

IRSPA



IOWA RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION



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President's Message

**THIS IS
WHERE
THE PATH
BEGINS!**

When you receive this IRSPA Newsletter we will already have celebrated a beautiful fall, a bountiful harvest, a most thankful Thanksgiving Holiday; and we have the most beautiful and meaningful holiday season of all which we will soon celebrate.

Many of our IRSPA members celebrated our IRSPA Annual Meeting October 4 & 5, 2017, at the Clarion Inn in Cedar Falls. The meeting was hosted by the Black Hawk Unit with Jane and Tom Brown and Shelia Bullock, acting Co-Presidents. Our heartfelt thanks to them and their unit members for an excellent well-planned meeting. A special thank you to the people handling the registration....so pleasant and helpful. Wednesday morning the IRSPA Executive Board met and conducted the business at hand. The tours on Wednesday afternoon were "tops" (three in Cedar Falls and three in Waterloo) and the party bus transportation made the bus rides "easy" for conversations! The Wednesday evening dinner buffet and entertainment by the Metropolitan Chorale were a pleasant closing for a very pleasant day.

Thursday we were up bright and early, and after a wholesome breakfast we were off to hear the welcome for the opening of our meeting. Opening the session were Jane Brown and Shelia Bullock, Black Hawk Unit Co-Presidents, Dawn Rogers, IRSPA President, Jim Brown, Cedar Falls Mayor, and Quentin Hart, Waterloo Mayor. Then it was off to take in the breakout sessions and to visit the vendor booths. The breakout sessions were most informational and the vendors had much to offer. We were then ready for lunch (a delicious Italian Buffet) and then on to the afternoon for district group pictures. (Thanks to our photographer, Duane). Following this our afternoon business meeting was ready to begin.

The afternoon business meeting gave our members time to hear from our officers and committee chairs on the happenings and progress of their organization: **George Holland, Bylaws Chair**, introduced the proposed new bylaws which were voted on and passed and also presented the new identification cards which all IRSPA members will receive. (Please note the addition of "Associate Membership"). **Paul Strid, AMBA Repr.**, spoke to the group regarding the AMBA benefits which our members have available to them. (Please check website: myambabenefits.info) **Robert Swanson, IRSPA Treasurer**,

presented budget and financial information. **Co-Membership Chair, Shirley Barth**, gave membership numbers. **Supportive Services Co-Chair Sandy Thede** gave information on our Volunteers Hours Program. **Marge Swanson, Health Advocacy Chair**, announced the Executive Board agreed the Health Topic for 2017-18 will be "Depression and Mental Health". **Anthony Carroll, AARP Director of Advocacy**, reported on the events & happenings with AARP. **Phil Tetzloff, IRSPA Legislative Chair**, reported that IPERS is strong and that our Legislative Counsel Bill Wimmer will remain with IRSPA.

In closing, it was time to say "thank you" to our **Past Co-Presidents: Gerald & Rabbit Zavitz**. They have been great ambassadors for IRSPA and served as liaison with AARP. To both of you: Please do not become strangers to us! Your friendship is important to all of us.

Lastly, it was time to say "thank you" to **Dawn Rogers** for serving and leading our organization for the past two years. We honored her with a dozen red roses and a visa gift card. **JOB WELL DONE!** She will continue to serve two years as Past President and will continue to handle our newsletter. It has been my pleasure to work closely with Dawn these past two years. Thanks for the memories, Dawn.

And not to forget, throughout the business meeting a vast array of lovely door prizes were given and we hope YOU were a lucky winner. Many thanks to the donors.

All in all, what a **super** annual meeting. I hope all who attended enjoyed themselves as much as I did. **NEXT YEAR OCTOBER 3 & 4 IN: IOWA CITY/CORALVILLE! Mark calendars now!**

Now, beginning as IRSPA's new president: It is not about having the "title" but it's about making an "impact", it's about "influence" in spreading the passion for IRSPA, and...it's about continuing the "inspiration" of the past and the current team of IRSPA Officers along with our IRSPA Unit Officers and Members (both current and future). A special thank you to IRSPA for this opportunity and I look forward to meeting the challenges ahead.

I will continue to visit as many of our units as possible. Thanks to all of the units I have had the pleasure of visiting and meeting your members. Your units continue to have many wonderful programs and social events and I thank all of you for the hospitality shown to me.

