



**Tennessee Retired Teachers' Association**  
an NEA-Retired affiliate

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## TRTA YEAR IN REVIEW 2020-2021 A YEAR OF CHALLENGE AND OPPORTUNITY Executive Director Donna Cotner



*"Anyone can hold the helm when the seas are calm."* This quote from Pubilius Syrus, born in 85 BC, truly exemplifies the challenges of the past year and is more relevant than at any other time in TRTA History!

Leadership during turbulent times requires commitment, courage, patience and dedication! Fortunately, TRTA members are all leaders and have demonstrated their skills in our

profession. Our vocabulary usage has changed dramatically with incorporating terms such as: global pandemic, Covid-19, social distancing, social isolation, "shut-downs", virtual meetings, webinars, ZOOM and "a new normal". Through it all, leadership at every level has been and continues to be the most effective antidote to the pandemic in terms the vitality of TRTA and local associations.

On the state level, the Executive Officers, Board of Directors, Committees and staff have utilized virtual meetings to plan and conduct the work of the Association. They have worked diligently to provide training and involvement opportunities for local association leaders and members. Regional trainings were held virtually utilizing the Zoom platform in October 2020 and March 2021. A majority of local associations participated in the trainings and have followed through on the suggested activities to keep membership informed and engaged.

Local activities included communications through newsletters, e-mails, ZOOM meetings, go-to-meetings, telephone trees, and hosting meetings in a safe environment. Their activities display the creativity and passion of the members of this organizations. There have been drive-by birthday parties for members, "ring" serenades;

### TRTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Lynn Tucker
Past President	Ron Pendergrass
President Elect	Anna Booher
ETN At Large	Kay Moss
ETN Regional	Ron Moss
ETN Regional	Al Doty
MTN At large	Susanne Boshers
MTN Regional	Bill Deason
MTN Regional	Charles Sellars
WTN At Large	William Murray
WTN Regional	Alice Fennel
WTN Regional	Daisy Cleaves
Ex Officio	JoAnn Smith-Mashburn
Ex Officio	Linda McCrary
Ex Officio	Beth Brown
Ex Officio	Mike Barker

### TRTA Staff

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Executive Director

Chief Lobbyist

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Membership Associate

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drop deliveries for members in need and organized personal contacts to members to just say “we are here and we care about you!”. They have provided refreshments and/or tokens of appreciation to active teachers as well as newspaper ads and radio announcements supporting the active teachers as “front-line workers”.

Following the request and guidance of TRTA, local leaders held ZOOM and/or telephone meetings with their legislators to promote TRTA’s legislative program.

TCSR has received adequate funding to remain fiscally sound in compliance with actuarial recommendations. TCSR remains in the top five in ranking of sound retirement systems. This is especially important when you consider other states where the situation is critical. TCSR members will receive a Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) in their July pension checks. The official amount has not been announced at the time this article was written. Tuition discount for children/dependents of retired teachers at public colleges and universities remains intact.

TRTA supported TEA in efforts to secure more funding for public education and protect the profession of teaching. TRTA supported efforts to protect teachers and students from adverse action (hold harmless provisions) from the mandated testing program and protect payroll dues deduction for active teachers.

On a federal level, TRTA supported actions to preserve funding for Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid. TRTA received a certificate of recognition for our efforts to support participation in the federal census project as funding for education on the federal level is determined in part by these numbers.

Through all the adversity, TRTA remains a vital, engaging and fulfilling organization with a bright future. We must renew our commitment to membership recruitment and engagement to secure the future we all desire. That is our challenge for the coming year!

### **ATTENTION!!      ATTENTION!!**

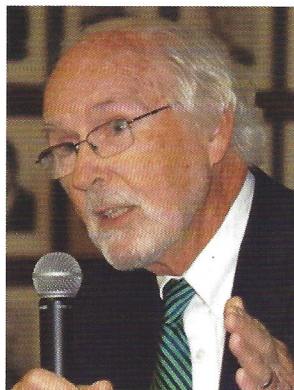
Because of the pandemic, local associations have not been having meetings this spring and may not be able to meet in June. If you pay your Association Dues by check, please mail your check to your local association membership chairperson during June 2021. Our membership year is July 1 – June 30 and dues are to be paid prior to July 1 of each year. If you do not know who your local membership chairperson is then contact your local association president for the name and address of this individual. This is NOT the year to let your membership slide! The economic impact of the pandemic is tremendous and there will be heavy competition for the available tax revenues in the state. TRTA needs to be stronger than ever to effectively advocate for you. Strength is often measured in the number of our members. Numbers count; we are counting on you!

## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

LYNN TUCKER

## WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED

During the April meeting of the TRTA Board of Directors, our main focus shifted toward planning for the 2021 TRTA Representative Assembly. We had reviewed reports from the membership and legislative committees and discussed the effects of the COVID pandemic on our organization during the past 13 months. We talked about some of the challenges that had to be overcome just to provide basic meetings and training opportunities. We reflected on some of the successes (and some lesser successes) and processed what we had learned. I want to share some of that with you.



By the time spring workshops arrived in March, it was obvious that morale seemed better. Most participants had received their vaccinations, and most were comfortable using technology for a virtual experience. Retired educators still laughed and talked in Zoom meetings. Most still wanted to share experiences and memories with their retired colleagues. The overwhelming commonality seemed to be this: we miss human contact! We miss hugs and touches. We miss being connected in a more personal way.

Last year, our annual RA was cancelled. Fortunately, we have our Representative Assembly in June, but it will be a virtual environment. As we move toward a more normal, I am HOPEFUL. I believe more local chapters will be having in-person meetings soon. They will rebound, increase membership, and be stronger than ever. I believe, because we are teachers, we overcome and we continue to get the job done!

Your 2021-2022 President  
ANNA BOOHER

## BE A "SOMEBODY"

During my forty-four years in the classroom, I had many inspirational posters hanging on the walls. I changed them often so that my students would have something to fix their gaze on when a test question stumped them. You know the ones – "When in doubt, just take the next small step," "Over prepare, then go with the flow," or "Believe in miracles." But perhaps the one I like the best: "A team has four members called Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody," We all must be Everybody, Somebody, and Anybody.



As retired educators we remain givers to many in need. Anybody can do it. We have given our time and talents in new and different ways. There is no limit to our ability to be lifelong learners. Now we Zoom; we order groceries on line and pick them up at the curb; we attend church and Sunday school on Facebook; we wear masks; we call others more often to just check in; we grieve and cry; we have different hair styles; we talk about our shots; through it all, we are educators. Yes, Everybody has become an inventor, an artist, and an advocate for something. That is what educators do best.

We may have retired from the classroom, but in my opinion all educators must be principal advocates for public education. We are the Somebodies that contribute to the united voice for all education. I feel it is important to have knowledge of current issues and pending legislation. We must then use our collective voice to assist in the implementation of positive change. We are Somebodies that believe that there is no place for apathy when a young mind is at stake. Everybody must take an active role in the development and formation of public education policies.

As retired educators we must realize that the rewards in the educational process are not always visible or immediately tangible. The lives we have touched are the lives of tomorrow's citizens. The examples we set in morals, ethics, and values will have positively affected the lives of all students we have taught. As an unknown author once said, "A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops." **Be a Somebody.**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**May 2021**

10 Deadline to submit TRTA RA delegate names

**June 2021**30 Deadline to submit Local Officers and Committees  
Chairs for 2021-2022**July 2021**July 2-10 NEA-Retired and NEA Representative Assemblies  
31 Deadline for TRTA to receive 2021-2022

