For decades, we have been successful leaders and advocates for most of the key legislation enacted to improve benefits for retired members.

#### Stay involved: It's YOUR Union!

#### Why should I join MTA Retired and NEA Retired?

Your membership in MTA Retired and NEA Retired gives you the ability to keep abreast of educational, political and legislative issues and to be directly involved in the shaping of education.

MTA serves as a strong advocate for its retired members through MTA's Legislative Program. Through organized political action under the auspices of MTA, your concerns about COLAs, pension benefits and improving the standard of living for retirees are actively addressed.

MTA employs a full-time professional staff person whose activities are devoted to providing services to current and future retirees.

#### Join us as we take MTA Retired into the future.

#### How can I be a part of the process?

As a member of MTA Retired and NEA Retired, you will participate in the governance of your union. You will elect one retired member to the MTA Executive Committee and two retired members to the MTA Board of Directors, members with full voting rights.

The Retired Members Committee meets regularly to provide a forum for retired members to address and pursue issues of concern.

In addition, MTA provides financial support for MTA Retired delegates to the MTA Annual Meeting, the NEA annual Representative Assembly, the NEA Retired Annual Meeting, and the NEA Retired Regional Conference.

#### How do I join?

Just fill out the form at the right, tear it off, and mail it with your check. *Note:* To be a member, you must join both MTA Retired and NEA Retired.

When your membership has been processed, you will be issued a unique membership identification number that you can use to identify yourself as a member in place of your Social Security number. You will find this number on your membership card. You can also use it to access the Members' Area of the MTA Web site: www.massteacher.org.

#### For answers to questions, contact:

## Jo Ann Fitzgerald

Retired Members Service Specialist phone 800.392.6175, ext 8314 e-mail jfitzgerald@massteacher.org

For more detailed information or questions about MTA benefits, call:

MTA Benefits 800.336.0990

### For questions about NEA programs, call:

NEA Member Benefits 800.637.4636

MTA Web site www.massteacher.org NEA Web site www.nea.org



# Membership Form MTA Retired and NEA Retired

Name	
Address	
City	
StateZIP	
Telephone ( )	
E-mail	
Fax_ ( )	
Estimated Date of Retirement	
Prior Local Association	
Select Membership Options:	•
O MTA Retired Annual	\$30.
O MTA Retired Life	\$345.
○ MTA Retired Age 80+	<b>\$</b> 0.
NFA Retired Annual	\$25.
NEA Retired Airiual     NEA Retired Life	\$25. \$200.
You must belong to both MTA Ret	ired and
NEA Retired.	inou unu
TOTAL ENCLOSED \$	

Tear off this form and send it with a check for the appropriate amount, made payable to the MTA, to:

# Membership Accounting

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