#### CTA/NEA-RETIRED AWARD WINNING NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Just when you think there cannot be another issue to deal with, circumstances or "life" puts something new on the table. Over the summer Governor Newsom issued an Executive Order, intending to help school districts deal with the substitute shortage in the state. The Executive Order temporarily suspended the 180-day return to work prohibition for new retirees. There were details in that first Executive Order.

Now, in January the governor has issued another Executive Order that supersedes the first. Retirees may return to work, the limit on annual CalSTRS earned income is suspended from July 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022, districts must have a written filing available to the public indicating the temporary staffing flexibility, no pre-approval from CalSTRS to hire is required, and no penalty for those who received a local retirement incentive.



Orval Garrison President CTA/NEA-Retired

CTA/NEA-Retired informed all members in our email data base of the elements of the first Executive Order, and there is a follow-up to members about the second Order in January. Since people retire throughout the year, as long as elements of the temporary order remain in place, midyear retirees and those who retire at any other time should still be cautious about going back to work. If a district makes a mistake, it is still the retiree who potentially suffers any pension penalty. Make sure the district knows what it is doing.

Good things have also occurred. The Retired Special Election conducted in September elected our four additional Board members/State Council members, and made our Minority-at-Large Board member an official State Council member. This means that CTA/NEA-Retired now has nine State Council members, up from the previous four. We worked hard to get this increase approved by State Council. We now have two reps to do outreach in each of the four CTA Regions, to connect with and provide service to members, to help start new local chapters, to highlight Member Benefits, and to advance the organizational and political goals of the Association.

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## MEMBER BENEFITS: IMPROVED and NEW

TA and NEA Member Benefits continue to provide outstanding value for members who make online purchases of goods and services. Savings are available to those who know about and use the Member Benefits platforms. **This includes Retired members!** 

**CTA Member Benefits** continue with an expanded ACCESS to Savings program. In **ACCESS DISCOUNTS** you go to a full menu of products, stores, services, travel options, and more to see what the savings will be if a purchase is made. The discounts vary. Sometimes minimal, sometimes up to 40%. ACCESS DISCOUNTS lets you save money on retail shopping, hotels, restaurants, entertainment, and more.

A user-friendly feature of ACCESS DISCOUNTS is the ability to focus geographically. When you register in the system, it knows your location by ZIP Code. When looking for deals, you are shown what is available in your area. But, if you are traveling out of area, you can substitute the ZIP Code of where you are going, and up come discounts in that area.

Go to www.ctamemberbenefits.org

and register. You need your Membership # for initial registration. Create a User ID and a Password, and thereafter just log in. For ACCESS DISCOUNTS click on "Discounts & Travel."



NEA Member Benefits has made some positive changes. The previous program of NEA Click & Save has been replaced. What we have now is NEA Discount Marketplace, NEA Easy Pay, and an improved NEA Travel Program.

NEA discount Marketplace is powered by Rakuten and gives special discounts to NEA member users. Goods and services, stores and service providers and travel options are shown. Continued on page 4

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PHOTOGRAPHS Retired Members

## BOARD REPORT by Debra Sheehan, Secretary-Treasurer

#### CTA/NEA-Retired Board of Directors Meeting October 22, 2021

Action Items:

t the Board meeting, the 2021-2022 Goals were finalized and approved. The actions from the Board Summer Planning Session held virtually in August were approved. The Local Chapter Assistance Program was extended to August 31, 2022 (with no new money).

