

SSRTA NEWS

December 2021

December Luncheon at One O’Clock.

Come join us for our Fourth In-Person Luncheon for 2021 at Lincolnshire CC at 1pm.

The cost will be \$20.

Our **2021 December Holiday Luncheon and Party** will be **Wednesday, December 15** at **One O’Clock**.

Reservations

Sorry, there’s no link since this issue is being released past the deadline. Every current member - and everybody on any of my email lists for retired teachers - should have already received one invitation and one reminder.

December Luncheon and

2021 December Fundraiser and Party

As in years past, we plan to have our **Christmas Fundraiser and Party** as the theme for our December Luncheon on December 15th at One O’Clock. The 2021 Fundraiser will be our **Traditional Holiday Basket Raffle**. The Fundraiser proceeds will be donated to the **Chicago Heights Respond Now**.

The SSRTA Elf has been busy!!



*This month’s Luncheon - again at **ONE pm**.*

Our location for our December Luncheon is the Lincolnshire Country Club. Here’s their link:

<https://lincolnshirecountryclub.com/home>

Their address is

390 East Richton Road, Crete, Il 60417

PLEASE NOTE: The December Luncheon **will be BUFFET**. I’ve displayed our **Luncheon Menu** on the last page of this Newsletter.

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Photos for the SSRTA Website and FB

If you took any pictures at the September, October and/or November Luncheon and would like to share, please email them to Tony for posting to the SSRTA website and the SSRTA FB page.

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Authors Note!

This is OUR Newsletter - it belongs to all the members of the South Suburban Retired Teachers Association. If there is something you wish to add to make our retirement more fun, more enjoyable or more engaging, please send a note describing your idea to Tony Marturano - SSRTA President - at his email address (found on page 5 of this Newsletter).

Executive Committee Minutes - December 2021

(unapproved until future meeting)

Minutes: Executive Council Meeting of 12/1/21

We met at Lincolnshire Country Club on Dec. 1, 2021 at 3:00 P.M. Members present were Tony Marturano, Martha Rago, Jan Vinson, Georgia Sizemore (arrived at 3:40), and Larry Schwarberg

Tony asked if someone would take minutes since Alba was not present. Larry Schwarberg volunteered.

Secretary’s report: There was no minutes of the November meeting to approve, but, following discussion, Martha Rago moved and Larry Schwarberg seconded that we amend and approve the minutes from the November executive committee meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer’s report: Martha Rago presented her statement and reported that 55 members have paid their current dues. ... Tony moved and Jan Vinson seconded that we accept the Treasurer’s report. The motion carried unanimously. Martha also reported that 55 people have paid their dues for the current membership year.

Legislative report: Larry had no report since the Illinois Legislature is in recess until Jan., 2022.

Membership report: Jan Vinson reported that she has sent a reminder e-mail to the members about dues and that she would send another one in the next day or two. She reminded the members that the form and payment are to be sent to Martha Rago, not to Jan.

Luncheon Program report: Georgia Sizemore reported that for the spring, 2022, the following programs are in place:

- March: U of I Extension presentation;
- April: AMBA presentation;
- May: Jan Vinson’s product presentation.

An informal gathering is planned for June with no set program.

There was discussion among the officers about the location of next spring’s meetings, and the following was decided:

- March, 2022 will be at Flossmoor Station,
- April 2022 will be at Aurelio’s in Mokena (in the bigger room).

Jan volunteered to find a restaurant in the New Lenox area for her May presentation.

No site was chosen for June’s informal gathering.

President’s report: Tony thanked Larry for his efforts in arranging the Beecher High School Chorus’ presentation. He

Luncheon Locations for Fall 2021

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September 15th
Lincolnshire Country Club
390 E Richton Rd
Crete, IL 60417

October 20th
Aurelio's Pizza - Mokena
19836 Wolf Rd
Mokena, IL 60448

November 17th
Flossmoor Station Brewing
1035 Sterling Avenue
Flossmoor, IL 60422

December 15th
Lincolnshire Country Club
see address above

Luncheon Dates for Spring 2022

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March 16th
April 20th
May 18th
June 15th

Luncheon Dates for Fall 2022

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mentioned that he had heard positive comments from the members about Flossmoor Station’s food and accommodations and mentioned that he was happy it had been chosen for the March meeting. Discussion turned to new members, and Jan Vinson suggested that there should be some sort of “Welcome” statement to first timers at every meeting. After discussion it was determined that that action will occur, whether from Tony or from Jan or from someone else. Tony reminded us about the existence of the Unit 19’s Facebook page and website and encouraged us to visit those spots in support of Liz’ efforts. Jan Vinson volunteered create a demographic chart of members’ hometowns and presence at the restaurant closest to their residence. Discussion turned to the holiday fundraiser to be held at Lincolnshire Country Club. Martha Rago volunteered to provide music with her boom-box, and Georgia mentioned providing some sort of game(s) with prizes. Respond Now will be the beneficiary of our holiday basket fundraiser. Again, Jan Vinson volunteered to look for a location for the May, 2022 meeting. Tony reported that our next Executive Committee meeting will be on February 22 at Flossmoor Station.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry Schwarberg
Acting Recording Secretary

*NOTE: The date for the next Executive Committee meeting is actually **Tuesday, March 1st** - as that date is two weeks prior to the March Luncheon. Sorry for my error. ATM*

Treasurer’s Report - December 2021 - Accepted

Treasurer’s Report December 1, 2021

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Respectfully submitted,
Martha Rago, SSRTA Treasurer

2022 Membership Renewal

First, I want to say **Thank You** to all our members who have completed their 2022 Membership Forms and mailed them to Martha Rago. SSRTA will continue to grow if our members maintain their memberships and bring new members into our group - SSRTA Unit 19.

Second, if you have yet to complete your 2022 Membership let me remind you that Jan Vinson, our SSRTA Membership Chair, has emailed every current member their 2022 Membership Forms. Please take the time to **complete all** the information on the form and send it along with your check to Martha Rago. Also, you can complete your membership at our next meeting on December 15th - see me or Martha Rago for

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your form. Finally, please send Jan the names and emails of any newly retired teachers or any retired teachers who aren't currently SSRTA members. Your help recruiting new members is always appreciated.

Birthdays for December - HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- SHIRLEY SMIDDY – DECEMBER 1
- ANNE LEBIODA – DECEMBER 9
- HELEN BASEHORE – DECEMBER 12
- CAROL DOWNS – DECEMBER 13
- ANDREA BLAIR – DECEMBER 15
- LYNN FRANGELLA – DECEMBER 15
- GEORGIA SIZEMORE – DECEMBER 18
- SUE COLE – DECEMBER 21
- JANET COLANGELO – DECEMBER 22
- DONALD PIERSMA – DECEMBER 25
- JOSEPH SMITH – DECEMBER 25

Finally ...

If you have missed the Business Meeting portion of our SSRTA Monthly Meetings/Luncheons OR you wish to become more involved with a decision making role within SSRTA - **PLEASE** join the Executive Committee as one of the vacant Committee Chairs **OR** you should join us at the next SSRTA Executive Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 1st at 1pm at Flossmoor Station Brewery. All SSRTA members are always welcome at Executive Committee meetings.

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Happy Holidays to You and Yours!!

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SSRTA 12/15/21 LUNCHEON

BUFFET MENU:

TURKEY

STUFFING

SWEET POTATOES

GREEN BEANS

CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP

SALAD BAR WITH TOPPINGS

Coffee and Iced Tea will be included in lunch. Additional beverages/cocktails can be purchased at the bar.