UEA-R Primetime

Welcome to the **UEA-R Primetime** newsletter. We hope to keep our repurposed teachers informed on life, news, events, issues, and highlights that are of interest to our UEA-R members.

One of the most exciting things at this stage in life is finding so many rewarding and interesting activities to experience and participate in. We would love to use this newsletter as a means for all to share some of the wonderful things you have done and experienced as a retired educator.

We have need of additional editors, article writers, pertinent news, activities, human interest, and any other contributions to the newsletter. The more the merrier!!!! Please contact any member of our UEA-R Board and/or Tom Nedreberg, our UEA-R president, and Cathy Boyd, UEA-R Board member with your ideas and contributions.

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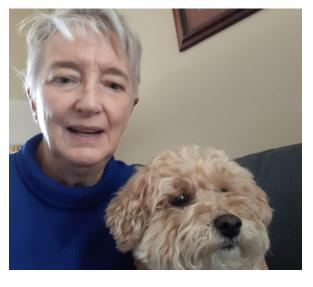


Getting to know

Susan Gilman-Hasenwinkel - UEA-R Vice President



Our wonderful VP Sue with super VIP
Ginger!!!
Living it up in gorgeous Washington, Utah.



Many members of UEA-Retired may not know me, and since I'm currently serving as the vice president of UEA-Retired, I'd like to introduce myself.

I am a native Minnesotan with a B.A. and M.A.T. in English from Augustana University, Sioux Falls, SD. For 40 years, I taught mostly high school English, but also social studies, French, math, and physical sciences. (I have a lot of teaching minors because I kept switching majors.) I have also taught at most levels from preschool to undergraduate. I have taught in Iowa (3 years), Nigeria (10 years), Minnesota (3 years), and Utah (5 years in private school, 2+ at UTU, and 17 in Washington County public schools).

I have been a member of UEA since I started teaching at Hurricane High, including 16 years as an AR, WCEA exec. board for about 6 years, and vice president of WCEA for 5 years. At the state level, I served two terms on Organizing and Membership and two terms on Rules and Resolutions, including two years as chair. I have been on the executive board of UEA-Retired for about 3 years, the last two as vice president.

I have 3 sons, all married, with 7 grandchildren. Since retirement, I have pursued hobbies like sewing, reading, and embroidery. I am an active volunteer at my church as well as an organist there. I live with my mini-poodle Ginger.

CLASSROOM MEMORIES



THAT ONE STUDENT WHO
IS ALWAYS PAYING
ATTENTION NO MATTER
WHAT



As retired school employees and NEA-Retired members, we are still actively concerned about the issues that face public education, the economy, taxes, Medicare and of course, Social Security. For our members, these issues are at the forefront of this 2024 election and it's critical that we elect candidates who share our beliefs.

That's why on July 23, 2024, NEA endorsed Vice President Kamala Harris. And why NEA President Becky Pringle put out the call to NEA constituent groups to develop a "Get Out the Vote Plan." NEA-Retired is up to the challenge and has created a great plan that with your help, will make a difference in this election. Your state president has all the information you need and will be getting this important info out to members. Our plan boils down to one thing...challenging each NEA-Retired member to talk with just ten people, ensure that each person plans to vote, and share the good news that Kamala Harris and running mate Tim Walz will fight for public education, for preserving Social Security and Medicare, and understand that our children and grandchildren benefit most when the middle class is not taxed more so that the wealthy will be taxed less.

Indeed, this is an important, if not one of the most important elections in our lifetime! It has been made even more so with the introduction of Project 2025 as written by the Heritage Foundation and with many of former President Trump's allies and former members of his administration. (Project 2025 can be found at https://www.project2025.org). It's important that our members understand the implications of Project 2025.

Project 2025 has been read, examined, and studied by many groups, including the staff and leadership of NEA. Reading the conclusions of these groups shows how dangerous Project 2025 is, not only to NEA-Retired members but also for our children and grandchildren. In short, Project 2025 calls for Medicare Advantage to be the default for those on Medicare; dismantling the Department of Education and eliminating Title 1 which would lead to a loss of services to more than 2.8 million children; eliminating free school meals; increasing taxes on working families; and cutting health care in the form of Medicaid for children.

We can't let that happen! Statistics show that 94% of people over 65 vote and understand the importance of voting. It's even more important that this year, our members and our friends understand what is at stake. That's why it is critical that we VOTE and that we "Get Out the Vote" by talking with friends and family.

We can do it! NEA-Retired is prepared with an awesome "Get Out the Vote Plan!"

Anita Gibson NEA - Retired President

News You Can Use

Cutting Drug Prices

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has released its first negotiated prescription drug prices for Medicare beneficiaries, with prices set to become effective January 1, 2026. Beneficiaries will then have an annual \$2,000 cap on their own out-of-pocket costs. Medicare prescription drug plans, including standalone Part D plans and Medicare Advantage prescription drug plans, must include selected drugs in their formularies.

