

**LCRTA GENERAL MEETING
AUBURN CAREER CENTER
NOVEMBER 13, 2018**

Call to Order: President Karen Sawitke called the meeting to order at 11:30.

Welcome: Karen asked for members to introduce guests that were invited. Sherry Niederkorn introduced Georgina Koh and Pam Benko; Sally McIndoe introduced Judy Penrod; and Bette Pollino introduced her daughter.

Invocation: Chaplain Terri Herbert led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Inspiration "In Flanders Fields" by Dr. John McCrae. Terri then led the group in prayer.

Luncheon: Members and guests were served by Auburn students. The menu included salad, rolls, beef stroganoff or breaded zucchini with pasta, and a choice of bread pudding or apple crisp for dessert.

BUSINESS MEETING

- **Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the September 10, 2018 meeting were approved as read.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Pat Humphrey reported a total of all monies as of November 13, 2018 to be \$8,505.35, which includes \$394.03 in scholarship money. The report will be filed for audit. Pat also submitted the proposed budget. Terri Herbert made a motion to accept the budget and Bette Pollino seconded the motion, which passed.
- **Social/Travel Treasurer's Report:** Lynn Miller reported a total of \$4,022.09 as of November 13, 2018. The report will be filed for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Social/Travel:** Lynn reported that 29 people traveled to Iceland and had a wonderful time.
Members interested in the Matinee Series at Fine Arts of Willoughby should see Sherry Niederkorn.
The Christmas trip to Pittsburgh on December 8, 2018 has 26 signed up. See Sarah Reinhart if interested.
The trip to Australia/New Zealand in 2019 has a few double openings left. See Sherry Niederkorn if interested.
There will be a travel information meeting on Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at Mentor Public Library.
- **Scholarship:** Tim Niederkorn welcomes any member that would like to be a part of the scholarship team. Tim asked members to please make a meaningful donation to the scholarship fund. The committee has discussed having a Dine-to-Donate event.
- **Membership:** Barb Temple reported that 67 have renewed so far. Members need to renew by December 20, 2018 in order to be in the directory.
- **Sunshine/Remembrance:** Pat Newyear sent sympathy cards to the families of Mary Moeller and Nan Golden. A card was also sent to Mary Alice Crandall in honor of her 99th birthday. A get well card will also be sent to Vickie Stacy.

- **Legislative:** Tom Moscovic recapped the election results.
HB #53 would remove the requirement to join unions or pay union dues. A group was traveling to Columbus to protest this bill.
President Trump would like to have some teachers armed. One question concerning this is how it would be funded.

OLD BUSINESS

- Karen Sawitke asked members to please consider receiving the Bellringer by email to save postage.
- Karen reported that 54 letters were sent out for teacher grants. Letters are always sent to superintendents first and to principals. The applications are due in by December 31, 2018. There is one carry-over from last year due to a recipient needing to take a leave of absence because of an injury.
- Karen stated that the website is now under the direction of Sherry Niederkorn and thanked Sherry for making great improvements.

PROGRAM

The program was presented by Tim Lybarger, Executive Director of Encore NEO. The company is designed to work with men and women age 50 + who are seeking both financial security and personal fulfillment.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Installation of Officers for 2019 was led by Pat Newyear, who discussed the importance of hands. Those installed included: Karen Sawitke for President, Terri Herbert for Vice-President, Debbie Deal for Secretary, and Pat Humphrey for Treasurer. Dave Morse (Vice-President) was absent.
- Bette Pollino won the free lunch.
- Terry Weaver won the 50/50 that amounted to \$34.00. Terry graciously donated the money to the Jean Lentz fund.
- The next meeting will be held on February 12, 2019.
- The Auburn Career Center was thanked for their service and the meeting was adjourned at 1:47.

Debbie Deal
Recording Secretary