

## TEXTRON SYSTEMS RETIREES ASSOCIATION, Inc. P.O. Box 6936 Holliston, MA 01746

# **IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR TSRA MEMBERSHIP FOR 2021**

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### Dear TSRA Member,

We again invite you to renew your membership in the Textron Systems Retirees Association.

TSRA dues continue to be only \$15 per family. If any information has changed or you are a new member, then simply complete the electronic renewal form located at <u>www.tsretirees.org</u> in lower right corner of home page. If your early payment is postmarked/received by 12 Oct 2020, then dues are \$13 for this limited time. Your payment can be made by check, bank transfer, or PayPal.

As TSRA enters its 21<sup>st</sup> year of service, the Board of Directors is pleased to acknowledge the sustained level of our membership, since its inception in 2000. The current year includes 372 members, representing pre-retirees, retirees, surviving partners and families.

We especially hope you are staying well and safe during these pandemic laden times. A special prayer is to have these stressful days behind us with the potential success for vaccines and therapeutics around the corner in early 2021.

Whether you have been drawn by TSRA's mission to advocate for the protection of your benefits, promote on-going social contact, provide information and education on retirement issues, or by some combination of these three core objectives, you can be sure that your TSRA leadership is committed to offering you services and programs to meet the needs and wants of all its members.

John Lescher continues as our presiding Chairperson and is now leading TSRA through some critical challenges.

### A LOOK BACK

A look back at TSRA's 2020 accomplishments is our report card to you on how successfully we have met this challenge. The current pandemic has had a noted impact on the level of services and events. We look forward to the day soon that we will come full circle to conducting the same level of social calendar highlites that you can see bring lots of excitement and satisfaction to our daily retirement lives.

- A much enjoyed and featured service is our regularly scheduled monthly update flyers which were mailed to all members, thus keeping them informed of a variety of interesting newsworthy articles and happenings.
- Most importantly, the Standing Committees of TSRA continued to work tirelessly to provide guidance and support of its members in resolving issues and/or problems encountered with status and/or delivery of its Textron benefits.
- Many old photos have been added to the "Memory Lane" section.

#### TIME AND TALENT

All of this is made possible by the generous contribution of time, treasure, and talent of the following members of your Board of Directors and many loyal and dependable committee members.

- Joint Communications Committee, chaired by Steve Wisotsky, is responsible for maintaining the TSRA website and publishing the TSRA update flyers. Selena Evans is also a member of JCC responsible for supporting publishing flyers and news items of interest. Bob Norbedo continues serving as our Web Master and database designer. Carol Coombs continues sending condolence cards to our departed members' families.
- Retirement Benefits Affairs Committee, chaired by Joel Bernstein and actively supported by Mark Kovacs and Guy Berube, are responsible for keeping us up to date on TSRA benefits and medical and financial retirement issues.
- Membership Affairs Committee is chaired by Dom La Rosa. Len Epstein also serves as Membership Manager and maintains the renewal information on our active member families. Bob Littlehale leads a team to include Bob Cranton, Len Epstein, Dom La Rosa, Mario Sacco, Peg Stanton, and Bill Strickland, who monitor several newspapers on obituary notices of our departed members as well as for all Textron Systems employees, past and present.
- Social Affairs Committee, chaired by Joe Martino, organizes and provides social events for our membership. Joe with committee members Jeanne Bumstead, Art Dunford, Selena Evans and Dom LaRosa provide administrative support to host and oversee many enjoyable activities throughout the year.
- Steve Terani serves the vital role of Secretary, maintaining outstanding audit trails of our history of Monthly BoD agendas, meetings and archives.
- Bob Ricles continues to provide outstanding financial expertise as the organization's Treasurer, with meticulous financial reporting each month.

Again, welcome aboard and we personally look forward to seeing you at upcoming events once we can restart them. Any feedback is welcome, so please contact us at <u>tsra-board@googlegroups.com</u>. You are welcome to periodically check our website for new articles and featured announcements at <u>www.tsretirees.org</u>.

<u>Your Board of Directors</u> TEXTRON SYSTEMS RETIREES ASSOCIATION, Inc.