

Senior Notes

South Carolina Association of Educational Office Professionals-Retired

SAVE THE DATES

SCAEOP 34TH
ANNUAL
CONFERENCE
MYRTLE BEACH,
SC
MARCH 3-6, 2016
REGISTRATION
DEADLINE IS
FEBRUARY 10,
2016
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NAEOP ANNUAL
CONFERENCE AND
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ST LOUIS UNION
STATION,
ST. LOUIS, MO
JULY 12-16, 2016

P R E S I D E N T ' S M E S S A G E

I hope this newsletter finds you doing well, and I hope that you had a wonderful and blessed Christmas.

As we begin this new year, I hope that you will have good health and many blessings in 2016.

Please make your plans to attend the Annual SCAEOP Conference in March at the beach. I look forward to seeing you all there. We will have our business meeting and installation of new officers on Friday, March 4th, from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Please make plans to attend this important retiree meeting.

Watch your email for SCAEOP-R Nominations and Elections information.

Linda Honeycutt

President, SCAEOP-R



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SYMPATHY TO

Family of SCAEOP Past President
Ann Moore, CEOE,
October 19, 2015.

Earthlee Collins in the loss of her
son and daughter within three
months of each other.

Linda Orr, CEOE, SCAEOP Honor-
ary Member and friend in the loss
of her mother, Lizzie McGee of
Ward, SC, November 26, 2016.

PRAYERS FOR

Jan Roberts, surgery January 6,
2016, Lexington Medical Center.

The SCAEOP Retirees will host their annual Ways and Means craft table at the SCAEOP Conference, March 3-6, 2016. Please bring your crafts and lightly used items such as scarves, jewelry, purses, hats, etc., to donate to our table. You may bring your items to the conference and give them to Tena Ponteau or any of the other retirees.

The Retirees will also sponsor the \$200 Cash Raffle and the 50/50 drawing. You may copy the raffle tickets included in this newsletter. Please come prepared to support the Retirees and the Dot Aiken Scholarship for Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren.

I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and will have a happy and safe New Year.

Tena G. Ponteau, CEOE
SCAEOP-R President Elect

The January 15, 2016, deadline
is fast approaching to apply for the
Dot Aiken Scholarship

for a grandchild/great grandchild of SCAEOP-R member

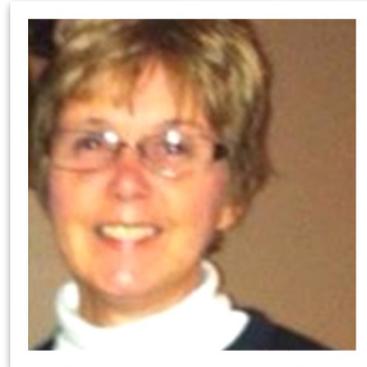
\$1,000

Guidelines and application at:

<https://www.scaeop.org/dot-aiken-student-scholarship-forms.html>

Applications must be postmarked by January 15, 2016.

From Rebecca Crabtree, CEOE
SCAEOP Retirees Community Service Chairperson and
NAREOP President Elect



It has been an interesting year, to say the least, for my family!

As some of you know my Dad fell while in the hospital and injured himself pretty badly, but I am glad to say he is safe and sound in an assisted living facility. After living on an 82-acre farm for 65+ years (the last 15 he lived there by himself), it was quite an adjustment for all of us. He will be celebrating his 98th birthday in February. We are so blessed to still have him with us.

Our oldest son celebrated his birthday, which just happened to fall on the same day as the Clemson/Carolina game this year. He said he has never had 80,000 people celebrate his birthday before, but it was so much fun. We are mostly Carolina fans, but two of our grandchildren are avid Clemson fans so they were happy with the outcome.

Our oldest daughter will be getting married in 2016. We are all excited about that. We have many things to put on our calendars including the SCAEOP Conference coming up and the National Conference in July.

As Chair of the Community Service, I am attaching the form for you to fill out and send to me by January 15. It is wonderful to see the Retirees volunteering their time to serve others. Also remember to bring items for Angels Unaware. I am attaching that information also. Angels Unaware is a wonderful organization helping parents who lose a child at birth.

I am writing this before the Christmas Holidays, so I am hoping everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a great beginning to the New Year.

God Bless You.

