REACTA HOT TOPICS

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REACTA Members "Stepping Up!"

REACTA is an organization that is able to serve its members due to the many hours of volunteer work from retirees. The officers alone cannot provide these services. We rely on members who serve on various committees and task forces to help keep our members informed. You can see the names at the left who serve in a more official capacity. What you don't always see or hear about is the time donated by our committee members. For example, at the last Annual Meeting we approved two committees to help with new programs. Our Fiscal Review Committee is made up of our treasurer Felice Strauss, assisted by Craig Nelson and Mona Marra. We have a committee reviewing guidelines for members to apply for financial assistance. Marla Reyes is working with Ros Wolf and Shirley Horn. Marla also chairs our Scholarship Committee with the help of Joe Colton, Jim Gutman, Debby Edgington and Gerri Gonzales. Our liaisons to the Health and Welfare Benefits Trust (Roseanne Becher) and Pension Trust (Alan Frey) are in contact with Trustees to find out the latest actions and their impact on our benefits. I will recognize other committees in the next HOT TOPICS. Thanks for all your help!

Schools and Community First

CTA is part of a coalition that is sponsoring a ballot initiative for 2020 that will place "Schools and Community First." They will need our help in gathering signatures and working on the campaign.

More information is available on their website, https://www.schoolsandcommunitiesfirst.org/

Important Numbers to Remember:

Administrator for the CTA Employees' Health Trust: William C. Earhart Co. 3140 N.E. Broadway Portland, OR 97208 (503) 460-5242 (877) 396-2942

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A Day With The Angels

There appears to be enough interest to go ahead and reserve a block of tickets for our members and their guests to attend the May 31, 2020 baseball game between the Los Angeles Angels and the New York Yankees. Reserved Club Level Box seat tickets will be \$50. We will purchase 20 tickets and the Angels will hold another 20 seats next to the original block until three weeks prior to the game. Tickets will be available first come-first served by sending a check made out to REACTA for \$50 per ticket. Checks should be sent to Felice Strauss, 2049 National Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627. If the initial response is greater than 20, we will purchase additional seats.

Cambria Annual Reunion & Meeting

The REACTA Annual Reunion and Meeting in Cambria for 2020 will be held on October 4 - 6. We will start with a reception on Sunday afternoon, October 4. Our Hot Topics Forum, Business Meeting and group dinner will be on Monday, October 5. We will hear reports about the status of our Pension Trust and Health/Welfare Trust. Political Education will be an important Hot Topic! Representatives from CTA Management, CSO and CAS will be invited to attend. Save the dates. Registration material and other information will be available in early 2020.

REACTA Scholarship Fund Application

Please remind your children, grand-children, great grand-children, nieces and nephews that the deadline for filing an application for the REACTA Scholarship is February 28, 2020. We will award up to two scholarships in the amount of \$2000 each to students currently attending or planning to register for an accredited degree granting institution or college. You may download a copy of the application packet by going to the REACTA website, www.reacta.org. The application is also available on the REACTA Facebook page or may be obtained by emailing Scholarship Committee Chair Marla Reyes at marlaed@earthlink.com.