Prices will adjust each year for inflation. More drugs will come under the program in coming years.

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UEA-R Board

Executive Committee	LAC Legislation Action Committee (*~Tom Nedreberg)	RI&C Retirement Issues & Communication (*~Keith Tondro)	O&MC Organizing & Membership Capacity (*~Susan Gilman-Hasenwinkel)	R&SJ Racial & Social Justice (*~Tom Nedreberg)	Social Committee (Trudy Henderson*)
*Tom Nedreberg (Pres). 2026 – Aug 30 ~ (All-State Pres) CLP	*Jim Griffin 2025–Woodland Peaks March 16	Cathy Boyd 2024 - Wasatch Feb 20	*Sue Dickey 2025-Granite Sept 24 (? Chair St George Chapter)	Tamyra Williams+ 2024 - Eastern Feb 18	TBD
*Susan Gilman- Hasenwinkel (VP) 2026 – Color Country Oct 13 ~ (NEA-R Legislative)	*Ryan Anderson 2026 – High Desert April 14 ~NEA-R Pac	Brian Ferguson 2026 – Davis July 8	Debbie Green 2024 - Ogden-Weber Aug 6	Trudy Henderson+ 2024 Feb16	Elizabeth Carlin* (Birthday Cards)
*Keith Tondro (Sec/Tres) 2024 May 29 ~ (Communications)	Stu Bailey+ 2024 – High Desert Dec 29	Need a Board member (2025)	Elizabeth Carlin 2024 – Northen April 30	Need a Board member (2025)	
*Trudy Henderson (UEA- Board) 2024			Unassigned Uni-Serv Alpine, Jordan/Canyons		
UEA Support	Karen Loveridge March 24	Jay Blain (Staff liaison) Sept 29		Brandon Baca UEA-VP	

ELECTION INFORMATION



The Utah Education Association Recommends Brian King for Governor of Utah

Representative Brian King has been a steadfast advocate for public education, consistently standing up for both Utah students and educators on critical issues. As governor, he will collaborate with the UEA to foster an environment where every public school student can succeed.

"I have long admired the important advocacy work of the UEA in representing teachers across the state and fighting for our public schools. I have enjoyed working alongside the UEA during my 16 years in the Legislature, and as governor, I will continue that partnership and strengthen the collaborative relationship between our state government and our educators, because they should always be at the forefront of education policy."

- Rep. Brian King

UEA Priorities	Representative Brian King	Governor Spencer Cox	
UEA-PAC Candidate Questionnaire	Representative King participated in the UEA-PAC questionnaire and interview process. His responses align with our values and mission.	After multiple invitations, Governor Cox chose not to complete a questionnaire or participate in the UEA-PAC recommendation process.	
Vouchers for Private and Religious Schools (HB 215) UEA opposed	Voted NO on HB 215 Supports UEA's 1971 Resolution opposing vouchers.	Signed HB 215 into law (2023)	
Limits on Labor Unions (HB 285) UEA opposed	Voted NO on HB 285 (committee)	Non-committal to UEA on vetoing bill if it passed (2024)	
Censorship and Book Bans (HB 29 and HB 374)	Voted NO on HB 29	Signed HB 29 into law (2024)	
UEA opposed	Voted NO on HB 374	Signed HB 374 into law (2022)	
Limits on Education Equity & Opportunity (HB 257 and HB 261) UEA opposed	Voted NO on HB 261 Voted NO on HB 257	Signed HB 261 into law (2024) Signed HB 257 into law (2024)	

Governor/Representatives

OFFICE	DISTRICT NUMBER	RECOMMENDED CANDIDATE
Governor	State Wide	Brian King
Representative	HD 01	Claudia Bigler
Representative	HD 03	Patrick Belmont
Representative	HD 10	Rosemary Lesser
Representative	HD 19	Ray Ward
Representative	HD 21	Sandra Hollins
Representative	HD 22	Jennifer Dailey-Provost
Representative	HD 23	Hoang Nguyen
Representative	HD 25	Angela Romero
Representative	HD 26	Jeanetta Williams

Representative	HD 27	Dawn Stevenson	Dual
Representative	HD 27	Anthony Loubet	Dual
Representative	HD 30	Jake Fitisemanu	
Representative	HD 32	Sahara Hayes	
Representative	HD 36	Jim Dunnigan	
Representative	HD 37	Ashlee Matthews	
Representative	HD 38	Steven Laude	
Representative	HD 42	Travis Smith	

Representative	HD 44	Greg Green	
Representative	HD 45	Sara Cimmers Du	ual
Representative	HD 45	Tracey Miller Du	ual
Representative	HD 48	Stephen Middleton	
Representative	HD 49	Sam Winkler	
Representative	HD 69	Logan Monson	
Representative	HD 70	Carl Albrecht	
Representative	HD 31	Verona Mauga	
Representative	HD 34	Carol Spackman-Moss	

