

## LOUISIANA RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Fall 2018

# **Governance Edition**



## **Executive Director's Message**

By: Rodney R. Watson

I'm pleased to introduce our LRTA Governance Issue as a resource to our membership. The purpose of this issue is to provide our members with an overview of our governance structure through our elected and appointed officers and an explanation of our committee structure. Additionally, we will provide you information on the structure, geography, and operation of the LRTA Districts.

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# A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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LRTA's membership continues to grow with 20,039 Regular Members and 1,567 Associate Members (as of September 11, 2018). In order to achieve our goals, LRTA institutes a governance structure through our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws voted on by our membership. These guidelines are implemented through the state office and our LRTA committee structure.

Our state elective officers include the President, the First Vice-President, and the Second Vice-President, which are elected for two-year terms beginning at the close of the Spring Meeting in even-numbered years. Our current state officers will provide you with a description of their duties and goals for their terms in office.

The Executive Committee comprises state officers and reports to the Executive Board bi-annually at our Spring and Fall state meetings. Each President of LRTA's 11 Districts sits on the Executive Board and votes on organizational matters semi-annually.

Additionally, the committees of

the Association are of three types: Standing, Special, and Elective. The standing committees consist of Audit, Budget, Bylaws, Legislative, Membership and Program. Each standing committee submits a written report to the Executive Board at each bi-annual meeting. The duties and leadership for each of these committees is included in this issue. Currently, there are no special committees but are named on an as needed basis by the President of LRTA.

Recently, the LRTA Bylaws Committee met in Baton Rouge to consider recommendations and updates that bring our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws up to date and aligned with our organizational goals. These recommendations will be presented to the Executive Board on October 22 at the LRTA Fall Meeting in Bossier City, LA. LRTA will post these recommendations on the LRTA website for public comment once the Executive Board approves them. Members will vote on these changes on the January 2019 statewide ballot.

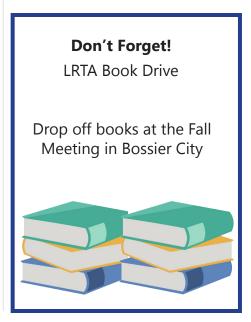
\*Please Note: You can find our current Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws on www.lrta.net.

LRTA members will vote on the Bylaw recommendations, as well as the 2019-2021 Nominating Committee, on the January 2019 LRTA statewide ballot. The LRTA membership elects the Nominating Committee, and the committee is responsible for developing a statewide ballot for officers every two years.

LRTA's 11 Districts are aligned with the State Association as contained in its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. The District adopts its own separate set of bylaws that are aligned with the provisions of the State Association. Each District must conduct a minimum of two meetings a year. As your Executive Director, I make myself available to attend and present at your District meetings to provide our membership with information and resources to use as we continue to defend our Defined Benefit plan.

I hope that you find the information in this edition of our newsletter beneficial. **Please keep this issue as a resource.** I look forward to seeing many of you at the Fall Meeting in Bossier City.

Rodney Watson Executive Director, LRTA



# A MESSAGE FROM OUR LRTA PRESIDENT



I hope this newsletter finds you well, and I'm glad that the hot summer is behind us. I am looking forward to the fall and our Fall meeting in Bossier City. The purpose of this issue is to give you some insight as to how LRTA works. I will be discussing how we form our Districts and the committee structure of LRTA.

According to our Bylaws the state is divided into 11 Districts. Each District is made up of the local retired teachers within its geographic boundaries. The purpose and function of the District Associations is to further the goals and objectives of LRTA through activities of local units of retired teachers. Each district elects officers every 2 years. The District President is also a member of the Executive Board.

A committee is responsible for one area. For example, the Budget Committee is charged with preparing a workable budget. Committees are very important to our organization. One of my first duties as President was to review each committee and evaluate and recommend new committee

members. New thinking and new ideas need to be incorporated in each committee. And, serving on a committee is a good way to get members more involved in LRTA.

The committees of the Association are of three types: Standing, Special, and Elective. The standing committees are: Audit, Budget, Bylaws, Legislative, Membership, and Program. Special committees may be named by the President and activated as the need arises. The Nominating Committee of five members is an elective committee. I will briefly go over each of the committees, but there is a detailed list of each committee beginning on page 7.

The Audit Committee provides an annual external audit of all funds of the Association at each Fall Meeting.

