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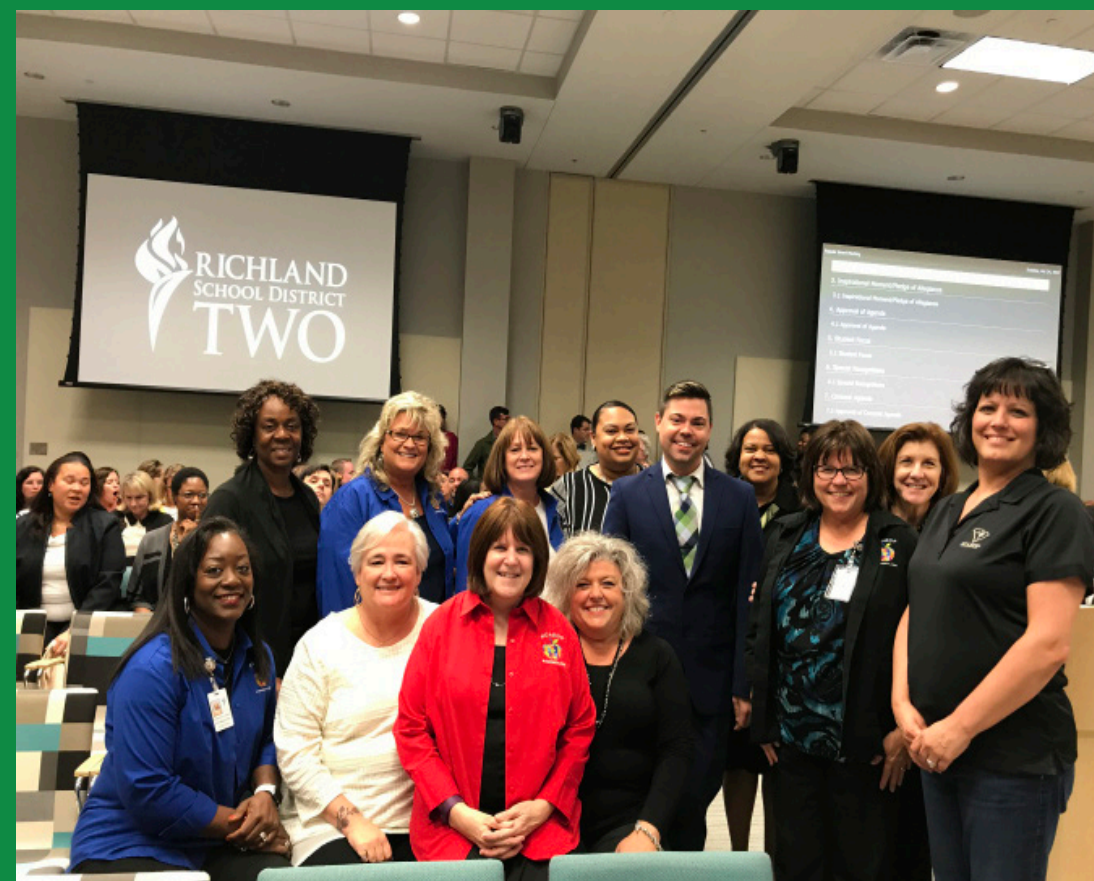
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## OUR PURPOSE

RCAEOP strives to elevate the standards of office professionals in education by the exchanging and pooling of information, ideas and ideals, and by providing professional growth activities, thereby increasing the ability of office personnel to contribute to more positive educational experiences for students.

## OUR MISSION

The mission of RCAEOP is to promote a high degree of integrity, professionalism, pride, teamwork, and respect of its diverse membership through networking, information, and educational opportunities.

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# President's Greeting

## President's Greeting March 2019

*Greetings RCAEOP Members,*

*Welcome to Spring! Although it still feels like winter at times, we are transitioning seasons. Typically, spring is not too hot, and not too cold, it is "just right." After a period of hibernation and being buried inside, spring is a time of renewal, a time to come out, explore, and enjoy the warmth of the new season. As the days grow longer and temperatures warm up, change begins to happen, ever so slowly. The same can be said of the seasons in our lives and in our association. Spring represents a time of new activity. As we prepare for our upcoming professional development day, there is much buzz going on. We are also simultaneously preparing for our Annual Gala, which takes much preparation by many folks. Slowly and quietly, behind the scenes, much planning has been taking place to ensure that these events are the best yet.*

*I am ever grateful for "Team RCAEOP" that always comes through. Like the blooms on the bushes and trees that are now coming out, the members of RCAEOP are bright and beautiful reminders of a new season, and all that it has to offer.*

*I would remind you again to ensure you are registered for the upcoming professional development day and Gala and ask that you continue to support the community service initiatives and fundraisers that help us reach our goals. I look very much forward to continuing to work with each of you this year as we learn and grow together.*

*Thanks again for all you do for the students and staff of Richland County and for your ongoing support of RCAEOP.*

*Georgette Council, CEOE  
President*



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# Rachel's Perspective

## RACHEL PHELPS, CEOE

### Be The Change You Want To See

So many people expect change in others, expect  
change in the world,  
but are never willing to change themselves first.  
If you want to see change in others, you must first  
be the change you wish to see.

