group
- ◆ Tools & Apps to Follow Legislation
- ◆ Educate Others
- ◆ Letter Writing Campaign
- ◆ Contacted Elected Representatives
- ◆ Advocate for Proper Funding
- ◆ Donate to Public School Classroom Projects
- ◆ Support Educators—Current, Future & Retired
- ◆ Volunteer Your Time

Silent Auction Items Needed for Convention

The Annual ARTA State Convention will once again include a silent auction. The silent auction has been very successful since it was introduced in 2015, with proceeds increasing each year. The convention planning committee hopes to continue that trend again this year.

Individuals, local units and area councils are encouraged to donate items for the auction. Suggested items include:

- Accessories: scarves, hats, jewelry
- Home décor: candles, wreaths, wall art
- Hand-crafted items and homemade goodies
- University-themed items
- Themed gift baskets
- Unique, one-of-a-kind items

All items should be delivered to the ARTA board meeting at the Benton Event Center on October 8, 2018. Donor's name and approximate value should accompany all items. The auction will run during the morning of the convention. All items should be paid for and taken on the day of the convention.

Proceeds from the auction will be used to fund scholarships for practicing Arkansas educators to further their education.

Questions about the auction, the convention or the scholarship program should be directed to the ARTA office at 501-375-2958 or office_arta@att.net.



Area News

Area I

Area I held it's Spring Conference in Fort Smith. View photos of this and other spring meetings on ARTA's Facebook page.

Area II



Independence County RTA members Debra West and Kathy Varnell pose with Valentine goody bags. The bags were assembled for members who had been unable to attend recent unit meetings.



Mary Purselley of Boone County and Anna Floyd of Izard County met with ARTA members in Marion County. The Marion County RTA hopes to become more active during the new membership year.

Area III

The Craighead County RTA awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to Karlee Sanders at their April meeting. Ms. Sanders, a graduate of Riverside High School in Lake City, plans to major in education at Ouachita Baptist University. She is the daughter of Steven and Melissa Sanders. She is pictured below with Paul House, unit president, and members of the scholarship committee.



Pictured L to R: Peggy Alexander, Rose Marie Dale, Mary Nell I Masterson, Bettye Gibson, Karlee Sanders, Paul House.

Area IV



Clark County RTA members Johnnie Thompson, Nellene & Phil Roberts, Sue Martinelli, Ashley Graves, Librarian, Bob Thompson and Peggy Wells, CCRTA President, with supplies for the Clark County Library.

Area News

Area V



Dorothy Butler, Jefferson County RTA member, reading to students at Southwood Elementary in Pine Bluff. Nineteen members participated in reading to kindergarten and first grade students.

Area VI

Area VI hosted a joint Spring Conference with the newly-formed Area VIII. Officers and board members for the areas will be included in the next issue of the INTERLINK.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

ARTA welcomes your news, photos and story ideas at any time. Submissions may be sent to the Communications Coordinator via email or mail. Include a SASE to have photos and materials returned to you.

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Submissions may also be shared via social media unless specified otherwise. They will be included in the INTERLINK as space allows.

Are you taking advantage of all ARTA has to offer?

Dental & Vision Insurance

- Blue Cross / Blue Shield and Delta Dental
- Can get dental only, vision only or dental + vision

Lump-Sum Cancer Insurance

- Paid upon diagnosis of only one internal cancerous cell! Check your current policy. Does the definition of cancer state that your cancer must be spreading before benefits are paid?

Long-Term Care Insurance

- What are your plans for paying home health care, assisted living or nursing home?
- Please note: You must pass medical underwriting to get coverage. Age and health matter.

Lump-Sum Heart & Stroke Insurance

- Lump-sum amount paid directly to you should you suffer a heart attack, stroke or have heart procedure.

Medicare Products

- Medicare supplements
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- Education about how Medicare works for your spouse and/or you

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- Education about the tax-free benefits of life insurance and how you can pass on a tax-free inheritance.
- As independent agents, able to shop the market and find the best premium.
- Please note: You must pass medical underwriting to get coverage. Age and health matter.

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New Medicare Cards

The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is required to remove Social Security Numbers (SSNs) from all Medicare cards by April 2019. A new, unique Medicare Number will replace the SSN-based Health Insurance Claim Number (HICN) on each new card.

CMS began mailing new cards on a “flow” basis by geographic location and other factors in April 2018. Arkansans with Medicare will receive their cards during the second wave. These cards are expected to arrive after June, 2018.

People with Medicare will be able to check the status of cards for their area on Medicare.gov.

ARTA Travel

Trip Updates

Colors of New England

October 14—21, 2018

SOLD OUT

Irish Splendor

November 13—20, 2018

SOLD OUT

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta by Motor Coach

October 3—10, 2018

CANCELLED due to a scheduling conflict. We will try to reschedule for a later date.

2018 Travel Opportunities

Christmas in the South by Motor Coach

November 24—November 27, 2018

Begin your Christmas holiday season with a trip to Natchez, Mississippi touring historic mansions dressed up in splendor for the holiday “The Jeweled Christmas at the Towers”, a historic grand mansion, has been listed as one of the top ten most unusual Christmas display in the United States by USA Today. Explore downtown Natchez with antebellum homes, churches, a variety of restaurants and quaint shops. Next, celebrate the Christmas season in Natchitoches, Louisiana, the Christmas Capital of the South and Louisiana’s oldest city. Indulge in a famous Natchitoches meat pie; live music, arts and crafts and fireworks choreographed to holiday music over Cane River Lake. **Deposit \$100 per person**

Spotlight on New York Holiday

December 10—14, 2018

“Start spreading the news,” as you arrive in America’s most exciting metropolis as it shines during the holiday season. Your New York City getaway is filled with shopping, sightseeing, endless entertainment and holiday cheer. Spend four nights in the heart of Midtown close to Central Park and Times Square. 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: 9/11 Memorial, 9/11 Museum, Greenwich Village, Wall Street, Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. **Save \$200 pp—Book with deposit by June 4, 2018**

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 join the group at the trip destination.

