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NEXT BOARD MEETING
September 3, 2019
10:00am

DATE CHANGE
September Luncheon is now
Wednesday, September 25

REMEMBERING CLAUDIA TROMBLA

This summer LCRTA's longtime member & officer, Claudia Trombla, passed away. The Board voted to rename the Pi Lambda Theta Scholarship—monies for this scholarship were received from Claudia's UT sorority. In Claudia's honor, it will be named the **Pi Lambda Theta Claudia Trombla Scholarship**. If you would like to contribute to the scholarship, please mail your check to: LCRTA

2155 Arlington Avenue
Toledo, OH 43609

50/50 RAFFLE MAY WINNERS

Juanita Stephens—\$86
Joyce Sparks—\$86
Mary Twining—Basket
Radisson \$100 Gift Certificate
Odell Chancy

Please bring \$1, \$5 or \$10 bills to purchase tickets & you must be PRESENT to win

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE—Susan Santoro

If you are interested in STRS COLA updates and other information and you are a Facebook user, sign up for "**Ohio STRS Member only forum**." The following two bulleted points of information were taken directly from their recent posts.

- This group has a common interest in the Ohio State Retirement System (STRS) and their fiduciary duty to properly manage the funds in the best interests of both retirees and active members. Based on recent actions by the STRS Director and the STRS Retirement Board, it is now necessary to take action to **RESTORE COLA** and **RESTORE STRS**. We are doing today what should have been done years ago. Every system needs accountability and oversight. There must be a change, and that change needs to be made now. The future may be too late! (Joe Lupo, Founder, Ohio STRS Member Only Forum)

- Dr. Robin Rayfield Executive Director of ORTA offered a speech to the STRS board at the August board meeting. (He has made several statements at STRS board meetings.) **ORTA is a continued supporter of reinstating our retirees COLA** and other retirement concerns. **ORTA hears you**, and the more members we have the louder our voice. [Join ORTA TODAY!](#)

There will be a **Primary Election** on **Tuesday, September 10, 2019** for all voters in the City of Toledo Council Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and the City of Maumee. This election is for city council races. Early voting is open. Please click to be directed to the [Lucas County Board of Elections](#) website for more detailed information.

**Next Luncheon
SEPTEMBER 25**

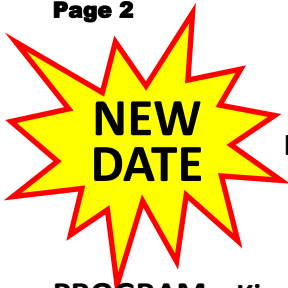
LET'S WELCOME EAST TOLEDO FAMILY CENTER

At our **September 25th luncheon** at Stone Oak Country Club, we will again welcome the **East Toledo Family Center**. ETFC has been helping those in need since 1901. Located in the Warren Densmore Building at 1020 Varland Avenue, and known as "Neighborhood House," ETFC has as its mission the desire to be "in the community for the community strengthening one life at a time." East Toledo Family Center is many things to many people. Along with their youth athletics programs, they work with Toledo Public Schools and Lucas County Juvenile

Court to secure student success. They have an ages 3-5 Preschool and a senior program that provides recreation, education, chore and housekeeping, as well as home repair. We now have an opportunity to help them succeed. Please bring **Small Dixie size cups; Paper plates (dessert size); Dry board erasers; Lysol wipes; Tissues; Hand sanitizer; Paper plates; and Arts and crafts supplies**, to

the **September 25th** meeting at Stone Oak Country Club. Let's show LCRTA at our best helping ETFC help their community.





Wednesday
September 25, 2019
 LCRTA LUNCHEON (noon-2:00)
 Stone Oak Country Club
 Holland, OH

PROGRAM—Kim Haddix & Cory Wyckoff
 Promedica Museum of Natural History at Zoo

CHOICES OF ENTRÉE ARE:

- #1 **Cranberry & Bourbon Chicken:** sautéed chicken breast with cranberry & bourbon sauce
- #2 **Sliced Slow Roasted Beef with Mushroom Gravy:** cooked medium well to well done
- #3 **Mushroom Ravioli with Olive Oil & Herbs**

Entrée served with:

Banquet Salad, Oven Roasted Red Skin Potatoes
 Chef's Choice of Vegetable, Rolls & Butter
 Assorted Cookies, Coffee, Tea, Lemonade

→ **COST — \$21.00** ←

Reservations due by Tuesday, September 17

Please complete the reservation form at right and include with your check payable to LCRTA

Please. We're Sorry But...

