

2026-2027 AREA II LEADERSHIP

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Susan Goetz

Assistant Director

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- Manages IRTA memberships: dues deduct, IL Principals Association, & Online Credit Cards
- Maintains IRTA and IRTA Voter Voice databases
- Coordinates IRTA, IRTA PAC, IRTAF calendars
- Organizes Committee/Board of Directors' meetings
- Oversees room reservations and scheduling
- Coordinates Executive Director engagements
- Administers **IRTA's Foundation Scholarship Program**
- Leads Biennial Convention Coordination
- Processes \$1-a-Month PAC donations

Sheila Norman

Director of Marketing & Membership

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- Leads membership recruitment and retention efforts
- Oversees marketing, communications, public relations to build awareness for IRTAPAC (\$1-a-Month Club) Foundation (scholarships and grants)
- Develops and manages content for Newsletters (IRTA Insider, Action, Constant Content)
- Maintains website and online forms (Jotform)
- Oversees social media platforms
- Serves as a liaison for group travel (Bosco's)
- Develops presentations, scripts, and talking points
- Produces publications and marketing materials
- Manages IRTA annual fundraiser
- Coordinates webinars and virtual events

Christy Thomas

Membership Services & Program Assistant

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- Manages incoming calls and member inquiries
- Handles donation acknowledgments and correspondence
- Assists with publications and materials
- Supports grant programs and awards administration
- **Distributes monthly membership reports**
- Processes dues and donations in NOVI
- Assists with website updates

Brooke Serbousek

Membership & Community Outreach Coordinator

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- **Represents IRTA at community and legislative events**
- Promotes volunteer opportunities
- Plans member engagement initiatives and events
- **Coordinates legislative fundraiser participation**
- Supports Leadership, Legislative & IRTAPAC committees
- **Manages IRTAPAC endorsement process**
- Organizes member social events

Aurora Area (Unit 7)	www.auroraarearetiredteachersassociation.org	Meg Safarik, <i>President, Treasurer, Info Services</i> Gerald Lubshina, <i>Legislative</i> Patrice Lence, <i>Membership</i> Linda J. Allison, <i>Legislative</i> Mary Ann Soszynski, <i>Member Benefits</i> Linda K. Weiss, <i>Secretary</i> Ronald Nickerson, <i>Public Relations</i> Maureen A. Granger, <i>Public Relations, Foundation</i>	Please contact the Unit President for information on dates, locations, volunteering
DeKalb Co. (Unit 8)	https://dekalbcountyretiredteachersassoc.weebly.com/	Linda S. Chapman, <i>Secretary</i> Joyce A. McConkey, <i>Treasurer</i>	<u>June 9</u> 11am Oak Crest Dining Room <u>September 8</u> 11am <u>November 10</u> 11am
Elgin Area (Unit 15)	http://www.earta.org/	Lucille S. Niemeier, <i>President</i> Diane Geary, <i>Secretary</i> Barbara R. McGee, <i>Vice President</i> David W. Wedemeyer, <i>Treasurer</i> Sandra Woolcott, <i>Secretary</i> Karen Patterson, <i>Membership</i>	<u>Friday, February 13</u> 11:30 Villa Olivia, 1401 W. Lake St., Bartlett <u>Friday, April 17</u> , 11:30 Elgin Country Club, 2575 Weld Rd., Elgin <u>Friday, June 19</u> , 11:30 Elgin Country Club <u>Friday, Sept. 18</u> 11:30 Elgin Country Club <u>Friday, Nov. 20</u> 11:30 Elgin Country Club
Kendall County (Unit 10)	https://kendallrta.weebly.com/	James V. Hissong, <i>President</i> Craig Weber, <i>President, Treasurer</i> Rene Garren, <i>President, Community Participation</i> Sid S. Simmons, <i>Legislative</i> Patricia J. Johnson, <i>Secretary</i> Sue Ellen Matile, <i>Publicity</i> Judith A. Burkard, <i>Publicity</i> Dorothy F. Simmons, <i>Membership</i> Sharon E. Pagoria, <i>Membership</i>	Meets the 2nd Thursday of February, April, June, September and December. Meetings are at 12:00, Noon at the Whitetail Ridge Golf Club in Yorkville
Lake County (Unit 11)	www.lcrta.net	Deborah Lawson, <i>President</i> Candace Ferguson – <i>Secretary</i> Marti Swanson – <i>Legislative</i> Charles A. Carpenter – <i>VP</i> Hillary Sylvester – <i>VP, Programs</i> Linda C. Davis – <i>VP, Programs</i> Robert D. Kohler – <i>Membership</i> Raymond G. Reidel - <i>Treasurer</i>	Meets at Lambs Farm Café in Libertyville (except in Oct) every 2 nd Tuesday of the month except for January and July.
McHenry	www.mcrta.org	Joann Jazak, <i>President</i>	<u>April 15</u> 11:30

(Unit 13)		<p>Linda Young, VP April D. Shouse, Secretary Richard Seaborn, Treasurer Marlene Griffith, Membership Rosemary Eileen Turk, Member Benefits</p>	<p><u>May 20</u> 11:30 <u>June 17</u> 11:30 McHenry Community College <u>September 16</u> 11:30 <u>October 21</u> 11:30 <u>November 18</u> 11:30 <u>December 16</u> 11:30 McHenry Community College</p>
North Lake Shore (Unit 19)		<p>Chaya Rubenstein, President, Membership Paul Rojas, President, Membership Sam Sibley , VP, Foundation Conrad Floeter, Legislative Leonard J. Palicki, Treasurer</p>	<p>September, November, February, and May, at a North Suburban restaurant (currently Hackney's on Lake in Glenview</p>
Northwest Suburban (Unit 90)	https://www.irta-unit90.org/	<p>Diane Pfister - <i>President, Foundation</i> Reinhard J Taylor - <i>Treasurer, Public Relations, Information Services</i> Karl-Heinz Gabbey - <i>Legislative</i> Janice M. Calvey - <i>Vice President, Member Benefits</i> Janette L. Wanner - <i>Membership</i> Geraldine Kay - <i>Secretary</i> Richard V. Chierico - <i>Member Benefits</i></p>	<p>First Wednesday of every month (except for July and December) at the Arlington Heights Senior Center at 10:00 am</p>