The Budget Committee annually prepares a budget to be presented to the Executive Board at the Spring Meeting.

The Bylaws Committee is charged with the revision of the Bylaws.

The Legislative Committee keeps the Association informed on the implications of legislation as it relates to retired teachers.

The Membership Committee is chaired by the First Vice-President and shall promote the organization of local units and stimulate membership growth.

The Program Committee is chaired by the Second Vice-President and

will seek to enhance the programs and services at the district and local levels.

The Nominating Committee nominates members for each statewide position.

In July, the Bylaws Committee met. It is important that LRTA's Bylaws represents the organization's goals and is updated to reflect these goals. The new recommendations of the Bylaws changes will be discussed at the October board meeting and the entire membership will be informed of these updates and changes via our website and newsletter. These changes require approval from the membership and that vote will be in January 2019.

Become involved in your unit, district, and state. Serve on committees when asked. We need your input. Help make **OUR RETIRE- MENT YEARS GREAT!** 

See you in Bossier City in October.

Mancy L. Quigley

President, LRTA

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# FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT JANIS HERNANDEZ



Janis Hernandez quickly transitioned into her role as state First Vice-President and hit the ground running. Not long after she was elected as First Vice-President, Janis held regional meetings with District and Unit officers. They created plans for membership recruitment events, which will take place this Fall and in Spring 2019.

"My primary goal is to increase overall membership in LRTA by five percent," says Janis. "In order to do that we'll need **every** District President and First Vice-President to prepare a plan with some type of event to be held solely for membership recruitment."

Janis's goal to increase membership requires involvement from both local Units and Districts. The Unit Presidents and First Vice-Presidents will play important roles in implementing the campaign. Janis also plans to take a proactive approach to reviving inactive Units during her term. She's reaching out to Units that have few members or have become inactive to discuss how they can become more active.

Along with her efforts to help Districts and local Units with membership recruitment, Janis is also chairman of the membership committee.



Pictured: Janis Hernandez at the District IV Planning Meeting on May 17, 2018.

"LRTA members can expect a viable, active membership committee who will work hard to prepare the District Officers to have successful membership campaigns."

LRTA members will have a chance to become more involved with this committee and other membership recruitment activities during the membership committee activities at the state Fall Meeting. One of the general sessions at the Fall Meeting will focus on membership recruitment and Units working together at the District level.

"At the Fall Conference in Bossier City, members will have the opportunity to work with their entire district as well as with all attendees in working sessions to learn how to plan events, budget for events, etc.," says Janis. They will also discuss ideas and prepare plans for their individual Districts.

"It's important for every District and Unit to have their officers in charge of membership at the Fall Meeting so they can participate in some new ideas and plans!"

## Announcement: Elections for Nominating Committee Now Open

LRTA is accepting nominations for the 2019-2021 Nominating Committee. Each District in a Nominating Area shall submit one name of an active Association member in that district to be placed for nomination in that established area (see pg. 9 for the Nominating Areas Map). Distrit Presidents must submit one name no later than the Executive Board meeting during the LRTA Fall Meeting (1:30 p.m. on October 22). This committee meets every two years or as needed. Members of this committee nominate active Association Members for statewide positions. If you are interested in placing your name for nomination for this committee, please contact your District president as soon as possible. The LRTA membership will vote on committee members on the January 2019 ballot.

# SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT LAZETTE WATTERSON



As the second vice-president of LRTA, **Lazette Watterson** is devoted to helping districts and local Units create meaningful programs and utilize their Resource Books to the fullest. "My goal as second vice-president is to present and share interesting, informative and innovative programs to enhance the local and District meetings," says Lazette.

Lazette plans to ensure all program chairs have and use the appropriate materials in their Resource Books, specifically Tab 7. She also encourages District program chairs to contact the second-vice president of each local Unit within their District to share what has worked in their area. In addition, Lazette suggests the local Units complete the unit survey in their Resource Books and form committees for programs based on these results. "Remember, what works in one area may not work in others."

She recommends Units and District leaders to take a look at the list of sample programs in Tab 7 of their Resource Books. But, La-

zette also encourages Unit and District leaders to think outside of the box when it comes to program planning. For example, activities can be held in conjunction with other organizations. Activities can even be held outside of unit meetings.

