REACTA HOT TOPICS

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Looking Forward to 2021!

When we turned back the clocks on November 1, many of us questioned why we wanted to add another hour to the year 2020! Our unprecedented circumstances continue and will likely present challenges through the start of 2021. We can hope that some "new normal" will appear late winter or early spring. Following the success of our Annual Meeting, REACTA is committed to provide opportunities for members to re-connect with their colleagues through the use of Zoom. Suggestions have been made to schedule Virtual Holiday Parties in December, organized by CTA regions or departments. This would allow smaller groups to gather via Zoom. Our REACTA Book Club could also meet more frequently via Zoom. The officers are open to any ideas you may have to promote greater connectivity among our membership. Please let me know and we can make this work. Our next officers meeting is December 4 and a virtual social gathering schedule will be developed.

REACTA Elections

The election ballots for the 2021-22 REACTA officers have been received by our Elections Committee and will be counted on December 3. Results will be posted on December 4. Thanks for your participation.

Scholarship Committee

The officers will appoint a new chair for the Scholarship Committee on December 4. The application packet for the 2021 scholarship(s) will be available in late January and the return date will be approximately April 15. The packet and other information will be posted on the REACTA website and included in future publications.



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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Help Wanted For REACTA

Your officers will be making committee appointments at the December 4 meeting. We are always looking for volunteers to help with our various programs. If you would like to serve on one of the committees, please let me know. A brief description of each committee is listed below:

- **Membership Promotion** Help recruit new members for REACTA including recent retirees and past retirees who have not joined.
- Scholarship Committee Develop application packet, screen applications and make a recommendation to the officers for candidate approval.
- **Nominations/Elections** Oversee the nomination and election of REACTA officers.
- Pension and Benefits Oversight Committee Organize activities when changes are proposed that impact our pension and health benefits.
- Political Education Committee Maintain a liaison with CTA Governmental Relations to inform REACTA members about political positions promoted by CTA.
- Website Advisory Committee Assist our webmaster in maintaining current information on our website.

December REACTOR

The next edition of REACTOR will be posted and mailed in early December, following our officers meeting on December 4. If you would like to submit an article that might be of interest to our members, please email it to Margaret Wallace – <u>marwall@aol.com</u>. She is looking for comments from those of you who attended your first REACTA Annual Meeting in October.