#### Reports:

President Orval Garrison announced • the August 2021 election results of our four additional Directors/State Council representatives: Lynette Henley, Ken Johnson, Anne Johnson-Curtis, and Gerri Gandolfo. Mary Rose Ortega, Rep at Large, was elected as our fifth new State Council Representative. Orval mentioned that the Board of Directors' 3-day Summer Planning Meetings took place this past August. He highlighted the strong participation of CTA/NEA-Retired in the No on Recall Campaign. Orval announced that our participation with NEA-Retired has increased. Orval and Dana participated in NEA-Retired Leadership training. Our 2022 CTA/NEA-Retired Issues Conference will be held March 3-4. Orval updated our SBMA (Supplemental Benefits Maintenance Account) advocacy and our ongoing efforts with Pension Overpayment Recovery. He described the Workgroup's efforts to update our website, redesign our brochure, and update our Standing Rules. All Workgroup suggestions must be approved by the Board. Orval reported that Our Partner Membership program is up and running.

• Vice President Dana Dillon reported that the CTA/NEA-Retired participation in the virtual exhibits at this past year's CTA Conferences is starting to go to in-person. She renewed her call for more Ambassadors. Dana described her participation in the NEA-Retired Membership Committee, focusing on revamping membership growth and engagement.

• Secretary-Treasurer Debra Sheehan reported that our membership has increased by 497 since August of 2020, with a total of 19,244. The membership should increase once we can be in-person again. The Russo Scholarship balance is \$16,768.00 and the Pedretti Scholarship balance is \$125,000. Our financial situation is sound. Debra participated in the NEA-R Secretary/ Treasurers' Training. • **Directors' Reports** were presented to the membership, and each Board Member shared some of their leadership experience.

• **CTA Staff Consultant Brian Stafford** talked about serious concerns with upcoming 2022 initiatives. Among them are two voucher type initiatives: the Educational Freedom Act and the Educational Savings Account Act. Another pending initiative is the Collective Bargaining Ban. CTA/NEA-Retired will be called upon for assistance.

• Newly appointed NEA Director representing NEA-Retired Ed Foglia shared that he is on the NEA Legislative Committee and the Civil Rights Dinner Committee. He gave us a summary of current issues, including the Bring Back Better Act. He also talked about the importance of Voting Rights, the Social Security Fairness Act, and upcoming GPO/ WEP legislation.

• **CTA Legislative Advocate Seth Bramble** presented an update on legislative action. He summarized the bad bills that were defeated and the good bills that passed with CTA's support. Seth discussed the SBMA (Supplementary Benefits Maintenance Account) and talked about three options for the excess funds. He summarized the concept beliefs about the Offset Recovery "Claw back" and asked for member stories that he could share.

Discussion Items:

• Vice President Dana Dillon expressed concern about the three options for SBMA that were presented by our Speaker Seth Bramble. She reminded us that CTA State Council passed supporting and seeking legislation for Option One at the June 2021 State Council. Conversations with CTA Governmental Relations about this issue are ongoing. Orval, Dana, and Ed continue to represent CTA/NEA-Retired interests at the CalSTRS meetings and advocate for our issues.

• The pros and cons of having next year's Representative Assembly in Dallas, Texas were discussed. (*Since this meeting, NEA has changed the location of the Representative Assembly to Chicago.*)

• Dana reported on communications with CTA President Toby Boyd, who expressed his gratitude for our efforts to help defeat the Recall of Governor Newsom.

• Dana announced that we had 101 participants at our virtual Board Meeting, along with CTA Vice President David Goldberg and several CTA Board members.

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BOARD REPORT by Debra Sheehan, Secretary-Treasurer CTA/NEA-Retired Board of Directors Meeting January 14, 2022

Action Items: Standing Rule 2.6.g (extending the term of office for Directors elected in August 2021 by one year, until 2025) and Standing Rule 5.2 (rewording the Russo Scholarship language to include the Pedretti Scholarship) were both approved.

#### Reports:

President Orval Garrison reminded • members to feel free to contact their CTA/NEA-Retired Regional Directors or the officers with questions or concerns. Orval also reminded members that the deadline to submit applications for 2022 CTA/NEA-Retired elections is January 28, 2022. He announced that the Board voted unanimously today in closed session to hold our March 3-4, 2022 CTA/NEA-Retired Issues Conference virtually. He updated us about progress with the CTA/NEA-Retired New Business Item SBMA (Supplemental Benefits Maintenance Account) Option 1. Orval also described how we are united with the CTA State Council Retirement Committee about the Pension Overpayment need for school districts to repay STRS for any overpayment errors that school districts report.