REMEMBER: The Officers of IRSPA have been elected to lead and serve... and you, the membership, have entrusted the officers to lead IRSPA forward. We do, however, welcome any criticism and suggestions for change for the good of IRSPA. Most of all: we appreciate the support you continue to give to our organization AND....your continued friendship.

**Wishing all of you a blessed Christmas
and safe travels....enjoy a few of those
yummy Christmas cookies!**
Looking forward to a GREAT 2018 for IRSPA.



New officers taking oath from President Dawn Rogers at Cedar Falls Annual Meeting



From left to right - newly elected IRSPA President, Chris Campidilli; President-Elect, George Holland; Re-elected Secretary, Mary Jo O'Connell

District 1 Representatives at Annual Meeting



District 2 Representatives at Annual Meeting



District 3 Representatives at Annual Meeting



District 4 Representatives at Annual Meeting



District 5 Representatives at Annual Meeting



District 6 Representatives at Annual Meeting



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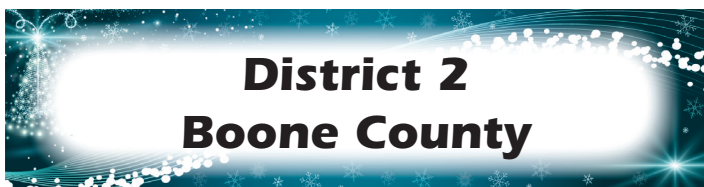
IRSPA Officers and Committee Chairs



**Front row from left to right - Linda Foland - Historian
Barbara Songer - District One Coordinator
Jerry & Shirley Barth Co-Membership Chairs,
Marge Swanson - Health Advocacy Chair**

**Middle Row left to right - Mary Jo O'Connell - IRSPA Secretary
Chris Campidilli, IRSPA President
Venita Escher - Acting District 4 Coordinator
Dawn Rogers - Outgoing IRSPA President/
Public Relations/Newsletter Editor
Rabbit & Jerry Zavitz, Past Co-Presidents
Robert Swanson, IRSPA Treasurer**

**Back Row - left to right- Paul Strid - AMBA District Manager & IRSPA Contact,
Phil Tetzloff - Legislative Task Force, Chair & IPERS Contact
George Holland - IRSPA President- Elect &
District 3 Coordinator, & By-laws/Revision Chair
Linda Miller - District Six Coordinator
Jay & Sandy Thede - Co-Supportive Services Chairs**



The Boone County Retired School Personnel met October 10th. Our speaker was Jane Pfannes, R.Ph., who works at Boone Medicap Pharmacy. She spoke on Medicines for seniors, Med D and changes in Medicare Laws.

Darlene McCoy and Dorothy Crooks were honored for their many years of service in our Boone County Unit. Darlene was the head of the telephone callers for many years plus other leadership positions. Dorothy served as President, Vice President, programs and yearbook. They both have resigned their positions after many years of leadership for our Boone County Unit. We thank them for their service.



Darlene McCoy and Dorothy Crooks

The Boone High School Chorale will perform at our December meeting. They always put us in the holiday spirit.

Submitted by Bev Olofson, Co- President

Picture of Humboldt Unit Officers Who Attended the Annual Meeting



**From left to right - President Anita Fagen-Miller,
Treasurer Chris Campidilli; Vice President Kay Muller
Not shown is Candyce Carlson, Legislative**



The Humboldt Area Unit reconvened Sept. 12 meeting at the Congregational CC Church with President Anita Fagen-Miller presiding. Attendees heard a program presented by Tammy McKimmey, Prairie Lakes Consultant, "Addressing Core Vocabulary for English Language Learners". The unit met October 10 and heard a most delightful program from Martha Schmidt about her cruise around the British Isles. Kay Muller presented project ideas and it was agreed to buy and bring school supplies to the April meeting to take to UDM. Kay Muller and Anita Fagen-Miller reported on their attendance at the IRSPA Annual Meeting held in Cedar Falls October 4 & 5. They also reported that the by-laws amendments were approved including the new offering of associate memberships. The new ID cards were also distributed. Mary Lou Perry was presented a certificate from the State recognizing her service as President of the Humboldt Unit. The next meeting will be April 10; the Humboldt Unit will host the District 2 meeting set for May 2. Meeting adjourned.

By Chris Campidilli

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Check it out!**

District 2 Webster County Unit

The Webster County District 2 met on October 2nd at the Riverside Methodist Church. President Deb Peterson opened the meeting and gave a prayer before the meal.

