

Virginia M. McChesney 42nd GSO President, 2017-2019

BORN IN: Rome, GA

EDUCATION:

EdS Special Education (1988) West Georgia College MEd Special Education (1977) West Georgia College MFA Drama and Theatre (1973) University of GA BFA Drama and Theatre (1971) University of GA

EXPERIENCE:

Special Education Resource/Inclusion teacher Coosa High School, Rome, GA (1987-2011) Gifted Education teacher Coosa High School, Coosa Middle School, Krannert Elementary School, Rome, GA (1982 - 1987)Special Education Resource teacher Armuchee Elementary School, Rome, GA (1974-1982) Adjunct Professor Drama and Theatre, Shorter College, Rome, GA (1983-1985) Drama and Theatre instructor Gifted Student Exploration Summer Enrichment Program, Shorter College, Rome, GA (1973 - 1998)HONORS: Employee of the Month Awards Coosa High School and Floyd County Schools Distinguished Service Awards Floyd County Schools Teacher of the Year Awards Coosa High School Initiated into Northwest GA Tip-Off Club STAR Teacher (1984, 1986) Coosa High School Rome Council of Volunteer Administrators Outstanding

Volunteer Coosa Valley Habitat for Humanity Volunteer of the Year GREA Community Service Awards

FRREA Volunteer of the Year

Rome Area Council of the Arts Artist of the Year

Chosen by GA BOE to help write qualifications for Theatre Specialist

Psi State Achievement Award (2015)

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

LOCAL CHAPTER: (Iota, Initiated 2002) President (2006-2008) 1st Vice President (2004-2006) Parliamentarian (2008-2012) Chairmanships: Phone/reservations, Finance, Nominations, By-Laws Committees memberships: Nominations, Personal Growth and Services

GEORGIA STATE ORGANIZATION:

President (2017-2019) 1st Vice President (2014-2017) 2nd Vice President (2013-2014) EEC Chair (2013-2014) District I Director (2011-2013) Personal Growth and Services Chair (2009-2011) DeltaHostel Chair (2011-1013) Finance Committee member(2017-2019) Boylston Foundation Committee member (2017-2019) Steering Committee Member and Co-Chair GA Night, SERC Savannah (2013-2015) Leadership Seminar I and II participant Leadership Institutes participant Attended all State conventions since 2009 Wrote and presented choral readings and conducted breakout sessions Wrote State Founders program-published on state website for chapter use Adapted and presented DKG Song as choral reading Created and produced SEE brochure which was submitted to International and shared with other states Participated in chorus at all conventions Chaired first Georgia Statewide Spring Leadership training conference Revised handbook for District Directors

<u>REGIONAL (Conferences, Duties, Activities)</u>: Presented choral readings Attended all SERC since 2009

INTERNATIONAL (Conferences, Activities): International Executive Board Member (2017-2019) Educational Excellence Committee Member (2016-2018) International Music Representative (2016-2018) Timekeeper(2014) Golden Gift Leadership Management Seminar participant(2014) Attended all International conventions since 2010 Had adaptation of DKG Song as choral reading presented at convention Wrote and presented choral readings at convention which were presented internationally Had choral readings, poetry, and photography published in Gallery of Fine Arts Had articles published in Collegial Exchange

COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS:

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Rome Little Theatre, Rome Shakespeare Festival, Habitat for Humanity, Floyd-Rome Retired Educators Association, Three Rivers Singers, Friends of the Library, American Red Cross, Blood Assurance, Model-Johnson Schools Foundation, Rome Area Council for the Arts, DeSoto Theatre Foundation, One Community United, Mercy Care Center

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS:

Theatre, travel, singing, walking, writing, aging gracefully.