

Greetings retired Kansas Music Educators!

2025 is going strong, as I hope you are. Plans are underway for our Retired Teachers' Luncheon at the KMEA In-Service Workshop. The ISW is Feb. 27 - Mar. 1 with our luncheon on Saturday, March 1st. Once again it will be at the Hyatt Riverview Room from 11:30 – 1:00. You must register to attend the luncheon, and KMEA would like you to register for the ISW – no fee for the ISW for retired folks. You do not have to attend the ISW to attend the luncheon.

This will be the 20th annual Retired Luncheon. I hope we can raise our attendance this year. The Hyatt Riverview Room is located just to the NW of the hotel lobby. With increasing costs (I'm sure you've been to the grocery store) the Hyatt has had to raise our fee – but just a dollar more than last year. It has always been a great luncheon. KMEA has helped us hold the line, and this is one way of thanking you for your service to Kansas kids and encouraging your attendance.

Since the advent of the “new” performance schedule for All-State groups I realize there are conflicts for some of us. I hope you will still try to come to the luncheon. It is one of the very few times most of us get to see one another. Speaking of performing – our entertainment this year is the Friends University Flute Choir. As always Billie Hegge-DuVall will be sharing the list of educators who have passed. Gayle McMillen will make a presentation for the KMEA Fund, and we may have a visitor from the upper ranks of KMEA.

This is my annual plea for your help in identifying fellow music educators who have retired. Every year we lose some as they retire and drop off the lists of KMEA, NAFME, KSHSAA and so on. If you know of people, just get the names to me, and I will do my best to get/keep them included. I would also appreciate hearing from you if you no longer wish to be included on our list. I do send out a lot of letters to folks we never see or hear from and every year some letters are returned unclaimed.

The KMEA Biographical Directory of Retired Music Educators can be viewed in the Century II hallway near the Concert Hall and adjacent to the Hall of Fame Display. Information explaining how to be included in the directory will be available at that table and at the luncheon. If you have returned forms and/or information and don't find yourself in the book, please contact me.

To attend the luncheon please complete the registration form below. It must be returned to me with a check payable to KMEA by Wednesday, February 19, 2025. David Will, 1019 Churchill Dr., Norton, KS 67654. If you have questions and/or comments, please call me or send me an E-mail. 785-877-2341 dvwill@ruraltel.net

Retired Music Educators' Luncheon – Registration Form
Saturday, March 1, 2025/ 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM / Hyatt Riverview Room / \$23.00 per person
Please share dietary restrictions.

NAME _____ SPOUSE/GUEST _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

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