

Ontario County Retired Teachers

Spring 2022 Newsletter

President's Letter

Dear Fellow Ontario County Retirees,

As the pandemic slowed last fall, twenty-four brave retirees met in-person at Club 86 on October 7, for our first meeting after two years of caution. At that meeting an election of new officers was held. Thank you to Bruce and Sharon Croucher for leading us (beyond their term) to get us to this point! Laura Janas was elected president. Joan Handfield remains as Vice President, Jane Crosby as Treasurer, and Nancy Gray as Recording Secretary. We did not elect a Corresponding Secretary.

After the business meeting was completed, Brenda Spratz presented a program on Family Promise of Ontario County, an organization that helps families experiencing homelessness. At the end of the meeting, members donated more than \$400 to Family Promise.

On May 12, 2022, we will meet again at Warfield's Restaurant in Clifton Springs. I would like this to be a time of "Reaching Out and Re-connecting" with each other so there will not be a formal program. Barbara Rosecrans, CWZ Friendly Service Chairperson, will speak on Friendly Service and ways we can work to stay in touch with each other. I hope to see you there.

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Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jane Crosby reports that we have a current balance of \$2,490.87.

Membership

Randy Ott, Membership Chairman, currently has records for 379 members. There are 292 Total Active Members and 48 Inactive Members (those who joined OCRT on an annual basis and are behind on their dues payment). There are some members with "unknown status". If you know of retirees you're your district who have moved or passed away please get in touch with Randy.

Community Service

Joan Handfield is looking for ideas for a Community Service project this year. She has looked into Happy Tails Animal Shelter in Ontario County. At the Executive Meeting we discussed aid for Ukraine, and Joan is looking for contacts to reach out to with our donations. She is struggling with her research to find the right resources. Any other suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

Friendly Service

Fern Bomwell, our new Friendly Service Chairwoman, is reaching out to members from the Bloomfield, Canandaigua, and Naples districts, as well as BOCES/FLCC, looking for Friendly Service key workers to represent their districts. The job includes cards, emails, phone calls, or visits to retirees from your own district. If you are interested, please contact Fern.

Corresponding Secretary

As I mentioned in my letter, we did not elect a Corresponding Secretary at the Fall meeting. In place of a Corresponding Secretary, I am looking for someone who would be interested in helping me put together the Fall and Spring newsletters. With the use of email there is very little written correspondence that requires a secretary. I will bring this idea up at next month's meeting.

By-Laws

While going through the information that was passed on to me I came across three sets of By-Laws, all without dates. Reading through them I realized that they could use an update. Would anyone like to sit down with me to look them over and see if revisions should be made?

Save the Date

Our Fall meeting will be held on October 13, 2022 at Club 86 in Geneva. Watch for details.

ONTARIO COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS' SPRING LUNCHEON

Thursday, May 12, 2022
Warfield's Restaurant, Lounge and Bakery
7 West Main St., Clifton Springs, NY 14432

10:00 a.m. Registration-coffee, tea, iced water
10:30 a.m. Business meeting
11:00 a.m. Barbara Rosecrans, CWZ Friendly Service, "Reaching Out and Reconnecting"
11:30 a.m. Lunch

LUNCHEON

Menu:

House Salad with Chicken \$26 (includes tax and tip)

Mixed Greens, cucumbers, carrots, tomatoes, croutons, grilled chicken, honey poppy seed dressing

Reuben Melt \$26 (includes tax and tip)

Grilled thick-cut marble rye bread, tender stacked corned beef, sauerkraut, Swiss cheese, house thousand island dressing, fries, pickle

Grilled Cheese \$18 (includes tax and tip)

House bread, Swiss cheese, Tillamook Cheddar, shaved scallions, diced tomatoes, grainy mustard sauce, house chips, pickle

Cookie Tray for dessert

Send your reservation and check (payable to OCRT) by May 5 to:

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Name _____ Telephone _____

School District _____

I will only be attending the meeting and/or program _____

Choose one of the following for each person registering:

_____ House Salad with Chicken @\$26

_____ Reuben Melt @\$26

_____ Grilled Cheese @\$18

Total: _____