 CTA Legislative Advocate Seth Bramble presented an update on legislation. He reported on a Jan. 13, 2022 STRS fossil fuels divestment protest at CTA Headquarters and mentioned that CTA will hold a discussion panel about fossil fuel divestment at the next State Council. He described a new Executive Order from Governor Newsom that gives school staffing flexibility until March 31, 2022. He also updated us about the SBMA Option 1 being presented to delegates at this State Council.

President Orval Garrison continued his report by discussing our decades-long effort to get the GPO/WEP penalties for teachers removed. He announced that the latest bill is HR 5723, considered our best chance at passage since it details the

source of the funding. He announced that he, Vice President Dana Dillon, Secretary/Treasurer Debra Sheehan, and Staffperson Brian Stafford will be representing CTA/NEA-Retired at the March 16-18, 2022 NEA Retired Conference in Baltimore. He cautioned members about numerous recent email misrepresentations that appear to be from him but they are not. They are a scam and should be ignored. Orval announced that our successful 2021 virtual webinars will be repeated in 2022. The Membership Benefits webinar will be held on February 8 and the Retirement Issues webinar will be held on May 4.

CTA Staff Rose Luna announced that Retirement Workshops will continue to be presented virtually, three times a month. She described three teachers at a California Community College who owe over \$600,000 in Pension Overpayments from 2020 and 2011, due to district reporting errors. She explained the continuing need to hold school districts responsible for their errors.

 Vice President Dana Dillon reported that CTA/NEA Retired has continued to participate in virtual exhibits at CTA Conferences. She described the ongoing work of the Membership Workgroup subcommittees and stated that recommended bylaws changes will be presented at the March 2022 General Membership meeting. Dana updated us on her participation on the NEA Membership Committee, which had created two new membership growth and engagement awards.

Secretary-Treasurer Debra Sheehan reported that our membership has increased by 1,028 since December of 2020, with a total of 19,857. The Russo Scholarship balance is \$16,668.00 and the Pedretti Scholarship balance is \$125,000. She reported that our financial situation is sound. Debra mentioned that the milage rate is now 58.5 cents per mile.

Directors' Reports were presented to the membership, with each regional pair discussing their working relationship and the activities in their regions. There

have been frequent phone and video collaborations. Ethnic Minority-at-Large Director Mary Rose Ortega mentioned her participation with CARA and the NEA Fund. Bonnie Shatun gave an overview of the upcoming November 2022 election, including two possible voucher initiatives. Retirees will again be called upon for participation in CTA's election activities.

• CTA Staff Consultant Brian Stafford also talked about concerns with the upcoming 2022 initiatives. He reminded us that he is involved with CTA Governance and reminds them of the valuable assistance that CTA/NEA-Retired can provide.

**NEA-Retired Board member Ed** Foglia commented on the importance of HR 5723 passing and presented a history of the GPO/WEP repeal effort. He expressed his concerns with voter suppression, gerrymandering, and changing the filibuster rule.

• At adjournment President Orval asked for a moment of silence in honor of Larry Fells, a former Liaison, who has passed away.

Information Items: The next Board Meeting will be held Friday, March 25, 2022. It is scheduled to be held in person in Los Angeles. Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/ctanearetired (No "membership" in Facebook is required).



## CALSTRS BRINGS IN RECORD BREAKING RETURN AND FORMALIZES EFFORTS TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE

By Dana Dillon, Vice President

hanks to CalSTRS' strategic investment approach and strong performance across all markets despite the global pandemic, CalSTRS saw a record high 27.2% return for FY 20-21. The fund is now double the value from ten years ago, crossing \$300 billion this summer.

