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MARCH LUNCHEON
WEDNESDAY
MARCH 16, 2016
12:00 NOON

OLÉ MEXICAN GRILL
2080 W ORANGE GROVE

At OLÉ Mexican Grill, we offer daily specials. From chicken quesadillas, to beef tacos, we have a large selection of dishes from which to choose. Patio seating is available. We also have a casual full bar.

***Next time you are going out to lunch with family or friends, come to OLÉ Mexican Grill for an exceptional dining experience*!**

A DRAWING WILL BE HELD FOR ONE FREE LUNCHEON (spouses and guests included) (Max. of $15.00)

MARCH ACTIVITIES

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – Wednesday, March 9, 2016, at 1:00 p.m., at Parks and Recreation Therapeutic Center, 1000 S. Randolph Way. MEMBERS WELCOME! ***NEW TIME***

GOLF ACTIVITY – Golf group meets each Tuesday of the month. Call RICHARD WILEY at 603-9712 if you are interested. RICHARD will provide information on golf course and tee times. Golf Dates: March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 2016.

BREAKFAST – Thursday, March 3, 2016, 8:30 a.m., VILLAGE INN, 6251 N. Oracle Road.

MONTHLY LUNCHEONS

CTRA monthly luncheons have been drawing good participation. So those of you who are not attending are encouraged to come out and enjoy a great lunch and good conversation with your retiree friends.

You could be the winner of a $15.00 drawing!

Come out to the monthly luncheon, join in the fun, and you could be a winner too!

LUNCHEON SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 20, 2016

April luncheon will be held at VILLAGE INN ON SPEEDWAY, 4245 E SPEEDWAY, TUCSON, AZ 85712

RECENT RETIREES

DUE TO THE RECENT END OF SERVICE INCENTIVE, 91 CITY OF TUCSON EMPLOYEES ELECTED TO RETIRE. FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THOSE RETIREES:

ACUNA, VIELITO – PARKS
ALEGRIA, JESUS D – TRANSPORTATION
ANDERSON, SANDRA – CITY COURTS
AVELARDE, BENNY D – PARKS
BARAJAS, FRANCISCO – PARKS
BARR, LEE – BUDGET
BEJARANO, GEORGE C – ENV. SVCS.
BRINSON, ED L – WATER
BROOKS, BARBARA – ENV. SVCS.
BUFORD, CLAUDIA – PLANNING
BYRD, CAROL – HOUSING
CHRISTOPHERSON, JULIE – TPD
COAK, MATHEW – GENERAL SVCS.
CONTRERAS, CRISPIN – PARKS
COOMBS, BARRY – GENERAL SVCS.
COTTER, DIANE – CITY COURTS
CUEN, SYLIVA – WATER
DES LAURIER, DENNIS – TPD
DUARTE, JANE – PARKS
ENCINAS, MARIA – HOUSING
FIGUEROA, ANGEL – TRANSPORTATION
FIMBRES, MARY – MAYOR & COUNCIL
GASTON, JAMES – PROCUREMENT
GRACIA, VICKIE – ENV. SVCS.
GRADILLAS, JOSEPH JR – TRANSPORTATION
GREEN, SANDRA – CITY COURTS
HAKALA, DAVID – PARKS
HAMMOND, STEPHEN – HOUSING
HEREDIA, JOE – TRANSPORTATION
HERNANDEZ, MARTIN – TRANSPORTATION
HOGREFE, GORDON – GENERAL SVCS.
HOWE, JOHN – PARKS
HUERTA, MICHAEL – HOUSING
HUGHES, RUSSELL – PUBLIC DEFENDER
HUGHES, THOMAS – FINANCE
IMHOFF, JUDITH – HOUSING
JACOBS, CLAUDE – TPD
JUNG, LYNN – TPD
KALTHOFF, KENNETH – PARKS
KNOBLAUCH, STEVEN – TPD
KOLTUNOVICH, LINDA – PARKS
LEAHY, JOHN – TFD
LENON, ROBERT III – WATER
LEWIS, RONALD – GENERAL SVCS
LOPEZ, FREDERICK – PARKS
LOPEZ, HECTOR – HOUSING
LOPEZ, VALERIE – PARKS
LUCERO, PETER – ENV. SVCS.
MARISCAL, FRANK – GENERAL SVCS.
MARTINEZ, JOSE – ENV. SVCS.
MARTINEZ, MARY – PARKS
MCARDLE-LANDERS, ROBIN – PARKS
MCKINLEY, DIANA – ENV. SVCS.
MESKAN, JAMES – WATER
MILEY, TERENCE – WATER
MILLER, MARCIA – WATER
MILLS, WILLIAM – CITY ATTORNEY
MONKA, PAMELA – TRANSPORATION
MONREAL, SOCORRO – TRANSPORATION
MORGAN, STEPHEN – GENERAL SVCS.
OCHOA, JOSE – TRANSPORATION
O'HAVER, CYNTHIA – CITY COURTS
OLVERA, GLORIA – WATER
PALLANES, ABELARDO – PARKS
PALLANES, ARNOLD - WAER
PRICE, PAUL – WATER
QUINN, DANIEL – PLANNING
QUIROZ, JOSE M JR – TRANSPORATION
RAPPEPORT, WILLIAM – PUBLIC DEFENDER
RICO, DAVID – PARKS
RICO, MIRIAM – ENV. SVCS.
RIVERA, DAVID – PLANNING
ROADS, MARY – PARKS
RODRIGUEZ, FRANK – WATER
RODRIGUEZ, GUILLERMO – ENV. SVCS.
RUIZ, MARGARET – HOUSING
SALAZAR, GERADO – TRANSPORATION
SANDERS, JESSIE – TRANSPORATION
SANDERS, JULIE – PARKS
SANTAMARINA, LAURA – TPD
ST PAUL, MICHAEL – PLANNING
STUBBS, RALPH III – GENERAL SVCS.
TELLEZ, CHRISTINA – HOUSING
THOMAS, ROBIN – GENERAL SVCS.
TRILLO-SAAVEDRA, DIANE – WATER
VALENZUELA, FRANCISCO – WATER
VIESTENZ, BJ – PLANNING
VOGELSBERG, JAMES – PLANNING
WEBER, MARY – PARKS
WILLIAMS, ROBIN – WATER
WOODRICH, DENNIS – HUMAN RESOURCES

