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Division 75 **Sacramento Northeast** California Retired Teachers Association

"DOUBLE YOUR PLEASURE - DOUBLE YOUR FUN!" "DOUBLE SPEAKERS!"



CalRTA Division 75 Luncheon October 15, 2019 - North Ridge Country Club

MEET THE SPEAKERS!

DR. JIM MAHONEY

- Newly Elected President of CalRTA
- Retired in 2010 from the Kern County School District
- Taught Multi-Handicapped Students
- School Principal and Kern County Superintendent for Special Education
- Enjoys Golf and Singing in a Barbershop Quartet

HEAR HIS PLANS FOR CALRTA!

KATHY BOYD FELLURE

- Children's Book Author, Novelist and Photographer
- Has Transitioned to Adult Fiction
- Author of Two Books of a Trilogy set in Lake Tahoe
- Attended Mercy High School in Sacramento
- Father Taught School in the San Juan Unified

HER STORY IS

School District

YOU'LL LOVE IT!

FASCINATING!

PAT BOYD: 2019 CALRTA RUTH Q. de PRIDA AWARD WINNER!



The Ruth Q. de Prida Award is given to a CalRTA member for distinction, dedication and devotion as an educator and community leader.

Pat has held the offices of Division President and Area III Director as well as a long list of other offices.

> Her award was presented to her at the CalRTA Annual Convention & Delegate Assembly on 5/21/19 in Los Angeles.

CONGRATULATIONS PAT! "IT IS A PLEASURE TO KNOW YOU; A PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH YOU AND AN HONOR TO CALL YOU FRIEND!" **Division 75** (Read More About Pat on Page 2)



President's Corner Ron Dworitz 1 (916) 488-4363

I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer. Our division will again have interesting luncheons and various activities.

Luncheons are scheduled for Tuesday-10/15/2019, Tuesday-12/17/2019, Monday-2/17/2020, Tuesday-4/21/2020 and Tuesday-6/16/2020.

Be sure to notice the new Meeting Agenda Schedule on the Oct. Luncheon Reservation Form, page 9. At this meeting we will also approve the new budget for 2019-2020.

Linda Darling, our Vice President, has been planning interesting and enjoyable programs for our luncheons. We are very fortunate to have Linda assume this important role.

At this luncheon we will have an excellent author and speaker, Kathy Boyd Fellure. In addition, we will have CalRTA President Dr. Jim Mahoney who will speak to increasing membership and other issues. Be sure to invite your friends to come to our October meeting to hear these dynamic speakers!

The Board members have been working diligently this summer. Our organization is so fortunate to have these dedicated individuals.

Once again, I encourage you to make known any ideas which will benefit our division. Please submit them to any of our board members.

Everyone should examine our division website – https://div75.calrta.org - for the most current information. You will also enjoy looking at the various pictures.

This year promises to be interesting and challenging for our division and state organization. We are continuing to emphasize the importance of enhancing our membership, keeping our retirement benefits viable, supporting others through grants, scholarships and working to eliminate the unfair WEP/GPO.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our October 15th luncheon. Please feel free to contact me with any of your concerns at dworitz@yahoo.com or 1 (916) 488-4363.

Sincerely, Ron

WOW! SAVE CALRTA \$\$\$! SWITCH POSTAL NEWSLETTER TO EMAIL Contact Tech Support, Vickie McGregor calrtadiv75@gmail.com or 1 (916) 966-0650



.....More About Pat Boyd

Born in Michigan and graduating from Central Michigan University, Pat Boyd came to California to teach in Primary Education for 38 years.

An outstanding contributor to her community, Pat worked with the Sacramento County Early Childhood Advisory Committee for which she received a Commendation of Excellence.

A tireless worker, Pat has been a Parent-Surrogate for Foster Youth for San Juan District (Special Education Department) as well as working with preschoolers whose mothers were receiving additional educational training. She was involved in the Junior League of Sacramento and in 2006, received an Outstanding Sustaining Member Award.

Pat participated in the Sacramento Golden Retriever Rescue program for 18 years.

She is currently a member of the American Association of University Women and CalRTA holding a variety of offices in both organizations.

Pat is also the mother of a son, Anson, plays bridge and loves to travel.

AN AMAZING LADY!
Ruth Q. de Prida Award Winner!

Jola Jones, Communications Chair



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needs to hear from you if you know someone who needs a Card – a Cheery Note – a Caring Remembrance CALL:

1 (916) 988-6880



LESS THAN ONE YEAR LEFT TO GET YOUR REAL ID COMPLIANT IDENTIFICATION!

 Beginning October 1, 2020, every airline passenger 18 and older will need a REAL ID compliant driver's license or another acceptable form of identification to fly within the United States.