The most thrilling news is CalSTRS' formalization of their efforts to combat climate change - adopting a Net-Zero Carbon Commitment across all asset classes while adhering to their primary responsibility of protecting the retirement security of its members:

CalSTRS recognizes the risks and opportunities presented by the foreseeable transition to a low-caron economy, as well as the global acceleration towards alignment with the sciencebased emissions targets of the Paris Climate Agreement. In order to provided sustainable benefits to California's educators, CalSTRS is committed to achieving a net-zero investment portfolio by 2050 or sooner.

Although CalSTRS has been involved in environmental, social, and governance investment issues for well over twenty (20) years, its efforts in sustainable investing have ramped up over the past six. As part of the Paris Climate Agreement, CalSTRS was one of the first institutional investors to sign the Paris Pledge for Action in 2015. To enhance its influence around climate change, CalSTRS became actively involved in global coalitions and initiatives, such as The Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosure, Climate Action 100+, and the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board; often serving in leadership positions or taking the lead on coalition initiatives. Initiatives have included engaging corporations as well as advocating for global policy change. In 2016, CalSTRS created and began investing in a low-carbon index. CalSTRS began transitioning to a low-carbon portfolio in 2018, the Board approved the Low-Carbon Transition Investment Policy in 2019, and in 2021 approved the Sustainable Investment and Stewardship Strategies portfolio. CalSTRS currently invests almost \$10 billion directly into green investments.

CalSTRS' preference for engagement over divestment has been successful in influencing some of the world's most significant greenhouse gas emitters to align their goals with the Paris Agreement. Duke Energy, one of the largest American utility companies has pledged net-zero emissions by 2050, as has Maersk, one of the world's largest ocean shipping companies. Most recently, CalSTRS along with other coalition partners, elected three climate change advocates to the Exxon Board of Directors.

Your liaisons have encouraged CalSTRS to build on these successes in order to achieve their goal sooner than the 2050 Paris Agreement deadline and will continue to encourage CalSTRS to be aggressive in their efforts to help make this world a better place for members and students.

Interested in learning more about CalSTRS efforts regarding Climate Change? Visit the CalSTRS Sustainable Investment and Sustainability webpages at CalSTRS.com. You will find the most recent Sustainability and Green Team Investment reports as well as CalSTRS' history, policies, activities, and successes around sustainable investing.

Your liaisons also continue to work with the CTA Retirement Committee and CalSTRS to find a solution for the devastating effects of the Benefit Overpayment Recovery. Sometimes our members find that due to a district reporting error, their benefits have been overpaid; their benefit is immediately reduced and they have to repay what has been overpaid. Our stance is that no member should have to suffer because of a district or CalSTRS error.

Members of Tulare/Kings-Retired handed out Pride sunglasses, tattoos and hand sanitizer with the Tulare/Kings Service Center Council logo at the Visalia Pride Show held at the Rawhide Stadium in Visalia. Pictured on the right are President Marie Rodriguez-Gonzalez (with lei) and Secretary-Treasurer Tina Williford. Seated is Tina's son Steven.

## MEMBER BENEFITS: IMPROVED and NEW

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Discounts are indicated. Make a purchase and you get Cash Back by way of a check or payment to a Paypal account—your choice. No keeping track of rewards points, just immediate cash back. People may say, "I can enroll in Rakuten independent of NEA." Yes, but if you enroll within the NEA Member Benefits system, there are discounts not available to others.

**NEA Easy Pay** is a "shop now, pay later" program. It is powered by Square Deal Market. In this program you get discount pricing on all manner of products—furnishings, fashion, electronics, and more. A membership fee is waived for NEA members, you may make payments over time with no interest or finance fee, and there are no credit checks or credit applications.

