



# Mainland Retired Teachers Association

*From the President's Pen*

## Bridge to Success

Hello MRTA Members,

Here we are in the month of May, preparing for the last meeting of the 2024-2025 year. Also, this is my last Newsletter for 2024-2025, as your President.

The past two years have been extremely active, however, my main goal has been to keep our members informed of the changes occurring in TRTA. Thank you to my Officers and Committee Chairs for your hard work.

The Membership Drive for the 2025-2026 year began on March 1, 2025. (Note the Membership and Treasurer's Report). Members, come prepared to pay your dues at our May meeting! Contact Paul Bland if you are unsure of your membership status.

The Plant Swapping activity originally scheduled for May's meeting has been cancelled. Another date next year will be selected since Nancy Heard is recuperating from knee replacement surgery.

**\*\*Note the time change of May's meeting. Plan to arrive earlier in order to hear Mayor Dederick Johnson speak on "The Unsheltered."**

Maxine Wyche

## Reports

### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Two High School Graduating seniors were selected to receive our \$500 Scholarships. They are:

Railynn LaSoya-Texas City High School

Albert Rueben-Hitchcock High School

Congratulations and BEST Wishes to these noteworthy recipients!

### MAY HOST/ HOSTESSES

John Cooks

Rose Cooper

Shirley Josey

Sharon Simmons

Hazel Spiller

Each Hostess group is responsible for an Ice Breaker Activity.

\*If there are any changes contact Bonnie Brooks @ (409) 789-3472.



May 5, 2025

Scholarship Committee Meeting  
10AM

Moore Memorial Library  
Texas City, Texas

May 16, 2025

Senior Award Night @ Texas  
City High School

Rita Boykin, Presenter

May 20, 2025

Senior Award Night @ Hitchcock  
High School

Maxine Wyche, Presenter

May 21, 2025

MRTA Meeting  
Nessler Center

Alamo Room  
12:00 PM

Speaker: Mayor Dederick Johnson

"The Unsheltered"

\*2025-2026 Officers will be installed at the May meeting. Officers please wear your D4 Red Shirt/Red Shirt & Dark Bottoms to take a Group picture! This picture will be included in the 2025-2026 Chapter Yearbook!





To All May Celebrants



### Membership Report

We need your help to boost our MRTA membership. Our Membership Drive for the 2025-2026 year began on March 1, 2025. If you have missed some of your friends, reach out to them and encourage them to come join us. Also, don't forget to recruit newly retired educators. Our combined efforts to work with our elected officials has been a success, but we need more voices. Remember to send all payments to Paul Bland.

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### Treasurer's Report

As of MAY 1, 2025, our balance is \$8,582.03. I am now collecting chapter dues for the 2025-2026 year. Also, I have the order forms for the NEW D-4 Shirts! Contact me to pay your dues, to place an order for the D-4 shirt, or see me at the May meeting.

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### OUR DECEASED MEMBER

WILLIE MAE HAZZARD

1933-2025