Another one of Lazette's goals is to work with the LRTA communications coordinator to set up a Facebook page to spotlight innovative programs going on around the state. This will serve as a way to highlight and share the best practices in the area and increase media coverage. Lazette also plans to collaborate with Membership Committee Chairman Janis Hernandez on meeting ideas.

Additionally, Lazette serves as Programs Committee Chairman, which consists of second vicepresidents from each District. The committee began holding conference calls in September and will meet again at the Fall Meeting. "LRTA members can expect the program committee to keep them abreast of new ideas that may spark interest of new members and encourage former members to remain active," says Lazette. She encourages LRTA members to join their local program committees and participate in their activities.

"Utilize your talent to help make LRTA SHINE LIKE A DIAMOND."

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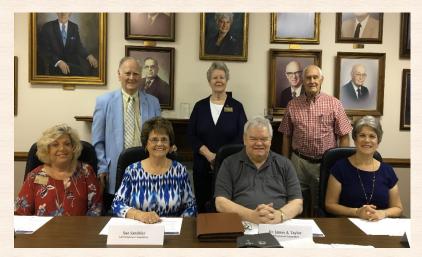
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# Summary of the Bylaws Committee Meeting

The LRTA Bylaws Committee met on July 11, 2018 to review recommended changes to the Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation. The majority of the proposed changes clarified and justified existing practices within the organization. The changes also removed archaic language that was no longer relevant to the LRTA operating policies. The Bylaws Committee members reviewed, discussed and voted on each proposed change. All of the proposed changes unanimously passed through the committee.

These recommendations will go before the Executive Board at the state Fall Meeting in Bossier City. After the Executive Board reviews the recommendations, the proposed Bylaws changes will be posted on the LRTA website. Members will have a chance to review the recommendations and ask questions or address concerns. These recommendations will also be included in the Winter Newsletter. Members will vote on these changes in January 2019.



### **LRTA Bylaws Committee**

Back Row (from left to right): Raymond Powell- Chairman, Patricia Woods, and Dr. Lonnie Dunn

Front Row (from left to right): Nancy Quigley, Sue Sandifer, Dr. James Taylor, and Millie Matherne

## Book it North for LRTA! 2018 Fall Meeting in Bossier City

The LRTA Fall Meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Bossier City from October 22-24. LRTA will hold a variety of informational sessions, including tech lounges and guest speakers. LRTA will also present the Name of Fame awards and honor local units that earned Unit Challenge Awards.

Use the form on page 12 of this newsletter to register for the Fall Meeting. Attendees must pre-register for the Convention Banquet on Tuesday October 23. Although on-site registration is available, pre-registration will also ensure that you will receive a packet containing your name tag and other meeting materials upon arrival. Plus, everyone who registers by October 12 gets a free LRTA tote bag with their packet.

The Hilton Garden Inn is generously offering a special hotel room rate. The rate is \$100 per night, plus tax. The cut-off date for this special rate is October 8. To reserve a room, call the Hilton Garden Inn at (318) 759-1950 and mention the code **LRT**. You can also use this code to reserve a room online. Visit our website for more information.

If you are a part of the LRTA Email Club, make sure to check your emails for weekly updates about the Fall Meeting program. We will also post updates on our website and Facebook page. We hope to see you there!

# LRTA COMMITTEES DIRECTORY

LRTA relies upon committees to represent and respond to the needs of its members. There are eight standing committees, which means these committees are required by the LRTA Bylaws. The following is a list of LRTA committees that includes the purpose of the committee and committee members.



### **Audit Committee- appointed by the LRTA President**

The Audit Committee provides for accountability on the use and budgeting of LRTA funds. This committee audits the funds and financial records of the Association and presents its findings at the state Fall Meeting. The committee meets once a year. Its next meeting is October 16, 2018 in Baton Rouge.

Members: Dr. Les Scharfenstein, Francis J. Colletta, Dr. Lonnie E. Dunn, Jevella Williamson, Genevieve Gordon, and Jan Webb



### **Budget Committee- appointed by the LRTA President**

The Budget Committee meets twice a year to prepare the LRTA budget, which it presents to the Executive Board at the state Spring Meeting. This committees reviews the income and operating expenses the association incurs. This committee will meet again on October 15, 2018 in Baton Rouge.