NO SUBSTITUTIONS can be honored

Please do not call the venue

VALET PARKING AVAILABLE

SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 LUNCHEON RESERVATION

I will attend the luncheon at Stone Oak Country Club

NAME: _____ Choice # _____

NAME: _____ Choice # _____

NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS _____

TOTAL: (\$21.00 X Number Attending) \$ _____

Reservations are due by **September 17**. Please mail to:

Jeannine Petcoff
 15139 Todd Road
 Petersburg, MI 49270



MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO LCRTA

DIRECTIONS—STONE OAK COUNTRY CLUB

- **West on Hill Avenue**
- **Continuing past Centennial Road, you'll see the fence for Stone Oak**
- **Entrance to Country Club is on left**

GOING UP

Stone Oak now has a lift

for guests who need help with stairs. Please **enter on level 1 through the Pro Shop** (north end of building). You will be directed to the lift. Please **arrive early**. The lift can accommodate only one wheelchair & one additional person.

LUNCHEON SPEAKER—THE WAIT IS FINALLY OVER!

Two representatives of the Toledo Zoo will showcase the new and long-anticipated Promedica Museum of Natural History. Kim Haddix joined the Toledo Zoo in 2015; she is currently Assistant Director of Communications. Prior to joining the Zoo, Kim was Adjunct Professor of Communication and Writing at The University of Findlay—2008 - 2014. Cory Wyckoff, Videographer and Photographer at the Toledo Zoo, will be accompanying Kim. A graduate of Whitmer High School, Cory attended the New York Film Academy in New York City.

The new Museum focuses on the variety of life in the world. The first floor begins with prehistoric Ohio and then

becomes a walking tour of the various habitats found along Lake Erie following the Ice Age. The second floor ties Ohio to species and habitats around the globe through venom and arthropods. In addition, the second floor is home to Nature in Hand, a hands on library of bones, pelts and taxidermy.

Throughout the renovation process, which began in June of 2017, the footprint of the historic WPA-era building was kept intact. With the addition of the two-story greenhouse on the front and Prairie greenhouse on the back, the new facility totals 74,500 square feet.

This is one presentation you won't want to miss!

2019 LUNCHEONS & DONATION LIST—MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

DATE	LOCATION	CHARITY	WISH LIST
SEPTEMBER 25	STONE OAK C. C.	EAST TOLEDO FAMILY Center	hand sanitizer, tissues, wipes paper plates (large & small) arts & crafts supplies, small Dixie cups
OCTOBER 24	INVERNESS C. C.	LEADING FAMILIES HOME	Cleaning products, new towels, paper products, pillows
DECEMBER 5	THE TOLEDO CLUB	CHILDREN SERVICES	Stuffed animals, dolls, trucks/cars

2019 LCRTA and/or ORTA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Year Retired: _____ School served: _____

LCRTA DUES: _____ Yearly _____ Life
\$20 per year, \$175 Life Membership)

ORTA DUES: _____ Yearly
ORTA (\$30 per year)

DATE (today's) _____ CHECK # _____

Make checks payable to LCRTA (one check handles both LCRTA & ORTA)



Send this form & check to: LCRTA Treasurer; 2155 Arlington Avenue; Toledo, OH 43609

MAY LUNCHEON EVALUATION — Doris Weiss

Delicious lunch and entertaining speaker! One hundred and three members and guests attended the LCRTA luncheon and meeting Thursday, May 23, 2019 at the Radisson at UTM. Nan Fetter thanked the members for their books and money contributions to Right to Read. Most members had positive comments about the Radisson's facility and food and Dr. Shousher, our guest speaker.