**NEA Travel Program** online has been streamlined. It is easier to access and understand the travel options. Car rental, hotels, airfare, resorts, cruises, & a variety of guided tours are all under one online roof. The famous NEA Travel Dollars are still in effect. Register, use the program, and earn Travel Dollars to be used later.

CTA/NEA-Retired will again present a virtual Member Benefits Webinar to all interested Retired members on February 8, 2022. Look for the announcement and the link to the presentation in your email. It is informative and free.

Go to <u>www.neamb.com</u> and register with your Membership number. Set a User ID and Password, and you are set to go. Click on Benefits, Everyday Savings (NEA Discount Marketplace or NEA Easy Pay) or go to NEA Travel. Around the nation NEA members use these sites to save money.



## 2021 CTA/NEA-RETIRED SCHOLARSHIPS IN MEMORY OF SHARILYNN GARDELLA RUSSO AWARDED By Marc Sternberger, Past President

he CTA/NEA-Retired Scholarship Committee selected, Nely Munoz Pena, Danielle King and Cristina Lopez to be this year's recipients of the Sharilynn Gardella Russo Memorial Scholarships.







**Nely Munoz Pena** came to California from Mexico as a teenager and received her Bachelor's degree from CSU-Sacramento. She is attending Gallaudet University's SLP Master's Program. She stated, "I want to be an ally for the Deaf community and become one of the few professionals who are trilingual/bimodal Latinas working with diverse populations"... "I want to help bridge the language acquisition gap for deaf children."

Nely has provided home care services for children with special needs and worked in a peerassisted learning program at Sacramento State helping diverse students. She volunteered with Reading Partners, a local organization that pairs at-risk children with adult tutors. She also volunteered at many community events with Latinx families, providing cultural activities and language support.

Her professor wrote, "Her volunteer work is extensive and shows a strong commitment to serving others who have special needs and are members of underserved, under-resourced communities." She went on to say, "Nely is a passionate, enthusiastic, responsible, and reliable hard worker... her Spanish and ASL skills will be great assets to our field."

**Danielle King** graduated with a B.S. in Speech Pathology from the Communication Disorders and Sciences Department at CSU – Sacramento and is in her second year earning a Master's degree in that program.

Danielle listed many paid and volunteer experiences that will be helpful to her, including working with the Sacramento Scottish Rite Childhood Language Center. She also worked as a Registered Behavior Technician with children diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) where she "learned to teach programs, manage high-stress situations, and intervene to avoid behaviors." She stated, "I will utilize these skills when working with those diagnosed with ASD, ADHD, Down Syndrome, and speech and language disorders." Danielle wrote, "I will be interning (Spring 2022) in a school and hospital with these populations.... and hope to continue in these settings as an SLP."

Danielle's professor wrote, "She is quite bright and is a quick learner with excellent interpersonal skills. She is hardworking, goal oriented, and a leader... She is doing quite well academically and clinically in graduate school. I very highly recommend Danielle to you."

**Cristina Lopez** graduated with a B.S. in Speech Pathology from the Communication Disorders and Sciences Department at CSU - Sacramento in May 2021 and has gone on to the Master's Degree program. She also minored in Education - Teaching Equity and Student Engagement.

Cristina shared, "After completing my Master's degree I look forward to working as a schoolbased speech language pathologist in low-income schools and building relationships with the students I encounter." She also noted in her application, "I am Spanish-speaking and believe this will allow me to reach diverse clients and families in the future."

Cristina has received her clinical experience at Autism Behavior Services, Inc. in Modesto where she provided applied behavior analysis therapy to clients K-12 diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. She also was involved in long-term Traumatic Brain Injury Rehabilitation and Concussion Cognitive Rehabilitation at NeuroService Alliance.