Members: Janis Hernandez, Frances Byler, Clyde F. Hamner, Roxanne O. Lagarde, and Norene R. Smith



## **Bylaws Committee- appointed by the LRTA President**

This committee reviews and revises the LRTA Bylaws, and may also review the Articles of Incorporation. This committee meets on an as-needed basis. The Bylaws Committee met on July 11, 2018, and a summary of this meeting can be found on page 6.

Members: Raymond Powell, Sue Sandifer, Dr. James Taylor, Millie Matherne, Patricia Woods, and Dr. Lonnie Dunn



### **Legislative Committee**

The Legislative Committee serves as a liason between the districts and local Units of the Association regarding legislative matters. The committee meets at least once a year to prepare recommendations to the Executive Board.

Anyone who serves as Legislative Chair at the District level simultaneously serves on this committee.

Members: Benjamin Sandifer, Levon A. LeBan, Clyde Hamner, Leslie Mabry, Jr., , Arthur Lamm, Patricia Sonnier, Mary Margaret David, Raymond Powell, Berteal Rogers, Kay Prince, and Jerry Paige



### Nominating Committee- elected by the LRTA membership

This committee nominates Association members for statewide positions, as needed. Members of this committee are selected based on the nominating areas (see page 9 for more details). The Nominating Committee meets every two years on odd-numbered years.

Members: Dr. Lonnie Dunn, Joseph Clyde Crooks, Frances Byler, Gayle Foster, and Jerilyn Williams



### **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee includes the elected officers of the association, the immediate Past-President and the District Presidents Representative, who is nominated by the District presidents. The Executive Committee meets at least twice a year to discuss important business of LRTA between meetings of the Executive Board. The Executive Committee will meet on October 16, 2018 in Baton Rouge.

Members: Nancy Quigley, Bertha Breland, Janis Hernandez, Lazette Watterson, and Alva Martin



### **Membership Committee**

The Membership Committee works with and within local Units and Districts to stimulate membership recruitment. The committee meets as needed to discuss recruitment strategies and how to implement these strategies to increase membership.

Anyone who serves as First Vice-President at the district level simultaneously serves on this committee.

Members: Janis Hernandez, Theo George, William R. "Billy" Picard, Gayle T. Foster, Jevella Williamson, Celina G. Richard, Edith Keyes, Walter T. Rogers, Richard Watson, Allyn Jean Luckett, Barbara Kirkland, and Deloris Porter



### **Program Committee**

This committee plans programs for the District and local Units, including special meetings. The Program Committee works with the Second Vice-President to plan a variety of meetings within their Units or District. This committee meets as needed.

Anyone who serves as Second Vice-President at the District level simultaneously serves on this committee.

Members. Lazette Watterson, Mattie White, Arlene Prince Johnson, Sonja Terrell, Alice D. Bodin, Ivy Mouton, R. Raymond Boswell, Raymond Powell, Dorothy Carradine, Verdell W. Ventroy, and Shannon Rahm

# LRTA DISTRICT MAPS AND OTHER RESOURCES



### **Nominating Area Map**

There are five LRTA nominating areas. This map displays these five areas. The following is a list that describes the nominating areas in detail:

- Area A- Districts 10 and 11
- Area B- Districts 7, 8 and 9
- Area C- Districts 5 and 6
- Area D- Districts 3 and 4
- Area E- Districts 1 and 2



### **LRTA District Map**

The 11 LRTA Districts are divided based on geographics and demographics of the state of Louisiana. This map features the 11 Districts. The following is a list of parishes associated with each District:

- District 1- Orleans, Plaquemines and St. Bernard parishes
- District 2- Assumption, Jefferson, Lafourche,
   St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist and
   Terrebonne parishes
- District 3- Livingston, St Helena, St. Tammany,

Tangipahoa and Washington parishes

- District 4- Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana parishes
- District 5- Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary and Vermilion parishes
- District 6- Acadia, Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron and Jefferson Davis parishes
- District 7- Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Rapides and Vernon parishes
- District 8- DeSoto, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine and Winn parishes
- District 9- East Carroll, Franklin, Madison, Richland, Tensas and West Carroll parishes
- District 10- Caldwell, Jackson, Lincoln, Morehouse, Ouachita and Union parishes
- District 11- Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne and Webster parishes

For more information about the LRTA Districts, visit Irta.net and check out the districts under the About Us section

