

SSRTA NEWS

December 2022 - Issue 1

Our Next Luncheon on December 14th.

Come join us for our Next Luncheon for 2022 at

Wiley's Grill
800 Kedzie Avenue
Flossmoor, IL 60422

Inside the
Coyote Run Golf Course

<https://wileysgrill.com/>

Our December Luncheon will start at 1pm Dec 14th!! The SECOND Wednesday in December.

SSRTA Holiday Party and Fundraiser 2022

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Birthdays for December 2002

- SHIRLEY SMIDDY – DECEMBER 1
- ANNE LEBIODA – DECEMBER 9
- HELEN BASEHORE – DECEMBER 12
- GARY SCHWARZ – DECEMBER 12
- CAROL DOWNS – DECEMBER 13
- ANDREA BLAIR – DECEMBER 15
- LYNN FRANGELLA – DECEMBER 15
- GIGI SIZEMORE – DECEMBER 18
- SUE COLE – DECEMBER 21
- JANET COLANGELO – DECEMBER 22
- PENNY LUND – DECEMBER 25
- DONALD PIERSMA – DECEMBER 25

President's Notes and Ramblings ...

Mark your calendars on your phone or pad - our December SSRTA Holiday Party and Fundraiser is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 14th at 1pm** at Wileys grill located in the Coyote Run Golf Course in Flossmoor. Here's a link.

<https://wileysgrill.com/>

Please plan to bring ANYONE interested in attending our December Holiday Luncheon and Fundraiser as you may bring anyone - SSRTA Members or not - to our December Holiday Luncheon and Fundraiser (and any of our Luncheons in 2023). The Menu for our Luncheon can be found on the last page.

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Photos for the SSRTA Website and FB
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If you took any pictures at the Luncheons in 2022 and would like to share, please email them to Tony for posting to the SSRTA website and the SSRTA FB page. Thanks!!

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Members Note!
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This is OUR SSRTA 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 the last page of this Newsletter).

Any Suggestions you may have concerning anything we do - or don't do - in SSRTA, please share them with us.

Please remember that our **Holiday Fundraiser** will follow the same format as last December - there will be a number of Holiday Baskets for our blind draw **Holiday Basket Ticket Raffle** - you will buy raffle tickets and then place them into the ticket bag for each Holiday Basket on you wish to bid. Sometime after Lunch we will draw the winning ticket for each Holiday Basket to select the Winner of that Basket. All the proceeds from the ticket sales will go to our 2022 Holiday Fundraiser recipient. Thanks to everyone who has donated objects to be combined into the baskets, thanks to all present at our December Luncheon and Fundraiser who will buy tickets, and a special **THANK YOU** to Member **Debi Marturano** who has been assembling the Holiday Baskets since October. Please Note: The group or organization to which we will donate the proceeds of the 2023 SSRTA Fundraiser has yet to be determined so please contact an SSRTA Executive Committee Member with any suggestions.

Minutes from the November SSRTA Executive Committee Meeting

SSRTA Executive Committee Meeting for November, 2022

Note: This meeting was held on October 26, 2022 at Aurelio's Pizza in Mokena.

Present at the meeting were: Alba Endicott, Terry Gillespie, Martha Rago, Christopher Lewers, Larry Schwarberg, and Tony Marturano.

Secretary Report: Alba Endicott

Alba had presented last month's minutes at the October luncheon meeting.

Treasurer Report: Martha Rago

Martha presented the monthly report. Alba moved to accept the report as presented and Larry Schwarberg seconded the motion.

Luncheon Dates for Fall 2022

All SSRTA Luncheons are the Third Wednesday of the month **except December**.

- √ September 21st
- √ October 19th
- √ November 16th
- next - December 14th!!!

Members Note Two

This is OUR SSRTA Newsletter - it belongs to all the members of the South Suburban Retired Teachers Association. Please send us any suggestions you have for locations for our future SSRTA Luncheons or suggestions for topics or something else you'd like to see here every month.

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Please remember that you may bring anyone interested in joining us for our December Luncheon and our December Holiday Fundraiser at 1pm at the Wiley's Grill in the Coyote Run Golf Course in Flossmoor.

IRTA Legislative Committee: Christopher Lewers

Chris reported that because of the upcoming elections, there was no new legislative activity in Springfield. All that is happening is the TRAIL and TRIP lawsuit where key people are being deposed. Clear information is not easily obtained.

The State Legislature Veto Session is held during the last two(2) weeks in November and the Lame Duck Session is from January 4 to January 10, 2023.

Vice President Report: Larry Schwarberg

Larry indicated that he and Chris seem to be sharing similar legislative information and requested that from now on Chris will be responsible for the legislative aspect to avoid repetition.

Larry also brought up the fact that we need to decide on the program for the November luncheon and the location of our December Fundraiser. He will find information on Dining on the Green in Park Forest as a possible venue and Marta volunteered to do the same with Coyote Run in Flossmoor and any other venues the Homewood-Flossmoor Park District has to offer.

SSRTA Membership Committee: Jan Vinson

Jan was ill and sent her report: as of October 26, we have 30 members who have paid their dues for next year. We only have five (5) members without an e-mail address so she mailed the membership form by post and asked them to communicate with her to facilitate the exchange of information.

IRTA Membership Committee: Sue Cole

Absent - No report

Publicity Committee: Liz Mller

Absent but Liz communicated that she had received no news to report

President Report: Tony Marturano

Tony thanked Alba for her years as SSRTA secretary and welcomed Terry Gillespie, Secretary Elect, who will begin her duties on our first meeting in March, 2023.

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Tony is going to look into having HFK Presents as our November program, and the cost since we established a limit of \$250-\$300.

Larry moved to adjourn the meeting and Tony seconded the motion at 2:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Alba Q. Endicott

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Remember to contact all your retired colleagues and friends to join us as a member in SSRTA in 2023.

All of us on the Executive Committee of SSRTA wish you to choose to become more involved in our group in any manner you wish.

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SSRTA Luncheon Menu at Wiley's Grill

Appetizers at 1:15pm

- Mac N Cheese Bites
- Caprese Skewers
- Orchard Harvest Platter

Buffet at 1:454pm

- Caesar salad
- Traditional Green Salad w/Balsamic Vinegar
- Brown Sugar Glazed Carrots
- Roasted Seasonal Vegetables
- Farfalle with Brandy Tomato Cream Sauce
- Oven Roasted Rosemary Lemon Chicken
- Eggplant Parmesan

Cookies - please bring a dozen cookies to share
Lemonade and Water on each table

Cash Bar - including fresh ground coffee \$3/cup