- If you choose to have your California Driver License comply with the REAL ID Law,
 you must visit a DMV field office and present original or certified documents proving
 your Identity (one document), Social Security Number (one document) and California Residency street
 address (two different documents).
- Get details online from the California DMV: https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/realid or get printed copies of this information at the "How-To-Center" at the CalRTA Division 75 October Luncheon.
- If you think that lines at the DMV are long now, they are only going to get longer as we get closer to October 1, 2020. So, DON'T DELAY, GET STARTED TODAY!

HAVE YOU LOST OR MISPLACED YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY CARD?



- If you can't find your Social Security Card or if the 1099-R Form that your annuity, IRA, TSA, or pension account sends to the IRS doesn't show your full Social Security Number, you will need to get a replacement card.
- You can create an online account with Social Security at https://www.ssa.gov/myaccount. After doing so, request a replacement card.
- To update your personal information and/or obtain a replacement card,

the Social Security office that handles these matters is located at 8581 Folsom Blvd, Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95826. This office is open 9 AM to 4 PM Monday through Friday. Call 1 (800) 772-1213 to make an appointment.



Additional information will be available at the "How-To-Center" at the Oct. Luncheon.

IS YOUR CALSTRS BENEFICIARY INFORMATION UP TO DATE?

• The California State Teachers Retirement System (CalSTRS) currently offers retirees a death benefit in the amount of \$6,372.



- Upon the notification of your death, CalSTRS will pay this amount to the person or persons, trust or organization(s) that you have designated.
- If you did not make this designation before you retired and/or if your circumstances have changed (dissolution of marriage, death of a family member, etc.), you will need to submit another valid CalSTRS *Recipient Designation* (Form MS0002).



- CalSTRS must receive your form before your death.
- CalSTRS will confirm in writing the receipt of a valid and complete Recipient Designation and you should keep this letter with your important documents.
- Copies of this *Recipient Designation* Form and information on how to complete it will be available at the "How-To-Center" at the CalRTA Division 75 October Luncheon.

September/October Legislative Report

In reading past Legislative reports, I am finding that we are slowly, but very surely, getting to our goal of 290 sponsors needed to force a vote on House Bill - H.R. 141. When I wrote last time in the Spring, we only had 109 co-sponsors. As of August 17th, (thanks to Don Houser who is keeping an accurate record), we are at **196** co-sponsors.

I think it is always a good thing to realize that our efforts are worth it and gaining the attention of Congress. I want to thank all of those in Division 75 who are keeping up the letter writing campaign! AS YOU CAN SEE, IT IS PAYING OFF!

But as of now, I would like you to know the California Representatives who have **NOT** yet signed for the complete repeal of the WEP/GPO. They are:

Doug LaMalfa-R Tom McClintock-R Nancy Pelosi-D Devin Nunes-R Kevin McCarthy-R



Maxine Waters-D Nan Diaz Barragan-D Katie Porter-D J. Luis Correa-D Tony Cardenas-D

These are our elected representatives from both parties, Democrat and Republican! If we make a concerted effort to reach those names above, then we will have all of California supporting this repeal! We, California teachers affected by these unjust laws, have every right to expect our elected Legislators to fight for us in supporting HR141: the repeal of the WEP/GPO.

LET'S LET THEM KNOW......

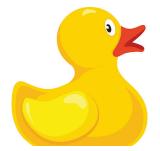
Sandy Edwards

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CalRTA Division 75 Government Relations Chair

BYOD TO THE OCTOBER LUNCHEON!





NO!

It means BRING YOUR OLD DIRECTORY (To Be Shredded) and exchange it for a Fabulous New Directory!

Shredding Committee



IMAGINE..... EXTRA CASH NEAR CHRISTMAS!!!

The Membership Extraganza Bag is filling up with your names and lots of money! Bring in a new member to join Division 75 and your name and \$5.00 will go into the bag. Excitement is building because one very lucky member will be the GRAND PRIZE WINNER

at Division 75's December 17th Holiday Luncheon!

For the next 60+ days, "FOCUS" on bringing in MORE NEW MEMBERS!

