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LATEST NEWS

This past week we held an informal Aetna Retirees Association Board meeting. We're blessed and thankful that our board membership has remained in place and healthy in order to carry out any tasks/issues that present themselves. There wasn't much serious business to transact since things have been generally quiet with CVS/Aetna.....and we hope it stays that way! We receive an occasional question from one or two of you, which we forward to Aetna if we don't know the answer ourselves.

As you are probably already aware, we have suspended our collection of annual dues since we have a reasonable amount in our treasury to pursue legal or other issues with CVS/Aetna should the need arise. While this could change we don't currently anticipate reinstating the dues.

We are currently beginning the process of setting a date for our annual benefits meeting with CVSHealth. You may recall we meet with Aetna each year in the early Fall to hear their presentation of any changes to the retiree benefit plans for the following year. After our meeting each year, we publish a newsletter detailing all the changes. We expect to meet with Aetna some time in September and, as in the past, publish our newsletter in early October.

Thank you for your membership so that we can collectively continue our mission of "Helping Aetna Keep Its Promises."

MARILYN WILSON

As many of you may know, Marilyn Wilson, ARA's Secretary and Newsletter Editor passed away in December, 2022. A memorial service in remembrance of her life was held in May, 2023 and a number of ARA's board members were in attendance. Shortly after Marilyn's passing, we sent the following letter to her surviving daughter and family.

On behalf of Aetna Retirees Association, we are writing to express our deepest condolences for the loss of your mom. Marilyn will be deeply missed by us all.

Marilyn was a Founding Member of Aetna Retirees Association from the beginning in 2004 and contributed a great deal to the successful launch of our organization. In fact, her organizational and technical skills were a key to our successful beginning. Those skills also supported her role as both Secretary and our ARA Newsletter Editor for many years. She remained a loyal member whose skills, both personal and professional, benefitted ARA and our members greatly.

In addition to Marilyn's professional skills, she was an absolute pleasure to be around. One couldn't have asked for a better team member with whom to work. She had a very strong work ethic, was smart, level-headed, dedicated and a true friend to us all. To use a cliché, "we couldn't have done it so well without her."

Please accept our condolences; we will keep Marilyn and you in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

John A. Perra
Chairman, ARA Board of Directors

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As you communicate with a retiree, retiree group or a colleague, we encourage you to provide them with information and the benefits of joining ARA. Please refer any prospective members to our website at www.aetnaretirees.com for additional information and an application form. Further, you may encourage prospective members to contact any Board Member for additional information. If, however, a retiree or colleague does not wish to become an active member and would still like to hear what we are doing, please have them state “communications only” on the application. We will send them our communications.

CONTACT ARA!

We welcome your comments, questions, ideas and letters to the editor. See mail and website addresses on page 1.

Sharon Reed, Editor