

# KNOX COUNTY ROE NEWSLETTER

## Hon. Bonnie Harris Vol. 2 No. 5 August 2004

### Message from the Superintendent

Welcome back to everyone. I hope you had a wonderful vacation.

Many of us suffered great losses. We certainly understand and sympathize.

**Coming together is a beginning  
Keeping together is progress  
Working together is success**  
A. Ford

**Keep up the great work, make it a great year!!**

The following is a handout I received from Jim Burgett at a Teachers' Institute.

### Ten Commandments for Educators

1. The best way to destroy an enemy is to make him your friend.
2. We learn by repetition...we learn by repetition.
3. The greatest skill of any educator is to be patient.
4. If you have an ugly face...learn how to sing.
5. If you must criticize, criticize the fault, not the person.
6. Have fun!
7. Set your priorities - Fill the Jar.
8. Life is not a one-way ticket, what you give always comes back...Give from the Heart.
9. Walk the Talk.
10. Be unforgettable.

**It is okay to fail, it is not okay to give up!**

Did you know that the Regional Superintendent of Schools

- ✓ Approves the recognition status of public schools

- ✓ Certifies & reviews assignments of all teachers
- ✓ Enforces truancy laws
- ✓ Trains school bus drivers
- ✓ Reviews & monitors teacher in-service & institute programs
- ✓ Assures local compliance with all state educational mandates

### ROE OFFICE

Kathy Dennis was promoted to Administrative Assistant.

Carolyn Kelly has joined our staff as an accountant.

#### Adept Staff

Dave Harpman, Director  
Lorenzo Pugh, Caseworker  
Doug Gibb, Consultant & Parent/Caseworker

**Fall Office Hours—Starting Sept. 7**

**M-F 8:30 – 4:30 PM**

**Wed. 8:30 – 6:00 PM**

**Phone – 309-345-3828**

**FAX – 309-343-2677**

**Website – roe33.net**

### SCAT

Although there is a new name: School & Community Assistance Team, the mission remains the same—To assist Illinois schools during and following a violent or other traumatic incident within the school, community or on school grounds. SCAT will not respond to a critical school/community incident without permission, and invitation, of a local school/community leader.

**Bumper Sticker  
Dates in Calendars are closer than they appear!**

### GED

The next GED Test is September 10 and September 11. View our website for further details.

### VOLUNTEER

**If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know. Call 345-3828.**

## **BLOW YOUR OWN HORN!**

If you have any items you would like published about your school or school personnel, please submit two weeks before publication dates. Publication dates are: Oct 8, Nov 1, Feb. 4, April 8 & May 6.

**Congratulations to Diane Estes, Teacher of the Year!!**

Diane Estes, a third grade teacher at Mable Woolsey Elementary School in Knoxville, was named 2004 Teacher of the Year by the Galesburg Area Chamber of Commerce. She was presented with a plaque and the breakfast was in her honor.

## **RETIRED TEACHERS**

KCRTA Meetings

Sally Nelson – 2004 President

- Sept 20 – Noon – Covenant Church – Dayton & Jefferson Sts
- Dec. 6 – Noon – First Lutheran Church – Seminary & Water Sts.

**Greatness lies not in being strong, but in the right use of strength.**  
**Henry Ward Beecher**

Retirement Meeting  
TRS Retirement Meeting  
October 13 – 4:30 at  
Galesburg High School

**As we acquire more knowledge, things do not become more comprehensible, but more mysterious**  
**Albert Schweitzer**

**EVERY CHILD MATTERS!!**

## **HOMELESS**

The intent of the federal McKenney-Vento Homeless Children and Youth Program is to ensure the enrollment, attendance and educational success of homeless children. The Knox County Liaison is Jeremy Kleine -345-0101

## **Administrators//Teachers**

**Please keep a copy of your professional development activities, both at home and school. Some teachers have it on their computer or on a disk, whichever is the most convenient for you.**

**NEW LOCATION**  
**The Knox County Academy has moved to 850 Mulberry St.**

**Galesburg Christian School has moved to 1881 E. Fremont Road**

***If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door***

## **TWO RIVERS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

*Knox County Writing Workshops*  
*Sept. 20 and 27 – 4-6 pm at*  
*Knox County Academy*  
*850 Mulberry St.*

## **REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE**

In an effort to keep you informed and keep the cost down, a limited number of newsletters will be sent to each school building. The newsletter will be on our website at [roe33.net](http://roe33.net).

**One thing you can't recycle is wasted time.**  
**Anonymous**

## **Art Work**

If you would like to display your students' artwork in our office, please let us know.

**Next Newsletter, October 8**