Rebecca Crabtree, CEOE
SCAEOP-Community Service Chairperson

We will have an opportunity to support Rebecca Crabtree when she is installed as the 2016 NAREOP President during the NAEOP Annual Conference in St. Louis, MO. The installation is scheduled on Thursday, July 14, during the Retiree's Lunch and Meeting.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

SCAEOP-R

Rebecca has enjoyed being the Chairperson for the Community Service for the South Carolina Association of Educational Office Professionals – Retired. Retirees are encouraged to give back to the community and to serve in the name of SCAEOP-R. Please use the following chart to account for your community service. If a category in which you volunteered is not listed, please include it. Forms need to be turned in to the Community Service Chair **no later than January 15 of each year**. Recognition will be given at the SCAEOP-R meeting at the annual conference. Feel free to make copies of this form or request more from the Committee Chairman.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE	DAILY, WEEKLY MONTHLY	TIME SPENT	MORE DETAILS
Tutoring Children in Schools			
Volunteering in Schools (office, mentors, event planner)			
Volunteering in Churches (cleaning, office work, bulletins)			
Volunteering with Salvation Army or goodwill or other clothes pantry			
Coordinating help with Charities for fund raising.			
Working in soup kitchen			
Visiting elderly in homes, hospitals, or nursing homes			
Humane Society			

Please return by January 15, 2016 to:

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ITEMS TO DONATE TO ANGELS UNAWARE

Angels Unaware of SC is a 501©3 organization that takes donated wedding gowns and prom/pageant dresses and remakes them into tiny “**Angel Gowns**” and “**Angel Wraps**” for the precious little ones who are born too early, are stillborn or die within the first year of life.

Last year over 24,000 babies died in the United States. This is just the number from a gestation age of 23 weeks and above. Thousands more died who were under the 3 week threshold or were aborted.

These tiny “**Angel Gowns**”, “**Angel Wraps**” and “**Angel Bonnets**” are donated to hospitals and funeral homes to be used as the final burial gowns for these precious little ones. These burial outfits are provided to the families, **at no cost**.

Angels Unaware of SC needs donated gowns and pageant dresses so that we can continue to make these little **Angel Gowns**. Ribbons, pearls, beads, sequins, thread and lots more are used in making of these gowns.

Here is a small list of items if you would like to donate:

1/8”, ¼” & 5/16” ribbon **All ribbon and lace should be solid white or soft pastels**

1/5” or 1” lace

Solid pastel satins

Single & double fold white bias tape

Little buttons, bows, flowers, any embellishment appropriate for an infant

We buy white, pink & blue tissue paper (\$25 per pack of 400 includes shipping)

We buy 8.5”x11”x1/5” apparel boxes in bulk (\$42.00 per 100 includes shipping)

2”x4” shipping labels (10 per page, 100 per pack)

White and off white sewing thread & serger thread (can also use pastel colors)

6” tulle, any color (no glitter)

Stretchable, crochet headband/waistband ribbon

Big flowers & bows for tutus

Lightweight Fleece –solid colors

½” & 5/8” grosgrain ribbon (any color, any pattern, does not have to be solid just appropriate for little boys)

Lightweight fleece (baby prints & solid pastels)

Lightweight flannel (baby prints & solids)

Lightweight cotton for lining the diapers

17” dress hangers and baby/infant dress hangers (One of our hospitals asks for the Angel Gowns to be hung due to lack of storage. We order these in bulk. (\$40.00 per 100 includes shipping)

GOOD material cutting scissors

Printer ink (#61 or 61XL black & tricolor)

Joann’s Fabric, A.C. Moore & Hancock gift cards are always appreciated.

As you can see this non-profit organization can use anything you care to donate. There will be a box at our meeting for you to drop off what you can afford to donate. Thank you all so much. I will certainly let these ladies know you care about these precious children

In memory of Elizabeth Ann Moore, CEOE, SCAEOP Past President and Retiree, I would like to take the liberty of commenting on how special Ann's Celebration of Life service was on Friday, October 23, 2015.

As Ann was remembered by various speakers, it was very obvious how much she is loved and how important Ann's church, family and friends were to her as well as her participation in SCAEOP. Approximately fifteen SCAEOP members were present, and as requested, we wore our SCAEOP colors for the service. We were escorted to special seating in the sanctuary, and it was a privilege for us to honor Ann's memory in this way as we participated in the service.

