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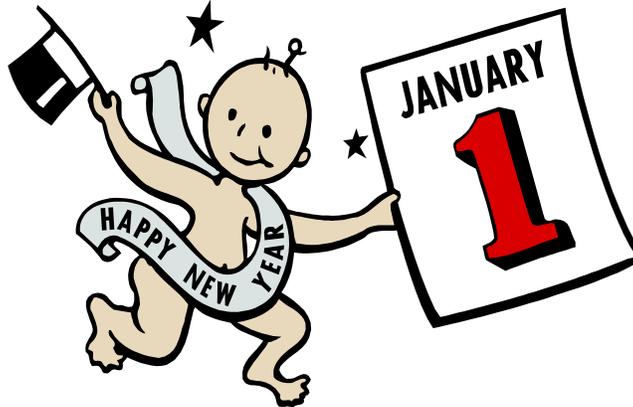
CITY OF TUCSON RETIREES ASSOCIATION

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As we bring this year to an end and the New Year begins, let us pray that it will be a year with New Peace, New Understanding and New happiness! **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



May each day of the year 2016 bring you little joys and simple surprises that will fill up each day with fun and happiness! **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

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CTRA JANUARY LUNCHEON

**FURR'S FRESH BUFFET
1095 W ST MARY'S**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2015, 12:00 NOON

Furr's Fresh Buffet doesn't just make food – they make friends. And they've been doing it consistently, meal after meal, day after day, generation after generation, for more than 66 years. After cooking for you all that time, they know exactly what you like: all your favorite home-style meals and mouthwatering desserts, all made fresh, all on one buffet, and at one unbeatable all-you-can-eat price.

A DRAWING WILL BE HELD FOR ONE FREE LUNCH – MAX. OF \$15.00

JANUARY ACTIVITIES

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – Wednesday,
January 13, 2016, 1:00 p.m., at Parks and Recreation Therapeutics Center, 1000 S. Randolph Way.
Everyone WELCOME!

MEMBERSHIP BREAKFAST – Thursday,
January 7, 2016, 8:30 a.m., VILLAGE INN, 6251 N. Oracle Rd.

GOLF ACTIVITY – Golf group meets each Tuesday of the month. Call Richard Wiley at 603-9712 if interested. Richard will provide information on golf course and tee times.
Golf Dates: January 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2016.

LUNCHEON SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY – MARCH 2016

(All RESTAURANT luncheons begin at NOON.)

JANUARY 20, 2016 – FURR'S FRESH MARKET, 1095 W ST MARY'S

FEBRUARY 17, 2016 – CLAIM JUMPER, 3761 E BROADWAY

MARCH 17, 2016 – OLÉ, 2080 W ORANGE GROVE

THE SELECTION OF RESTAURANTS FOR CTRA'S 2016 MONTHLY LUNCHEONS SHOWS SUPPORT FOR LOCALLY OWNED RESTAURANTS, WHEN POSSIBLE!

**SPECIAL HAPPY NEW YEAR TO
CTRA CHARTER MEMBERS**

A special Happy New Year to CTRA's Charter Members:

**CHESTER COULTER
EMELINE HELTEN
ANN HICKS
RICHARD LINDENMUTH**

In 2015 we were privileged to have six Charter Members with us. However, during 2015, two Charter Member passed away (DOROTHY ARNOLD AND HELEN FOSTER) leaving four surviving Charter Members going into 2016.

When CTRA was initially organized in 1983 there were 160 Charter Members. With the passing of time, today there are four surviving charter members. Our charter members are recognized for their foresight, untiring efforts and hard work getting CTRA organized and providing the leadership, dedication and loyalty to keep the Association alive and well.

All of these wonderful members are in our thoughts and prayers, and we send each one best wishes for a New Year filled with love, warmth, peace and cherished memories.

Thank you and Happy New Year!

**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO
CITY OF TUCSON
RETIREEES**

Happy New Year to all City of Tucson retirees. New Year's is a time of celebration, of love, life and friendship. May this New Year bring you everlasting happiness and peace. May each day of the year 2016 bring you and yours little joys and simple surprises that will fill up each day with fun and happiness.

To our membership, we thank you for being a supportive member of CTRA and wish that you are blessed with all that you desire in the year ahead. Happy New Year!

IN MEMORIAM

CTRA LIFETIME member EUGENE ARRINGTON passed away December 3, 2015. He worked in Parks & Rec and retired in 1994.

Other City Retirees who passed away recently include, Oscar B Franco, 10/3/15; George Anderson, 12/4/15; and Librado Gomez, 11/21/2015.

"To the families of our deceased friends, please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. May knowing you're in the hearts and thoughts of others help you through this time of sorrow. Our departed friends will be greatly missed, forever cherished and always remembered."