# In memoriam

## Deceased Retired Teachers June 1, 2018- August 31, 2018

#### **District I**

Claudia W. Amacker - New Orleans Willie Mae A. Andrews - New Orleans Carolyn Bourda - New Orleans Alexander R. Brumfield - New Orleans Joyce G. Bucher – New Orleans Mable B. Caliste - New Orleans Robert C. Cashner – New Orleans Thelma C. Davis - New Orleans Edith V. Demourelle - New Orleans Eugene Elliott – New Orleans Willerd R. Fann - New Orleans Helen C. Lee - New Orleans Gloria A. Loumiet - New Orleans Paul J. Mandina, Sr. – New Orleans Karl D. Matherne - New Orleans Sandra A. Monroe – New Orleans Clara B. Stirgus - Chalmette Miriam B. Vall - New Orleans

#### **District II**

Anna K. Beech - Metairie Janet D. Blanchard - Houma Viola E. M. Bonvillian – Houma Rita T. Bourgeois - Thibodaux Leon Borne, Jr. - Thibodaux Janet L. Bowman - Larose Adelaide P. Brennan - Metairie Frank J. Brocato – Thibodaux Jagdish M. Chadha - Kenner Dorothy D. Cheramie - Cut Off Earline M. Chiasson – Waggaman Verda L. Curtis – River Ridge Ellen Davenport – Houma Dorothy R. Davis – Houma Barbara A. Dennis - Reserve John H. Dennis - Thibodaux A. Peter Di Pascal – Gretna Bobbie L. Dyson - Westwego Sarah R. Emery – Metairie Richard D. Gaille - LaPlace Carolyn B. Galendez - Harahan Lillie M. Green - Marrero Oristile H. Guidry III - Harvey Ronald J. Haynes – Harvey Louis Holloway - LaPlace Walsdorf H. Jenneford - Gretna Rebecca A. Lacour - Kenner Albert J. Lauro - Metairie Adela M. Lavidalie - Kenner John R. Moise – Houma Carol R. Morgan - Luling Althea Pellegrin - Houma Beatrice P. Pfaff – Metairie Raul S. Prado - Thibodaux Lorraine Ruffin - Houma Doris M. Scheffler - Metairie Joseph Singleton, JR. - Napoleonville Bertha Sorapuru – LaPlace Roxie Sykes - Thibodaux Selma Waguespack - Marrero Aletha L. Washington – Gretna Jonnie F. Welman - River Ridge Clarence Williams - Kenner

Sharon Young - Edgard

#### **District III**

Dorothy M. Allen - Denham Springs Elizabeth H. Anderson – Ponchatoula Patricia Anthony - Hammond Margaret M. Baglio – Independence Denise S. Boudreaux – Lacombe Patricia F. Bridges – Abita Springs Elton Chatelain – Denham Springs Dianne A. Childers - Springfield Lawrence F. Daniels, Jr. – Greensburg Glenda R. Devezin - Pearl River Emma R. Dubuisson - Slidell John R. Fornea, Jr. - Angie Sammy L. Genco – Mandeville Jo Anne Gordon – Loranger George Hess - Denham Springs Wyvon Holliday – Bogalusa Peggie D. Hunter - Bush Rosie L. Jackson – Amite Goldie G. Krafft - Hammond Shiela S. MacArthur – Slidell Georgia M. Martin - Bogalusa Anatole R. Matherne - French Settle-Edith S. McLendon - Ponchatoula

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### **District IV**

Linda S. Anderson – Baton Rouge Stella R. Ashford – Zachary Erkle L. Baker - Prairieville Thomas A. Barber, Jr. - Baton Rouge Wayne O. Berry – Baton Rouge Philip T. Bloom - Baton Rouge Willie F. Bowman - Baker F. Norma Bryan – Baton Rouge Faye C. Brydels – Baton Rouge Sarah P. Chaney – Clinton Rena M. Clark - Baton Rouge James V. Daigle – Gonzales Stella R. Day – Baton Rouge Barbara H. Dearie – Baton Rouge Nell R. Doland - Port Allen Elise T. Dunbar – Baton Rouge Julia W. Dunigan - Baton Rouge Clarence A. Elkins – Baton Rouge Frances M. Ellis – Baton Rouge Clyde W. Ennis - Baker Rose C. Epperson – Baker Joy C. Estess - Baton Rouge Ella Ann L. Fontenot - Baton Rouge Eddie A. Fuller – Baton Rouge