MEMBER APPLICATION FORM

California Retired Teachers Association – DIVISION 75 **Dues Deduction (\$4.50 / month from your STRS warrant)**

I authorize the State Teachers Retirement System (CalSTRS) to deduct my CalRTA monthly dues. State amount of dues be adjusted as deemed necessary by CalRTA, I authorize the adjusted deduction shall continue unless I notify the CalRTA business office in writing to the contrary. To terminate dues deductions, I agree to make my request in writing to the CalRTA office. Other – Please enclose your check for \$54.00 a year Payable to CalRTA.				
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Name		Zip Code		
·	City	Zip Code		
NameAddress	CityOnly)			
NameAddressSocial Security Number (for Dues Deduct	City Only)Phone	Zip Code		

Mail to: **Susan Hammond, Membership Chairman** – P. O. Box 2556, Fair Oaks, CA 95628-2556 Email or Call: susanhammond58@hotmail.com; 1 (916) 952-8668

We do not share your information with other organizations



MOVING? NEW PHONE? CHANGED EMAIL? NO NEWSLETTER DELIVERED? CONTACT TECH SUPPORT VICKIE MCGREGOR



Welcome, New Members:

Rala Dayal Barbara Kitz 🖈 Barbara Holmes-Smith 🖈

Rose Erickson Edwina Minor Sheryl Talley

Virginia Frantzreb ★ James Paul Segrue ★ Lynne Tse

Barbara Helen Hailer ★ Paul Schmiegel Sally Weber ★

Joe D. White ★ **(Not Pictured)**

New Members Who Attended the June 2019 Luncheon













Rala Dayal

Rose Erickson

Edwina Minor

Paul Schmiegel

Sheryl Talley

Lynne Tse

RETIRED TEACHERS' WEEK - NOVEMBER 1-8, 2019

Retired Teachers' Week has been designated as a special time for CalRTA members, throughout the state, to say, "We Appreciate You" to our retired teachers. Division 75 is planning activities that will accomplish that goal. Significant attention will be paid to Division 75's Sweethearts (90+ years young).



It is important to note that CalRTA is a multi-faceted organization whose members provide a backbone of volunteer service that keep communities strong. At a recent reporting period, members tallied over two million volunteer hours in the state of California.

Division 75 also funds Mini-Grants to active teachers for worthy projects. In addition, the Division also supports RTSF Scholarship Awards to deserving American River College students.

"Thank you, members, for your many years of service and your continued efforts with a variety of community projects".

Jola Jones

Communications Chair

SAYING THANKS TO MEMBERS FROM THE "BOTTOM OF THEIR HEARTS"!

Scholarship Winners appreciation to Division 75 June Luncheon.

Each winner told of how helping them achieve their goals.

Some students are headed



expressed their members at the CalRTA

their scholarship award is long-term educational

for higher education and a

teaching credential; some are headed for law school; some are headed for the medical profession, and some are headed for the business world.



Their gratitude was moving and touched the hearts of all the members present at the luncheon.

Kathy Houser, Scholarship President

MAKE AN IMPACT ON THE FUTURE!

Donate to the Scholarship Foundation and allow a worthy American River College student to achieve their educational goals. No donation is too small or too big. "Everyone has talent, but not everyone has an opportunity".



BE A PART OF DELIVERING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL. THANK YOU

Carolyn Fisher, RTSF Treasurer

The Retired Teachers Scholarship Foundation

Established by CalRTA Division 75

Please remember that memorials, birthdays, honorariums, and outstanding service can be honored with donations to the Scholarship Foundation. All donations are acknowledged in writing. Recipient or Next of Kin will be notified of your gift but the amount will not be disclosed. If you feel you would like to do something special today, write us a check!

Make checks payable to:

The Retired Teachers Scholarship Foundation Inc. Mail to: RTSF, Inc., PO Box 1451, Fair Oaks, CA 95628

Donor's Name	Date
Address	
Enclosed is my contribution t	o the above scholarship fund in the amount of \$
In Honor / Memory of: Name	
	Special Recognition As a Bequest Birthday Other gement of this contribution to: Person being honored Next of Kin
Honoree / Next of Kin Name:	
Address:	

DID YOU KNOW?

DON HOUSER – COMMENDATION AWARD WINNER!

- Recognized by the State Government Relations Committee for his work with Social Security issues and efforts to repeal WEP and GPO penalties.
- Communicated to GRC members which Senators & Representatives have chosen to support legislation that seek to overturn these laws.
- Researched 20 years of previous bills to determine how elected officials voted then and now.
- Has enabled CalRTA volunteers to target members of Congress who need to support us.
 WAY TO GO, DON!

Area III Fall Workshop



- Fall Workshop for leaders in the six divisions of Area III will be held on Monday, September 16, 2019.
- Area III Committee Representatives: Susan Hammond, Jan Meizel, Paula Weiss, Clint Richie, Don Houser, and Pat Geyer will make reports on what is happening in their respective fields.
- Chuck Denonn will give an overview of progress at the state level.

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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A NEW DIRECTORY MAILED TO YOU SEND ANY CHANGES OR CONTACT TECH SUPPORT, VICKIE MCGREGOR

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CALRTA MEMBER BENEFITS RESOURCE LIBRARY

- Categories
 - CalSTRS and Publications
 - Resources for Older Adults
 - Housing Advanced Care
 - Legislative Issues
 - Protecting Yourself / Interests
 - Driving Issues
 - Staying Active
 - Injury Prevention
- Check calrta.org/resource-library

A TIP FOR GOOD HEALTH Resolve to Exercise Every Day



Walk a little every day,
Chase your blues and cares away.
Keep your body slim and strong,
Support good health,
Your whole life long!

