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## **GREAT NEWS!**

# THE KENTUCKY REUNION IS ON!

## It's time for you to join the many FHWA retirees, spouses and friends who have already made reservations.

Our sixth newsletter edition closed with the statement, "God willing, we will be able to get together in Kentucky." Well, God has been willing and after considering the status of COVID - 19 and our contractual commitments to the hotel. the **FHWA** Retiree Executive Committee decided to proceed with outstanding program Wisniewski and his committee have put together. The reunion reservation

package was sent out and you all should have received it. We have had a good response, with strong representation from long-time reunion attendees. We would love to have more as in "the more the merrier." A larger attendance will also help with the economics of this reunion and our ability to ensure a program of reunions for years to come. A second notice was sent out a few days ago and this Newsletter edition is a further reminder.

## Retiree Humor

This edition was prepared on short notice so there was no time to compile a section on retiree humor. George and Peggy Ostensen will be at the Kentucky reunion and George will be presiding at the Business Meeting and making his always popular offerings on retiree humor. Don't wait to read about it in the next newsletter, come to Kentucky and hear it in person.

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## **News from FHWA**

As reported by Politico

IT'S LONELY AT THE TOP: FHWA's top career official, Executive Director Tom Everett, will retire in the coming months after 37 years with the agency and three-and-a-half years in his current role. With no administrator confirmed or even nominated and Stephanie Pollack still serving as deputy administrator, Everett's departure creates another leadership hole atop an agency in desperate need of full staffing. The agency's funding portfolio grew 20 percent this year and will continue to grow as the infrastructure law pumps an

additional \$110 billion into highway programs over the next five years.

Parting words: Everett noted the events of the last few years — "fires, hurricanes, bridge collapses, a pandemic, a budget crunch, a transition in administrations and development/passage of what could prove to be one of the Go to most impactful pieces of highway legislation in history" — in his farewell. "It has been quite the journey," he said.

## Please keep your contact information current

If you have moved and changed address or have a new email address, or if you received this newsletter from a friend and want to get on the email list, please let us know. Send an email to <a href="mailto:fhwaretirees@gmail.com">fhwaretirees@gmail.com</a> with the following information: name, spouse's

name (if applicable), street address, telephone number and email address. If you are so inclined, send a copy of this newsletter to a fellow retiree who is not on our mailing list and suggest that they sign up.

## **URGENT!!!**

Go to either the first or second recent mailings from FHWA Retirees each of which contains the reunion information and instructions on reserving a place and on making your hotel reservation. Join the already committed retirees for our 32nd

reunion. You will not regret it.

To get the registration package, go to this link in the FHWA Retiree website https://www.fhwa-retirees.org.

Scroll down and click on Registration Package.

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