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CTRA'S ANNUAL THANKSGIVING POTLUCK WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2011, 12:00 NOON PARKS THERAPEUTIC CENTER, 1000 SOUTH RANDOLPH WAY

CTRA's annual potluck luncheon FOR MEMBERS AND GUESTS is Wednesday, November 16th. CTRA will provide TURKEY, GRAVY, POTATOES, DRESSING, BUTTER, ROLLS AND DRINKS (water, coffee and iced tea). **MEMBERS AND GUESTS ARE 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 "C" bring a vegetable dish; "M" bring a Salad/relish tray or "T" bring a Dessert.

A – H -VEGETABLE DISH I -- O – SALAD/RELISH TRAY P – Z - DESSERT

Traditionally the Thanksgiving Potluck is a great time for meeting and greeting CTRA members. Please join in celebrating CTRA's 2011 Thanksgiving potluck luncheon with your friends.

COMMUNITY FOOD BANK 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 – Wednesday, November 9, 2011, 2:30 p.m., at Parks and Recreation Therapeutics Center, 1000 S. Randolph Way. **MEMBERS WELCOME!**

GOLF ACTIVITY – Golf group meets each Tuesday of the month. Call Kirke Guild at 298-5672 if interested. Kirke will provide information on golf course and tee times.
Dates: November 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.

TSRS RETIREE REPRESENTATIVE TRUSTEE ELECTION RESULTS

JOHN O'HARE received the most votes in the recent election to elect a TSRS Retiree Representative Trustee for a three year term beginning January 2012 and ending December 31, 2014. John will be replacing Jean Wilkins, the current Retiree Representative, whose term ends December 31, 2011. John previously served for 12 years as a TSRS Employee Representative Trustee representing active employees. John's expertise and previous experience makes him very qualified to represent his fellow retirees. **Congratulations, John!**

On behalf of retirees, thanks and appreciation to **JOE LADENBURG** and **ROBERT MARTIN** for their willingness to also be candidates for this important position.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

MARLENE Y. BACHMAN - retired from Tucson Police/Communications, July 1997.

ANTOINETTE ROMO, retired from City Attorney's Office, July 1999.

BONNIE SCHROEDER, retired from Water Department, June 2011.

NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS

Congratulations to our newest Lifetime Members. Their years of supporting CTRA is recognized and greatly appreciated! With a combination of age and years of member-ship, these members have qualified for Lifetime Membership. Beginning 2012, they are exempt from paying annual dues.

C. P. COPPERTHITE
LEILA DRAUGELIS
BILL ROSADO
EVE THORBURN

RECENT RETIREES

Claire Beaubien – Human Resources
Miguel Perez – Information Technology
Clifford Hanson – Housing & Community Development

IN MEMORIAM

Our thoughts and prayers are with family members of our departed friends. We are deeply saddened to hear of their passing. May fond memories of their loved ones give them strength through this time of sorrow.

CTRA Lifetime member, **BETTY LEKANDER**, died October 15, 2011. Betty retired from Housing and Community Development. At time of her death, she lived in Miami, FL.

CTRA member **LINDA FAILMEZGER**, died October 2, 2011. Linda retired from Tucson Public Library in 2006.

CTRA member **DONALD KELLY**, died September 26, 2011. Donald retired from Procurement Department in 1991.

Other Retirees:

GENARO RODARTE died September 19, 2011. Genaro retired from Transportation Department in 1990.

Our sympathy and condolences also to: **TERRY QUINN** in the recent loss of her mother. AND **ROBERT GERHART** in the recent loss of his brother, Daniel D. Gerhart.

THANK YOU TO ANNUAL BARBECUE VOLUNTEERS



Again this year, **HARRY PATTERSON** and his volunteers did not disappoint retirees and guests who attended the annual barbecue at Reid Park. This event is a huge undertaking, and they did an excellent job and were well organized.

Everyone enjoyed the food, music and good conversation with old friends.

Volunteers are the back-bone of our Association. They are willing to share their time, talent and energy to help make this event a success. It's important to let each of them know how much they are appreciated.