Meg Beshey talked about a bike race that is coming to Fort Dodge on October 1st. It is free to the public and if you are interested in volunteering, please contact Meg.

Our speakers were Kim Evans and Erin Haven from Citizen Central. Kim explained the various activities at Citizen Central. Meals – over 60 – a donation of \$4.00 is asked.

Erin Haven runs a program called Early Out on the 3rd Wednesday from 1:30 to 4:30. They have food, board games, arts and crafts and homework help. Also a program called Kids Night Out is for ages 5 through 9 years old. The building can be rented out for \$30 an hour for wedding or baby showers, etc.

Rose Buda talked as our Historian – preserve you and school personnel, inventories and pictures of our meetings. Jon Vessey will take pictures at each meeting for the Historian book.

Free meals go to Gloria Daggy and Anita Fagen-Miller.

The gourds and pumpkins on the table used as centerpieces may be taken home, please help yourself after the meeting.

There is an Annual Meeting in Cedar Falls October 4th & 5th of this week. Our next meeting will be November 6th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Our guest speaker will be from Habitat for Humanity.

New members are Dan Hansen and visitor Teresa Gross.

The Scholarship Committee updated us and said we have collected \$1,500 already from 70 members. Reminder that in November, please bring items for the food pantry.

Bonnie Rhodes

District 3 Cedar Valley Unit

Cedar Valley Retired School Personnel meetings are now being held on the fourth Monday of the months of September, October, November, March, April and May

to accommodate our President, Jan Kreitzer, who is also on the Keystone AEA board that meets at the same time as our previous meeting time. Our group is from Howard and Mitchell counties, Cresco to Osage, so we meet in the middle at the Windy Tree Caff Catering Service in Riceville.

In May we hosted the District 3 spring meeting in Cresco. We had a good turn-out.

We have had many great speakers at our meetings. Most recently, Sharlene Bohr came to our meeting and demonstrated how she does Eco-printing, using leaves, flowers and organic matter to print beautiful scarves, wall-hangings, etc. She takes fabric and lays out leaves and flowers on it, rolls it up tightly and ties it all up in string, then she boils the bundles. After boiling she unties the bundles and takes off the leaves, etc. and lays the fabric out to dry. She then sells them at art festivals and various specialty shops.

Charlette Kirkegaard always adds humor to our meetings. Charlotte gave us some words for thought. "There are so many varieties of apples that we could eat a new one every day and it would take us 20 years to try them all." "Eat more foods that grow on trees and plants and eat less food that is manufactured in plants." "Take a 10-30 minute walk every day, and while you walk, SMILE. It is the ultimate anti-depressant." "Eat breakfast like a king, lunch like a prince, and dinner like a college kid with a maxed-out charge card."

Kathleen Spillman

District 3 Jackson County Unit

Chris Campidilli visited the August 1 meeting which was held at Clover Ridge in Maquoketa. The program was by retired teacher Bill Mueller

about his experiences teaching Driver's Education and he also gave driving tips for us. He has written an amusing book called **Come Drive With Me**. Our June meeting was also at Clover Ridge and featured Camp Courageous. From the Camp Courageous Courier: "Felt right at home at the Jackson County Retired School Personnel. Mary Gibson had invited camp to give a program to the group a year in advance. This wonderful group's theme this year is "Horizons.. The Possibilities are Endless When You're Willing to Broaden Your Horizons!" Had a wonderful time with these special folks!

Roberta Rosheim, Reporter



District 4 Council Bluffs Area


Members of the Council Bluffs Area Chapter of the Iowa Retired School Personnel met on September 20 to kick off the 2017-18 school year. Special guests were Venita Escher, District IV Coordinator, and State Officers Chris Campidilli, President, Mary Jo O'Connell, Sec-

retary, and George Holland, Constitution and Revision Committee and State President-elect. They met before the meeting with our executive board to discuss the District IV meeting to be held here in May, 2018. The program was presented by Denise Putman, of the Chanticleer Community Theater. She told about the 65 year history of the theater. She then talked about Chanticleer's future. In two years, Chanticleer will have a new home as part of the Harvester 2 Loft. Several Council Bluffs residents have contributed millions to fund this new art center. She then talked of the present, and introduced us to the two young people playing the King and Queen in the current production G2K (Getting to Know) Cinderella. They performed a scene from the production.

