



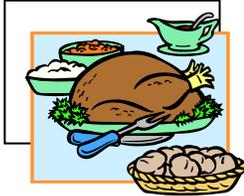
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CTRA ANNUAL THANKSGIVING POTLUCK
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2015 - 12:00 NOON
EL RIO NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
1390 W SPEEDWAY BLVD
******NEW LOCATION******

This location is WEST of I-10, just past Riverview Blvd.

CTRA's annual potluck luncheon FOR MEMBERS AND GUESTS is Wednesday, November 18TH. CTRA will provide TURKEY, GRAVY, POTATOES, DRESSING, BUTTER, ROLLS AND DRINKS (water, coffee and iced tea). MEMBERS AND GUESTS ARE ASKED TO BRING A FAVORITE THANKSGIVING DISH OR DESSERT TO COMPLEMENT THE FOOD PROVIDED BY CTRA.

To insure a variety of food is available, please use the food categories listed below for the type of dish to bring. Determine what to bring by using first initial of LAST NAME. EXAMPLE: If last name begins with "J" bring a Vegetable dish. "C" a Dessert. This is only a suggestion, however. If you choose to bring from a different category, the Potluck Police will NOT come after you.

A – I – DESSERT J – P VEGETABLE DISH Q – Z – SALAD/RELISH

Traditionally the Thanksgiving Potluck is a great time for meeting and greeting CTRA members. Please join in celebrating Thanksgiving 2015 with your friends.

FOOD DONATION - Please bring to the Potluck non-perishable food items to be distributed to those in need during the holidays. **DONATIONS APPRECIATED!**

NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – THURSDAY, November 12, 2015, 1:00 p.m., at Parks and Recreation Therapeutics Center, 1000 South Randolph Way. **MEMBERS WELCOME!** (Please note: Date is changed for this month ONLY due to Veteran's Day Holiday; the time is changed permanently)

MEMBERSHIP BREAKFAST – Thursday, November 5, 2015, 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. Dates: November 3, 10, 17 and 24. (PLEASE NOTE: Kirke Guild is no longer handling the

golf activity – please call Richard Wiley at number listed above).

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

LORI LEWIS, retired 9/4/15 from Attorney's Office

PLEASE SEE IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO ALL MEMBERS ON PAGE 4. WE NEED YOU!



RECENT RETIREES

DAVID ANDREWS – Information Tech.
THEODORE BAILEY – Water
CHRISTINA BOJORQUEZ – Finance
TERRY BENNETT – Parks & Recreation
RICHARD BOND – Parks & Recreation
STEPHEN DEAN – Water
RICHARD DIAZ – Planning & Dev. Svcs.
SUSAN HUSBAND – Library
GILBERT G ISLAS – Transportation
DONNA L MILLER – TCC
PHILLIP NETHERTON – Information Tech.
CALVIN OVERHOLTZ – TCC
JEAN PASCHEN – City Attorney
MARIA RUIZ – TCC
LAITH AL SHAMI – Planning & Dev. Svcs.
LEONOR SOZA – Fire
JAMES STUMP - Water

NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS

Congratulations to YOLAND MONTES,
OZZIE SMITH, and JOANN WILSON for
reaching the milestone that awards them a
Lifetime Membership! Happy 80th birthday
to Yolanda Ozzie and Joann. Thanks for
your continuous support and service to
CTRA!

IN MEMORIAM

Condolences to loved ones who suffered
the loss of a dear friend or family member.
May fond memories help you through this
difficult time.

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)
Jenefer Carlin – TSRS Liaison
Sharon McCusker – Past Chairperson (722-2325)

JEAN WILKINS

Editor’s Note:

One of the most stalwart proponents of City of Tucson Retirees and my close, personal friend, Jean Wilkins, has gone to run the CTRA organization in the sky on October 7, 2015. She fought endlessly for the rights of ALL City of Tucson Retirees her entire retirement life. While she was a strict taskmaster, she expected nothing more from others than she would do herself. She had high standards and expected everyone to achieve those standards, no matter the cost. CTRA is here, in part, because of Jean and her hard work and dedication. Jean was my mentor during my employment at the City of Tucson, even though I never actually worked for her. I worked WITH her on several projects while I worked in the Retirement Office. She will be missed by many retirees and employees alike. I will miss one of my best friends. Rest in peace, Jean.

CTRA LIFETIME MEMBER DWIGHT ELLER
passed away on October 14, 2015. Dwight
retired from the City Attorney’s Office.

