LCRTA GENERAL MEETING KIRTLANDER PARTY CENTER APRIL 9, 2019

Call to Order: David Morse called the meeting to order at 11:30.

Welcome: One guest, Lucia Jarvis, was present. She had taught in Mayfield and in Painesville Township School Districts.

Invocation: Greta Pate led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and discussed all of the important days in April, which included Easter this year. She read the poem "April Song" by Sara Teasdale. Greta then led the group in prayer.

Luncheon: Members and guests were served a choice of chicken piccata, potatoes and green beans family style or eggplant parmesan with pasta. The meal included salad, rolls, and assorted pastries.

Program: Pat Rullo gave a very informative talk on patient safety and how to survive a visit to the hospital. Pat had copies of her book <u>Speak Up and Stay Alive</u> for sale.

BUSINESS MEETING

- Secretary's Report: The Secretary's minutes were approved with one correction.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Pat Humphrey reported a total of all monies as of April 9, 2019 to be \$10,540.23, which includes \$2,119.15 for scholarship. The report will be filed for audit.
- **Social/Travel Treasurer's Report:** Lynn Miller reported a total of all monies as of April 9, 2019 to be \$4,133.55. The report will be filed for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Scholarship:** Tim Niederkorn reported that LCRTA has received 21 applications. On April 26, 2019, finalists will be selected. Those selected will have interviews on May 1-2, 2019, and the winners and guidance departments will be notified on May 4, 2019.
 - Two of the three fundraising events have been held thus far. The Longhorn Steakhouse event generated \$151.56 and the Max & Erma's event generated \$96.14. The third event will be held on April 11, 2019, from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Bob Evans on Mentor Avenue.
 - Flyers are available and can also be downloaded and printed from the LCRTA website.
- **Social/Travel:** Sherry Barbiere discussed the following events:
 - Matinee Series at Fine Arts of Willoughby include "The Pop Tarts" on May 1, 2019, which is sold out and "The Secret Garden" on June 12, 2019.

Holden Arboretum on May 21, 2019 needs more participants. The deadline is April 15th.

Wooster Light Opera to see "Girl Crazy" on June 26, 2019. The deadline is May 6th.

Falling Waters & Flight 93 Memorial on July 11, 2019 is currently sold out but the committee is checking to see if more can be added.

Rabbit Run's "My Way" on August 23, 2019.

Australia & New Zealand in October of 2019 has a few doubles available.

Williamsburg Christmas December 6-9, 2019 is currently sold out but the committee is checking to see if more can be added.

Albuquerque Balloon Festival October 8-15, 2020.

Sherry Niederkorn added that the website has the forms for the events.

- Sunshine/Remembrance: Pat Newyear sent a card to the family in memory of Margaret Haught.
- Legislative: David Morse read the report submitted by Tom Moscovic.

Alianna's Law went into effect on April 5th. The law requires that schools notify parents or guardians when their child is at least two hours late for school without an excused absence. The governor signed the transportation budget (House Bill 62) which includes a gas and diesel tax increase. The gas tax will increase from 28.5 to 38.5 cents in July and 47 cents for diesel fuel. Front license plates will not be required starting July 1, 2020.

Representatives John Patterson and Bob Cupp have introduced a bipartisan bill to change the way schools are funded in Ohio. The Fair School Funding Plan would provide an additional \$400 million in fiscal year 2020 for local public school districts. No school district would receive less funding than in fiscal year 2019. The projected phase-in of the plan is four years.

Sherry Niederkorn includes more legislative details on the website.

- **Yearbook:** Thank you to Bonnie Lillibridge for putting the yearbook together. Members should have received their copy today. See Bonnie for any needed updates.
- **Programs:** David Morse mentioned that the programs for September and November will include one on Cleveland breweries and one on Alexander Hamilton.

NEW BUSINESS

- The 50/50 drawing of \$42.50 was won by Debbie Deal. Debbie donated her half to the Scholarship committee.
- The Free Lunch drawing was won by Lillian Spivey.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:43.

Debbie Deal Recording Secretary