OCTOBER LUNCHEON

Tuesday, October 15, 2019 North Ridge Country Club Ballroom

7600 Madison Ave., Fair Oaks, CA 95628

9:30 AM Social Time and Greetings

10:15 AM: Meeting 10:30 AM: Speakers 11:30 AM: Lunch

Jitney transport from parking lot

Speakers:

Kathy Boyd Fellure – Author

Dr. Jim Mahoney – CalRTA State President

Entrees

	1	Pork Loin - Whipped Potatoes – Squash and Zucchini			
	Butternut Squash Ravioli, Brown Sage Butter, Shaved Parmesan with Glazed Baby Carrots				
Dessert – Apple Pie or Crisp with Vanilla Ice Cream All Entrees include: Rolls & Butter, Coffee, Iced Tea & Water					
		RSVP by October 7, 2019			
*** Reservations postmarked after October 7, 2019 will be \$30.00 ***					
		No phone orders	Entrée Number (See Above)		
Name)				
Name)				
Are you a FIRST TIME ATTENDEE? Please check here:					
Checks to CalRTA Division 75: - \$25.00 per Entrée - After October 7th - \$30.00 per Entrée Amount Enclosed: \$					

Note: Luncheon dates are intended to be on a regular day of the week each year. However, North Ridge reserves the right to schedule events as needed so some future dates may have to change.

Mail Reservations to: CalRTA Division 75, 5917 Via Casitas, Carmichael, CA 95608-6539

DIVISION 75 WELCOMES ALL.....



MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND RECONNECT WITH COLLEAGES

Susan Hammond (Membership Chair) and Vickie McGregor (Tech Support) greet all Luncheon Guests with a "Mingle Activity" that creates a fun atmosphere in which to

socialize.



A drawing is held prizes for in the activity and receive CalRTA bumper stickers,



winners can branded cups, water bottles, magnetic and tote bags.

to award

participating

It's a great way to get to know one another, have fun and "kick-off" the luncheon at the same time!

IT'S COMING UP!!

The One Hundredth Anniversary of the Certification of the 19th Amendment is on August 26, 2020. This amendment granted women the right to vote.





"If all people should send their children to the public schools, they would feel bound to concentrate their money on improving these schools until they met the highest ideals."

We Remember with Love

IN MEMORIAM



DUWAYNE KOPLIN
LOIS KOPLIN
DONALD G. MCCORMICK
LUCILLE SCALORA
GEORGIANNA SCHALES
BARBARA WILSON



PHOTOS FROM THE JUNE 2019 LUNCHEON



Photo Captions

- 1. Program Chairs Gale and Bill Hooper prepare for the Membership Appreciation Day Prize Give-Away.
- 2. Beverly and Leonard Thomas laugh at recalling Division 75's participation at the convention talent show!
- 3. Hedda Smithson and Gloria Yost have infectious smiles as they arrive for today's luncheon.
- 4. Audrey Samora and first-time attendee, Angie Rivera, reconnect with one another.
- 5. Recent Twin Rivers retirees Rala Dayal and Edwina Minor are new members of Division 75.
- 6. Chris Jones always enjoys coming to our luncheons and visiting with friends and former co-workers.
- 7. Paul Schmiegel is a recently retired teacher, a first-time attendee and a new member.
- 8. RTSF Scholarship Winner and prospective teacher Dorte Oxenvad has just won a prize!
- 9. Linda Darling is elated with the gift she was awarded during today's celebration.

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Travel Corner Sept. / Oct. 2019 By Marti Gohring 1 (916) 709-1346



As you read this article there is a group of nine of us headed to Rome for 5 nights and then embarking on an 11 night Eastern Mediterranean cruise! What an adventure.

Fall Day Trip- October 2, 2019 Sonoma and Cornerstone Garden Tour. Contact Erna Giesbrecht, giesbrechterna1@gmail.com or 1 (916) 723-4136

Spring 2020 14-day Transatlantic Celebrity Cruise from Fort Lauderdale to Dublin Ireland. From \$1549 per person double occupancy for inside cabin (port taxes \$128.25 pp); Oceanview \$1819; Balcony from \$1829. Call Marti Gohring for more information. 1 (916) 709-1346 or email martigoh@gmail.com.

Spring 2020 River Cruise on the Blue Danube with Tauck-12 Days from Prague to Budapest. May 11-22. Call Marti Gohring for pricing and details. 1 (916) 709-1346 or email martigoh@gmail.com.

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