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

MARVIN SCOTT, (CYNTHIA) – INFO TECH
DON CORNS (FRANCES) – NO DEPARTMENT GIVEN
ELAINE RAVIELE (RICK) - HOUSING
OLIVIA MORNINGSTAR – CITY COURTS
JULIE CHRISTOPHERSON (CARL) - TPD

IN MEMORIAM

"Deepest Sympathy to the families of our dear friends who recently passed away. We know no amount of time can prepare us for loss, and no one can fully understand their sorrow – But many hearts are with the families hoping they will have the strength needed to get through this difficult time."

CTRA LIFETIME member ANNE HICKS, Feb 4, 2016
CTRA LIFETIME member C P COPPERTHITE, Feb 2, 2016

<u>Other Retiree Deaths</u>
Mary M Dailey, 11/19/15
Edward Gardiner, 12/17/15
Mary Curiel, survivor of Audelio Curiel 12/27/15
Pete Cuestas, 12/29/15
A Grace Pearson, 12/30/15
Charles Schuster, 1/2/16
Robert Mendibles, 1/13/16
David Hill, 1/14/16
Nora Dunn, 1/16/16
Silvia White, 1/16/16
Manuel Quintas, 1/17/16 (already reported)
Jenise Lopez, 2/14/16
Dolores Baltazar, 2/14/16
Emeline Helten, 2/17/16

NEW LIFETIME MEMBER

CONGRATULATIONS to FRANK FRISINA who has become a CTRA Lifetime Member. Frank retired from the Transportation in 1989.

SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR 2016/2017 CTRA ELECTION OF OFFICERS "YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE"

CTRA Officers will be elected at the Annual Meeting on May 28, 2016.

Four CTRA EXECUTIVE BOARD members will be elected to provide leadership and support to the City of Tucson Retirees Association.

The momentum of any organization is powered by the energy and dedication of its members. The moving force behind the success of CTRA since the beginning in 1983 is volunteers providing leadership.

Members are encouraged to step up and volunteer your skills and a few hours of time each month to support the goals of the Association. The Executive Board meets each month, except June, July and August, on the third Wednesday of the month at the Parks and Recreation Therapeutic Center, 1000 S. Randolph Way, at 1:00 p.m. (NEW TIME!!!)

CTRA MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

CTRA's By-Laws provide for an Executive Board consisting of nine members: <u>Four elected members (Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary)</u>, immediate past Chair, TSRS Retiree Representative and appointed Chairs of standing committees (Membership, Newsletter and Outreach).

<u>Officers are elected for one-year terms</u>. An ELECTED officer is limited to serving three one-year terms in the same elected position.

