Sumter County Retired Educators Association Fall Newsletter 2021-2022

Fall Meeting-We have scheduled a meeting for Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 10:30 am. The meeting will be held at the Kenny Dixon Sports Complex in Bushnell. We hope all of you can attend and we can see each other in a "safe" setting after the concerns of the past few months. According to the Weather Channel the historical average temperature for this day is 79 for the high, but weather is fickle. Dress casually as we are meeting outdoor. Please bring a chair. You will be much for comfortable with a comfy lawn chair. The picnic benches are not comfortable to sit on for a prolonged period of time. At this time, we will discuss having meetings at other . locations, program ideas, etc. Water will be provided and snacks will be available. We will not be having a complete meal. Most of us thoroughly enjoyed the Hotdog Meal of last year and we will plan another for this year if you wish. It will be wonderful to see each other again. If the weather is guestionable that day check your email or call the Shuylers at 793-4555 (H) or 6032235 (C) to see if the meeting is cancelled.

<u>Community Project Ideas</u>—Come to the meeting with ideas for community projects. Last year we provided Christmas for the residential clients of the former SCARC group homes for Sumter County. The homes have a new name now but they are in the same location and most likely the same residents. Several years ago, we

collected and bought things for the SCARC workers who live with their families but go to the work center in Bushnell during the day. Last year they did not have a Christmas party because of COVID concerns. The work center is also under new leadership and management and has been merged with Hernando County to best meet the needs of our handicapped citizens in Sumter County. Also, the children of our county benefit from the Vickers Christmas Party held each year at the Langley Medical Center in Sumterville. You can bring your toys and gifts suitable for up to 14 years of age to the meeting in November or drop it by Langley. Please have them unwrapped so that each child will receive the proper age-related gift and no duplications.

Email Addresses—A lot of members are not receiving our emails, either the emails are being returned because you have changed vour email address or we have it recorded wrong. In some cases, we have never had your email address. We want each of you to always be informed about what is happening. Some things cannot wait for a newsletter and you are missing out. If you did not get the email about the upcoming meeting for November then we have an email communication problem. Please send us an email at frea.screa@yahoo.com so that we can add you to the list. We want to hear from you. If we would have an immediate need to change the meeting because of weather we can only reach the email recipients. That happened last year when our December meeting was rained out at the sports complex. It was a very cold and rainy day.

New Member-We have a new member, Richard Kelch of The Villages. Richard, we hope you will be able to join us at one or all of our meetings this year so that we can meet and welcome you in person. <u>Dues</u>—We have tried to enclose a form if your dues are not paid to help you get the dues to your treasurer. If you have any questions about your dues call Larry or Laura at 793-4555, Leave a message on the answering machine as we do not answer the telephone because of scam and other unsolicited calls.

Map to the Kenny Dixon Sport Complex in Bushnell

From Wildwood take Highway 301 south to Bushnell. After crossing the train tracks in Bushnell keep going straight onto W Noble Ave. Keep going straight past Purcell Funeral Home on the right, the Methodist Church on the left, straight to the 4-way stop at West Street. Go straight, cross Battlefield ^A oad and you should see the sports complex on your right; continue straight to the picnic area.

