



BCREA Newsletter



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Broward County Retired Educators' Association

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Naugle Explains Duties, Answers Questions



Five of the 7 new members at the meeting: Russ Phillips, Dorothy Tucker, Kathleen Martinez, Barbara Morningstar and Wayne Rogers. Bruce Arnold and Alexandra Zalis also attended.

Fort Lauderdale's sometimes-controversial **Mayor Jim Naugle** is a hometown boy! Born at Broward General, he attended Peters Elementary, Plantation HS, graduated from Stranahan, BCC and FAU. Both his mother and sister were teachers in his schools and he had both for classes! While attending BCC he took a government class and decided to write about city government for one project. He interviewed the then-mayor **Virginia Young** - and the rest is part of the city's history! He was elected to the city commission in 1985 and became mayor in 1991. He is the longest-serving mayor in the city's history. Because of term limits enacted in 2000, he must step down in 2009. As mayor, he says most of his time is spend reading - everything from several newspapers to city documents - processing information so he can make good decisions. Because he is a "legislative" mayor and not a "strong" mayor, he conducts meetings and makes public appearances; he does not actually run the day-to-day operations of the city which is done by the city

duties is meeting the captains of Navy vessels which dock in Ft. Lauderdale and having lunch onboard the ships. He opened the floor for questions. **Joanne Davis** asked, "Who's responsible for sidewalk repair?" Surprisingly, the homeowner is, but the city recently voted to split costs. **John Curran**



asked about the possibility of a water shortage. "There will never be a shortage of water, just



cheap water," was the answer. To insure this, the city has recently begun to use desalinization on a small scale, he added. **Madeline Martin** asked, "How do we get sister cities?" The city has 16 sister cities - and he can name them all! The main point to be considered when selecting them is whether or not there is a local community to support them. Not even one question was asked that might have been considered controversial!

manager. One of his favorite

November 6th Meeting



Time: 12 Noon

Place: Holiday Park Social Center
Address: 1150 G. Harold Martin Drive
Ft. Lauderdale
(behind War Memorial Auditorium)

Program: Nutritionist from Holy Cross Hospital

Bring to meeting:
Potluck Dish to Share
Items for the Food Drive
Men's Clothing & Shoes
Campbells labels
Aluminum pull-tabs
General Mills labels
Blankies & Pillows



President's Corner

Of the 46 members from Dade, Palm Beach and Broward Counties who attended the District 10 workshop on September 24, BCREA had 13. The best part of the meeting was sharing and networking ideas for BCREA. The most important task we retired educators have is raising money to provide scholarships for future teachers. We get money in 3 ways - the 50/50 tickets at meetings, our annual February Scholarship luncheon, and donations. At the October meeting, the board voted to donate \$10,000 to FREF to establish a designated scholarship. As part of the new emphasis on health mandated by FREA, we'll be having a very interesting talk on nutrition by a representative from Holy Cross Hospital at this month's meeting.

Happy Veterans' Day and Happy Thanksgiving - AND don't forget to set your clocks back on Sunday, November 2! Finally, vote for the candidates of your choice on November 4 - or take advantage of Early Voting which begins on October 26.



Linda



Health & I + PS

Chairman: Kathryn Barno



We're back!! It is time again for our Blood Bank Drive. We start this month. The cost is \$2.00. This entitles you to two pints of blood in any hospital in the nation in the event that you should need it. (We hope you won't but it is better to be protected than not). You may sign up other members of your family also. Not only that, you will be helping some worthy high school student earn a scholarship; so be sure to take advantage of this great opportunity. Happy, Healthy Thanksgiving.

Kathryn

Literacy...

Chairman: Rosetta Watkins



You Know You Are a Literacy Volunteer if:

You tutor adults or children, work in a library, help with book fairs, assist Friends of the Library, assist in the classroom, assist with testing programs, purchase books for non-readers or readers who need to improve their reading skills, you are a Reading Buddy, you tell or read stories to children, adults or in nursing homes, you read to your grandchildren or help them with homework, you teach Sunday School, you are a judge for any essay contest, you are reading for the blind, you are a monitor in a computer lab, you help students prepare for their GED, you are a mentor or in training to be one, you are working in an English As A Second Lan-

guage Program, you help students prepare for college entrance exams, you are a tutor trainer, you serve on the board of a literacy council or coalition, you are a SHINE counselor, you work in after school programs, you are a Surrogate Parent, you write grants to assist schools/literacy councils.