President Georgette Council had the opportunity to speak on behalf of SCAEOP, and Belindra Broome spoke on behalf of the Retirees and shared some of her special memories of Ann and their friendship during the years.

Please continue to pray for Ann's family and Belindra.

Submitted by Chris Whitmire, CEOE
Senior Notes Editor

SCAEOP and NAEOP Conference Information

Plan to join us for the **SCAEOP 34th Annual Conference, March 3—6, 2016**, at the Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort. Room rate is \$149 plus taxes. President Elect Jill Averyhart will introduce her theme, *Passport To Career Success, Destination SCAEOP*. Registration deadline is February 10, 2016, and conference information and registration form are available at:

<https://www.scaeop.org/scaeop-conference-2016.html>

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Are you making plans to **Meet NAEOP in St. Louis** for the NAEOP Annual Conference and Institute July 12-16, 2016, at the St. Louis Union Station? The Institute will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, July 12 and 13, and the Conference will be July 13-16. Hotel reservations may be made for the special room rate at:

http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/S/STLUSDT-NAE-20160710/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG t (This address was copied from the conference flyer on-line.)

Conference information and registration are available at www.naeop.org.

DRIVING IN THE RAIN!

This may save your LIFE!

How to achieve good vision while driving during a heavy downpour!

We are not sure why it is so effective; just try this method when it rains heavily. This method was told by a Police friend who had experienced and confirmed it.

It is useful....even driving at night. Most of the motorists would turn on HIGH or FASTEST SPEED of the wipers during heavy downpour, yet the visibility in front of the windshield is still bad.....

In the event you face such a situation, just try your SUNGLASSES (any model will do), and miracle! All of sudden, your visibility in front of your windshield is perfectly clear, as if there is no rain. Make sure you always have a pair of SUNGLASSES in your car, as you are not only helping yourself to drive safely with vision, but also might save your friend's life by giving him this idea...

Try it yourself and share it with your friends!??? Amazing, you still see the drops on the windshield, but not the sheet of rain falling. You can see where the rain bounces off the road. It works to eliminate the "blindness" from passing semi's spraying you too. Or the "kick-up" if you are following a semi or car in the rain. They ought to teach that little tip in driver's training...it really does work.

This warning is a good one! I wonder how many people know about this?

A 36 year old female had an accident several weeks ago and totaled her automobile. A resident of Kilgore, Texas was traveling between Gladewater and Kilgore. It was raining, though not excessively, when her car suddenly began to hydro-plane and literally flew through the air. She was not seriously injured but very stunned at the sudden occurrence! When she explained to the highway patrolman what had happened he told her something that every driver should know— **NEVER DRIVE IN THE RAIN WITH YOUR CRUISE CONTROL ON.** She thought she was being cautious by setting the cruise control and maintaining a safe consistent speed in the rain...

But the highway patrolman told her that if the cruise control is on when your car begins to hydro-plane and your tires lose contact with the pavement, your car will accelerate to a higher rate of speed making you take off like an airplane. She told the patrolman that was exactly what had occurred. The patrolman said this warning should be listed, on the driver's seat sun-visor – **NEVER USE THE CRUISE CONTROL WHEN THE PAVEMENT IS WET OR ICY**, along with the airbag warning. We tell our teenagers to set the cruise control and drive a safe speed – but we don't tell them to use the cruise control only when the pavement is dry.

The only person the accident victim found, who knew this (besides the patrolman), was a man who had a similar accident, totaled his car and sustained severe injuries.

NOT: Some vehicles (like the Toyota Sienna Limited XLE) will not allow you to set the cruise control when the windshield wipers are on. If you send this to 15 people and only one of them doesn't know about this, then it was all worth it. **YOU MIGHT HAVE SAVED A LIFE!**

Author Unknown

Sent to Pauline Alford by a Friend.



EDITOR'S NOTE

Thank you for providing information for this edition of *Senior Notes*. Please contact me at **cwhitmire131@gmail.com** with information you would like to share. The deadline for articles and pictures (we love pictures) for the next issue is **March 31, 2016**.

I hope each of you had a great Christmas and wish for you a very Happy New Year.

Chris Whitmire, CEOE

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“Retired but still inspired”

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