Dr. Vicki Murillo, new superintendent of the Council Bluffs Schools presented the program at the October 18 meeting. She presented her Superintendent's Post 100-Day Plan. This Plan identified six goals: 1) Optimize Organizational Effectiveness and Efficiency, 2) Advance Student Achievement, 3) Develop an Early College Academy, 4) Expand Opportunities in Career and Technical Education, 5) Enhance Mental Health Supports, and 6) Develop and Implement a District Marketing Plan. She also addressed a desire for universal Pre-K expansion and Improved Fine Arts.

Our November meeting will be the final one for the 2017 calendar year.

Sue Griswold, Secretary



District 5 Des Moines County Unit

The Des Moines County Retired School Personnel welcomed both old and new friends with a tea on September 11. The group enjoyed a variety of sweet and savory treats and received their program books with information about the year's activities, monthly service projects and opportunities to add to the scholarship fund. A moment of silence was observed in memory of our fellow citizens who were lost on this date in 2001. The first regular meeting was held on October 2, with a delicious lunch and a program by Mrs. Karen Erickson, Program Manager for The Nest of Des Moines County. This is an agency that provides a variety of educational and support services to women, babies and the family unit.

Programs planned for the fall/winter season include a visit from our own Dennis Cohoon, State Representative and local educator, and a Christmas concert by local youth school show choir. We are looking forward to sharing a traditional Thanksgiving meal in November, catered by C and T Catering of Burlington. Scholarships are a main area of focus for our group; a silent auction held last year was very successful toward our continued efforts to actively support the young people of our area. A calling committee of dedicated members takes luncheon reservations each month, and donations for area agencies such as the Homeless Shelter, Food Pantry and Humane Society are collected. Honorary members who are no longer able to attend receive seasonal greetings and birthday cards, letting them know that their service to education is always remembered!

By Kim Smith

Newsletter Deadline!

Please e-mail articles & pictures if at all possible to avoid retyping.

Articles for the **MARCH**
newsletter are due no later than
FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018



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The Davenport Area Retired School Personnel Association met at the Best Western Steeplegate Inn on Tuesday, September 12. Our new co-presidents, Dave and Julie Scott, welcomed everyone, especially new members, and addressed the business of the day.

Mr. Jim Koppel presented "Touring the USA through State Fairs." His stories of personal experiences visiting every state fair in our nation left us feeling ready to pack our bags and take to the road!

Our unit met again on Tuesday, October 10. Joining us was Linda Miller, IRSPA District 6 Coordinator. Among items of new business, information gathered at the IRSPA Annual Meeting was shared. We also heard how support can be shown for Iowa public schools through "The Promise of Iowa," a campaign of the Iowa Association of School Boards. Our afternoon concluded with smiles, laughter, and wonder at the talent of local comic-magician Rick Eugene as he presented "Magic to Bedazzle."

For our DARSPA members, volunteering has become routine! A total of 32,293 hours was offered in service to others during the previous year! We learned one of the newest sites welcoming volunteers is a food pantry within a former school, renamed J. B. Young Opportunity Center. The Davenport Community School District, Davenport Education Association, and a local church congregation are now partnering with the River Bend Foodbank to meet needs of families. Within the coming year, this same building will be the new home for the Davenport Schools Museum, first established by retired teachers and now managed by DARSPA volunteers. We take pride in our members' on-going commitment to the surrounding community!

Linda Baustian,
Secretary



The Jefferson County Unit of the Iowa Retired School Personnel met on Wednesday, September 27, 2017, at Sunnybrook for a luncheon meeting. There was no guest speaker. During most of the meeting, ideas were shared for the regional meeting that the Jefferson County Unit will host on Thursday, May 17, 2018. It will be held at the Methodist Church in Fairfield with the church ladies preparing the meal. Health Care Chairman Becky Peters' main topic was stroke, and she provided each one present with a sheet with FAST Facts that members from around the state may find of interest:

**Face drooping!
Arm weakness!
Speech difficulty!
Time to call 911!**

Two long-time members passed away recently: Marilyn Green, a retired art teacher, and Curt Hanson, a retired drivers' ed teacher, who claimed to have had many boring hours of teaching and several minutes of sheer terror during his career. Memorial Chairman Rosie Cochran Thompson was successful in finding appropriate memorial books for each for the Fairfield Library. An elementary mystery book entitled Van Gogh Deception seemed perfect for Marilyn, and a non-fiction book entitled Fault Lines in the Constitution was a perfect fit for Curt, who was the representative in the Iowa State Legislature in this area at the time of his death. Legislative Chairman Mary Margaret Horras has contacted the representative who won the special election this summer to take Curt Hanson's place, and he has agreed to continue to provide the unit with information as Curt has done for the past few years.