Just remember that whatever you do to that helps improve the reading, writing and math skills of student, children and adults, count as Literacy. Please report your hours. If you do not attend the meetings you may report your Literacy Volunteer hours to me via telephone (954-584-8719 or E-mail mamarowat@aol.com).

Rosetta



Community Service

Chairman: Darcia Drago



November Food Drive

We will collect nonperishable food items and "gently used" men's clothing and casual type shoes for the Cooperative Feeding Program at our Nov. 6 meeting. Please give generously as their pantry is low and the number of people they are serving is increasing on a daily basis in these difficult

economic times.

Thanks to those who brought items for the patients at Brooke Army Medical Center to our Oct. meeting. If you missed out on this and would still like to participate, bring your donation to the November meeting. (See the list in October's Newsletter.)

Darcy

Passages



*Happy Birthday to our
Birthday Club
(members over 85!)*

Agnes Schnierer 11/09
Ruby Hutson-Hutchison
11/12

Frances Goodstein 11/20
Linnie Kidd 11/21
Ginny Dewar 11/25



Thinking of You....
Bruce Arnold
Edgar & Marian Elder
Carolyn Payne



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(Left)L to R: Front - Bev Hoppe, Margarite Falconer, Linda Horton, and Kathlyn Barno;
Rear: Arline Ziller, Frances Smoot, Judy Joseph, Darcy Drago, Susan Lochrie, Madeline Martin and Rosetta Watkins. Martha and Charlie Pipes, shown below working on their Iris paper folding projects, also attended, but left before the group photo was taken.

Thirteen Attend FREA District 10 Workshop

A total of 13 BCREA members attended the District 10 Leadership Workshop at the First Baptist Church of Pompano Beach on September 24. BCREA was the host Club this year. Two general meetings and 3 small-group sessions were presented by state officers and chairmen. BCREA members **Susan Lochrie, Arline Ziller and Darcy Drago** were 3 of the 9 presenters. The 2 featured speakers were neurologist **Dr. Murray Todd** and social worker **Shelly Green** from North Broward Hospital who spoke about ways to keep the brain active and prevent Alzheimers and dementia. One workshop which proved to be great fun was the Iris Paper folding presented by **Janet Ford**, FREA Cultural Affairs Chairman.

District 10 FREF trustee

Frances Smoot collected a grand total of \$150 from the "white elephant" sale plus her usual "Pass the Hat" ploy to get contributions from those who hadn't bought anything! Continental breakfast and a buffet lunch were served by the "Cookie Place" catering.



Visiting FREA officers: L to R: Treasurer Horton Barnes, President Marie Grein, President-Elect Esther Twichell, Executive Secretary Barbara Williams & State Director Virginia West

Bev's Bytes...

We welcomed seven new members at the October meeting - **Bruce Arnold**, **Kathleen Martinez**, **Barbara Morningstar**, **Russ Phillips**, **Wayne Rogers** (who's **Doris Cotnoir's** brother), **Dorothy Tucker**, and **Alexandra Zalis**! I think that's the largest group of new members in a long time. We heartily welcome them all!

There were 51 in attendance at this month's meeting. The winners of the 50/50 were: **Marian Elder**, \$20; **Lorene Broxton**, \$20; and **Doris Cotnoir**, \$10. It was good to see **Marian Elder** at the meeting - she is recovering from a bad fall which broke several bones including 10 in her wrist! She reports that husband **Edgar**, 93, is currently in a nursing home. You'd never know **Jean Childers** had a recent hip-replacement - she's getting around very well! She let us know that **Carolyn Payne**, who turned 90 in August has also been hospitalized. The District 10 Workshop was one of the best I've attended - and I don't think I'm saying that simply because we were the host Club! I found **Dr. Murray Todd** to be very informative and entertaining! I really en-



joyed making my Iris paper project as did the rest of the participants, some of whom are displaying their finished work here.



