

FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS

It is almost Spring! It's hard to believe this is the middle of April, and we are having a major snowstorm. If you missed our last meeting you missed hearing a very informative and positive presentation about PERA.

Mr. Elliot Goldbaum was the guest speaker for the February General Membership Meeting. He is in charge of the Ambassador Program at PERA. The program tracks legislation that might have impact on PERA.

Elliot's message was that PERA is on track to be fully funded. The three studies commissioned by the state legislature concluded that Colorado's largest public employee pension system is one of the most efficient and effective across the country. PERA ON the ISSUES.com is a great website to keep up on legislation that might impact PERA.

The May General Membership meeting will include the election and installation of our new officers, the announcement of our scholarship recipients, and the presentation of our Community Service Award winner. Linda Navarro has been nominated for that award.

There are vacancies on the board that need to be filled. Lu Ann Long announced that Rose Enyeart has agreed to fill the position of co-president. John Kerr has agreed to run for the treasurer's position, and Karen Hart has agreed to continue as membership chair. We are in need of someone to fill the program chair vacancy. Terri Stevens has done such a wonderful job of organizing General Membership meetings. She has agreed to help the person that fills the position so that there is a smooth transition. Elaine has volunteered to work on publicity and Lu Ann volunteered to help with outreach. Thanks to all of you for volunteering for these positions.

We are growing! The general membership meetings have out grown the space at Olive Garden. So beginning with the May 12th meeting, we will be at Old Chicago on the corner of Academy and Austin Bluffs. The cost of lunch will be the same. Reminder: The August meeting will be at the 21c Library for lunch and a tour. Meetings will then resume at Old Chicago on North Academy and Austin Bluffs

The Pre-Retirement Seminar was April 14th at the Tesla Middle School. We had very good attendance of over 100 people. Thanks to Terry and Jennifer Alley for a great job of planning and organizing a successful Seminar.

Co-Chairs Elaine Naleski and Jan King

The Pre-retirement Seminar sponsored by PPSPERA was held on April 14th at the Tesla Center. Eighty employees from District 11, Colorado Springs Utilities and the City of Colorado Springs attended. The group was welcomed by PPSPERA Co-Chairs Elaine Naleski and Jan King. PPSPERA President Elect Rose Enyeart explained SecurePERA to the group. Jake Henderson was present representing AMBA and he reviewed their services and the relationship with SecurePERA. Terry Alley gave a presentation on the emotional and social aspects of retirement. Colorado PERA Regional Representative Aimee Taylor explained the PERA retirement process and answered many questions from the group. The seminar concluded with a break-out session for the attendees with the benefits specialist from their organization.

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, May 12, 2016

11:30 a.m.

PPSPERA Spring Membership

Meeting and Lunch

\$15.00 Cost

“New Location”

Old Chicago

Corner of Austin Bluffs & Academy