Comments:

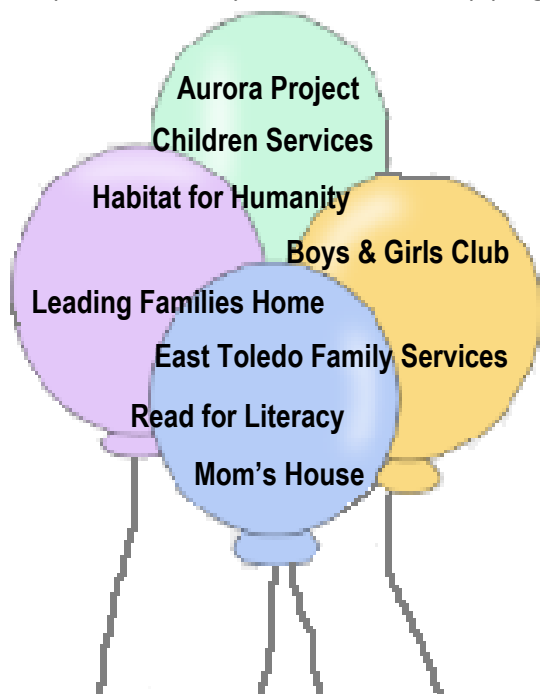
- Lovely centerpieces
• Awesome food!
• Generous portions of food!
• Many interesting facts and information
• Learned a lot about ear diseases

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September 25

LCRTA: CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF GIVING TO LUCAS COUNTY

Ten years ago when the board instituted the 50/50 raffle at LCRTA luncheons, it was responding to their duty as outlined in the by-laws: To provide an organizational framework through which retired educators can continue a life of service to...the community. The person who buys the winning raffle ticket takes home half of the money collected. The rest of the money goes into the Community Participation Fund where it is given out to charitable organizations in Lucas County. Over the past 10 years we have been able to give out over \$10,000. In 2009 LCRTA funded a program at Read for Literacy that provided backpacks containing books and activities to preschoolers to take home so that parents could help their children work on reading readiness skills, and we did not stop there. Mom's House used money from LCRTA to help establish a playground. Beach House needed funds to purchase birth certificates so that homeless indi-

viduals could qualify for aid. We helped the Aurora Project buy cribs. Family House of Toledo used money from us last summer to buy fresh fruit for homeless families. LCRTA purchases school supplies for the Boys and Girls Club homework help program every September. We give money to Lucas County Children Services for provide Holiday toys for needy children. LCRTA members gave sweat equity and \$1,000 to Habitat for Humanity. We started giving as teachers in the classroom, and we plan a future of giving through the Lucas County Retired Teachers Association.



LCRTA is not just a social organization. Why not bring a friend to lunch and encourage other retired teachers to join us as we fulfill our purpose of responding to community needs and work toward another ten years of making a difference in the lives of people in need in Lucas County. We hope to see you at September, 25th at Stone Oak Country Club.

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Bring a friend

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AREA OFFICE ON AGING OF NW OHIO SENIOR SAFETY TIPS—Jeannine Petcoff

For your personal safety, please read the following:

How to handle a visit from a stranger

- Stay safe—**Never open your door** to strangers
- Never let a stranger into your home
- Always **ask for identification** from all visitors
- Always **verify the photo identification** of visitors. The ID should have agency's name/logo with a picture of the person
- **Call the agency** or organization for verification
- Store your **personal & valuable belongings out of sight** before allowing a visitor to enter your home



How to handle a call from a stranger

- **Never give your personal information** over the phone
- Do not identify yourself to the caller

- **Never indicate that you live alone**
- Ask the caller for the name of his/her business & telephone number
- Call to **verify the information**
- If a call does not sound legitimate, say that you are not interested & **hang up the phone**

Remember! Be cautious with unknown visitors or callers

If a scam artist defrauds you, contact the following:

- Lucas County Department of Job & Family Services' Adult Protective Services at: **419.213.8663**
- Lucas County Prosecutor's Senior Protection Unit at: **419.213.2001**

Information from The Blade, Sunday, May 19, 2019