

LCRTA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP ZOOM MEETING TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021

Members in attendance: Gail Allcock, Carolyn Arwood, Sherry Barbieri, Louise Bennet, Clarence Bowers, Pat Coil, Debbie Deal, Marilyn Dolence, Terri Herbert, Carol Herbst, Lois Hosmer, Pat Humphrey, Connie Irvin, Ginny Keller, Lynda Krstolic, Char Langer, Beverly Lee, Marion Lipinski, Bonnie Lillibridge, Pat Mazzolini, Sue McCarter, Lynn Miller, Dave Morse, Tom Moscovic, Pat Newyear, Sherry Niederkorn, Tim Niederkorn, Sarah Reinhard, Becky Richardson, Cathy Trepal, and Terry Weaver
Guest Speaker: Susan Hildebrandt

CALL TO ORDER: President Ginny Keller called the meeting to order at 11:41 with the Pledge of Allegiance. Chaplain Greta Pate was unable to get on the Zoom meeting, so Lynda Krstolic graciously offered to lead the group in prayer.

PROGRAM: Program Chair Connie Irvin introduced Susan Hildebrandt who gave an interesting and informative talk on “Creative Container Gardening”. The presentation included handouts and pictures of many beautiful arrangements.

BUSINESS MEETING

The Secretary’s report from the February General Meeting was approved as written. Treasurer Pat Humphrey reported a total of all monies as of April 8, 2021 to be \$11,013.57, which includes Scholarship monies of \$2,875.91. The report will be filed for audit. Pat is hoping to be able to schedule the audit sometime in May. Lynn Miller reported the Social/Travel checking report as of April 13, 2021 to be \$3,866.57. The report will be filed for audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROGRAM: Connie Irvin thanked members for returning surveys. Connie also invited members to join the committee. Ginny Keller volunteered to be a part of the committee.

INFO/PROTECTIVE SERVICES: Terri Herbert invited members to send ideas for articles.

SOCIAL/TRAVEL: Lynn Miller reported that “Virtual Game Night” was enjoyed by participants. Future trips include:

- Tulip Festival -- May 6-8, 2021. Those travelling need to contact Kathy Kling.
- Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta – October 8-13, 2021. If interested contact Sherry Barbieri.
- Nashville Aglow – Dec. 8-11, 2021. One more participant is needed to receive the discount price. Contact Sarah Reinhard if interested.
- Mississippi Riverboat Cruise – Sept. 25-Oct. 3, 2022. Contact Mike Benz to register. Member contact is Sherry Niederkorn. A member is looking for a roommate.
- Riverboat Cruise – Late September 2023. Call (800) 221-2610 Code 3472 to make reservations. A deposit of \$500 is required. Contact Sherry Niederkorn for more information.

LEGISLATIVE: Tom Moscovic reported that STRS did not raise money for the audit. Tom also mentioned the following House Bills.

- HB #1 – To create a new school finance system is on the back burner.
- HB #110 – The budget must be completed by June 30th. The question is whether to include HB #1.
- HB #200 – Whether to eliminate A-F letter grades on the state report card.
- HB #54 – To dissolve academic districts commissions and to instead require improvement plans for low-performing schools.
- HB #99 – To address requirements for school staff to carry firearms.
- HB #151 – To replace the Ohio Teacher Residency Program with local new teacher mentorship programs.

Gov. DeWine has proposed funding for “Wraparound” services that would give support to programs such as after-school programs, mental and physical health services, and aid for students that are behind.

Tom reminded members to vote in the STRS election. Members can vote by mail, online, or by phone. If trouble voting online, call the phone number listed. OEA endorsed Robert Stein and Rita Walters.

SCHOLARSHIP: Tim Niederkorn reported that LCRTA has received 16 applications. The committee will score the applications by April 23rd. Interviews for the top candidates will be held May 4th and 5th and the winners will be notified on May 5th. Tim thanked all members that donated to the Scholarship fund.

SUNSHINE/REMEMBRANCE: Pat Newyear sent a sympathy card to Barb Temple upon her brother’s passing. Pat sent a get well card to Louise Bennet following a car accident.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Sherry Niederkorn asked members to watch for articles to appear in the local newspapers.

YEARBOOK: Bonnie Lillibridge added emails to the yearbook. Ginny thanked Bonnie for the work needed to complete the yearbook. Please contact Bonnie if a yearbook was not mailed to you. Corrections to the yearbook will be noted in the Newsletter.

WEBSITE: Sherry Niederkorn reminded members to keep checking the website.

NEW BUSINESS

- Louise Bennet thanked members that sent get-well wishes
- Ginny reminded members to vote

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Sherry Niederkorn stated that Gales Garden Center donated a \$25 gift certificate for the drawing. Connie Irvin was the recipient of the gift card.
- LCRTA Zoom Board Meeting – May 3rd at 1:00
- LCRTA General Meeting –June 8th at 11:30

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10.

Debbie Deal
Recording Secretary