# **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

#### 1998

All retirees who retired on or after 7.1.1986 and before 4.11.1998 received \$2 per month for every year of service.

All retirees who retired before 4.1.1988 and who were receiving less than or equal to \$300 received an additional \$1 per month for each year of service.

#### 2000

All retirees with 20 or more years of service were guaranteed a minimum annuity of \$500 monthly.

#### 2001

All retirees age 65 retired for 5 years or more received a 5% increase.

All retirees age 70 retired for 5 years or more received a 10% increase.

All early retirees age 65 retired for 5 or more years received a 3% increase.

#### 2006

All retirees age 70 retired for 5 or more years received a 3% increase.

#### 2008

13<sup>th</sup> check of \$600 to retirees with 20 years and annual benefit of \$7,200 or less adjusted.

# ACCOMPLISHMENTS CONT.

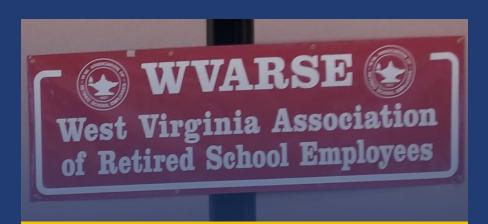
#### 2011

13<sup>th</sup> check of \$1,200 to retirees with 20 years and annual benefit of \$7,200 or less.

WVARSE Membership at the 2017 Annual Council approved a resolution to support the continued suspension of 'HIT' Health Insurance Tax for presentation to WV Senators and Congressmen at their offices in Washington, DC. WVARSE action, along with support from all states and others resulted continuation of the suspension.

#### 2019

All retirees with 25 or more years of service were guaranteed a minimum annuity of \$750 monthly.



YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN WVARSE SUPPORTS OUR EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF ALL RETIREES. THE MORE MEMBERS WE HAVE — THE MORE IMPACT WE HAVE IN CHARLESTON.



# WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED SCHOOL EMPLOYEES WELCOMES ALL RETIREES

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The West Virginia Association of Retired School Employees shall promote the professional, economic, intellectual, and social well-being of its members and shall encourage volunteer opportunities throughout West Virginia.

MEMBERSHIP IN WVARSE IS OPEN TO ANY RETIRED SCHOOL EMPLOYEE OR BENEFICIARY WHO RECEIVES A PENSION FROM THE WEST VIRGINIA CONSOLIDATED RETIREMENT BOARD; FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS ARE ELIGIBLE TO JOIN AS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS. RETIREES BENEFIT FROM THE WORK WVARSE DOES NO MATTER WHERE THEY LIVE.

# AMBA MEMBER BENEFITS SERVICE & DISCOUNTS

- DENTAL & VISION
- LONG-TERM CARE
- HOME HEALTH CARE
- CANCER / HEART / STROKE
- CANCER TREATMENT
- LIFE INSURANCE
- ANNUITY
- EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION
- ACCIDENT TREATMENT INSURANCE
- DISCOUNTS VIA AMBA WEBSITE



# MEMBERSHIP

## **BENEFITS & ADVANTAGES**

- WVARSE membership offers a chance to renew acquaintances and make new ones; and to participate in informative programs at local and Regional meetings; WVARSE Leadership Conference and Annual Council.
- Members receive informative newsletters to keep them informed about pertinent issues, including scams that target seniors.

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# **MEMBERSHIP**

## BENEFITS & ADVANTAGES CONT.

- WVARSE officers and Board members testify at PEIA Finance Board meetings to explain how their proposals affect all retirees.
- WVARSE has an excellent rapport with Humana which administers Medicare/PEIA claims. Humana's representatives are readily available to assist our members at ANY time. Humana's voluntary Go-365 plan for seniors allows them to accumulate points that can be used to select free gift cards of their choice.
- WVARSE partners with AARP. AARP State Volunteer President serves on the WVARSE Board and WVARSE president serves on the AARP Executive Council. WVARSE members serve on AARP's Advocacy Team that lobbies the state legislature about retirees' issues. One of AARP's main goals is protecting Social Security a major concern for seniors.
- WVARSE maintains a partnership with AMBA that offers our members many discounts and optional insurance programs.