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2016 ANNUAL MEETING TO FEATURE PROMINENT SPEAKERS

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SEN. GERALD DIAL

Senator Dial represents District 13 that includes Clay, Cleburne, Chambers, Cherokee, Randolph, and Lee Counties in East Alabama. He resides in Lineville, Alabama, where he has been in the real estate development business for over 25 years. He is a former teacher and coach at Lineville High School. His wife, *Faye Bonner Dial*, is a retired school teacher at Lineville High School and an AERA member. Senator Dial’s legislative record has been a conservative one over the years. He has been recognized

AERA President Joe Ward has invited prominent speakers, who will be informative and enlightening, to the 2016 AERA Annual Meeting. During the Business Meeting on Tuesday, March 29 at the Cahaba Grand Conference Center in Birmingham, the keynote speaker will be *Senator Gerald Dial*.

by numerous groups for his legislative leadership and was selected by his fellow senators as the “Outstanding Senator” for 1990. He is recognized as a pro-business, free enterprise entrepreneur. Senator Dial has proven himself as a leader. As former chairperson for the Alabama Department of Senior Services, he has led the fight for seniors’ programs. He has also led the fight for education reform in the Alabama State Senate. Senator Dial is a friend of public education and education retirees. Senator Dial was a member of the Alabama National Guard for over 36 years. He served in numerous capacities and retired in 1997 from the position of Assistant Adjutant General. Senator Dial will share insights from his many years in the State House and what we can expect in the 2016 Legislative Session.

During the Annual Meeting, local units will be recognized for “Community Service” and “Unit of Excellence Awards.” Also, delegates will be voting on two by-law changes during the Business Session. To allow for an easier voting arrangement, delegates and non-delegates will not be seated together during the Business Session. However, the luncheon is open seating.



Annual Meeting Information...Tuesday, March 29, 2016

Cahaba Grand Conference Center, Birmingham, AL

Registration - 8 a.m. / General Assembly - 9:30 a.m. / Annual Luncheon - Noon

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