NEW LIFETIME MEMBER

Congratulations to LADONNA ENGLISH and JERRY GUSTAFSON who have become Lifetime Members. Ladonna retired from the City Courts in 2003. Jerry retired from Water in 1990.

**ATTENTION – POT LUCK
ATTENDEES – DID ANYONE
LEAVE A PLATTER OR A CAKE
TAKER AT THE LAST POT LUCK?
If so, please contact Aggie Anaya
at 889-3690 or Trinie Rivera at
294-7476.**



**IS YOUR BENEFICIARY
INFORMATION UP-TO-DATE FOR
THE \$7,500 CITY-PAID RETIREE
LIFE INSURANCE?**

Is your beneficiary information up-to-date for the \$7,500 City-paid Retiree Life Insurance? Please take a few minutes to check your record to ensure that this benefit will be paid in accordance with your wishes. To check your record and/or make changes:

1. Access the secure enrollment system via www.tucsonaz.gov/enroll under “I Want To... Enroll.”
2. Follow the login instructions in the blue box.
3. Once you have logged into the secure system, click on “beneficiary designation” on the left side.
4. If you don’t see your beneficiary listed, click on “Add a Person (or Trust/Organization)” at the top.
5. Complete the following fields: Legal name, date of birth, gender and relationship - SSN is NOT required.
6. Continue adding individuals if you wish to designate more than one person/organization.
7. Make your percentage designations for primary, and if desired, secondary beneficiaries.
8. Return to your benefits Home Page to print a Confirmation Statement for your records.

Have questions? We are here to assist: benefitquestions@tucsonaz.gov or 520-791-4597. Thank you.

- Your Insurance Benefits Team -

NEW RETIREES

JUANITA ARCHULETA – Transp.

RICHARD FOITIK – Transp.

GAGNIER-CAMPBELL, DEBORAH – Finance

BEATRIX GALVAN – Housing & Comm. Dev.

ELAINE RAVIELE – Housing & Comm. Dev.

2015/16 CTRA EXECUTIVE BOARD

Agatha Anaya –Chair (889-3690)
Trinie Rivera – Vice-Chair – 294-7476
Randy Schuler – Treasurer – 906-7757
Lydia Chacon – Secretary – 889-7932
Lois Rios – Outreach 326-3021
Kris Liberty – Membership Chair 883-7883
Claire Beaubien – Newsletter Chair 575-8780
John O’Hare – TSRS Retiree Rep. – (881-2308)
Claire Beaubien – TSRS Liaison
Sharon McCusker – Past Chairperson (722-2325)

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

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*****A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE TSRS PENSION OFFICE***:**

"We get calls primarily regarding the direct deposits and the lag time when someone changes their bank account. Many times **we are notified by the bank, not the retiree** who then calls us on the first of the month about their funds not being deposited into their new account. And, if a direct deposit change is made, **a real check is mailed to the address of record for the first month** and then direct deposited the following month. Additionally, **we do not make changes via the telephone; we need a form with an original signature.** Changes are entered monthly."

Forms to change your address, your tax withholding and your direct deposit for your pension can be found online at <https://www.tucsonaz.gov/retirement/retirement-forms> or you can call the pension office at 791-4598 and request a form. **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO COMPLETE THESE FORMS IN A TIMELY MANNER TO ENSURE YOUR CHANGE TAKES EFFECT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Also, please make sure your loved ones know they need to call the TSRS Pension office at 791-4598 in case of death for matters involving your pension.

CTRA ANNUAL DUES

**2016 DUES REMINDER
MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE
JANUARY 1, 2016
DON'T FORGET TO MAIL!**

**IF ON PAYROLL DEDUCTION, DEDUCTIONS WILL
AUTOMATICALLY CONTINUE.
LIFETIME MEMBERS DO NOT PAY DUES**

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!



**CTRA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
OR RENEWAL FORM**

- New Membership**
- Renewal**

DATE _____

NAME(s) _____
(Please Print Legibly)

BIRTHDATE _____ COT Emp. ID #: _____
(For Retirement Office Use Only)

Complete the following ONLY for NEW Memberships OR if there is a change:

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____ TELEPHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

SPOUSE'S Name _____

DATE/DEPT HIRED BY CITY _____

DATE/DEPT RETIRED _____

Did you know that if you sign up for payroll deduction, you NEVER have to worry about paying your dues again – it is automatic!
(COMPLETE ONLY FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTION)

I authorize deduction of \$.50 per month from pension check

SIGNATURE _____
(Required for Payroll Deduction)

If you would rather send a check every year for your dues, please complete the following section: **(Please note: Dues become due on January 1 each year.)**

Enclosed is \$6.00 for Annual Dues
(Make check to CTRA)

MAIL TO: KRIS LIBERTY, CTRA MEMBERSHIP CHAIR
2951 W ALASKA, TUCSON, AZ 85746