Her CSUS professor praised Cristina's academic skills as well as her many volunteer experiences. These included participation in a "Diversity Panel for students pursuing a career in Speech Pathology"... and "giving a presentation on bilingualism and the significance behind being able to speak two languages and reaching others within the Spanish-speaking community." She wrote, "Cristina Lopez is a phenomenal student who will be an amazing SLP in the future, as well as an outstanding member of the community"

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The 2021 Scholarship Committee included: Ed Foglia, Shelley Krantz, Orval Garrison, and Mary Rose Ortega.

Donations for these scholarships are always gratefully accepted anytime of the year! Please make checks out to the **CTA Foundation for Teaching and Learning** with the following notation: **Russo Memorial Scholarship Fund** in the memo line of your check.

Checks should be mailed to: Debra Sheehan 3045 Capitola Road, Apt. 17, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

## CTA STATE COUNCIL MET VIRTUALY AND TOOK ACTION ON IMPORTANT CALSTRS LEGISLATION

Once again, the tenaciousness of your CTA/NEA-Retired leadership has paid off! We are pleased to announce that after years of our advocacy, both at CalSTRS and CTA, CTA State Council approved sponsoring legislation that will dramatically help members.

The first piece of sponsored legislation is a proposal for CalSTRS to use the surplus monies in the Supplemental Benefits Maintenance Account Program for the benefit of members retired the longest. Known as Option 1, those who retired prior to 1999 when the benefit enhancements took place, will get an increase in payments according to what year they retired. Since Council took action on this needed legislation at the January meeting, CTA has secured a sponsor and the bill has been given a number and been introduced. It is now SB 868 introduced by Senator Dave Cortese, the Chair of the Senate Labor, Public Employment and Retirement Committee. The language of the bill has already been vetted and approved by CalSTRS.

The second piece of sponsored legislation is a proposal that would change how CalSTRS recoups monies that have been overpaid to retirees. Currently with the CalSTRS Overpayment Recovery Program, members who have been overpaid benefits are obligated by law to not only have their benefit reduced, but also to repay to CalSTRS any overpayments – even when the overpayment is due to a mistake made by their district or CalSTRS. The error could result in a retiree being notified that they owe thousands of dollars that they need to repay. Among other improvements, this legislative proposal would make districts and CalSTRS responsible for any overpayment recoveries. No member should have to pay for mistakes made by others! This bill is now AB 1667 introduced by Assemblymember Jim Cooper, Chair of the Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee.

Rest assured that as these proposals work their way through the legislative process, CTA/NEA-Retired will keep you informed about how you can help get them passed into law.

There are now nine CTA/NEA-Retired members who represent us on CTA State Council. They serve on the following committees: Assessment and Testing (1), Political Involvement (2), Retirement (2), State Legislation (1), Student Support Services (1), and Teacher Evaluation and Academic Freedom (2). Council Committees study and make recommendations on a variety of critical issues within their scope, but final actions are debated and voted on by the entire Council. And, yes, this has been done very effectively with the recent virtual format necessitated by COVID safety measures.



was scheduled to be in person in Los Angeles, it was changed to virtual due to COVID concerns. Pictured at the CTA Headquarters in Burlingame are President Toby Boyd, Secretary-Treasurer Leslie Littman and some of the outstanding CTA staff members and production crew who helped it all happen. Vice Presiden David Goldberg participated from Los Angeles.



## PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

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**Recall election in November,** we also have reasons to take pride in the part we played. Yes, we informed all our members about the risk of removing a governor whose budgets had protected public education. We encouraged contributions to the No on Recall campaign, suggested teaming up with CARA and other groups to spread the "NO" message, and got local chapter members to work with RRC's and UniServ's to get out the word. I have heard from members sharing what they did. I thank you if you too did *something!* 

The beginning of 2022 has CTA/NEA-Retired looking ahead to coming events. On March 3-4 the annual CTA/NEA-Retired Issues Conference is set to convene and it has been changed from in-person to virtual. Check out cta.org/conferences for the ability to Register online. Later in March the NEA-Retired Conference is to occur in Baltimore, MD. Retired members are eligible to attend, and some CTA/NEA-Retired reps will be there.

