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*An electronic newsletter for SERS Retirement Coordinators*



## **New Employee Reminder**

Please remember that employees hired after January 1, 2011 (Tier 2) do NOT serve a qualifying period. When the State hires a new employee, they automatically become a member of SERS. We will send them a new member packet which includes a membership record and a beneficiary form.

*Please do NOT give these forms to your new members in advance* since these forms are automatically sent to the new member. New hires should complete these forms and return them to us in a timely manner. If you have questions about this process, call Dave Thompson at 217-785-6975.

## **Electronic Message**

An electronic message will be sent to active employees early next week which will include information about the redesigned annual Benefit Statement being mailed in October and the 2015 workshop schedule.

## **Field Services News**

Marlys Vala retired from state service in April of this year with 30 years of service. We hired Hannah Bettis as Marlys' replacement.

Hannah began her career for the State in the Department of Human Services in 1999. She has worked in Personnel, Payroll and Benefits and most recently was employed at Alton Mental Health Center as a Clinical Nurse Manager. Hannah is a graduate of University of Illinois at Springfield

and St. John's College of Nursing in Springfield.

Amy Little left the Field Services Division to begin working for the Disability section in mid-August.  
We wish Amy good luck in the future!