

NATIONAL RETIRED TEACHER ASSOCIATION

In the fall of 2020 REA-I was awarded a \$3000 grant to maintain connections during the pandemic. A zoom license was purchased, zoom classes were provided, stationery was bought, and new membership brochures were printed. You were contacted through letters, e-mail, phone calls, news letters, zoom meetings and face to face contact at your front door.

NRTA is now offering \$5000 grants to broaden these connections with our members and offer membership to other educators who have not been asked to join us. Ask those who belong to other education groups like ADK and IEA. Ask those who sit on your church education committees or attend senior centers or your bocce ball group. Educators are waiting to be asked.

We are looking for your ideas to use this money. Only you know the needs in your local area. Activate those creative juices you used in your classroom.

LEGISLATIVE

Reclaim Idaho.org is working on a ballot initiative to boost K-12 funding. Governor Little signed SB1110. This bill makes getting citizen-led ballot initiatives on the ballot more difficult than before. First - Look up Reclaim Idaho and see if you can help. Second - SB1110 has taken away your ability to let your legislators know how you want them to represent you. Your voting rights are diminishing with each legislator who voted for SB1110 including the Governor.

AARP

Refreshing your driving skills from home could reduce your auto insurance costs. Register at: aarp.org/smartdriver7.

Watch and learn more about vehicle tech using 2-minute quick learning videos like:

- Blind spot warning systems

- Crash avoidance technology

- Automatic braking capabilities

- App-based ride service

Register at: aarp.org/Watchand Learn2

Movies for grownups:

- July 6 The Good Liar

- July 9 Catch Me If You Can

- July 19 American Hustle

- July 26 The Big Short

More information to come.

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