



TEXTRON SYSTEMS RETIREES ASSOCIATION, Inc.
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IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR TSRA MEMBERSHIP FOR 2025

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Dear TSRA Member,

Once again, the TSRA Board of Directors invites you to renew your membership with the Textron Systems Retirees Association.

TSRA dues continue to be only \$15 per family. If any information has changed or if you are a new member, then simply complete the status change form located at www.tsretirees.org in the lower right corner of the home page. If your early payment is postmarked/received by **7 Oct 2024**, then the dues are reduced to **\$10** for this limited time. Your payment can be made by check, bank transfer, or PayPal. As a reminder, the only way to pay by PayPal is through the 'Pay on Line' tab at the top of the TSRA Home Page.

As TSRA enters its **25th** 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 **322 active** members, representing pre-retirees, retirees, surviving partners and families. We especially hope you are staying well and safe.

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 team is committed to offering you services and programs that will meet your expectations.

John Lescher, as our presiding Chairperson, continues to lead TSRA.

A LOOK BACK

A look back at TSRA's 2024 accomplishments is our report card to you on how successfully we have met this challenge. With the pandemic in our rear-view mirror for the most part, TSRA has restarted the level of services and events that we have grown accustomed to over the many years. We look forward to adding more events to our social calendar going forward to continue bringing you lots of excitement and satisfaction in your daily retirement lives.

- A much enjoyed and featured service is our regularly scheduled monthly update flyers on a variety of newsworthy articles and happenings.
- We recently initiated a new program: TSRA Town Halls. These ZOOM meetings provide members the opportunity to interact with each other regardless of their geographic location.
- Interesting social events that bring our members together in relaxing and entertaining ways. (eg. Luncheons, Magician at luncheon, featured speakers)
- 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 the member of JCC responsible for developing and supporting the publication of flyers and news items of interest. **Bob Norbedo** continues serving as our Web Master and database designer. **Carol Coombs** sends condolence cards to our departed members' families.
- **Retirement Benefits Affairs Committee, chaired by Joel Bernstein** is responsible for keeping us up to date on TSRA benefits and medical and financial retirement issues. TSRA was sad to learn of the passing of its loyal member, **Guy Berube**, who provided personal service to so many TSRA members. Guy spent countless hours supporting the needs of many members over the years.
- **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. Assisting **Dom** are **Bob Norbedo, Bob Cranton, Len Epstein, Mario Sacco, Peg Stanton, and Bill Strickland**, who monitor several newspapers for obituary notices of our departed members as well as for all Textron Systems employees, past and present. An especial recognition goes out to **Bill Strickland** as he ends his many years of serving as a reliable obituary monitor.
- **Social Affairs Committee, chaired by Joe Martino**, provides social events for our membership. They were very successful in hosting fall and spring luncheons. Joe relies on dedicated committee members **Selena Evans, Dom La Rosa, Ron Milauskas** and event contributor, **Len Epstein**, who collectively stand at the ready to continue to provide administrative support to host and oversee more enjoyable activities throughout the year.
- **Steve Wisotsky** serves as the current **Secretary**, maintaining outstanding audit trails of our history of Monthly BoD agendas, meetings, and archives. He is also responsible for annual reports to the Massachusetts Secretary of State.
- **Len Epstein** serves as the current **Treasurer**. Len continues to provide outstanding financial expertise overseeing the invested funds and providing meticulous financial reporting quarterly.

Again, welcome aboard. We look forward to seeing you at upcoming events and are ready to have you enjoy the comradery of our membership. Any feedback is welcome, so please contact us at tsra-board@googlegroups.com. If you have any changes in your contact status, then please forward information to the address in our letterhead or submit changes via online at www.tsretirees.org. You are welcome to periodically check our website for new articles and featured announcements at www.tsretirees.org.

Your Board of Directors

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