Each year, a Nominating Committee recommends a slate of candidates to run for the following elected positions:

Chair	Vice-Chair
Treasurer	Secretary

Volunteer candidates are needed to fill these four positions. Brief examples of duties and responsibilities for each position are listed below:

CHAIR - Provides leadership to the Executive Board and partners with the Executive Board in achieving organizational goals. The chair presides over Executive Board meetings, preparing monthly Board meeting agenda. The Chair appoints committee Chairs in consultation with other Board members, as needed. He/She helps guide Board actions with respect to CTRA's priorities.

VICE-CHAIR -Plans eight monthly CTRA luncheons and four special events (Annual meeting, Annual BBQ, Annual Thanksgiving Potluck and Annual Christmas luncheon). Performs other duties as assigned by the Board. The Vice-Chair stands in for the Chair when Chair is not available. He/She works closely with the Chair and other Executive Board members.

TREASURER - In general, the volunteer treasurer is responsible for keeping track of all the money that passes through CTRA and all the money it has at any given time. The Treasurer keeps track of deposits to and withdrawals from the Association's credit union account. The Treasurer prepares monthly financial reports for Executive Board meeting. The Treasurer also prepares annual financial report for CTRA's annual membership meeting. The Treasurer administers CTRA's Liability Insurance contracts. The Treasurer takes reservations for the two Annual Luncheons (May and December) for which members pay a reservation fee.

SECRETARY - Takes and transcribes minutes of Board meetings. Ensures minutes are distributed to Board. Maintains records of the Board meetings and ensures effective management of Association records.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR (non-elected position) -if any member would like to give editing the CTRA newsletter a try, please let Claire Beaubien know at cbeaubien1@comcast.net and she will be glad to work with you to effect the transition.

If interested in becoming a candidate or in a non-elected position, please contact AGATHA ANAYA, NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIR - 889-3690. You may call or email her at alpanaya@aol.com no later than 3/22/2016.

Current Executive Board

2015/16 CTRA EXECUTIVE BOARD

Agatha Anaya –Chairperson 889-3690
Trinie Rivera – Vice Chairperson – 294-7476
Randy Schuler – Treasurer – 906-7757
Lydia Chacon – Secretary – 889-7932
Lois Rios – Outreach – 326-3021
Kris Liberty – Membership Chair – 883-7883
John O'Hare – TSRS Retiree Rep. – 881-2308
Claire Beaubien – Newsletter Editor/TSRS Liaison 575-8780
Robin West – Past Chairperson 882-8635)

Happy holidays!

Fun Facts About St Patrick's Day

1. It used to be a dry holiday in Ireland because it was a religious holiday and bars closed for the holiday – until 1970 when the holiday was converted to a national holiday and bars could stay open.
2. It's the thought that counts – not every city has a long parade for St Patrick's Day. Hot Springs, Arkansas holds the worlds shortest parade of 98 feet (between pubs).
3. The world runs up quite a bar tab on St Patrick's Day! A 2012 estimate pegged the total amount spent on beer for St Patrick's day was $245 million, before tips.
4. It could have been St. Maewyn's Day - According to Irish legend, Saint Patrick wasn't originally called Patrick. His birth name was Maewyn Succat, but he changed his name to Patricius after becoming a priest.
5. St Patrick was British, born of Roman parents in Wales or Scotland in the late 4th century.

PLEASE DO NOT MAIL ANNUAL DUES PAYMENTS TO CLAIRE BEAUBIEN

MAIL MEMBERSHIP FORM AND PAYMENT TO: Kris Liberty, 2951 W Alaska, Tucson, AZ 85746

TO ALL CITY OF TUCSON RETIREES
The voice of CTRA is most effective when it serves as the voice of many …. especially when the Association works to maintain and protect our Pension System
BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!
CTRA MEMBERSHIP:

_____APPLICATION ____RENEWAL

DATE_____

NAME_____

BIRTHDATE_____

ADDRESS_____

ZIP_____ TELEPHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

SPOUSE _____BIRTHDATE_____

DATE HIRED BY CITY_____

DEPARTMENT _____

DATE RETIRED _____

DEPARTMENT _____

_____ Enclosed is $6 for Annual Dues
(Make check payable to CTRA)

NEW

COMPLETE ONLY FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTION
_____ I authorize deduction of $.50 per mo.
from pension check

COT EMPLOYEE # OR LAST 4 DIGITS OF SOCIAL SECURITY # _____
REQUIRED by City Pension Office

SIGNATURE_____
(Required for Payroll Deduction)

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