Coming out of Covid restrictions and responding to health advisories are proving to be frustrating as national, state and local health departments monitor the variant. With the increase in vaccination numbers, NEA, CTA, and local chapters are beginning to **return to various forms of in-person meeting. I hear from local retired chapters:** "We are doing an outdoor lunch," "We are meeting but requiring vaccination," "We are limiting the number of people who may come." I trust in the good sense of our local leaders and of our members who respect science over political dogma. **My continued advice:** Be cautious. Open up slowly. In spite of one politician who said, "Living isn't everything," life is everything!

Finally, January is midyear in most school districts. If retirees know of member colleagues who are retiring midyear, please encourage those people to join CTA/NEA-Retired. Midyear retirees often slip through the cracks because nobody approached them with news about CTA/NEA-Retired. Another achievement we have made is that one now has the ability to join online. Throughout the state, Membership Coordinators, Liaisons, local chapter leaders, RRC and UniServ CTA staff do their best to connect retirees to the Retiree Affiliate, yet we miss some. To join online, one goes to cta.org/ retired. Scroll down to Join CTA/NEA-Retired. You should have the CTA membership number and an email address ready to provide. One may also download the paper application and mail it.

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# REGISTRATION OPENS SOON www.cta.org/conferences

18th ANNUAL CTA/NEA-RETIRED ISSUES CONFERENCE: AT HOME EDITION To be held virtually March 3-4, 2022

Come join us for the 18th Annual CTA/NEA-Retired Issues Conference! You don't have to be retired to attend. If you are retired or are considering retirement in the next few years you will benefit from the information offered by speakers and workshops on a variety of issues.

# Attend this conference to learn how you can stay connected, be protected & enjoy great benefits

Sessions May Include Opportunities to...

- Explore Travel Options and avoid problems
- Examine Computer Safety issues
- Negotiate the Healthcare & Medicare Maze with help from HICAP
- Be Updated on NEA's Advocacy for Federal Retirement Security (Protecting Social Security & Repealing GPOIWEP)
- Discover more about CTA/NEA Member Benefits & the discounts and savings available to members
- Learn about Staying Healthy and Active in Retirement

SPEAKERS AND PRESENTERS to inform and inspire! E. Toby Boyd - CTA President Sarah Borgman – NEA-Retired President

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#### NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN: 2022 ELLEN LOGUE WHO (WE HONOR OURS) AWARD

Annually, CTA/NEA-Retired honors one member who has continued to be active in their retirement by exhibiting leadership in the Association, in public education and in the community. The recipient will be recognized at our General Membership Meeting at the conclusion of the

#### 18th Annual Retired Issues Conference to be held March 3-4. Past winners of the award are:

- 2021 Ed Foglia
- 2020 Marc Sternberger
- 2019 Jim Burfeind
- 2018 Robert "Bob" McDonough
- 2017 Frank Tarantino
- 2016 Arlene Pavey
- 2015 Bonnie Shatun
- 2014 Val Muchowski
- 2013 Orval Garrison
- 2012 Tim Jenkins



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## Nomination forms can be found online at www.cta.org/retired ,

by contacting CTA/NEA-Retired at 650/552.5439 or emailing <u>CTA-Retired@cta.org</u>. Deadline for submission is February 18, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

### \*\*\*\*\*NEWLY RETIRED MEMBERS\*\*\*\*

If you recently retired, you must notify the CTA Membership Department by calling 650-552-5278 or send an email to <u>membership@cta.org</u> notifying CTA of your change in status. You will not be able to vote in the CTA/NEA-Retired elections or run for "retired" offices if you are still listed as "Pre-Retired."

TO LOCATE A LOCAL RETIRED CHAPTER IN YOUR AREA GO TO: <u>www.CTA.org/Retired</u> and click on the LOCAL CHAPTERS tab at the top.