CTRA ANNUAL BARBECUE

Unfortunately, due to inclement weather and the fact that the BBQ area was under water and therefore declared unsafe, the CTRA Annual BBQ was postponed. The Board will discuss possible rescheduling dates at the November Board meeting.

If you didn’t get a chance to volunteer your services for this great event, you have a second chance. Please contact Aggie Anaya @ 889-3690 to learn more and/or to volunteer. A great time is usually had by all attendees so watch the newsletter in December to learn when it will be rescheduled.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND

DECEMBER LUNCHEON

CTRA’S HOLIDAY LUNCHEON will be held at VISCOUNT SUITES HOTEL, 4855 E BROADWAY. Reservation deadline is December 11th. The reservation form was included in the September CTRA Newsletter mailed to each retiree and is also posted on-line. Please get your reservation in early. This is a beautiful time of year ... so come out and celebrate with your fellow retirees!



Deadline
NOVEMBER 3,
2015
CITY ELECTION

DON'T FORGET

TO VOTE!

CTRA LUNCHEONS FOR 2015

The CTRA Executive Board is preparing the 2015 LUNCHEON SCHEDULE. We are seeking suggestions from our members as to which restaurants you would like considered for the schedule. Trinie Rivera, CTRA Vice Chair, has the responsibility to develop the schedule. Please e-mail Trinie at:

babblefish07@hotmail.com ,

to let her know your suggested restaurants. All suggestions are welcome and appreciated.

CTRA ANNUAL DUES REMINDER

We want to remind members that CTRA dues are based on calendar year (Jan – Dec).

If you became a CTRA member in the last months of 2015, please remember that 2016 dues need to be paid in January 2016.

To any member who pays their dues by check, one easy way to keep your dues current is to sign up for PAYROLL DEDUCTION. Fifty cents is automatically deducted from your pension check each month. This way your dues are always current.

Signing up for Payroll Deduction is simple. Just submit a CTRA Membership Application with your name and complete the lower section of the form, including your signature, and mail. If you have any questions about your membership dues, including payroll deduction, please feel free to contact Kris Liberty, Membership Chair 883-7883

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 _____

(COMPLETE ONLY FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTION)

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

SIGNATURE _____
(Required for Payroll Deduction)

To pay by check, please check the box below.
(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, Membership Chair
2951 W Alaska, Tucson, AZ 85746

*****NOTICE*** ATTENTION: ALL CTRA MEMBERS!!!! IMPORTANT NOTICE!!**

Every year, your CTRA Board holds an election to replace members on the board whose term has ended or who has found it necessary to resign. Every year, your Board asks YOU to participate and help to run the organization you love. Every year, the same people volunteer, because we can't get YOU to participate. Well, some of those same people have chosen NOT to volunteer again. Do YOU enjoy the benefits of being a CTRA member? Do YOU enjoy the camaraderie of the annual BBQ, the annual Thanksgiving Potluck, or the annual Christmas luncheon? If so, it's time to step up and volunteer for one of the Board positions. Randy Schuler, our current Board Treasurer, will not seek another year in office. Therefore, at the very LEAST, we need someone to step up to fill his position next year. In his words, **"CTRA members collectively represent a strong coalition that has been very effective in influencing City policies when there are issues that could affect the membership in a negative way. Without an effective leadership, the organization cannot survive and that would be sad from a fellowship perspective as well as leave the individual members without effective representation."**

If YOU are interested in keeping this organization going, please consider volunteering. The membership is counting on YOU!



For Those Who Love the Philosophy of Ambiguity, as well as Idiosyncrasies of English:

One tequila, two tequila, three tequila...floor!

Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

Someone went to a bookstore and asked the saleswoman, "Where's the Self-Help Section?" She said if she told me, it would defeat the purpose.

What if there were no hypothetical questions?

If someone with multiple personalities threatens to kill himself, is it considered a hostage situation?

Is there another word for "synonym"?

If a parsley farmer is sued, can they garnish his wages?

Would a fly without wings be called a walk?

If a turtle doesn't have a shell, is he homeless or naked?

Can vegetarians eat animal crackers?

If the police arrest a mute, do they tell him he has the right to remain silent?

How do they get deer to cross the road only at those yellow road signs?

If you try to fail, and succeed, which have you done?

Why is it called "tourist season" when we can't shoot them?

Why is there an expiration date on sour cream?

