



NEWS

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2020-2021 OFFICERS:

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LETTER FROM YOUR PRESIDENT,

Dear WSRSEA Members,

It is my hope that this reaches you at a safe and healthy time in your life.

Like you and so many people in our country, I am doing my best to be mindful of social distancing, wear my mask, and washing hand regularly throughout the day.

The main purpose of this letter is to let you know that I am thinking of you hoping and praying that every one of you is healthy. Please take care of yourselves, your families, and anyone that may need assistance in your community. I miss the excitement of our monthly WSRSEA meetings and your hugs and bright smiles....

We want to stay connected to you during this time, so please participate in our online meetings and look for our newsletters and emails. Hopefully we can meet in person again soon!

Take Care,

Veronica Durnell



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MEETING UPDATE:

The Texas Retired Teachers Association's Board of Directors voted unanimously on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, to impose a hold on all TRTA-affiliated in-person meetings across the state through the end of 2020. This includes conferences and local unit meetings

ZOOM Comes to WSRSEA on September 23, 2020 !



STAY SAFE!!

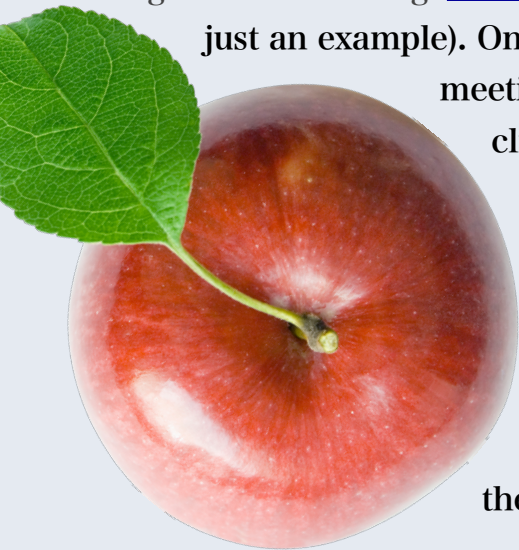
2020-2021 meetings On ZOOM

Until further notice, WSRSEA meetings will be held online through the ZOOM app. We are planning to meet at 1:00 pm. We hope that all members will try to participate. It IS NOT DIFFICULT!

1. Download the ZOOM app from your app store. (It is free) You will need a phone, tablet, or computer with a camera.

2. Watch for an email from WSRSEA that will give a blue link eg. www.trta.org (this is just an example). On the day of the meeting, you will click on that link.

You will be sent to a meeting waiting room until the meeting host can let you into the meeting.



IN MEMORY

We are sad to report that two spouses of former members have passed away this summer:

“Percy” Ronald Jones: husband of late member, Bobbie Jones on July 18, 2020

Bert Blackburn: husband of member, Lillian Blackburn

Our prayers and deepest sympathies go out to these two families.

3. If you don't have a phone or tablet or computer with a camera, see if a WSRSEA friend will let you come to their house and share, but always be safe!

UNTIL WE ARE ABLE TO MEET IN PERSON, MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT 1:00 PM.

MEETING DATES:

September 23, 2020

October 28, 2020

November 18, 2020

December meeting will be decided at a later date

January – no meeting

February 24, 2020

March 24, 2020

April 28, 2020

May 26, 2020

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Welch - Patterson WSRSEA Scholarships Presented in May, 2020

Due to quarantine conditions, WSRSEA was unable to present scholarships at Brewer High School; however, we were very pleased to present three \$1000.00 scholarships to :



**Joshua Colby Dear
Jenna Hooten
Jacie Vieck**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE
WINNERS!!**

AND ... A

**BIG THANK YOU TO COMMITTEE
MEMBERS: Teddy Brannon and Debbie
Tinius from Paulette Lane and WSRSEA!**

WSRSEA Has three new members!



**Welcome to three
new members of
WSRSEA:**

Karen Frederick

Dora Furrow

Debbie James

**We are so happy you have
joined!!**

DUES:



**If you have not paid
your dues for 20-21, please do so
ASAP! Since we have had no
meetings since February, 2020,
MANY members have not yet
paid dues. If you have not,
please mail to Treasurer
Gloria Long
2917 Cortez
Fort Worth, TX 76116-3310**

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

September 19 - Carolyn Davis
September 22 - Mary Chandler
September 23 - Debby Tinius
September 29 - Mona Bienski
September 29 - Honey Lee

!HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

I apologize to those who have had
birthdays during the pandemic! I will do
better next year!

Don't Forget Volunteer Hours!!!

VOLUNTEERING GUIDELINES

- Volunteer hours may be counted for any service provided without pay with a maximum of 12 hours/day.
- Hours spent doing volunteer work are recorded door to door and include prep time. (Count your travel time!)
- Record volunteer hours regularly. A date book or calendar is useful.
- Take pictures of your volunteering! We can include it on Facebook and Shutterfly

WHERE TO VOLUNTEER

- * Schools, Libraries, Museums, and Any Non-Profits
- * Hospitals and Nursing Homes
- * Friends, Neighbors, and Family (Babysit those grandchildren - it counts!)
- * Senior Citizen Centers and Other Community Services.
- * Church
- * Small Businesses and Business offices
- * Raising Money for Worthy Causes

Check with volunteer agencies in your community. Volunteering may be difficult during the pandemic, but don't forget your family volunteering.

PAULETTE LANE, COMMUNITY SERVICES CHAIRMAN

Just
facts

1. Use the above sources to gain ideas about where you may have volunteered during 2020. Take pictures of your volunteer activities.

2. Jot down those hours in a datebook or calendar.

3. Tally those hours on your calendar. In December, I will be asking for the total number of hours you have volunteered during the year. You simply provide the number of hours. It is very easy.

DON'T FORGET!!!