The success of this year's event is due in large part to the efforts of the following volunteers:

Harry and Shirley Patterson
Louie and Jeanne Allen
Dwight and Carla Eller
Arlene and Ralph Imoehl
Bob and Sharon McCusker
Rudy Aros Ken Bolle
Mike Hughes Bob Melzer
Francies Ramerez
Jeanine Domicone
Robin West
Jean Wilkins
Agatha Anaya
Jenefer Carlin

FABULOUS QUOTES

I had a rose named after me, and I was very flattered. But I was not pleased to read the description in the catalog: - "No good in a bed, but fine against a wall." (Eleanor Roosevelt)

Last week, I stated this woman was the ugliest woman I had ever seen. I have since been visited by her sister, and now wish to withdraw that statement. (Mark Twain)

The secret of a good sermon is to have a good beginning and a good ending; and to have the two as close together as possible. (George Burns)

Santa Claus has the right idea. Visit people only once a year. (Victor Borge)

My wife has a slight impediment in her speech. Every now and then she stops to breathe. (Jimmy Durante)

I have never hated a man enough to give his diamonds back. (Zsa Gabor)

Only Irish coffee provides in a single glass all four essential food groups: alcohol, caffeine, sugar and fat. (Alex Levine)

My luck is so bad that if I bought a cemetery, people would stop dying. (Rodney Dangerfield)

Money can't buy you happiness....But it does bring you a more pleasant form of misery. (Spike Milligan)

I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap. (Bob Hope)

We could certainly slow the aging process down if it had to work its way through Congress (Will Rogers)

Don't worry about avoiding temptation. As you grow older, it will avoid you. (Winston Churchill)

Maybe it's true that life begins at fifty ... but everything else starts to wear out, fall out and spread out. (Phyllis Diller)

By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he's too old to go anywhere. (Billy Crystal)

2012 DUES REMINDER
MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE
JANUARY 1, 2012
DON'T FORGET TO MAIL!



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

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
AND RENEWAL FORM**

*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 to CTRA)

(COMPLETE ONLY FOR PAYROLL DEDUCTION)
_____ I authorize deduction of \$.50 per
month from pension check

SIGNATURE _____

(Required for Payroll Deduction)

MAIL TO: KRIS LIBERTY
CTRA Membership
2951 W. Alaska
Tucson, Arizona 85746

* Complete for Renewal



WHAT TRADITIONS DOES YOUR FAMILY HAVE FOR THANKSGIVING?

Maybe it's watching the parade or football game on TV. Maybe it's playing games or football in the backyard. That special dish you serve every year can be a great tradition as well. Each family member sharing what they are thankful for as you gather around the dinner table can be a very meaningful tradition. Your tradition might even include inviting a family that's less fortunate.

So think about what tradition makes your holiday meaningful and memorable. If you don't have any traditions, or if those you have seem a little outdated, start one this Thanksgiving that offers a special significance for you and your family.

Whatever you do, have a great Thanksgiving!

UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENT



**ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2011
TANQUE VERDE GUEST RANCH**

\$18.00 per person

GATHER AND NETWORKING – 11:00 A.M.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – 11:30 A.M.

LUNCH SERVED – 11:45 A.M.

ENTERTAINMENT

DOOR PRIZE DRAWING

RESERVATION DEADLINE: DECEMBER 10, 2010



**LUNCHEON RESERVATION, TANQUE VERDE GUEST RANCH
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2011**

LUNCHEON BUFFET - \$18.00 per person (Price includes gratuity and tax). Variety of hot entrees (meats, soups and vegetables), selection of salads, pastry table with Chef's specialty deserts and choice of beverage.

MEMBER _____ GUEST _____

NUMBER _____ X \$18.00 = \$ _____ MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO CTRA

Mail reservations and check to: **RANDY SCHULER, CTRA TREASURER,**
2620 W. Camino Llano, Tucson, Arizona 85742 (Telephone 297-6938)
RESERVATION DEADLINE: December 10, 2011