

RCLEA REPORT

RETIRED CITY LIGHT EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, INC. * Fall, 2017

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

As I write this I can feel our long hot summer coming to an end. A number of temperature records have fallen this year. Most notable is the number of consecutive days with the temperature above 70 degrees. The record now stands at 72 days. The weather would have been perfect if I were a young lad on summer break. However, being an old "codger" I found the heat limited my daily activities. I did have one major accomplishment though. I have mastered the skill called "siestas." My wife says she is looking forward to me getting more things done now that it has cooled down. I keep telling her if I am going to use my new skill to enjoy next summer I will have to stay in practice all winter long.

The weather for the day of the RCLEA July picnic was perfect. We enjoyed sunny skies, temperatures in the mid-seventies and a light cooling breeze.



This year's picnic site provided level ground and spectacular views of the sound with comfort facilities close at hand. There was plenty of tasty food and interesting conversations for all to enjoy. Some may have thought the new beach location was a little harder to get to, but I believe it was well worth the effort. Now that we know what it takes for everyone to get down the hill we might be able to improve the experience for you next year. If you were there and can think of anything we could have done that would have made it easier for you, please let a board member know.

It is that time of the year to fill the vacancies on the board. Each year we have five positions that come up for vote. Due to term limits and personal commitments only two of the five incumbents are running for re-election. You can find a slate of candidates listed on the ballot in this issue of the newsletter. Don't forget to vote.

You will also find information on signing up for the holiday luncheon. Please note the slight increase in the cost of the buffet. Most of this is due to a rise in the room rental fee. Without this increase we would have had to eliminate the desert table. Hope this does not break your budget and that I will get to see all of you at the luncheon.

Jack Kelley, RCLEA President

SUMMER HIKE TO LAKE 22

Members Dix Fulton, Bob Pahlman, Ed Kefgen, Mike Knutson, along with special guest Niña, enjoyed good weather and good company at another RCLEA activity this summer. Mike Knutson guided the group on a hike to beautiful Lake 22 on the northern shoulder of Mount Pilchuck. Thanks to Mike for organizing this and so many other outings enjoyed by our members.



ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC

Thanks to the labor of our own RCLEA board members, RCLEA members enjoyed traditional picnic fare at Lincoln Park for the 2017 Annual Picnic. Each year, a number of Board members volunteer their time and labor to put on this popular event. Mindful of the comfort of RCLEA members, this year's location was on level ground by the water. Take a look at the picnic photos to see who turned out for this year's event. Thanks to Ed Kopp for taking photos; you can go to www.rclea.net to see even more.



HOLIDAY LUNCHEON – RESERVE YOUR PLACE NOW!

Our annual Holiday Luncheon is once again taking place at Nile Country Club on Wednesday, December 6, 2017. We will gather at 11:00 a.m. for a social hour and a no-host bar. This will be followed at noon by a fabulous holiday buffet featuring both turkey and ham with all the trimmings. This fantastic feast and the fellowship of your friends and co-workers costs only \$22 per person. We've had to raise our prices this year because the costs just keep growing, but it's still a bargain.

We commit to the number of people ahead of time, so it's really important that if you reserve a place you also send in your check. This is our most popular event, so reserve your place now, either online at RCLEA.net or via mailing the registration form below. Then send your check (made out to RCLEA) to our PO Box 27204, Seattle, WA 98165. Be sure it gets to us by Wednesday, November 29 as we must get a final count to the caterer by Friday December 1. If you have any questions feel free to call Carol Everson at (206) 878-1712.

When: Wednesday, December 6, 2017

No-Host Cocktail Hour at 11:00 a.m., Lunch at noon

Where: Nile Golf & Country Club, 6601 244th St. SW, Mountlake Terrace, WA

(Located on the King County/Snohomish County line. From I-5, take the Edmonds/Kingston Ferry Exit.)

Please mail the reservation form (below) or register online at RCLEA.net.



2017 RCLEA HOLIDAY LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

The price per person is now \$22. Please fill out this reservation form or register online at RCLEA.net. Then mail your form and payment to RCLEA, P.O. Box 27204, Seattle, WA 98165-1604 so that we receive it no later than **Wednesday, November 29**.

Please reserve _____ places at \$22 each for the RCLEA Holiday Luncheon on December 6, 2017.

Total Enclosed \$ _____ (make check payable to RCLEA)

Member Name (please print) _____

Guest Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____ Phone _____

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Also on our website, you can view notices of upcoming events, past newsletters, Board meeting minutes, event photos, and more. We welcome your input; you may contact Anne Ducey at ducois@gmail.com.

ELECTION OF RCLEA TRUSTEES

Each year RCLEA members vote to fill five of the fifteen positions on the Board of Trustees in a general election. Trustees serve for a term of three years. Nominees for the five open positions are shown on the ballot below. Please complete the ballot by indicating your choice of FIVE (5) candidates and return it to the address below. All ballots must be received by the Holiday Luncheon date, December 6. Ballots will be accepted and counted at the luncheon. Mail ballots to: RCLEA, P.O. Box 27204, Seattle, WA 98165-1604.



John Carlin Dix Fulton Steve Hagen Maureen O'Neill Nancy Robb (Langdon)



NEW RETIREES

Doris Anderson, Karen Bjerkness, Wing-Lai Chan, Wanda Davis, Mane Faletogo, Toni Gamble, Larry Graves, Henry Herfindahl, Brenda Kent, Alice Lockridge, Martin Long, Steven Morrison, Jim Nelson, Steven O'Kelley, Susan Paine, Brad ley Payne, Lorraine Stephens, James Phillips, Patrick Phillips, Brent Schmidt, Leo Schmitz, Sylvester Scott Jr, Edward Spisak

IN MEMORY

RoseMarie Anderson, Terry Joe Combs, Joyce A. Fisher, Jack V. Hamilton, James B. Hill, Ralph A. Mathisen, Michael Sean Morrow, James Odegard, Donald H. Pritchett, Roger L. Schindler, Richard Q. Smith, Paul Sutton, Charles W. Turner, Silvia E. Valanas

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MEETING UP WITH OLD FRIENDS

North Line Crews & Friends Breakfast: First Thursday at 8:00 a.m. at Shay's Restaurant, 15744 Aurora Ave. N., near 160th on the east side of Aurora. Call Bud Eickstadt at (206) 362-8336 for information.

South Line Crews & Friends Breakfast: First Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. at Denny's, 14821 First Ave. S. Call Jack Carlson at (206) 790-5022 for more information.

Retired Range Service Employees Lunch: Second Wednesday at 12:00 noon at the Blue Star Restaurant, 4512 Stone Way N.

2017 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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WRITING TO RCLEA?

Address: RCLEA, P.O. Box 27204,
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Questions about Retirement Benefits? 1 (877) 865-0079