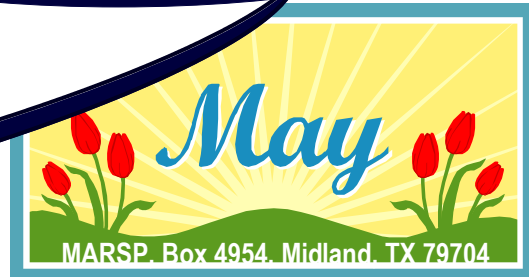


MARSP

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Newsletter

MAY 2009



JOIN US FOR THE MAY MEETING.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

LOCAL AND STATE AWARDS

- ▶ Thursday, May 7, 2009—First Baptist Church
- ▶ Fellowship Hall—11:30 a.m. Meet and Greet
- ▶ 12:00 noon—Lunch, 12:30—Program and Business

Be sure to give an accurate and prompt reservation for you and your guests by email or telephone. A reservation for a meal is a commitment to make payment of \$5.00, even if you cannot attend.

ALERT! ALERT! ALERT!

Call Yvonne Hughes at her **new phone number 689-8184** or e-mail her at yeh4000@apex2000.net by Monday, May 4, for reservations.

HAVE YOU BEEN A WINNER?

The May meeting is the last chance to redeem your Steps or Volunteer lunch certificates.

Scholarship

The MARSP Scholarship is given annually to a UTPB student acquiring a teaching certificate. If you know such a person, have him or her contact UTPB Financial Aid. Thanks so much for your contributions this year!

Recent MARSP Scholarship Fund Donations

In honor and memory of McGlenon Monroe and Idabel Loper, Contribution by Dr. and Mrs. John Martinez

In honor and memory of Bertha Starks Contribution by Patty Smith

SPRING CLEAN FOR BOOKS!

May will be your last chance this year to donate new or gently used BOOKS for the MARSP BOOK PROJECT.

Please BRING THEM to the meeting!

MARSP extends sincere condolences to Martha and Scott Lewis in the death of Martha's mother.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:

ENROLL NOW FOR NEXT YEAR

For those who have not, NOW is the time to mail membership checks because CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS END JUNE 30, and MARSP officers need your support with a timely response to reduce administrative costs in processing late dues.

PLEASE HELP NOW! All who mail forms and checks with a postmark deadline of April 30 will be eligible for PRIZES at the MAY MEETING. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN! Please join now to

help MARSP and TRTA become a stronger voice for retired educators in Midland, Austin, and Washington.

Currently we have gift cards to restaurants, cash, beautiful homemade crosses, coffee, beauty shop certificates, and home decorating items as examples of prizes that you might win by sending in your dues now.



MARSP MEMORY BOOKS

View past Memory Books at Central Office in the room behind the Board Room. View completed pages of this year's book at the meeting.



MARSP Luncheon Meeting Minutes.

April 2, 2009

The Midland Association of Retired School Personnel met on Thursday, April 2, 2009, in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church. President Ann Parish called the meeting to order at 12:30.

Bob Watkins gave the invocation, and Leonard Boyd led members in the pledges to the American and Texas flags.

President Parish welcomed new member Linda Cranfill and introduced guests Dr. Gary Dyer and Tommy Eustace. She thanked Orin Wade for providing piano music during lunch and Jo Ann Collett, Janelle Dozier, and Diantha Dawkins for the table decorations.

Pat Adams introduced the program, "Living History: Local Sons of the Confederate Veterans, Dann Holt Midkiff Camp #1411," presented by Commander Bill Stone and Mark Wilson.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no questions asked concerning the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the newsletter. They were approved for filing. The Treasurer's report was approved in the same manner and filed for audit.

Maridell Fryar gave a report from the TRTA State Convention. Those attending from Midland were Maridell Fryar, Ann Parish, Martha Kallus, Karron Pearson, Dorothy Thompson, Natalie Eustace and Sharon Welch. Maridell explained that because it is a legislative year, the theme for the convention was "A Time for Action." She encouraged members to urge their state senators and representatives to support House Bill 1, which could possibly give us extra money for this year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Parish reminded members to donate to the scholarship/memorial fund in the provided bags.

She reported over 219 members had already joined MARSP, which is 60% of last year's membership and encouraged those who had not yet joined to do so.

It was reported that MARSP had donated more books this year than any other organization in our district, and members were challenged to donate four books per member next year.

Free lunch certificates were awarded to Leonard Boyd for steps and Diantha Dawkins for volunteer hours.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35.

Nancy Doss

TRTA Walk-A-Million Top 20 Walkers for MARSP - 2008:	17. John Moreland - 1, 188, 000
1. Loyd Sanders - 3, 825, 871 Steps	18. Dorothy Blair - 1, 028, 000
2. Karron Pearson - 3, 729, 934	19. Jean Smith -1, 000, 000
3. Dorothy Sanders - 3, 715, 263	20. Jean Alvey - 992, 000
4. Gene Issacs - 3, 280, 000	
5. Ann Parish - 2, 747, 000	MARSP Volunteers with over 1000 hours for 2008:
6. David Kleinbeck - 2, 658, 000	1. Nancy Dakil 5200 hours
7. Vannah Kleinbeck - 2, 628, 000	2. Natalie Eustace 3000
8. Yvonne Black Hughes - 2, 330, 000	3. Bob Cornell 2613
9. Nancy Moreland - 2, 337, 500	4. Nancy Doss 2500
10. Roland Moreland - 2, 027, 220	5. Judia Foreman 2080
11. Daphne Baucum -1, 993, 600	6. Mary Jo Boyd 1498
12. Mary Jo Sawyer - 1, 934, 266	7. Kay Martin 1120
13. Nancy Young - 1, 857, 120	8. Jeanine McKinney 1050
14. Ira Kirby - 1, 500, 000	9. Gayle Dodson 1000
15. Pat Adams - 1, 470, 000	10. Golden Gibbs 1000
16. Donna Kirby - 1, 420, 000	MARSP applauds your efforts.



Late Breaking News: MARSP increased its membership by 31 over last year; nearly a 10% increase. Thank you and congratulations to all members for your support.

Benefit of the Month
Hearing Aid Express
www.hearingaidexpress.com—866.478.8782—
 Statewide network of hearing healthcare professionals. Member benefits include free hearing tests and 10% off hearing aid prices.

AUGUST MEETING DATE
 Our first meeting for next year is August 13. This is our combined meeting of all locals in District XVIII.
Tim Lee will be our featured speaker.

Volunteer Hours ▪ April '09
 Name: _____
 Number of Hours: _____

Walking Steps ▪ April '09
 Name: _____
 Number of Steps: _____