- Marked Membership Rosters
- New Member forms
- Drop List
- Payments

**August 2021**18 TRTA Committee Meetings, TEA Building  
19 TRTA Board of Directors Meeting, TEA Building

## Agenda 2021 TRTA Representative Assembly

**Connecting to Virtual Meeting Via ZOOM begins at 9:45 Central Daylight Time**

### 10:00 A.M. Call to Order

Lynn Tucker, President

Adoption of Agenda

Meditation

Pledge of Allegiance

Necrology Service

Introductions

Past Presidents and Past Executive Directors

Board of Directors

TEA President

Legislative Committee Chairperson and any committee members present

Membership Committee Chairperson and any committee members present

Nominations-Elections Committee Chairperson and any committee members present

TRTA Staff

Other Guests

Parliamentarian

Time Keeper

Mike Barker

Linda McCrary

Ron Pendergrass, Past-President

Lynn Tucker, President

Brenda Oldham

Al Doty

Adoption of Standing Rules

Susie Boshers

### Business Items

Report of 2020 Representative Assembly

Donna Cotner, TRTA Executive Director

Legislative Committee Report

Rose Anderson, Chairperson

Membership Committee Report

Bill Murray, Chairperson

Budget Committee Report

Anna Booher, President-elect

Adoption of 2021-2022 Budget

Nominations-Election Committee Report

Brenda Oldham, Chairperson

Executive Director's Report

Donna Cotner, TRTA Executive Director

TCRS Report

Mike Barker, TRTA Liaison TCRS Board of Trustees

Delegates to 2021 NEA-R and NEA

Lynn Tucker, President

Representative Assemblies

President's Report

Lynn Tucker, President

Honoring the President

Anna Booher, President-Elect

Introduction of 2021-2022 President

Lynn Tucker, President

Remarks of 2021-2022 President

Anna Booher, President-Elect

Introduction of 2021-2022 President-Elect

Lynn Tucker, President

Summary/wrap-up

Lynn Tucker, President

Adjournment

**TRTA President Elect Nominee  
from Middle Tennessee  
JUDY BEASLEY WHITEHILL**

I taught in the Murfreesboro City School System, working 16 years as a Speech/Language Therapist and 14 years as a Library Media Specialist. I was active in my local, the Murfreesboro Education Association, and served as President, President-Elect, Secretary, Membership Chair, Legislative Chair, Chief Negotiator, Professional Advisory Council member and newsletter editor. I was a voting delegate to the TEA Representative Assembly from 1985 through 2006. I attended numerous TEA Leadership School sessions and served on the state Membership and Legislative Committees.

In 1991, Governor McWhorter appointed me to serve as the first actively teaching member of the State Board of Education and I served until my term ended in 1997.

I was a voting delegate to the NEA Representative Assembly from 1986 through 2006. As an NEA member, I had the opportunity to be trained by NCATE (National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Education) and visit several universities as an evaluator. Attending an NEA sponsored Gender Equity training was an opportunity to commit to train other educators throughout the year.

I was on the TEA Board and was elected as TEA Vice-President in 1997 and served until 2002. I was honored to be elected as President of TEA and served from 2002 until 2006. I worked on staff as the Membership Coordinator from 2006 until 2009. Upon retiring in 2009, I worked as the TRTA lobbyist until 2011.



I was a board member of the Rutherford County Habitat for Humanity and am currently a member on the Rutherford County Election Commission.

Membership in Organizations:

- Rutherford County Retired Teachers Association
- League of Women Voters
- Delta Kappa Gamma
- NAACP
- Rutherford County Democratic Party
- Rutherford County Democratic Women

I look forward to working with other retired educators as we continue our advocacy for TRTA and public schools.

**2021 ELECTED DELEGATES  
NEA-R AND NEA REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLIES**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REGION</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
LYNN TUCKER	WTN	1st Delegate
GERALD LILLARD	ETN	2nd Delegate
LINDA MCCRARY	MTN	3rd Delegate
RON MOSS	ETN	4th Delegate
DIANE LILLARD	ETN	5th Delegate
ANNA BOOHER	ETN	6th Delegate
JOANN SMITH-MASHBURN	ETN	7th Delegate
DAISY CLEAVES	WTN	8th Delegate

## PROPOSED 2021-2022 TRTA BUDGET

CATEGORY	BUDGET 2020-2021	PROPOSED BUDGET 2021-2022
Office Rent	\$10,908.00	\$10,908.00
Renter's Insurance	650.00	650.00
Postage	3,000.00	3,000.00
Telephone	300.00	300.00
Office Supplies	800.00	800.00
Office Equipment	700.00	700.00
Office Bond	530.00	530.00
Charter Renewal	30.00	30.00
Personalty Taxes	70.00	70.00
CPA Services	4,500.00	4,500.00
TRTA Officers Travel	6,000.00	6,000.00
TRTA Staff Travel	4,422.00	4,422.00
Salaries, FICA/Taxes Staff	81,000.00	81,000.00
Lobbyist Registration	530.00	530.00
Lobbying Expense	8,500.00	8,500.00
Printing	1,600.00	1,600.00
Professional Association Dues	160.00	160.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$123,700.00</b>	<b>\$123,700.00</b>
NEA-Retired Meetings	0.00	0.00
Election Cost/Postage	3,800.00	3,800.00
Delegate Expenses	8,400.00	8,400.00
Workshops	15,000.00	15,000.00
Representative Assembly	19,000.00	19,000.00
Committee Expenses	2500.00	2500.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>48,700.00</b>	<b>48700.00</b>
Bulletin/Postage	19,000.00	19,000.00
Access Discount	0.00	0.00
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>19,000.00</b>	<b>19,000.00</b>
<b>Total Proposed Budget</b>	<b>\$191,400.00</b>	<b>\$191,400.00</b>
Contingency Fund	0.00	0.00
Other	0.00	0.00
Membership projection X \$22	\$191,400.00	\$191,400.00
Legal Fund Projection X \$3	\$26,100.00	\$26,100.00
<b>PROJECTED MEMBERSHIP</b>	<b>8700</b>	<b>8700</b>

