

DISCOVER NEW HORIZONS

WESTERN OHIO EDUCATION ASSOCIATION—RETIRED

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NOVEMBER MEETING

A tour of the Dayton International Peace Museum is the highlight of the Nov. 18 meeting. A box lunch will include half a sandwich, veggies with dill dip, chips, a brownie and a drink for \$11. You must use the RSVP form to order your lunch. Return the form and your money to Emmy Brudzynski by Nov. 13. The museum's address is 208 W. Monument Ave., Dayton, and the meeting begins at 11 a.m. Further details on the RSVP form.

DECEMBER MEETING

Shen's Szechuan & Sushi at 7580 Poe Ave. in Vandalia is the site of the holiday luncheon Dec. 16. In the spirit of giving, members are asked to take food items for the Love-in-a-Bag program. These include individual serving sizes of applesauce, fruit cup, non-refrigerated pudding, juice box, cereal, granola or cereal bar, pretzel and cheese snack, and animal crackers. Also, peanut butter (18 oz. or smaller), small jars of jelly or jam and crackers are welcome. The meeting starts at 11 a.m., and attendees will order from the menu (\$9-15 price range). RSVP by Dec. 11 to Emmy Brudzynski by email emmy.brudzynski@wright.edu, by phone 937-610-9917 or use the RSVP form.

WOEA FALL FORUM

The following are delegates to the WOEAFall Forum Nov. 11 at Tipp City High School: Jane Rahn, Warlita Duvall and Willie Terrell Jr. Alternates are Nancy Brown, Pat Lynch, Sandy Dobberstein and Tom Milord. Anyone can attend the event. Register online at www.woea.org.

WOEA-R is hosting one of the workshops. The subject is *Retirement Planning from*

WOEA-Retired. Topics will include managing your time, learning how to take advantage of a sabbatical, planning for your financial future, making new friends and having fun. If you would like help present, please register for the event and let Jane Rahn know (jrahna@sbcglobal.net).

MENTORS NEEDED

Kids Hope USA is looking for teachers to be mentors to one fifth or sixth grade student for one hour a week for one school year. Dayton Public, Northridge and Piqua schools are currently looking for mentors. This is not a tutoring program but a one on one mentor session. All materials will be supplied. The program is sponsored by Christ Life Center. Children are chosen by the principal and teachers to participate in the program, which is a national organization that began in Holland, MI. The website is www.KidsHopeUSA.org. If you would like to participate, call Jerry Duff at 937-901-4039 or email him at ffud@aol.com.

CANDIDATE SCREENING

OEA-Retired members who would like to participate on any House District committees for the OEA screening of candidates should let Jane Rahn know and also inform Briana McKay (mckayb@ohea.org) with your name and contact information. Retired committee members must be an OEA-R member, a registered voter, an FCPE contributor and live in the House District to which they are assigned or an adjoining district. The House Districts in the WOEAArea include 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 73, 80, 84.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE NOV. 3

OEA-R ADVISORY COUNCIL

Phil Long has filed the required Declaration of Candidacy form to be on the ballot for the OEA-R Advisory Council Western representative for a three year term beginning Sept. 1, 2016.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Jo Anne Fehl, our newest WOE-Retired Life Member, and to the following new 2015 retirees for sending in their forms: Jhonna Bright, Charlita Keeton and Jan Maharam of Dayton Education Association and Donna Wagner from Versailles.

CONGRATULATIONS

WOEA-R congratulates membership chairperson Phil Long for being named the Mercer County Democrat of the Year. According to presenter Mauri Cron, Phil is "the epitome of what the Democratic Party stands for: a fair and just society that is diverse in culture, one that strengthens families, promotes excellence in education and protects our environment."

PROGRAM SURVEY RESULTS

Members showed an interest in senior programs provided by Wright State University, Sinclair Community College and the University of Dayton. Most popular locations for meetings included the Olive Oasis, LaComedia Dinner Theatre, Garst Museum, D'Teas Room, Carriage Hill Farm and Boston Stoker Coffee Company. Program chairperson Emmy Brudzynski will try to accommodate the wishes of the members.

For those who are interested in a show at LaComedia Dinner Theatre, WOE-R is offering tickets for Sunday, Nov. 15, for the brunch production of *A Christmas Story: the Musical*. Advanced reservations are required by ordering tickets online. Tickets are \$40 for members and \$42 for guests. Register online at www.woea.org. Those attending should plan to arrive by 10:30 a.m. The theatre is located at 765 W. Central Ave. in Springboro.

WINDOWS OF WOODLAND

Angie Hoschouer from Woodland Cemetery gave a powerpoint presentation on the Windows of Woodland at the October meeting. Members took a virtual tour of stained glass windows, a mosaic tile mural and a magnificent Tiffany window in the chapel and the mausoleum at Woodland. Visitors are welcome to stop by the cemetery and see the windows during operating hours.

DID YOU KNOW?

A website is available that deals with car safety and gives generalized information and videos of new safety features in cars that are available now and possibly in the future. A few of the videos include a car's back-up camera, tire pressure monitoring system, drowsiness alert, curve speed warning and automatic parallel parking. Visit www.MyCarDoesWhat.org.

Anyone with Aetna Medicare has access to free transportation to and from doctors' appointments, specialist visits, physical therapy or rehabilitation, scheduled labs or tests, preventive exams and outpatient procedures. Access2Care, also known as Aetna Medicare Advantage Transportation, allows members 24 one way rides per year. The service will also take members to a local pharmacy to fill a prescription on the way home from an appointment. Rides need to be scheduled three days before an appointment by calling 1-855-814-1699 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Have your Aetna ID number ready plus the doctor's name, address and phone number, appointment time and doctor's specialty.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov. 3: Election Day
- Nov. 11: WOE-R Fall Forum
- Nov. 18: WOE-R at Dayton International Peace Museum
- Dec. 5: OEA Representative Assembly
- Dec. 16: WOE-R at Shen's Szechuan & Sushi

