

Henderson Chapter

Meeting Site: American Legion Hall, 425 E Van Wagenen St
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RPEN 2016 Annual Board of Directors' Meeting

With the Elko Chapter as host, the theme of the meeting is "RPEN – A Golden Opportunity." Attendees will arrive on Tuesday, Sept 20. The Executive Committee will meet at 5 pm. Wednesday will be a day of workshops on a variety of issues and an opportunity to learn new skills. Our Chapter President will demonstrate setting up a Facebook account, as well as registering an account on Twitter. Wednesday evening is a night out with a Mexican buffet and folk dancing. Thursday is a full day of business. Officers and committees will report their activities; proposed bylaws amendments will be debated and voted; and the future of our organization will be discussed, including a possible increase in political activities. Join your Board of Directors in Elko. Every member is invited to attend.

Twits, Twitter & Tweets? Twitter is an online social networking service that enables you to send and read short 140-character messages called tweets. Registered users can read and post tweets, but those who are unregistered can only read them. You access Twitter through the website interface, text messaging service or mobile device app.

Twitter Inc. is based in San Francisco and was launched in July 2006. The service rapidly gained worldwide popularity, with more than 100 million users posting 340 million tweets a day in 2012. The service also handled 1.6 billion search queries per day. As of March 2016, Twitter has more than 310 million monthly active users scattered over the planet.

Presidential candidate Donald Trump says his Twitter account has saved him millions of dollars in advertising and allows a more personal touch with his supporters. @realDonaldTrump has 11 million followers.



Upcoming Events

Sept. 12, 2:30 pm

Monthly Chapter Meeting
with Exec. Director Terri Laird

Sept. 20 – 23

RPEN State Board of Directors
Ramada/Stockmen's, Elko

Oct. 10, 2:30 pm

Monthly Chapter Meeting
Learn about RPEN Benefits &
Online Shopping Cash Back!

**Let's make this year a
success by recruiting
new members and
presenting programs
that our members want
to attend.**

Will a cash incentive
persuade you to bring in a
new member?

Would learning more about
the dangers of Wildland
Urban Interface FIRES (45
million homes at risk) bring
you to a monthly meeting?

Photo above: Carson City, September 2015: Henderson Delegates Joyce Nies and Sandie Mix had a great time at the annual banquet of the 2015 Board of Directors Meeting.

PRESIDENT VICKI'S MESSAGE

Well, fellow RPEN members, I hope you have had a wonderful summer. Although we don't hold a monthly meeting during the summer months, your Board is hard at work recruiting new members and keeping informed on issues that may affect each of us.

Late June, I was able to attend the Executive Board meeting in Elko at the site of our upcoming Annual Meeting. The treasurer's report showed the organization in good financial condition. Ms. Lockard discussed some of the issues we may be facing during the 2017 Legislature. NPRI will continue to be an adversary. Bernard Paolini, membership chair, told us some of the chapters were looking at ways to encourage members to bring in new members. The Henderson Chapter will be offering a \$20 incentive to any member who brings in a new member.

Sandie Mix and I had the honor of interviewing 25 candidates running for various Senate and Assembly Districts. Most of those interviewed were sympathetic to our issues. Look for the upcoming State newsletter for their responses.

The board has put together a great list of upcoming speakers to keep you up to date on the issues. These include:

Terri Laird, Executive Director of RPEN,
Cheryl Price Operations Manager of PERS, and
Marlene Lockard, RPEN Lobbyist.

From the *National Public Pension Coalition* **Why are pensions the best option?**

Several decades ago, many companies in the private section began to close their pensions and replace them with 401(k)-style accounts. As that generation of workers is beginning to retire, the numbers are startling. When all households are included—not just households with retirement accounts—the median balance of retirement savings for those near retirement age is \$12,000. Many working people and their families—around 38 million households—have no employer-sponsored retirement account at all. Without a change, millions of Americans will retire into poverty. A traditional, defined benefit pension ensures that as a worker ages, he will have access to a consistent, modest income. The median pension is about \$15,500 per year. protectpensions.org



Be an Active Member

Above Dolle McPartlin, RPEN Parliamentarian, stands at the Nevada Governor's Mansion in Carson City. Being an officer or delegate at the Annual RPEN meeting has many rewards.

Foremost, you are representing your chapter at the state level in deliberations and important votes. Your voice is heard as you question, propose, and advocate.

As a bonus, you may visit parts of Nevada you have missed -- Carson City, Elko, Sparks – and discover the historic places and stories that make our state unique.

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Sept 12 - Henderson
Symphony Orchestra

Sept 25 - Casting Crowns
Christian Rock Band

Oct 1- Night of Comedy
Adam Ferrara &
Ryan Hamilton