

# Region 10 GLEA-R Annual Report

Like many of the other regions, this has been a challenging year. After the March Exec Board meeting, all in person meetings were cancelled. So we all learned a whole new process called "Zoom." We have continued to have our virtual board meetings, conducted a chapter election and elected officers all through mail, email and zoom meetings.

We did continue to have board meeting virtually and attempted plan for membership meetings but they were all cancelled before they could occur. We did have an in person meeting in August to organize our mailing of over 1100 letters to retirees in Genesee County. Everyone was social distanced and wearing mask. We all enjoyed the opportunity to interact with others in person. The mailing was completed in a record time as people worked and chatted.

In December, we had a driven in Thanksgiving membership meeting to collect donations of toys, gift cards or money for the Whaley Home in Flint. Two of our members sat in the MEA parking lot for two hours to collect and deliver our donations. We had over twenty people participate.

As this is being written, we have two activities planned for the future:

January 27<sup>th</sup>, we are having a zoom social hour from 11:00 to noon. This is a chance for members to actually see other members and catch up. It will also give them a chance to learn more about zoom meetings and how it all works. We hope to have a fund raiser for the North End Soup Kitchen later in the spring.

Even though it has been a challenging year we have tried to carry on the business and activities of our chapter. We wish nothing but the best for all of the MEA-R members around the state.

BE Safe and Wear A MASK!

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