Senate

Senator	SD 03	Stacy Bernal
Senator	SD 10	Luz Escamilla
Senator	SD 12	Karen Kwan
Senator	SD 15	Kathleen Riebe
Senator	SD 16	Monica Manuel
Senator	SD 8	Alisa Van Langeveld

State School Board

State School Board	USBE 06	Carol B. Lear
State School Board	USBE 07	John Arthur
State School Board	USBE 09	Amanda Bollinger
State School Board	USBE 10	Deborah Gatrell
State School Board	USBE 12	Jason Allen
State School Board	USBE 13	Randy Boothe
State School Board	USBE 15	Kristan Nortan



The Utah Education Association

887 East Pontiac Drive, Murray
Saturday, October 12
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 1:30 p.m.

Open House 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Local School Board Races

Canyons

Canyons School Board:

Canyons 1: Kris Millerberg and Jackson Lewis (dual recommendations)

Canyons 3: Barb Gentry

Jordan

Jordan School Board:
District 4: Erin Barrow
District 5: Mitchell Atencio

Alpine School District Board of Education

Stacy Bateman -- dual endorsement (Alpine 3)
Brian Bird -- dual endorsement (Alpine 3)
Mark Clement (Alpine 5)
Sara Hacken (Alpine 6)

DEA Endorsed Candidates

- Brigit Gerrad District 4
 https://brigitgerrard.com
- Alisa Mercer District 1 https://alisafordavis.com
- Joani Stevens District 2 https://www.joanifordavis.com

Salt Lake District Local School Board Candidates

Turner Bitton

Russ Asken

Emery District Local School Board Candidate - Neil Peacock







Julie Jackson
Precinct 1



Nicole McDermott
Precinct 4



Jarke Neiso

Precinct 2



Kevin Korous

Precinct 2

Dual Recommendation

Granite School Board Races

VOTING THIS YEAR

By Tom Nedreberg UEA-R President

In this issue of our retired newsletter, we talk about elections. You'll see lists of UEA and Locally endorsed candidates for local and state office. These recommendations are based on questionnaires and interviews at the local or state level, reflecting candidate's views on education. Also on the ballot will be Amendment A, a convoluted power grab by the legislature to remove the Constitutional requirement to use state Income Tax money for Education. We are opposed to Amendment A. Also on the ballot will be Amendment D, which the Supreme Court in Utah has ruled will not be counted. We still recommend voting NO on it to send a message, just in case. Finally, the coming legislative session promises to be very active. There are already bills pre-filed concerning education, teaching, and unions that we need to monitor. Like UEA, UEA-R believes in a strong public school for every child.



AMENDMENT A

On November 5, 2024, Utah voters will vote on Constitutional Amendment A, which, if passed, would dramatically harm how Utah funds public education and open the door to more funding for private religious school vouchers.

Utahns for Student Success (USS) is a growing coalition of teachers, parents, Republicans, Democrats, and nonprofit organizations that have come together to defeat this pro-voucher, power-grabbing Amendment.

What is this Amendment about?

- Utahns should vote AGAINST Amendment A because it is a power grab by state politicians.
- A vote AGAINST Amendment A will stop politicians from taking funding from public schools to funnel to private religious school vouchers and their own pet projects.
- There's a good reason teachers, parents, Republicans, and Democrats stand strongly opposed to Amendment A. Please join us in voting AGAINST Amendment A so we can stop this power grab and protect public school funding.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Amendment A is worded like it will increase public school funding—is that right?

A: That is wrong. Amendment A was carefully crafted by state politicians to mask its true intent—a power grab to take money away from Utah's public schools and give it to vouchers for private religious schools. Utah's Constitution already protects public school funding—Amendment A would weaken those protections.

Q: It looks like Amendment A would cut the tax on food. Isn't that a good thing?

A: We support cutting the tax on food, but not by cutting public school funding at the same time. Utah's politicians are using the food tax issue to distract from their real goal—to fund vouchers for private religious schools.

Q: When and how can I vote?

A: The easiest way to vote is to fill out the mail-in ballot that every registered voter in Utah will receive several weeks before voting begins this fall.

To register to vote or to learn about how to track your mail-in ballot, please visit vote.utah.gov. Election Day is November 5, 2024.

JOIN OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY PROGRAM!

It's simple and easy—just sign up three friends or family members who commit to voting AGAINST Amendment A, and then follow through with your three commitments.

FULL NAME	MOBILE	COMMITMENT 1 Get their commitment to vote AGAINST Amendment A (now)	COMMITMENT 2 Remind them to turn in their mail-in ballot (by October 18)	COMMITMENT 3 Confirm that they turned in their mail-in ballot (by October 29)
1.				
2.				
3.				

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UEA RETIRED ANNUAL MEETING

FRIDAY OCTOBER 25 1:00-3:00 PM

Hear State School Members Tour the New UEA Building Conversations and Refreshments



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CATHY BOYD
EDITOR