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 the final payment date.

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

Spotlight on San Antonio, featuring the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo

February 10—14, 2019

Come to know a city rich in culture, cuisine and historic charms. Visit the Alamo where a battle was fought, and men made the ultimate sacrifice to defend their freedom and the Republic of Texas. Cruise down the Paseo del Rio, visit the LBJ Ranch, birthplace of the 36th President of the United States, discover the German settlement of Fredericksburg set in the Hill Country. Other highlights include: Mission San Jose, El Mercado and the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, which draws top cowboys from all over the country. Enjoy a tour of an olive orchard complete with a wine and olive oil tasting and, no visit to Texas would be complete without a barbeque at a ranch.

Save \$230 pp—Book with deposit by August 3, 2018

Spain's Classics

March 30—April 9, 2019

Immerse yourself in a colorful pageant of art, history and culture from the moment you arrive in Madrid, Spain's lively capital and largest city. Explore Madrid's Royal Palace, the official residence of the royal family. Experience the energy of Spain at a flamenco performance in Seville. Savor a "paella experience" including a paella-making demonstration and lunch. Visit Cordoba and the Mezquita, an architectural marvel built by the Moors in the 8th Century. Other highlights include: Toledo, Granada, Barcelona, The Alhambra and much more. **Save \$200 pp—Book with deposit by September 21, 2018**

COMING SOON FOR 2019

April—Motor Coach Trip to St. Augustine, Florida and the Kennedy Space Center

May—Alaska Discovery Land & Cruise

June—The Canadian Rockies featuring Rock Mountaineer Train

July—Discover Scotland

August—Hawaiian Adventure

September—The Best of Eastern Canada

October—Reflections of Italy

November—Costa Rica: A World of Nature

December—Classic Christmas Markets

Special for 2020

ARTA has contracted for two trips that will include the world-famous Oberammergau Passion Play. There is limited availability on these trips due to the demand—in 2010 over 500,000 people attended. All space is on a first come, first serve basis.

More information about this unique opportunity is located on the ARTA website at www.artanow.com/travel.

Contact the ARTA Travel Manager for deposit information.

Classic Danube River Cruise with Oberammergau Passion Play

June 7—16, 2020

The Danube River is the second largest river in Europe. At 1770 miles in length, this mighty waterway carves its way through a total of ten European countries. Join us as we take you on a lovely cruise along the Wachau Valley region. Beginning in the charming medieval town of Durnstein, you'll see a dramatic shoreline complete with lofty hills, hilltop castles and charming villages nestled between flourishing vineyards. Schonbuhel Castle, built to protect the entrance to the Wachau Valley, is as impressive today as it was when it was constructed several hundred years ago. Experience the Wachau region from the water and see some of Austria's most breathtaking landscapes.

Imperial Cities with Oberammergau Passion Play

September 23—October 3, 2020

Set out on an exciting cultural experience in the Imperial Cities of Central Europe featuring traditional entertainment and the epic Oberammergau Passion Play. Highlights include: Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube," truly one of the world's most beautiful cities; a journey to Bratislava, the former Imperial capital of the Hapsburg Empire; Schoenbrunn Palace; fairytale town of Cesky Krumlov; Vienna, the former capital of the Austro-Hungarian Empire; and the magnificent tour of the "Golden City" of Prague, including the Hradcany Castle. In Prague discover the lovely statue-lined Charles Bridge, shop for Bohemian crystal or visit one of the cities museums, such as the Lapidarium, home of stone sculptures dating from the 11th century to the present.

In Memoriam

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

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Peggy A. Gingerich

Ashley County
Edith S. Phillips
Robert A. Phillips
Sherry Wisecarver

Benton County
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Sharp County
Marvin Thomas

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ARTA received a total of \$1,873 in memorials, honorariums and donations in the last three month period. Your gifts, in any amount and for whatever reason, are greatly appreciated. All contributions are placed in the Parsons—Burnett Scholarship Fund. This fund is used to award scholarships for educators currently practicing in Arkansas to further their graduate studies.

Arkansas County RTA

In Memory of:

Peggy Gingerich

Desha County RTA

In Memory of:

Victoria Bolden

Barbara J. Webb

Faulkner County RTA

In Memory of:

Edgar W. Bradberry

Darrell Kilman

Franklin County RTA

In Memory of:

Guy Fenter

Virginia Holt

Johnnie Whitman

Paul Whittington

Franklin County RTA

In Honor of:

Lacey Parker,

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Howard County RTA

In Memory of:

Bonnie Peek

Independence County RTA

In Memory of:

Margaret Burks

Beverly Stevens

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Parsons-Burnett Fund

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In Memory of:

Martha Margrave

So. Sebastian County RTA

In Memory of:

Ava Nell Mannon

So. Pulaski County RTA

In Memory of:

Edgar W. Bradberry

Margaret Garrett

Union County RTA

In Memory of:

Lois Meekins

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Ken Hughes

Veda "Jo" Payne

Bobby D. Ward

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In Memory of:

Delvine Downing

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In Memory of:

Doris M. Harris

Yell County RTA

In Memory of:

Patsy George

Anna Floyd

In Memory of:

Ken Hughes

Betty Newton Smith

In Memory of:

John M. Lewellen

Kay Shaddock

In Memory of:

Lois Meekins

In Memoriam, *continued*

Union County

Lois M. Meekins

Pat Meeks

James P. Stanley

Van Buren County

Dudley M. Harrison

Veda J. Payne

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