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FEBRUARY LUNCHEON
WEDNESDAY
*****FEBRUARY 21, 2018*****
DATE CORRECTIONDATE CORRECTION**
12:00 NOON

APPLEBEE’S NEIGHBORHOOD GRILL & BAR
565 W WETMORE
Tucson, AZ 85705

Lunch just became your favorite meal of the day. Whether it’s a burger that you are craving, or a wonderful salad, you will find it at Applebee’s. Come join your friends from the City for a flavorful and fun-packed outing. See you in the “Neighborhood”. You might even get your lunch for free, if your number is drawn. Come try your luck and have a good meal and camaraderie with friends.

A DRAWING WILL BE HELD FOR ONE FREE LUNCHEON (Max. of \$15.00)

FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING – Wednesday, February 14, 2018, at 1:00 p.m., at Parks and Recreation Therapeutic Center, 1000 S. Randolph Way. **MEMBERS WELCOME!**

MEMBERSHIP BREAKFAST – Friday, February 2, 2018, 8:30 a.m., IHOP, 4187 N. Oracle Road

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: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2018.

Happy Presidents Day (February 19th)



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 MARCH 21, 2018
*****DATE CORRECTION*****
MARCH 21, 2018 – CHEDDARS, 3455
E Broadway

APRIL 18, 2018 – TBD

RECENT RETIREES

TAMELA CZECHOWSKI – Police
PATRICIA GEHLEN – Planning & Dev.
MICHAEL KATZ – Transportation
MONICA LOPEZ – Police
JILL LUKE – City Attorney
VERONICA MUNOZ – Human Resources
OSCAR OMELAS – Housing & Comm. Dev.
FRANK POWELL – Police
JESSE REYES – Planning & Dev.
IRMA SALAZAR – Water
RONALD SCHULL – Water
JACALYN STEELE – Police
THOMAS TOVAR – Water
DAVID ZEIGLER - Water

Welcome to the world of Retirement! Enjoy the ride!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

FRANK CARA (Debbie)
VICTORIA CONTRERAS (Ernesto)
MARY LAUCKS
CHRISTINE O'CONNOR
DEBRA OLGUIN (Steve)
JESUS SANCHEZ (Emma)

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.”



ALLEAN BRANN, January 5, 2018

NOTICE TO ALL CTRA RETIREES FROM THE COT RETIREMENT OFFICE: Please make sure that your address is current with the retirement office – you want to make sure you receive your tax documents!

THANK YOU NOTES

We received lovely “thank you” notes from Sister Jose Women’s Center and the 1 Veterans Foundation for our generous donations during the holiday season. Thanks to our generous members, many people were helped during this time of need. Here is an excerpt from one of the letters:

“Your support this holiday season helps bring meals to the hungry, provide shelter, enrich children’s lives, combat substance abuse, and offer hope through counseling and spiritual services. Your kindness has given them a reason to celebrate. We could not do this without your continuing generosity.”

The Community Food Bank also expressed appreciation to CTRA members who donated food at the Thanksgiving Potluck.

2017/2018 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

CLAIRE BEAUBIEN, Chairperson (575-8780)
TRINIE RIVERA, Vice Chairperson (294-7476)
CLAUDIA BUFORD, Treasurer (909-5992)
LYDIA CHACON, Secretary (889-7932)
LOIS RIOS, Outreach (326-3021)
BILL LETTMODEN, Membership (575-8780)
JIM WYSOCKI, TSRS Retiree Rep. (749-9326)
CLAIRE BEAUBIEN, Newsletter Editor (575-8780)
AGATHA ANAYA Past Chair (889-3690)
JOHN O'HARE, TSRS Liaison (250-6003)



Valentine’s Day is a time for thinking of those who are a special part of our lives and have a special place in our hearts.

That’s why it’s such a perfect time to be thinking of you.

**HAPPY VALENTINE’S DAY TO ALL
CITY RETIREES**

When Will I Get Paid?

Direct deposits should be credited to your account on the last **business** day of the month.

Month	Direct Deposit Date
January	1/31/2018
February	2/28/2018
March	3/29/2018
April	4/30/2018
May	5/31/2018
June	6/29/2018
July	7/31/2018
August	8/31/2018
September	9/28/2018
October	10/31/2018
November	11/30/2018
December	12/31/2018

**PLEASE DO NOT MAIL ANNUAL DUES
PAYMENTS TO KRIS LIBERTY**

MAIL TO: BILL LETTMODEN, CTRA
Membership Chair, 11130 N Waite Rd,
Marana, AZ 85653

If you have any questions about your membership dues, including payroll deduction, please feel free to contact me: Bill Lettmoden @ 575-8780 or e-mail at bxsnipe@comcast.net

Editor's Note: The Retirement Office now **requires** your former Employee ID when applying for payroll deduction for CTRA dues. Please complete the form to the best of your ability.

NEW FORM!

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 pursues increased pension benefits.
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)

COMPLETE ONLY FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTION

____ I authorize deduction of \$.50 per month

from pension check

COT EMPLOYEE # _____

(or last 4 of your SSN)

Required for payroll deduction by City Pension Office

SIGNATURE _____

(Required for Payroll Deduction)

**MAIL TO: Bill Lettmoden, CTRA
Membership**

**11130 N Waite Rd
Marana, AZ 85653**

LIFETIME MEMBERS

JESUS BOJORQUES
PAT DORLAC
DANIEL JACOBS
JANE VOLIVA

Happy 80th birthday to these loyal members, and thanks for their support of CTRA. These members are now qualified as a Lifetime Member and no longer are required to pay annual dues.



ATTENTION GRAPHIC DESIGNERS/NEWSLETTER EDITORS! We are in dire need of a newsletter editor. I will be the first to admit that this newsletter leaves a lot to be desired but then this is not my forte! PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE! STEP UP AND TAKE THIS THING OVER! Call Claire at 575-8780 or email her at cbeaubien1@comcast.net, if you are interested.



From Your Chair: Greetings, fellow members. I hope this newsletter finds your New Year progressing well. First of all, I would like to apologize for the luncheon date errors in the last newsletter. I think I was on an alternate planet when I did the newsletter last month. The correct dates for the February and March luncheons are elsewhere in this newsletter.

On another note, do you like breakfast? Do you like to meet up with old friends? Then why not take advantage of the First Friday Breakfast held at IHOP on Oracle? We are talking about moving it more centrally located if we have enough interest. Why be a JAM (just a member) when you can join in the fun and meet up with old friends once a month! We are looking for suggestions for possible venues, so don't be shy. Step up and take an interest! It is your organization; we just help you along the way.

The City is in the process of hiring a new Pension Administrator. Our new TSRS Board Retiree Representative, Jim Wysocki, was involved in the interview process of the numerous candidates. The field has been narrowed down to two candidates. There was a Meet and Greet held on Wednesday, the 31st. A selection should be made in the near future. More information will be forthcoming.

Once again, the City is talking about "unblending" the retiree insurance from the active employee insurance, making the retiree insurance through the City more expensive. This year, a retiree representative was not included in the discussion as they have been in previous years. I will keep you informed on what I learn.