

Chapter Chatter



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Vicki Cameron
Chapter President

As the New Year begins, we can look forward to interesting happenings in our organization. With the retirement of long-time Executive Director Marty Bibb, who retired at the end of December, the search for a replacement and preparing for the upcoming legislative elections I anticipate a busy year ahead.

I attended the Executive Board Meeting in January, where the main topic of discussion was how or do we replace the Executive Director. The first item they achieved was the appointment of Terri Laird as the Interim Executive Director.

PEBP continues to require attention to protect our members who are either in the CDHP or the HMO insurance plans. The PEBP Board has, for some time, the goal of having a statewide HMO plan. This year they voted on two separate occasions to award the contract to Anthem Blue Cross for the 2017 Plan year.

We are looking forward to presentations from the State Attorney General's office on Consumer Fraud.

AARP and we will be looking for members interested in getting more involved in the chapter by running for election to the Chapter Board of Directors.

In April we will be hosting a PEBP Forum and teaming up with the Boulder City Chapter with a Recruitment Day.

Our continued goal is to increase membership of both Active and Retired employees. Although the organization was founded by retirees, RPEN advocates on behalf of both Active and Retired public employees at all sessions of the State Legislature. If you know an Active employee age 50 or vested please encourage them to join RPEN.



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CHAPTER OFFICER NOMINATIONS UNDERWAY

The election of Chapter Officers will take place in June.

Joyce Nies and Colleen Brown are serving as the Nominating Committee this year.

The offices up for election are: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer along with one State Delegate position.

Don't be shy. Each person has talents that no one knows about.

Your Chapter would like to use **your** talent to better serve our members at this critical time for public employees, retired and active.

If you have questions about any of the offices, contact Colleen at hdncbrown@gmail.com or Joyce at jandbnies@aol.com.

It's time to **"step up to the plate"**. Your Chapter needs you!

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AUDIT COMMITTEE COMMENDS TREASURER



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Excerpt from Audit Committee Report:

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Ever wonder how your Chapter Funds are being accounted for? Below is the complete Audit Report. You will see that the Chapter's finances are in good order.

HENDERSON CHAPTER AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

.On December 16 2015, Joyce Nies and Paula Petruso conducted a review of the Henderson Chapter financial records provided by Treasurer Jo Ann Labrosky. These records cover the term and span of her responsibility. We believe this financial review, although late, met the requirements of the Henderson Chapter Bylaws, Article IX and validated compliance with Article V, Sections 3 and 4.

Methodology

- All official funds of the chapter are deposited to a bank account. Monthly bank statements were reviewed and checking account balances were compared to records.
- The check record was compared to periodic financial reports that the Treasurer had provided to the chapter

- A number of random receipts were matched to recorded revenue and debts.
- Both Executive Board minutes and General Meeting minutes were cross-checked for authorization of expenditures and revenue.
- Records of a separate cash fund comprised of money collected from 50/50 drawings (voluntary participation by members) was also reviewed.

Conclusion

We commend Treasurer Labrosky for her attention to detail and for the retention and organization of documentation which clearly supported financial activities and simplified the review process.

In reviewing a large number of documents we found one small mathematical error (9 cents) in a reimbursement that apparently resulted from a last minute addition to a list of small purchases given to the Treasurer at a meeting and verified by more than one receipt.

Records that seemed to be difficult to follow were the Executive Board's authorization for expenditures and reports of financial activity to the membership. (See page 4)

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Suggestions

The Executive Board approves an annual budget and authorizes expenditures. The Bylaws state, “Officers are authorized to manage expenses, reporting to the chapter membership on budget, expenditures and income matters.” We believe it is important that chapter membership receive more detailed reports on budget, expense and incomes matters, and that the minutes of board and general meetings record the authorization of expenses (purpose, amount, and vendor) as part of budgets or plans.

Paula W. Petruso and Joyce Nies,
Henderson Chapter Audit Committee



NEW SECTION ADDED TO NEWSLETTER

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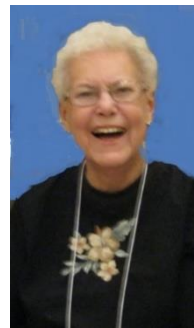
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Titled: **GETTING TO KNOW OUR
MEMBERS**

Each issue will feature the profile of one of our members. If there is anyone you would like to know more about contact: Colleen Brown at hdncbrown@gmail.com. Every Effort will be made to meet your request.

Our first profile

JOYCE NIES



Joyce is a charter member of the Henderson Chapter of RPEN. She was on the Formation Committee in 2000 and assisted in the presentation of our request at the Annual Board of Directors Meeting in Tonopah in 2000.

Joyce has been very active in RPEN, both on the State and Chapter level.

She was the first Secretary the Chapter had and went on to serve as President of the Chapter in 2007 – 2009, Membership Committee Chair forever (both State and Chapter) and State Delegate from 2009 to 2014

Joyce and Brownie (deceased) loved to travel in their RV for an annual visit “back home”, Wisconsin.

Joyce’s favorite saying: “Just enjoy life”.

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PHOTO GALLERY



L to R: Vicki Cameron, Chapter President and

From the State Attorney General's Office bringing us up-to-date on Senior Fraud. March 14, 2016



L to R: Colleen Brown Vicki

Cameron and Sandi Mix at the Henderson Expo – October 17, 2015



Jack Harris, RPEN State President and Terri Laird, RPEN Executive Director, Speaking to us on February 8, 2016



L to R: Colleen McGinty, spoke on what it was like growing up in Henderson and Vicki Cameron, Chapter President

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Retired Public Employees of Nevada is a 501 C 4 federally tax exempt organization whose Purpose is to promote social welfare by Educational means in order to better inform the Public on issues affecting retired public employees.



NEW METHOD TO PAY DUES

RPEN is now able to offer the choice to pay your dues monthly by automatic deduction. You now have 4 choices to pay your dues Contact RPEN for additional information.

1-775-882-7832 or 1-800-307-7736



HENDERSON CHAPTER CONTACT INFORMATION

For information on the RPEN Henderson Chapter, please call President Vicki Cameron at 702-491-4861; e-mail vlcameron@cox.net



USEFUL LINKS

RPEN Website: www.rpen.org

PERS Website: www.nvpers.nv

Social Security: www.ssa.gov

PEBP website: www.pebp.state.nvus

Nevada Legislature:

www.leg.state.nv.gov

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