NOTE: There is no change from the prior year budget.

Dues will remain \$25.00 with \$3.00 of this going to the Legal Fund.

**TENNESSEE RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION  
LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM 2020-2022**

**1. Continue to keep the Defined Benefit Program of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System funded on an actuarially sound basis.**

- Assure that the benefits of the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System accrue only to retirees and beneficiaries.
- Assure that the state's contribution to the *Legacy Plan* of Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System is never less than the actuarial recommendation, (with a minimum of not less than 6%.)

**2. Monitor to assure that the tuition discount for dependents of retired teachers passed in 2014 is not discontinued.**

**3. Work toward tax fairness with adequate funding necessary to address the growing needs of public education and retirees.**

**4. Request that *the 112<sup>th</sup>* Legislature**

- Improve the economic benefits of retired teachers.
- Increase the state contribution level to the State Medicare Supplement (Medigap) to improve benefits.

**5. Inclusion of the TEA Legislative Program**

*TEA Representative Assembly adopted Legislative Program May 2020*

**Article XII Section 2 of the TRTA Constitution States:**

All amendments to this Constitution shall be presented in writing to the Executive Director at least ninety (90) days in advance of the meeting of the Representative Assembly. No amendments have been presented currently.

## **TRTA Legislative Committee Report** *Rose Anderson, Committee Chair*

The Legislative Committee met early in September to plan the October Regional Fall Workshops. The committee proposed the theme "Connecting, Protecting, and Making a Difference" to develop presentations for the workshops. During the fall workshops, presentations were given on Tennessee Consolidated Retired System and payments by Mike Barker and facts on the cost of living and social security by Donna Cotner. A poll was taken during the workshops on what is important to be protected: TCRS Payments, Cost of Living, or Social Security. A greater percentage of participants chose TCRS payments as their first choice of items to protect.

How to get out the vote was presented by Al Dotty which included calling members, friends, driving people to the voting precincts, serving on a telephone call committee, and voting early.

Tips for meeting with elected officials were reviewed by Beverly Berard. It's important to build a relationship with the legislators and to find your Representative or Senator, go to TN.Gov. Meetings with legislator should be in small groups, 2 or 3 retired educators, in a neutral area, with prepared talking points. Focus on the education issues; ask for their support or not to support a bill; and thank them for their support. Legislative meetings are to be reported to Donna Cotner, an advocate for the retirees and director.

The voice of our members is needed to ensure the best outcomes of legislation, therefore the spring workshops focused on importance of legislative committees, how a bill becomes a law, effective communication with legislators, and how to contact your legislator. Carolyn Sims gave an overview of how a bill becomes a law in Tennessee and the importance of knowing what committee your legislator is a member of. For a bill to become a law, much of the work is done in the committee.

According to research, effective communication with your legislator is done by writing. When writing, you must keep it brief, give bill number, explain the issue, give examples of the impact on community, and thank him or her for their support. TRTA members, be active and contact your legislators whether it by in writing, calling, emailing, or visiting. Use your voice.

## **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT** **Bill Murray, Chairperson**

The Membership Committee met virtually on August 19, September 15, and October 5 to discuss membership goals for the year and prepare for the State Regional Meetings in October. Membership has continued to drop this year with the COVID-19 pandemic adding new problems for membership recruitment. During these meetings the committee adopted the year's membership theme as "Standing Strong and Growing: Last Year's Membership +". The emphasis should be on maintaining last year's membership numbers in each local plus adding as many new members as possible. The October regional meetings, which were also virtual, were focused on how to motivate membership recruitment in the current environment, introduce the goals for increasing membership, and discuss methods to achieve these goals.