If I want others to be better, I must be better.  
If I want my loved ones to change, I must be that  
change.

If I want my kids to become a certain way, I must  
live that way.

I must be that example.

Not tell them how to be, but be that person.  
If I want them to be kind to others, I must be kind  
to others.

If I want them to live fully as themselves and not  
wear any mask to fit in with others, I must be that  
person – free from fear of judgement and live as I  
wish to live. If I want them to be giving, I must be  
giving.

Giving of my time, giving of my love, my spirit, my  
presence.

If I want them to be healthy, I must live healthy in  
every area.

If I expect others to be grateful, I must be grateful  
first. I must show my gratitude.

If I want others to live the life they want to live, I  
must set that example by loving the life I live.

If I want to make happiness and love a priority in  
their lives, I must make happiness and love a priority  
in my own life.

If I expect others to be kind, I must be kind, I must  
be compassionate.

If I expect others to listen and be understanding, I  
must listen, really listen and really try to understand  
I do expect all these things, so I will live as all these  
things.

I will live as the person I expect of others.

I will be the change that I wish to see.

Fearless Soul.

# COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITY

Join us for

## MEALS ON WHEELS MADNESS



**March 1 - 31st, 2019**



Are you a business, organization or civic group  
that likes to have fun and do good?

We invite your team to join us for Meals on Wheels Madness.

Join us in this friendly competition as we all work together  
to fight senior hunger in the Midlands.

Throughout March, teams will accumulate points by  
volunteering for Meals on Wheels.

There are lots of opportunities and lots of ways to earn points.  
The team with the most points at the end of the month will take  
home the Meals on Wheels Madness championship trophy  
presented by Dawn Staley.

Follow us on Facebook (@SeniorResourcesInc) and Twitter  
(@SeniorRes\_SC) to check the brackets and see scoring updates.

Register your team today, and join us in the fight to alleviate  
hunger in the seniors, vets and disabled of Richland county.

For more information on this program or to register  
your team please contact Maria Tofts at  
803-252-7739 x229 or via email at  
[mtofts@seniorresourcesinc.org](mailto:mtofts@seniorresourcesinc.org)



# MEALS ON WHEELSMADNESS



## MEALS ON WHEELS MADNESS

2019

# OFFICIAL SCORING

Scores will be updated throughout the month.

Follow us on Facebook (@SeniorResourcesInc) and Twitter (@SeniorRes\_SC)  
for the most up to date scores.

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VOLUNTEER AS A PACKER  
10 POINTS PER PERSON

VOLUNTEER TO DELIVER A ROUTE  
25 POINTS PER ROUTE

FOOD PANTRY DONATION  
2 POINTS PER ITEM

REFER A FRIEND TO VOLUNTEER TO DELIVER A ROUTE  
DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH  
25 POINTS PER ROUTE

ADOPT A WEEKLY ROUTE AS A BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION  
100 POINTS

ADOPT A BI-WEEKLY ROUTE AS A BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION  
40 POINTS

ADOPT A ROUTE ONCE A MONTH AS A BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION  
25 POINTS

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For more information on the scoring process please contact  
Maria Tofts at 803-252-7739 x229 or via email at [mtofts@seniorresourcesinc.org](mailto:mtofts@seniorresourcesinc.org)



# RCAEOP MEMBER GIVES BACK

## The Importance of Giving Back

Love, Michelle Huggins

Michelle Huggins  
won one of the  
50/50 cash prize  
drawings at the  
SCAEOP  
Conference

**"I believe the amount I won was \$521.00. I immediately pulled \$100.00 out and gave it right back". The reason why?**

- 1) I DID NOT HAVE IT TO BEGIN WITH SO IT WAS NOT SOMETHING THAT WAS EARMARKED FOR BILLS AND THEY WERE RAISING \$ FOR A GOOD CAUSE AND NEEDED SUPPORT.**
- 2) YOU ALWAYS GIVE BACK. LIFE WILL COME BACK TO YOU TEN FOLD WHEN YOU GIVE AND HELP OTHERS. (NOT ALWAYS WILL IT COME BACK TO YOU MONETARILY BUT WHEN YOU NEED STRENGTH, HELP, PEACE, GOD PROVIDES AND THAT IS WHAT HE DID!)**
- 3) DO UNTO OTHERS AS YOU WOULD HAVE THEM DO UNTO YOU. THIS VERSE STAYS WITH ME QUITE FREQUENTLY.**

# ANNUAL RCAEOP GALA

## *Celebration of Our Stars*



### **2019 RCAEOP GALA**

**May 2, 2019**

**6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

**The Gala by JW  
(533 Clemson Road)**

**Dress: Semi-Formal**

**Tickets: \$20**

**Purchase tickets online at [www.rcaeop.com](http://www.rcaeop.com)**

