REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS' COMMITTEE June 17, 2015

Purpose; The purpose of the State Public Relations Committee is to promote and report the activities and work of the Indiana Retired Teachers Association and county RTAs through communications with local chapters, active teachers, legislators, local committees, and the media.

The state and local public relations committees should tell the stories of their organization to their members, their active teachers, their local communities, and their legislators. Churches, schools, and civic organizations benefit from the leadership and participation of the retired teachers. Good public relations are important.

The State Public Relations Committee specifically recognizes those local RTAs who try to spread the work about the retired teacher volunteers through newsletters, press releases, or RTA websites. Examples of these should be submitted to Chair Betty Bourquein, 331 Abby Lane, Batesville, IN 47006, 812-934-4454 by March 31 for consideration of awards presented at the annual Representative Assembly. Outstanding examples of each of these can be used as models.

Help in developing appropriate newsletters, press releases, and websites is available on the Indiana Retired Teachers Association website under Committees/Public Relations or through the state public relations' committee member for your area whose contact information follows this report.

Area 1

Lake County

Newsletter: Outstanding Website: Outstanding

Porter County

Website: Outstanding

Pulaski County

Newsletter: Honorable Mention Press Releases: Outstanding

Area 2

Allen County

Website: Outstanding

Area 3

Cass County

Newsletter: Participation

Fulton County

Press Releases: Outstanding Website: Honorable Mention

Tippecanoe-Benton-Carroll

Website: Honorable Mention

Area 4

Clay County

Press Releases: Outstanding Website: Outstanding

Hendricks County

Press Releases: Outstanding Website: Outstanding

Montgomery County

Press Releases: Outstanding

Park-Vermillion

Press Releases: Outstanding

Putnam County

Website: Outstanding

Vigo County

Press Releases: Honorable Mention

Website: Outstanding

Area 5

Hamilton County

Website: Outstanding

Area 6

Huntington

Press Releases: Outstanding

Madison

Website: Honorable Mention

Area 7

Bartholomew County

Newsletter: Participation Press Releases: Outstanding

Hancock County

Newsletter: Participation Press Releases: Outstanding

Area 8

Brown County

Newsletter: Honorable Mention Press Releases: Outstanding Website: Outstanding

Monroe-Owen Counties

Newsletter: Participation

Area 9

Dubois County

Newsletter: Outstanding

Press Releases: Honorable Mention

Evansville

Newsletter: Outstanding Press Releases: Outstanding Website: Outstanding

Area 10

Dearborn

Newsletter: Outstanding Press Releases: Outstanding Website: Outstanding

Ripley

Newsletter: Outstanding Press Releases: Outstanding

Scott County

Press Releases: Honorable Mention

Southeast

Newsletter: Participation

Congratulations to our winners! Again, please use these outstanding newsletters, press releases, and websites as models. Examples furnished upon request.

Respectfully submitted, Betty G. Bourquein State Public Relations Chair 331 Abby Lane Batesville, IN 47006 812-934-4454