Keep on Trucking and “Cheering for GREA”

Get Ready!!!! We are off to another great year in 2020-21!!! It may be different but GREA members are going to make it Special. As educators you are creative, flexible and motivated to make your local REA a Unit of Distinction or Unit of Excellence or Both!!!! As a retiree in the great state of Georgia, you are smart, kind, hard working, good looking and have a passion for GREA to be the BE ST BEST!!!!

Maybe you will meet as a group or maybe you will hold a virtual meeting. Wow!!! Aren’t you becoming the “techie” by using technology for a conference call or Zoom meeting. Pssst - Don’t be afraid just ask your grandchild or someone that age to show you slowly, as you write step by step what to do, to be successful. You CAN do This!!!!

GREA is one big team all working for the same goals. Let’s make our plans for the year and begin working towards the Unit of Distinction and Unit of Excellence like a well-oiled machine- maybe a little black truck to Keep on Trucking and “Cheering for GREA”. You may be retired but you have lots of “good” No “Great” talents left in you that are just waiting to be used!!!

Everyone is responsible for Membership-that means You!!! Let’s be sure to make our goal of 2,500 new members for 2020-2021. Remember there are 100,000 retirees that need to join GREA. You know who they are!! Invite the new retirees to your Informative and Fun meetings!

If you are a retired educator in Georgia, I think, you Must belong to the Georgia Retired Educators Association. Dues are $24 for an ADD - Automatic Dues Deduction or $27 for an annual or Stripe member. Stripe means dues are paid by credit card. You get a real bargain for your money!!! AMBA benefits are a Great reason for joining!! Do you know someone that is not a member, but is always wanting to know what’s happening or needing a benefit like discounts, insurance or ????. Invite them to visit www.garetirededucators.org, click on Benefits for AMBA and Forms to become a GREA member!!!!

Alzheimer’s is still our Humanitarian Project. Plan to join a Walk for Alzheimer’s near you. If you didn’t get to attend last year, put it on your calendar Now and plan to attend. Every Walk in Georgia has a GREA Team - Join-Donate-Share. For a disease that ALL of us have seen its toll on family and friends, please contribute to the Alzheimer’s Association. Your support is needed more than ever. The Alzheimer’s group is Ready and Willing to have a virtual meeting for you. Website: alz.org/walk/georgia OR Mail to Amy Richardson, Alzheimer's Association, Georgia Chapter, 41 Perimeter Center East, Suite 550. Atlanta,GA 30346

Looking forward to a great GREA Year!!! You are an impressive group of folks. You have class, manners, hospitality, spirit and love enough to share with all. You are an ole GOAT - Greatest Of All Time!!!!!

#CheeringforGREA #GREAistheBEST #FellowshipServiceSupport #StayHealthy

Blessings, JoAnn Tomlinson, State GREA President