With approval from the TRTA Board of Directors, members of the state Membership Committee with assistance from board members began contacting by phone local association presidents throughout the state in January and February. The purpose of these calls was to offer encouragement to the presidents during these difficult times and to gather information about how locals were faring with meetings, staying in contact with current members, and recruiting new members. At virtual meetings on February 10 and 24, the Membership Committee used this information to assist in planning for the March State Regional Meetings. At the regional meetings, the committee shared compiled information gathered through these calls and gave those attending the opportunity during breakout sessions to share ways to overcome problems and achieve success with increasing membership.

The Membership Committee is so appreciative of the local TRTA officers and members in all three of our regions for your continuing efforts on behalf of TRTA. We look forward to working with you in future endeavors to keep TRTA standing strong and growing.



# NECROLOGY REPORT 2021

## IN MEMORIAM

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

### ANDERSON CO

MCFARLAND, BARBARA SUE  
RUTHERFORD, GENEVA

### BEDFORD CO

SMITH, ESTEL

### BENTON CO

BRANCH, LYDIA  
CARTER, GILES

### BLOUNT CO

JEFFRIES, DEBORAH

### BRADLEY CO

OWENBY, JEAN

### BRISTOL CITY

ARNOLD, CATHERINE  
ESSARY, MADGE  
GIBSON, RALPH  
PIERCE, BETTY  
WARNER, LAURA

### CAMPBELL CO

LOBERTINI, JACKIE

### CLAIBORNE CO

FUGATE, RUTH  
NORRIS, ROY

### COCKE CO

DENTON, LOUISE  
FREEMAN, BETH  
FREMAN, IMOGENE  
LARGE, MCDONALD

### COFFEE CO

BAILEY, PATRICIA  
BRAY, CLARECE  
BUSH, WILMA  
COOPER, WILBURN  
GEORGE, VERA  
REID, SUE  
RIGSBY, FLORENCE  
STYKE, HELEN

### CROCKETT CO

ROBBINS, LINDA

### DAVIDSON CO

ALLEN, SHIRLEY  
ANDERSON, CHARLES  
BABBITT, CYNTHIA  
BARNES, NITA  
COLLIER BARBARA

### DAVIDSON CO

DOWDY MICHELE  
FLUDD, CELESTINE  
FORD, WILMA  
FRENCH, RUTH  
GRAY, MARY  
HAZELWOOD, ERNESTINE  
HOLT, JENEVA  
JACKSON-MERRITT, ANNIE  
JOSLIN, YUVONNE  
LUTHER, ANITA  
MELTON, RICHARD  
NEAL, GWENDOLYN  
ROBERTSON, ANN  
RUCKER, MARTHA  
SULLIVAN MARGARET  
SYKES, RUTH  
VERNON, BETTY  
WESSEL, MARY  
WILLIAMS, RONNY  
WOODALL, CHARLES

### DECATUR CO

RANEY, ROBERT

### DEKALB CO

MULLINAX, JOYCE  
PUCKETT, ANN

### DYER CO

PARNELL, THOMAS

### FAYETTE CO

VASSER, DOROTHY

### FENTRESS CO

CHOATE, DONNA  
NORMAN, MARY SUE

### FRANKLIN CO

ANDERSON, ANNA  
CROSSLAND, JUDITH  
LORENZ, ANNE  
ROSE, BETTY  
SMITH, EILEEN  
SODERBOM, MARGARET

### GIBSON CO

BARRON, JUDY  
BRASFIELD, VIRGINIA  
CURRIE, JOYCE  
MAYO, LOIS  
MOORE, BEATRICE

### GILES CO

FOSTER, JOHN  
FRANCIS, JEAN

### GRAINGER CO

DANIEL, MARIE  
LONG, WILLIAM  
ODOM, MAMIE

### GREENE CO

DUNBAR, NITA  
HANKINS, THANNA  
HARRISON, LUCILLE  
JOHNSON, MAR ANN  
JONES, W KLINE  
JUSTIS, CLARK  
NEAS, LARRY  
REYNOLDS, ROY

