

PMEA Retired Member Network eNEWS: September 3, 2015

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Welcome to the latest eNEWS - 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 contributing to and staying involved in PMEA and our profession!



Become a Recruitment Campaign Volunteer!

News Flash from Abigail Young, PMEA State Executive Director and Joshua Gibson, PMEA State Director of Member Engagement:

PMEA and NAFME strive to represent all music educators. However, for PMEA to be more effective, we need to connect with and engage non-members in association activities and learn what is most important to them.

We are fortunate to have received a list of "prospective members" which will be helpful for us to reach out to them. The recruitment campaign is a wonderful opportunity for us to "grow our membership" and make PMEA/NAFME programs even more rewarding.

"What's in it for me," you ask? Invite three non-members to join the association, and when they do, **your next membership renewal will be "on PMEA!"**

To sign-up, please go to the NAFME State Recruitment Pre-Campaign Volunteer link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MLJRNP9>. No previous volunteer experience is required, and training will be provided. It is estimated that about an hour of work will be required each week in order for us to be successful in recruiting new members.

Know a colleague who is a non-member? Now is the time to ask them to join. Together, we can show our colleagues that **PMEA and NAFME are where music educators belong.**

More Retired Members Join the R³



The July 20 upgrade of PMEA **Retiree Resource Registry (R³)** and accompanying **R³ Help Index** are posted in **Retired Member section** of the PMEA state website: <http://www.pmea.net/retired-members/>.

If you are interested in serving as an informal adviser or consultant to PMEA members, please fill-out the Retiree Resource Survey:

<https://pmea.wufoo.com/forms/pmea-retiree-resource-survey/>.

We are happy to welcome our newest **R³** colleagues: **Carey Crumling** and **Jeff Twiford**. The next version of the registry and index will include their (and your?) names.

Latest "Fox Blogs" to Insure a Graceful Transition to Retirement!

Happy reading: <https://paulkfoxusc.wordpress.com/category/retirement-resources/>.

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Continuation of Updates/Additions to the Community Choir Roster

Revisions to our "nearly-comprehensive" directory of **community singing groups** with open membership for retired (and active) PMEA members are coming along. Help us! *Where do you sing? Can you proofread this list? We are thankful for new submissions and corrections by Susan Dieffenbach, Rosemary Haber, Ada Jean Hoffman, Thomas Kittinger, Joanne Rutkowski, and Marie Weber.*

Armstrong Festival Chorus - Ford City
Blazing Star Choral Society-Butler
Cantata Carlisle - Carlisle
Central Pennsylvania Woman's Chorus - Harrisburg
Cumberland Singers - Harrisburg
Essence 2 - State College
Gettysburg Civic Chorus - Gettysburg
Grantham Oratorio Society - Grantham
Greater Harrisburg Chorus - Sweet Adeline's International - Quentin
Harrisburg Choral Society - Harrisburg
Harrisburg Singers - Camp Hill
Hershey Community Chorus - Hershey, PA
Highlands Alumni/Community Choir - Natrona Heights
Hummelstown Community Chorus - Hummelstown
Keystone Capital Chorus - Harrisburg Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society - Camp Hill
Lebanon Choral Society - Lebanon
Lebanon Senior Singers - Lebanon
MFE (Music for Everyone) Lancaster Community Chorus - Lancaster
Monroeville Community Chorus - Monroeville
Nittany Knights Barbershop Chorus - State College
Nittany Valley Children's Chorus - State College
Northampton Community College Chorus - Bethlehem
North Hills Chorale - Allison Park
Parkside Harmony - Enola
PRIMA CANTICA - York
Prima Vocal Ensemble - York
PRIMA VOX - York
Shenango Valley Chorale - Sharon
SLC Community Choirs - Quarryville
State College Choral Society - State College
Susquehanna Chorale - Messiah College
Voices of Palmyra - Hershey
Voices of the Valley (formerly known as Lebanon Valley College Alumni Chorale) - Lemoyne
Westmoreland County Community College Community Choir - Youngwood
Wheatland Chorale - Lancaster

Please Keep in Touch!

Psst! Pass it on! Send us news about our retired members and stay connected via e-mail: paulkfox.usc@gmail.com. Happy trails, retirees! PKF

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