

September 2, 2015 Advisory Council Report from Kathleen Purdy

Welcome to all of our new members on the OEA-R Advisory Council!

During the July ECOEA Summer Leadership Workshop, I had the wonderful opportunity to set up a display featuring OEA-R opportunities and benefits to the members. A door prize was provided as my 'thank you' to the members and won by Bruce Steiner. (Photo below)



I am in the process of suggesting names of our retired members for appointments to each of our ECOEA Standing Committees. We have: Constitution Committee – vacancy; Elections/RA Planning – Sally Smith; IPPA – Carol Kinsey; Program Committee- vacancy. I chose not to return to the Program Committee to encourage the opportunity for others to participate. I do thank Sally and Carol for returning.

Copies of our Summer Newsletter will be available at this AC meeting. The front page newsletter detailed information on how to be more informed about Senior Citizen Scams. I made Con artists and scammer pamphlets available to the attendees at our annual “ Not Back to School Luncheon” on Wednesday, August 19, 2015. OEA-R Chair, John Hoyes, OEA-R at-large Christine Swank and OEA Vice President Scott DiMauro joined us, helping to create a positive and energetic gathering. We had a total of 13 great people, door prizes and give-aways! I have extra pamphlets available for this AC meeting.

In closing, I continue to review the OEA-R Mission Statement and Purposes. I use these to provide the best service(s) to the members, both active and retired, despite some negativity during the process. It shall always be my commitment to move forward and learn from past history, keeping in mind, that leadership is earned by not taking the easy route to please a particular point of view.

Educationally yours,

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