The next meeting will be at Sunnybrook on October 25, 2017, in Fairfield.

Michele Weber, Secretary

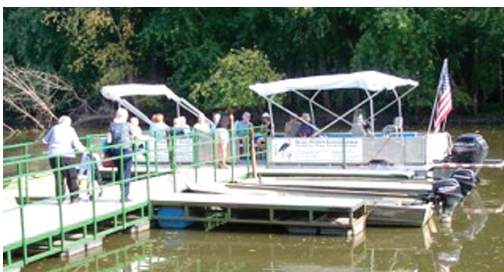
District 6 Clinton County Unit

Our September meeting brought the Clinton County unit back to the Eco Tourism Center at Rock Creek Marina, south of Clinton off of Highway 67. As we made our way to the boat, the waters of the Mississippi Rivers backwaters were sparkling in the bright evening sun, as small shad fish leaped to feast on darting insects over the warm river water.

The 24 passenger pontoon boat, the Blue Heron, floated silently at the pier. Welcoming us aboard was our pilot Jessica Steines, educational interpretive naturalist with Clinton County Conservation. The original boat was purchased in 2002 to provide nature based cruises, free to the public. This attraction is utilized by the schools of the county and general public. This larger boat was designed by the naturalists and county board and built to their specifications in Dubuque several years ago. This boat compliments the large Eco Tourism Center nearby.

As we slowly cruised away from the dock we observed many dead uprooted trees lining the river bank and jutting into the water. Jessica explains how flooding from the Wapsi and Mississippi rivers erode the shoreline. This affects the vegetation and wildlife that call this ecosystem home.

Large islands abound as we cruise between them. With blue and gray herons flitting over the trees



and wading the shoreline, hoping to get the right position to catch their last meal of the day. Turtles scamper from fallen logs, splashing into the water from their sunny rest as we glide by. A friendly wave by fishermen from their small boats anchored where they hope to catch those elusive fish.

As we enter the channel of "the Mighty Mississippi" eagles and turkey buzzards fly overhead, buoy river markers appear which indicate the deep river channel for the barges and other deep water vessels. As we approach the huge electoral tower from the Cordova, IL nuclear power station, with lines hovering over the river, bringing electric power to IA, we see the tower is infested by hundreds of roosting turkey buzzards, "scavengers of the river" getting ready for a good night sleep. In the morning they catch the thermals of air over the water and soar off into the sky looking for carrion to consume. On the Iowa side another electrical tower is the roosting perch for bald eagles.

A large barge chugs up stream toward Clinton. Small pleasure craft churn up the sparkling water into rippling waves, which gives our boat a pleasant rocking motion.

Our hour cruise has gone so quickly as we head back to the marina. We pass many neatly moored pleasure boats. Camp sights being claimed by excited families, ready for that highly anticipated weekend adventure.

The Blue Heron slips gently back to its dock, ready for the next group seeking the enlightening lure of the Mississippi.



Now everyone off the boat and into the Eco Center for it's time to EAT at the center's cafe, with creamy pie for dessert. Everyone check your number for our door prizes, colorful fall garden mums. Our group gave a donation to the Clinton County Conservation Educational Fund. We will adjourn until our October destination meeting.

We bid "Bon Voyage" Blue Heron and thanks for making this beautiful September evening so pleasant and educational.

by Sharon Leonard

2016 - 2017 IRSPA Volunteer Hours Report

By Sandy and Jay Thede

The IRSPA volunteer hours that have been reported for the years 2016-2017 total 403,402 hours for 5,846 members. At the national rate of \$24.14 per hour, this equals \$9,738,124.28. This is down 9,889 hours from a year ago, but up \$988.98 because of the increased value of each hour. Last year we had 48 units reporting hours out of our total of 49. Our state membership count is down 73 members from last year as well as having one less unit. On the plus side, we had 19 units that improved on their amount of hours reported from a year ago.

National organizations compile volunteer hour information for use by non-profit groups when applying for grants. This makes the volunteer hour status of great value when obtaining grants. Iowa currently ranks number 10 out of 51 (including Washington D.C.) in the nation for volunteer hours based on pooled rankings from the last three years.

