



# LORCORTA NEWS

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## OCTOBER LUNCHEON

Our October Luncheon on October 17 will be a very special event. Not only are we meeting for lunch and fellowship with friends new and old, we will also be celebrating our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the **LORCORTA** organization. This is a wonderful milestone to celebrate. Our guest speaker will be the Executive Director of ORTA, Dr. Robin Rayfield. Please join us and bring a potential new member with you. It is very difficult for LORCORTA to access lists of new retirees in the county so your help is needed. See you there!

### **PUNCH BOWL 11:30 CALLING DEADLINE**

Your community caller will be contacting you for your reservation. If you have not received a call by Oct. 9, please call your head caller listed below.

**Head callers, please phone your totals to HELEN BIBBEE (327-8125) BY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup>.**

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

If you make a reservation and then find that you are unable to attend the luncheon, please call Helen Bibbee (327-8125) by Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm to cancel. If you **do not cancel**, you are responsible for the cost of the luncheon (\$15.50) which LORCORTA has to pay even if you do not attend.

**REMEMBER, DO NOT CALL DELUCA'S.**

### ***MENU FOR OCTOBER 17***

Tossed garden salad  
Roast Beef in Pan Gravy  
Smashed Garlic Redskins  
Rolls and butter  
Coffee, Hot Tea  
Cake and Ice Cream

### **Community Head Callers**

Elyria and Lorain—Helen Bibbee 327-8125  
Oberlin Area—Dennis Wiedenheft 774-4468  
Wellington Area—Carol Zeiter 647-3738

Reservations Coordinator—Helen Bibbee

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The early records of LORCORTA show that we organized our chapter in 1948. Therefore, 2018 means we will celebrate 70 years as a chapter and as an affiliate of the Ohio Retired Teachers Association. Come and help us celebrate this milestone at our luncheon on October 17. We will have some special activities planned as part of our celebration.. Besides a slide show of pictures depicting many different aspects of our history, Janyce Noll, our historian, will briefly relate the many activities of our years as a chapter.

Our guest speaker will be the Executive Director of ORTA. Dr. Robin Rayfield. He will bring us up-to-date on any legislation that concerns our pension system as well as the latest information concerning ORTA working with STRS to develop a pathway to the return of our COLA. WE also have invited some very special guests. So please join us as we celebrate our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on October 17, 2018.

Our membership has dipped under 400 for the first time in many years. We stand at 393 with 347 members joining both LORCORTA and ORTA. Please help us grow our membership by asking a non-member retired teacher you may know to join us at any of our luncheons. There is strength in numbers, and we certainly need a strong membership in LORCORTA as well as ORTA to bring back our COLA.

Hope to see you on October 17 for our special celebration.

## MINUTES FROM MAY 16, 2018 GENERAL MEETING

Bernie Machovina welcomed the members and guests and introduced the board members as well as thanked Mary Miller for providing piano music. The "Pledge of Allegiance" and "God Bless America" were followed by the invocation given by Rev. Dixie Smith.

The announcements included a reminder that the Basket Collection was for the Findley Scholarship. Long time member of the board, Rodney Beals, was remembered.

The meeting resumed after lunch with the introduction of scholarship recipients and the presentation of the Findley and Keller Scholarships. Virginia Waratinsky presented Findley Scholarships to Carissa Donnelly, Bradley Golski, Francisco Lopez, Dean Mraz, and Erica Uszak. Keller Scholarships were presented by Marilyn Bauer to Olivia Henderson, Elizabeth Keller, Emily Klier, Lauren Kuch, and Michael Sparks.

FINANCIAL REPORT: LORCORTA checking \$1,794.17, LORCORTA invested \$10,357.18, FINDLEY SCHOLARSHIP \$7,614.99, KELLER SCHOLARSHIP \$62,962.03, December luncheon donations for KINSHIP \$120.00, and MEMBERSHIP DRIVE \$1,716.00.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** We have 353 Unified members with a total of 400 members of ORTA.

There is a new ORTA Executive Director, Dr. Robin Rayfield. As ORTA is changing their structure, there will be regional divisions with three liaison per region.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration is Oct, 17, 2018. Meeting was adjourned at 2:22pm.



### **FINDLEY RECIPIENTS**

Carissa Donnelly, Open Door; Bradley Golski, Clearview; Francisco Lopez, Elyria High; Dean Mraz, Midview; Erika Uszak, Elyria High



### **KELLER RECIPIENTS**

Elizabeth Keller, Amherst Steel; Emily Klier, Wellington; Lauren Kuch, Midview; Michael Sparks, Amherst Steel

A huge thank you to all those who donated \$194.00 to the Findley Scholarship Fund at our May General Meeting.

## **LORCORTA OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN**

**President Pro Tem:** Bernie Machovina 323-9492  
**Vice President :** vacant  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Helen Dupont 323-8632  
**Treasurer:** Jim McQuown 365-3001  
**Associate Treasurer:** Bob Slager  
**Recording Secretary:** Barb Fieger 216-544-3865  
**Corresponding Secretary:** Helen Bibbee 327-8125  
**Membership:** Helen Dupont 323-8632  
**Community Service:** vacant  
**Legislation:** Bernie Machovina 323-9492  
**Pre-Retirement:** vacant  
**Information and Protective Services:** Janyce Noll 327-4584  
**Keller Scholarship:** Marilyn Bauer 695-0720  
**Findley Scholarship:** Virginia Waratinsky 277-1194  
**ORTA Trustee:** Karen Sprague: 365-6270  
**Newsletter:** Barb Shuster 365-7672  
**Past President/WEB:** Mary McAtee 365-7580

The Officers are here to serve you and your needs. Please invite all your retired colleagues to join LORCORTA. Membership is very reasonable so please pass the word. This is a very important year for our chapter and for our future retirement benefits.

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

Here are some problems that were discussed by members in the early years.

- Women would lose their jobs if they were to marry.
- Elementary teachers earned much less. Starting salaries could be \$800 per year.
- Attendance was required at PTA and NEOTA meetings.
- Teachers in one room schools had extra duties to maintain the facility.
- There was no summer salary.
- Teachers had to pay their own substitutes.
- To apply for a job you had to live in the district.

Janyce Noll Chairman Protective Services



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