Here's the latest eNEWS from the PMEA Retired Member Network... an informal alliance and forum for interconnecting retired music educators and sharing their ideas, stories, successes, news, and views via this e-mail address. Thanks for reading this, and contributing to and staying involved in PMEA and our profession!

Spring Conference Reminder – Hershey Comes Next Week!

There's still time to pre-register (deadline is today) for the annual PMEA Spring In-Service Conference on March 26-28.

We are excited about the many special features at Hershey, including the U.S. Army Brass Quintet, Keynoters Bob Frampton (NAFME Eastern Division President) and John Feierabend, and the Breaking Winds Bassoon Quartet.

One benefit of being a "graduate" (retired member) in our organization is the incredibly discounted registration fee. Are you ready? Drum roll, please! We pay only \$15 (what a deal!), and there's no penalty to register onsite! See the attached form.

If you do have the chance to come, please seek me out at the conference. We will be distributing a sample printed copy of the Help Index of the R³ - Retiree Resource Registry (revised on March 17, 2015) - now almost 100 retired members strong! Hungry? PMEA State Retired Member Breakfast will be held in the Hershey Lodge on Friday, March 27 at 7:30 a.m.



Are You in a Community Band or Orchestra?

We hope to compile a comprehensive listing of PA community bands and orchestras in a future issue of PMEA News. Please help by sending the names of the groups from your area:

In retirement, what community bands or orchestras do you volunteer to play in?

Several of you have already responded! Thank you! One interesting source I have found online for community groups in the U.S. is http://www.community-music.info/commUSA.html, but I noticed a lot of ensembles are missing from the Pennsylvania listing. Where do you perform?

Please continue to send me stuff... thoughts and happenings from & about our retirees! PKF

