LCRTA GENERAL MEETING HOLIDAY INN OF MENTOR SEPTEMBER 10, 2018

Call to Order: President Karen Sawitke called the meeting to order at 11:30. **Welcome:** Karen welcomed the candidates and guests.

Invocation: Chaplain Terri Herbert led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and read the Inspiration entitled "September, The First Day of School" by Howard Nemerov. She then led the group in prayer.

Luncheon: Members and guests had a choice of Chicken Roulade with red skinned potatoes or Vegetable Lasagna, both served with French green beans, rolls, salad, and apple dumpling with caramel sauce.

PROGRAM

Tom Moscovic introduced the candidates for election in Lake County. The candidates were each given 3 minutes to address members. Those present included:

House 14 -- Dave Joyce and Betsy Rader

House 61 -- Rick Walker

House 60 -- John Rogers and Mike Zuren

L.C. Commissioner -- Dan Troy and Ron Young

L.C. Auditor -- Ed Zupancic and Joe Shriver

Judge for Court of Appeals -- Mary Jane Trapp and Casey O'Brien

Judge for Court of Appeals -- Darya Klammer and Matt Lynch

Judge for Court of Common Pleas -- Dennis LoConti and Pat Condon

BUSINESS MEETING

- Secretary Report: Minutes from the June 12, 2018 meeting were approved as corrected.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Pat Humphrey reported a total of all monies as of September 10, 2018 as \$8,629.86, which includes \$258.97 in scholarship money. The report will be filed for audit.
- **Social/Travel Treasurer's Report:** Lynn Miller reported a total of \$3541.15 as of September 10, 2018. The report will be filed for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Scholarship: Tim Niederkorn mentioned that the Lake County Gazette printed an article on the scholarship winners. Thank you notes were also received from both of the scholarship winners. Tim reminded members the importance of donating to the scholarship fund.
- Legislative: Tom Moscovic reported that over a million dollars has been taken away from public education for charter schools. Tom suggested that members take a close look at State Issue 1, which would change the way opiates will be prosecuted.
- **Social/Travel:** Lynn Miller reported that the Ohio Potpourri trip was cancelled. Those interested in any of the Fine Arts series should contact Sherry Niederkorn. There are 29 people set to leave for the Iceland trip.

There will be a meeting on November 15, 2018 at 1:00 at Mentor Public Library to discuss upcoming plans and to ask for travel ideas.

Those interested in traveling to Pittsburgh on December 8, 2018 for the Christmas trip should contact Sarah Reinhart by October 20th.

There are 22 people signed up so far for the Australia/New Zealand trip next fall.

- **Sunshine/Remembrance:** Pat Newyear reported that get well cards were sent to Terri Herbert and Elaine Courtney.
- **Community Participation:** Louise Bennet reminded members to fill out volunteer hour forms.

The donations brought to the meeting will be given to McKinley Community Outreach.

OLD BUSINESS

- Dave Morse reminded members to contact new retirees and invite them to join LCRTA.
- Dave reported that Karen Sawitke has volunteered to be president for one more year. Terri Herbert and Dave Morse volunteered to be co-presidents elect. There still will be a need for a president-elect when Terri and Dave take over as co-presidents. Debbie Deal has volunteered to continue as secretary and Pat Humphrey has volunteered to continue as treasurer. Tom Moscovic has volunteered to continue as a director for two years and Pat Mazzolini has volunteered to be a director for one year.

Greta Pate made a motion to approve the officers in a block vote and Elaine Courtney seconded the motion. The slate of officers was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- Pat Humphrey announced that the Budget Committee would meet at her house on September 24th at 1:00 p.m. The committee, which is chaired by Pat, includes Louise Bennet, Terri Herbert, Bonnie Lillibridge, Karen Sawitke, Vickie Stacy, and Barb Temple.
- Barb Temple reported that membership dues will be collected in November and December. More information will be included in the next Bellringer.
- Barb reported that Ann Kassing has moved to a memory care facility. Any member desiring her address can contact Barb.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Lynda Krstolic won the free lunch.
- Marilyn Decker won the 50/50 drawing, which amounted to \$43.00.
- The next board meeting will be held on October 1, 2018 at Kirtland Public Library at 1:00.
- The next general meeting will be held at Auburn Career Center on November 13, 2018.

Debbie Deal Recording Secretary