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Martin F. Sotile – Plaquemine Rufus F. Sparrow – Baton Rouge Brian M. Spillman – Zachary Edith M. Sullivan – Donaldsonville Topsie Sykes – St. Francisville Gloria E. Thomas – Baton Rouge Phebia B. Veals – Baton Rouge Harry Kenneth Whitam – Baton Rouge Gloria D. White – Baton Rouge

#### **District V**

Celina Badeaux – New Iberia Robert L. Banna – Lafayette Reginald E. Benham - Lafayette Mary Guidry Berry - New Iberia Margret F. Broussard - St. Martinville Paul Broussard – Erath Earl A. Buller - Lafayette Mary Byrd - Lafayette Marjorie Chauvin – New Iberia Tracy T. Cortez – Lafayette Mary G. Dauphine - Cecilia Fern M. David – Lafayette Marie S. Duos - Lafayette Janel B. Duplechin – Opelousas Ray A. Faulk – Kaplan Shelly F. Feucht - Eunice Lucille Foret – Pine Prairie Catherine B. Gibbens - New Iberia D. Miles Gosnell III - Broussard Effie F. Green - Jeanerette Melissa W. Greene - Lafayette Velma B. Guidry - Breaux Bridge Marjorie N. Harmon - Lafayette Victor M. Harris, Jr. - Lafayette Daniel Hebert - Abbeville Frederick E. Hoyer - New Iberia Walter A. Hundley, Jr. - Lafayette Emma L. Johnson - Opelousas Mary E. Johnson – Kaplan Lorraine M. Labit – Breaux Bridge Rex J. LeBlanc - Lafayette Colette G. Leistner – Lafayette Dora J. Lewis - Franklin Tessa S. Lewis – New Iberia Barbara J. Lopez - New Iberia Elsie Mae Olivier - Loreauville Darcine M. Perrodin - St. Martinville Patricia G. Roland – Morgan City Jessie Sanders – Melville Wesley P. Serrett – Breaux Bridge Jimmy Smith – New Iberia Hugh Soileau, Jr. – Sunset Isaac A. Thomas – Breaux Bridge Helen T. Trahan – Abbeville Mable F. M. Veazie – Opelousas John C. Vice – Erath Barbara A. Vincent – Lafayette Mary B. Wallace – Lafayette Michael C. Wright – Abbeville

### **District VI**

Nolan H. Ackoury – Jennings Karin R. Bailey – Lake Charles Joseph L. Baker – Jennings Mary M. Blue – Lake Charles Flora B. Broussard – Jennings Donald Burnette - Crowley Melba Gaye Cantrell – DeRidder Donald L. Clark – Lake Charles Walter J. Clement, Sr. – Jennings Marguerite Clifford – Jennings Gene Duhon – Lake Charles Carolyn J. Frank – Lake Charles Gloria L. Gray – Crowley Henry V. Griffin – Lake Charles Edgar I. Hayes - DeQuincy Ray M. Henrich – Lake Charles Loretta C. Henry – Sulphur Diana B. Hicks – Oakdale Peggy B. Kuehn – Lake Charles Stella D. Mayon – Sulphur Patsy A. Olivier – Church Point Agnes L. Smith – Lake Charles Gertrude Vaughan – Lake Arthur Benjamin C. Welch - Grand Chenier Linda G. Welch - Grand Chenier Charlyne Wyche – Lake Charles John C. Young – Lake Charles

#### **District VII**

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# "... THESE IMMORTAL DEAD WHO LIVE AGAIN IN MINDS MADE BETTER BY THEIR PRESENCE"

### **District VIII**

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### **District IX**

Bonnie W. Guice - Winnsboro Betty C. Halley – Rayville Dorothy H. Lane – Lake Providence James T. Martin – Oak Grove Allen Morse – St. Joseph Camille Clark Newsom – Rayville Doris B. Pollard – St. Joseph Helen G. Rawls – Pioneer Luella B. M. Winston – St. Joseph

### **District X**

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#### **District XI**

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Vivian C. Bagley – Shreveport
Deborah D. Brown – Shreveport
Joe Caldwell – Vivian
Mary P. Carter – Shreveport
Euzelia B. Chase – Shreveport
Ruby S. Clark – Bossier City
Bobbye Culverhouse – Minden
Dorothy G. Dornier – Shreveport
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