# The Report Card

The newsletter for for Rowan Retired School Personnel (RRSP)
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#### Our officers for the 2018-2020 are:

President	Lila Bostian
Vice President	Greg Lowe
Secretary	Ernestine Krider
Treasurer	Mary Lowe

### **Meeting Dates**

September 19, 2018 Christina Joyce-Trinity Living

November 14, 2018 White Rock AME Zion Gospel Choir

January 16, 2019 Kiddie Land Kindergarten Program

March 20, 2019 Julie Morrow-Rowan County Schools

May 15, 2019 Amber Phillips, Program Manager for Rufty-Holmes Senior Center

All Meetings are at 10:00 a.m. at Rufty-Holmes Senior Center.

# <u>President's Message</u> <u>Rowan Retired School Personnel</u>

It is hard to believe that I am starting my third year as president of the Rowan Retired School Personnel, When I took office, I did not know many of the officers and executive board, or even members actually. I had worked with Greg and Mary Lowe when I was an officer in RSAE before retiring. I had meet John Hoffman and Emily Stirewalt at NEA RA many years ago. I knew Midgie Dial had taught at South Rowan with my mother-in-law many years before I got there. Never the less, I was elected as president and have enjoyed getting to know more members. My hope is that more of you will attend meetings this next year, and we can get to know each other even better. Mark your calendars for the third Wednesdays of September, January, March and May, as well as the second Wednesday of November (due to Thanksgiving). All meetings are at 10:00 at Rufty-Holmes Senior Center in Salisbury. Schedule those doctor's appointments on other days as much as possible and plan trips during the other months! You may think I am kidding, but I am not. If our organization is going to grow and thrive, we have to make it a priority. Once again, elections are coming up in November, or before if you absentee early voting. or extremely important that you do vote and that you vote for candidates supporting public education

retirees. The current General Assembly has given millions of dollars to charter schools and approved vouchers. They have passed bills requiring more from public schools without funds to do what required. proposed The constitutional amendments are nothing more than power grabbing attempts of the General Assembly to upset the of "checks whole concept balances" on which our government was founded. Please endorsements and policies presented by NCAE and NCRSP before you vote. I want to extend a special "Welcome" to former members of Kannapolis Retired. Their unit is going inactive and several have already transferred their membership to Rowan. We can use some new life and look forward to seeing you and getting to know you. Hopefully you will share new ideas and the visions for organization together we can try new things that we may not have considered doing in the past.

Best wishes for a great new year. Check out the programs planned for the year, and I hope to see many of you September 19<sup>th.</sup>

Respectfully, Lila Bostian, President

# Rowan Retired School Personnel Newsletter

We extend our thanks to Midgie Dial for sending our newsletter over the last several years. John Hoffman will be sending the newsletter to our member now. If you would prefer to receive an email version of the newsletter, please send an email to John: hoffmanjohnd@bellsouth.net,

and he will be glad to add you to electronic delivery. You will save postage for Rowan Retired School Personnel also by utilizing this method of delivery.

**HEAR IN AMERICA** - Most likely you received the brochure, "HEAR IN AMERICA," concerning you free benefit plan. In case you might like a reminder, the phone number to call is 1-800-286-6149.

## **Deaths of Non-Members**

(Some of you may have known or worked with some of these teachers.)

Marjorie Ann Brown Haworth 1924-2018 Elementary Education \*\*\*

Rosalind Reinhardt Beaver 1942-2018 Elementary Education

Shirlene Whitaker Wyttenbach 1927-2018 After officially retiring, she continued to substitute for 25 years \*\*\*

Annie Smith
In addition to educator, she served as
Director and Coordinator of Client Services
at the Pregnancy Support Center in
Salisbury.

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Judy Dayvault Goodman 1944-2018 Elementary Education

Robin Benson Callahan 1957-2017 Kindergarten/First Grade \*\*\*