August 2018 Central Western Zone Co-Presidents' Report

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July 9 and 10, 2018 NYSRTA Executive Board Meeting in Syracuse

While attending this meeting we learned the following information to be shared with our zone.

NYSRTA 2018 Convention: Twenty-two_delegates (and two alternates) are needed to attend the NYSRTA 2018 Convention at Turning Stone October 17, 18, and 19. Contact Jane if you are interested in being a delegate. Unit Presidents, please pass this information on to new unit members. It is helpful to attend and get the "big picture" of the workings of NYSRTA.

You MUST be a NYSRTA member to be a delegate.

Also needed for the convention:

Two Raffle Baskets Western Zone would appreciate these arriving as early as possible.

Trivia Team of up to 8 members to participate in Trivia Night on Thursday. We need to know <u>in</u> <u>advance</u> if you would like to be on a team. The roster of team members is due no later than noon on Thursday. Fifteen teams will compete. Each zone should have a team, and if others wish to participate other teams will be taken on a first come first serve basis. There will be prizes, and the bar will be open for everyone!! Join the fun!!

Western Zone is the host this year, and the theme is "Best in the West". There is NO dress up theme for the Thursday Night cocktail party.

Registration for the convention will be in the Summer YORK STATE. Register EARLY especially if you need a handicap room. Cancelation dates will be strictly adhered to, so if you cancel after the date you WILL be responsible for the cost of food and drink. If you cancel and fail to pay the zone will be charged.

Resolutions and Bylaws that were discussed at the July NYSRTA Executive Board will be in the July YORK STATE.

Spring Meetings: We attended and enjoyed all of the spring meetings.

April 12th Orleans County – Easter Eggs (Georgia attended an Easter Egg party at the White House as a child!)

May 9th Wyoming County – Mary Ann Reisdorf portrayed First Lady Francis Folsom Cleveland and her Wyoming County roots.

May 16th Livingston County – Prof. Michael Oberg Gave a talk on Native American History

May 17th Seneca County – Erica Spencer of Natural Solutions Acupuncture of Waterloo (Sandy is now a "believer" in acupuncture and feeling much better.)

May 23th Steuben County – Wayland Historical Society

May 24th Ontario County – League of Women Voters Court Watch program

June 4th Yates County – Chief Executive Officer of the Finger Lakes Economic Development Center

June 5th Wayne County Photos of Wayne County

June 6th Monroe County – Rochester Rhapsody

At each meeting we meet a devoted executive committee and friendly people while enjoying a delicious lunch and interesting programs. Seeing the beautiful countryside is an added bonus.

We have enjoyed our three year term as Co-Presidents. We THANK YOU all for the support and help we have received over the past three years.

Thank, Jane and Sandy