### HAMBLEN CO

GONCE, LOWELL  
TESTERMAN, MARY

### HAMILTON CO

BARR, GLORIA  
BRATCHER, JOHN  
CANNON, TOM  
CHAMBERLIN, REVA  
CHANDLER, CLARA  
DARBY, MARTHA JO  
GREEN, KATHRYN  
JAMES, DEANA  
JOHNSON, CLAY  
KELLY, DORIS  
MARTINO, ANTHONY  
MCAFFEE, JANICE  
MYERS, JACQUELINE  
PARTIDGE, IDA  
PASS, MATTIE  
PHILLIPS, JOANNE  
RUFF, SULLIVAN  
SCHROEDER, BOBBY  
SHADWICK, BILLY  
SMITH, FREDERICK  
STRICKLAND, MYRA  
WEATHERS, THOMAS  
WILEY, MINNIE  
WOOD, MARY D

### HARDIN CO

HAYNES, JUDITH

### HAWKINS CO

CHESNUTT, ALICE  
WINSTEAD, BARBARA

### HAYWOOD CO

MORRISON, BENNIE

### HENRY CO

BAGGETT, BARBARA  
FRENSELY, JOE

### HICKMAN CO

CHERRY, HELEN  
DICK, REBECCA  
ECKSTEIN, EMMELINE  
TILLER, SARAH

### HUMPHREYS CO

ASBURY, CAROLYN  
BOWERS, LANELL  
HOCKETT, ANN  
LEE, OLIVER

### KINGSPORT CITY

ALEXANDER, RITA  
DUDNEY, ELIZABETH  
JONES, PATSY  
MOORE, SANDY  
MOWELL, BETTY  
SMITH, LOUISE  
TUNNELL, EUNICE  
YOUNG, JESSIE

### KNOX CO

BRATTON, SAM  
BROMLEY, JOYCE  
CATE, LILA  
COLLINS, NORMAN  
DAGLEY, JANET  
EGGERS, WEEKS  
GWATNEY, DEBORAH  
HERRELL, MARGARET  
JONES, INEZ  
LAWELL, MILDRED  
MOODY, WANDA  
PARKER, COSETTE  
SHIPLEY, ANN  
SNODGRASS, DONNA  
SPIRE, RONALD  
STREVEL, DORIS  
VALENTINE, SELDON  
WELLS, G EARL  
WILLIAMS, JANE

## NECROLOGY REPORT 2021 IN MEMORIAM

**LAUDERDALE CO**

MORRIS, MARION

**LAWRENCE CO**

BENSON, ETHEL  
COTTER, MARILYN  
FREEMAN, JAMES  
HUNT, EVELYN  
LYNN, GARI  
SISK, MARY JANE  
TRAPP, MARY  
UMBARGER, JAMES

**LINCOLN CO**

EDGING, STEVEN

**LOUDON CO**

GEBERT, JOANNE  
WILKERSON, ALMA

**MACON CO**

CARVER, SHIRLEY  
CASADY, MARION  
JONES, DIANNA

**MADISON CO**

BURTON, ROSCOE  
COHEN, CARMEN  
FAIR, BRENDA  
HUTSON, BERTHA  
JOY, JOHNNIE  
LEWIS, WILLIE  
MANUEL, ROY  
PLEDGE, JANICE  
WISDOM, ANNIE  
YANDER, CATHERINE

**MARION CO**

BIBLE, ANN

**MARSHALL CO**

HILL, JEAN

**MAURY CO**

ANDREWS, SAMMIE  
BARNETT, STELLA  
CASELLA, VALERIE  
RILEY, VERLIE  
THRASHER, PEGGY

**McMINN CO**

HELTZ, DEAN  
MARTIN, BILL  
NEWMAN, HARRY

**MCNAIRY CO**

MILLER, FREDDIE  
SPARKS, JANET  
WILSON, ALVIN

**MONTGOMERY CO**

BUCHANAN, CAROL  
BURNEY, MARY  
COBB, BETTY  
KNIGHT, PEGGY  
PHILLIPS, BETTY  
SHIPLEY, DAVID  
TYLER, GWENDOLYN  
WALK, PAMELA

