

**WOEA-R**  
**Western Ohio Education Association-Retired: Founded1989**  
**WOEA-R OCTOBER REPORT**

WOEA-R has numerous activities planned for the 2017-2018 year. The first meeting of the year was held September 20 at Company 7 BBQ with docents from the Garst Museum with: "Museum In A Suitcase". Twenty-four members attended. At the October 18 event, we will tour St. Vincent de Paul in Dayton with lunch at Old Hickory BBQ. Attendees are urged to donate towels, blankets, underwear – all new items. All events begin at 11:00 followed by lunch and meeting around 12. Sandy Dobberstein is responsible for all programs.

The first "Discover New Horizons" was produced by new editor, Sandy Coe. At the September meeting members recognized Sandy Freeman, who was the editor for many years, with a mum. After much work, Emmy Brudzynski and Jane Rahn have compiled an updated mailing/email list for WOE-R. Much appreciation is expressed to Kim Honeycutt at WOE-R for assisting with labels and records.

WOEA-R along with SWOE-R will sponsor the OEA-R Spring Conference on April 18 at Carillon Historic Park. More details will follow.

WOEA-R was featured in the Ohio Schools regarding the effort for FCPE contributions!! Members contributed over \$1500 last year. Members will have an opportunity the coming year for a Taco dinner for 4 by Sophia Rodriguez and Phil Long. At the September meeting, \$162 was donated. Members who donated at least \$30 last year were presented fleece shirts donated by OEA.

With the cooperation of Carol Kinsey, WOE-R members Sandy Dobberstein, Jane Rahn, and Phil A. Long are attending Uniserv Council meetings in WOE-R. The response last year was very positive.

Jane Rahn was elected at the At-Large member of the OEA-R Advisory Board. She will represent all retirees of OEA-R.

WOEA-R lost a very active member, Pat Eshbaugh, this summer. Pat helped with Artemis donations, mailings, FCPE, programs. She will be missed but definitely remembered for her contributions to the education profession and WOE-R. Margaret Coggin, former WOE-R President, also passed away this summer. A moment of silence was taken at the first meeting in remembrance of those WOE-R members who passed the previous year. On October 10, WOE-R lost another very dedicated member, Sheila Campbell. Sheila was WOE-R Treasurer and Membership Chair for many years.

WOEA-R members are still very interested in the education process and will actively assist WOE-R with events, programs, and workshops. WOE-R members are on all WOE-R Committees. Sandy Coe represents OEA-R on the Human and Civil Rights Committee.

WOEA-R will be involved in the screening process for candidates. WOE-R has representatives for House Districts: 39,40,41,42,43,73,80,84.

Phil A. Long, WOE-R Chair