And here's the last byte for this time: Have a very



Bev

Membership...

Chairman: **Susan Lochrie**



LET'S RECRUIT MORE MEMBERS:

Invite your retired friends and neighbors who retired with at least five years in the educational field to join BCREA. Remember! We are the Broward County Unit of the FREA which is working with the Legislature in Tallahassee to improve benefits and services for those who have retired. FREA also monitors the actions of the Legislature to see that our PENSION funds are protected.

WITH FOUR YOU GET MORE!

An award will be given

to any BCREA member who has recruited at least **FOUR (4) NEW** members during the 2008-2009 membership year. (The person who is recruited must not have been a member of BCREA/FREA anytime in the previous four (4) years.) An award will be given at the final BCREA meeting on May 7 and another presentation at the State Assembly in late May.

REVIEWING THE TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP

Active Membership is

open to any person who has retired with five or more years of service from the educational field under the Florida Retirement System, or from the educational system of another state or a private or parochial school. This would apply to persons retiring from Non-Instructional positions as well as Instructional positions. Active members of the BCREA should also become members of the Florida Retired Educators Association. Dues are \$45., which includes the \$30 for FREA.

Associate Membership is

open for spouses of members and anyone interested in the work of this association. Associate members pay the dues for BCREA membership with all rights and privileges except the right to vote, hold office or represent the association. Associate Dues for BCREA are \$15.

Life Membership was phased out in July, 2007 but current Life members are recognized and counted as Active members. Annual BCREA dues for Life members are \$15. If you have questions about membership: Please contact

Susan Lochrie
at 954-525-8503
or slochrie@belsouth.net

Bring this to our next meeting or mail it to:
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4346 Carambola Circle North
Coconut Creek, FL 33066

BCREA VOLUNTEER REPORTING FORM

Name _____
(Please Print)

Month _____, 200_____

LITERACY VOLUNTEER HOURS:

Teaching Sunday School, reading to children/adults; tutoring; helping with testing programs, etc; Includes any activities to promote a more literate America. TOTAL _____

WORKING WITH OUR YOUTH:

School, tutoring, mentoring, coaching etc. (Persons 25 years of age or younger. TOTAL: _____

OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS:

Church, civic, hospital / hospice, personal help to others (non-relatives), school, drug, ecology / environment.

TOTAL: _____

Overlapping categories should be reported in both places.

GRAND TOTAL: _____



FREA Travel...

Chairman: Arline Ziller



Travel and help support FREF scholarships for future teachers at no extra cost to traveler.

7-day Eastern Caribbean cruise, November 15, 2008 on a new ship; round trip Fort Lauderdale, Grand Turks & Caicos Islands; San Juan, Puerto Rico; St Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands; Half Moon Cay on the *EURODAM*.

Southern Charm departing December 7, 2008 - Join FREA President **Marie Grein** and **Esther Twitchell** on this 7-day land tour including Charleston, Savannah, Jekyll Island and Jacksonville; visiting Boone Hall Cotton Plantation and Mrs. Wilkes Dining Room in Savannah with time and great places to shop.

13-night Transatlantic Eastbound cruise departing Fort Lauderdale April 12, 2009 for Ponta Delgado, Azores; Madeira, Portugal; Vigo, Spain; Southampton, England; includes such special amenities as ice skating shows, mini-golf course, pool deck and spas. **(I have combined several groups and have 29 people going on this transatlantic cruise now. It's not too late to join the fun!)**

OBERAMMAGAU July 15, 2010, the passion play performed once every ten years. Join our own **Marie Grein** and **Esther Twitchell**, for this event that also includes Budapest, Hungarian Horse Show, Mathias Church, Fishermen's Bastion, Renaissance Dinner, Vienna Schoenbrunn Palace, Grinzing Evening, Danube River Cruise, Prague, Hrad-tany Castle.

Be sure to include your name, address & phone number when requesting information. Contact me **Arline Ziller** at:
Phone 954-781-4445 freatravel@cs.com

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