**NO LOCAL AFFILIATION**

BROWN, BENNETHER  
PAYNE, MARY  
ROBBINS, JACKIE  
WEBB, DON

**OBION CO**

CALDWELL, GLADYS  
DEW, OLGA  
HAIRSTON, PHYLIS

**POLK CO**

RODRIGUEZ, SHARON  
RUSH, BEVERLY

**PUTNAM CO**

EDWARDS,, BILL  
EDWARDS, ERNESTINE

**RHEA CO**

SHERRILL, MAXINE

**ROANE CO.**

HOOD, DAWN  
JACKSON, JAYNE  
JETER, NANCY  
ROSS, GERALD

**ROBERTSON CO**

ALLEY, BETTYE  
JARRETT, JOSIE  
MOBLEY, DON  
ROBERTSON, SUE  
ROWLAND, PEGGY  
WIGGINS, SHERRIE  
WOODARD, RAYMOND

**RUTHERFORD CO**

BROWN, DELORES  
HOLLAND, DOROTHY  
LANE, MARIANNA  
MORRIS, PATSY  
WINDHAM, WILLIAM

**SEQUATCHIE CO**

BOYD, ZACHARY  
LAND, MILDRED  
POPE, HALLIE

**SEVIER CO**

HAMMER, ANNA

**SHELBY CO**

ALEXANDER, RITA  
BLACK, JAMES  
BROWN, FRED  
BURTON, ELIZABETH  
CLARK, GEORGE  
COX, JANE  
GREEN, VIRGINIA  
HALEY, JAMES  
HAWKINS, ANGIE  
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**IN TENNESSEE WHO IS LOOKING OUT FOR YOUR INTEREST?**

The Tennessee Retired Teachers Association is the only association of retired educators in Tennessee that is actively monitoring your pension and state insurance benefits to assure you of a continued benefit after retirement.

**NEA-Retired membership today is more than 297,049 and we continue to lead the way in public education and on critical issues.**

Whether you're already retired or just thinking about retirement down the road, there are many advantages to being a NEA-Retired member. They include:

- ◆ Staying connected with fellow NEA members and programs
- ◆ Opportunities to share your expertise by volunteering and mentoring
- ◆ NEA's legislative efforts to protect your retirement resources
- ◆ Subscription to NEA's bimonthly retiree magazine, *This Active Life*

**Retired members also:**

- ◆ Continue their involvement with their State Association and the NEA
- ◆ Enjoy new and different activities with former colleagues and new friends.
- ◆ Volunteer in community-based programs that help make America stronger.
- ◆ Participate in national and regional conferences and seminars.

In addition, NEA-Retired provides its members with a wide range of benefits through NEA Member Benefits

**RETIREE Association Dues Payment Clarification**

Dues for retired members continue to be payable by cash and check to the local, or pension deduction through the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS). **The EZPAY system (credit card, debit card, or checking account option) DOES NOT APPLY TO RETIREES.** EZPAY is for active teachers only as the legislation affecting dues deduction pertained to local school systems deducting dues.

**BELONGING IS IMPORTANT!**

Each of you can name a personal friend who is a retired educator but not a member of TRTA. Please encourage your friend(s) to join us.

If our membership doubled, our influence would also multiply. Our strength is in our numbers, not our wealth!

Clip this membership form and **take it to a friend.** We must all work together to protect our future. Give the completed form to your local RTA treasurer or membership chair.

**NEA Retired Annual Dues \$35   TRTA Annual Dues \$25   NEA RETIRED LIFE MEMBERSHIP \$300 CHECK**  
**Check with your local treasurer concerning local dues or consult the chart at <http://www.tnretiredteachers.com/>**

**Tennessee Retired Teachers Association Enrollment Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
                     First                      MI                      Last

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
   Street

  City                      State

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Local Association \_\_\_\_\_

Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Unified membership is required if you retired after August 1992. You must belong to NEA-Retired, TRTA and the local Association to be a unified member*

**Member #** \_\_\_\_\_

NEA-Retired Annual Membership \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TRTA Annual Membership           \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Local RTA Annual Membership   \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Dues paid                       \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check # if paying by Check \_\_\_\_\_

**Optional Automatic Dues Withholding from your TCRS Pension Check**

I hereby authorize TCRS to deduct the following due from my TCRS pension check. I agree that the dues shall be deducted until such time as I notify TRTA and TCRS in writing that I no longer wish to have such dues deducted.

Authorization signature \_\_\_\_\_

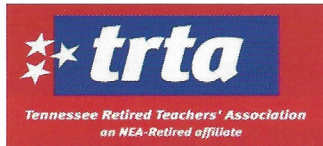
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