Statistics show that 32.5% of Iowa people volunteer. 71.6% of Iowans do informal volunteering (like doing favors for neighbors) and 55% of Iowa residents donate \$25 or more to charity.**

All 47 IRSPA State Units kept volunteer hours this past year and reported their hours. It is sometimes difficult to honor certain units over others, especially when a unit has a low amount reported one year, then an extremely high one the next. Because of that, I have taken a three year look at the unit totals when figuring percentage of improvement.

**www.Independentsector.org/thenonprofittimes.com/news-articles/volunteer-time-value Top percentages are:

Unit	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	% improved
Black Hawk	1,050	440	6,223	492%
Muscatine	2,823	1,091	3,640	233.6%
Decatur	1,161	1,150	3,720	223.5%
Carroll-Greene	837	65	2,454	193%
Jefferson	8,195	5,855	10,740	83.4%
Johnson	5,137	6,244	11,381	82.3% ^
Webster	17,934	20,330	34,424	69.3% ^
West Union	6,208	6,514	9,685	48.7% ^
Cherokee	4,064	2,130	3,154	48.1%
Crawford	1,527	3,314	4,549	37.2% ^
Van Buren	1,993	4,123	5,488	33.1% ^
Wapello	—	1,462	1,901	30.1%
Monroe	7,100	7,914	9,547	20.6% ^
Mason City	11,006	12,752	15,023	17.8% ^
Iowa Great Lakes	2,871	3,201	3,681	15% ^
Keokuk	9,128	11,032	12,588	14.1% ^
Davenport Area	23,610	30,776	32,293	4.9% ^
Knoxville	5,681	12,181	12,713	4.4% ^
Dubuque Area	49,684	13,777	14,116	2.5%
Creston	3,049	3,617	3,681	1.8% ^

^ Units that improved in volunteer hours all three years

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Iowa Retired School Personnel Association

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WE REMEMBER

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Unit</u>
Anderson, William	Richland, IA	Keokuk County Unit
Brady, Peg	Sioux City, IA	Sioux City Area Unit
Crowl, Kay	Sioux City, IA	Sioux City Area Unit
Crull, Joyce	Letts, IA	No Unit
Diller, Christine	Gilbert, AZ	No Unit
Dohrmann, Sue	Fayette, IA	Oelwein Area Unit
Fitzgerald, Lyle	Ames, IA	No Unit
Fossum, Lenora	Decorah, IA	Winneshiek County Unit
Frances Burns	Decorah, IA	Winneshiek County Unit
Griner, Jeff	Webster, IA	Keokuk County Unit
Hanson, Curtis	Fairfield, IA	Jefferson County Unit
Haskell-Hansen, Mary	Belle Glade, FL	Blackhawk County Unit
Hutchinson, Jacqueline	Coralville, IA	No Unit
Lahr, Richard	Iowa City, IA	Johnson County Unit
Lehmkuhl, Bill	Fort Dodge, IA	Webster County Unit
Marsh, Arletta	Farmington, IA	Van Buren County Unit
Miller, James	Dubuque, IA	Dubuque Area Unit
Nielsen, Clarice	Sioux City, IA	Sioux City Area Unit
Ochs, Mary	Maquoketa, IA	No Unit
Otten, Valeria	Clinton, IA	Clinton County Unit
Pettis, John	Burlington, IA	Des Moines Co. Unit
Raisbeck, Ginger	Dubuque, IA	Dubuque Area Unit
Smith, Madaline D.	Dakota Dunes, SD	Sioux City Area Unit
Solem, Geraldine	Decorah, IA	Winneshiek County Unit
St Germaine-Von Zile	Toddville, IA	Cedar Rapids Area Unit
Thompson, Dorothy	Bettendorf, IA	Davenport Area Unit
Vlassis, Sophie	Des Moines, IA	DMARSPA
Wagner, Albert	Ames, IA	No Unit
Whitworth, Evanell	Winterset, IA	Creston Area Unit

LEGISLATIVE FUND

Contributions to the Iowa Retired School Personnel Association legislative fund for the improvement of retirement benefits are being accepted for the current year (Oct. to Oct.) Please make your contributions as generous as possible.

\$5.00 _____ \$10.00 _____ \$15.00 _____ Other _____

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

If Member of Local Unit _____

Unit Name _____

County _____

MAIL EITHER FORM TO:

Robert Swanson, IRSPA Treas. • 3221 Cheyenne Blvd.,
Sioux City, IA 51104 • Make Checks payable to IRSPA

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Iowa Retired School Personnel Association

Name _____ Last _____ First _____ M.I. _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

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Annual Dues: \$ 15 • LIFE MEMBERSHIP: \$300