

RCLEA REPORT

RETIRED CITY LIGHT EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, INC. * Winter 2017

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

RCLEA had a great Holiday Luncheon on December 13. There were 126 members, spouses and guests in attendance. Larry Weis, CEO and General Manager of City Light, was again our guest speaker. He gave everyone a rundown of ongoing and new projects at the utility. Looks like a lot of hard work being done. Kind of glad I am retired. I am getting too old for that kind of stuff.

I would like to wrap up the year by thanking all the board members for their hard work in making 2016 very successful. A special thank you goes to Mike Knutson who recently moved to the Bellingham area. Mike is resigning his board position but will continue to participate in RCLEA when he can. He volunteered to continue to set up activities for members. I also want to welcome Frank dosRemedios back to the board. Frank has agreed to fill one of our several board vacancies on an interim basis.

As long as I am handing out thank-you's, I want to thank everyone who filled out ballots for the board of trustees election. Each year the board identifies a slate of candidates to vie for five board positions. Anne Ducey, Carol Everson, Jack Kelley, Gary Moore, and Dee Smiley were all re-elected to new three-year terms.



Larry Weis



Jack Kelley

I am sure you all noticed that the ballot to fill the five board positions only contained the name of five members. This was not an attempt by the board to circumvent the democratic process. The effort to find members interested in being on the board was successful. However, they preferred to explore the possibility of filling one of our vacant positions on an interim basis. The board still has vacancies to fill, so if you are interested contact me or any other board member, and let us know.

Wishing you all a healthy and prosperous 2017! I hope to see you at the Spring Luncheon on May 9 (details to come in next newsletter).

Jack Kelley, RCLEA President

RCLEA SPRING HIKE

RCLEA is planning a day hike on May 12th to the Oyster Dome, located on Chuckanut Drive. This is a great hike with sweeping views of Bellingham, Samish Bay, Georgia Strait, Skagit Valley, the North Cascades, the Olympic Mountains and the San Juan Islands. This is a moderate to strenuous level hike, 6.4 miles round trip, elevation gain: 150–2,000 feet. We could either plan to drive to Fairhaven for lunch after hiking or pack a lunch to eat when we arrive at the Oyster Dome. If interested, please contact Mike Knutson at mwknutson@gmail.com or call (206) 272-0953 for details and carpool information.

WANT TO CUT BACK ON PAPER CLUTTER?

You can now decline delivery of a paper copy of the RCLEA newsletter when you subscribe to newsletter delivery to your email address. Just go to www.rclea.net and click on the menu icon in the upper left corner; then click on Register/Subscribe. Fill in all the required information and indicate whether or not you wish to continue to receive a paper copy in the mail. If you have already subscribed to email delivery of the newsletter, follow the same procedure and indicate that you do not want a paper copy mailed to you.

Also on our website, you can see 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.

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

On Tuesday, December 13, over 120 retired City Light Employees and their guests enjoyed another great Holiday Luncheon at the Nile Country Club on the King-Snohomish County border. The banquet room was beautifully decorated for the holidays, and the food was a delicious buffet featuring both turkey and ham plus all the trimmings. It was great to reconnect with old friends and colleagues, and we enjoyed an update on developments at SCL from the CEO and General Manager, Larry Weis. If you missed this event in 2016, you can still check out the photos on the RCLEA website. We hope to see you in 2017 at the Spring Luncheon in May, the Picnic in July, and the next Holiday Luncheon in December.

Once again, thanks to Ed Kopp for taking photos. Pictured right from top to bottom are Ed Vogt and Bill Freitis; Sally Clapp and Angela Mendolia; Karen Gwilym, Sukhcharan Sachdev and Labh Sachdev; Barbara Hamlin, Laura Sudgen and Billie Hendriksen; Harold Tuffs, Connie Patmore-Farr and Gary Farr.

You can go to www.rclea.net and click on PHOTOS at the top of the page to see even more of the folks who attended this popular event.

BIKE RIDE TO RED HOOK ALE

RCLEA is planning another bike trip to Red Hook Ale in Woodinville on May 24. This event was a favorite last summer and so we thought, let's do it again. We will meet at Magnusson Park at 10:30 a.m. and have lunch at the Red Hook Ale Café when we get there. Please contact Mike Knutson (mwknutson@gmail.com) or call (206) 272-0953 if you are interested.

ELECTION OF RCLEA TRUSTEES & OFFICERS

Anne Ducey, Carol Everson, Jack Kelley, Gary Moore, and Dee Smiley were re-elected for three-year terms at last month's Holiday Luncheon. At the January Board meeting, officers for 2017 were elected. All 2016 officers will retain their positions in 2017.



RCLEA 2016 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Beginning Assets, Jan. 1, 2016: \$9,750.11

Income:		Expenses:	
Spring Luncheon	1,960.00	Spring Luncheon	2,871.98
Picnic	500.00	Picnic	391.30
		Golf Tournament	110.00
Holiday Luncheon	2,580.00	Holiday Luncheon	4,212.54
Member Dues	3,078.00	Board Appreciation Lunch	390.92
Interest Income	18.85	PO Box rent	154.00
Donations, Miscellaneous	31.00	Admin. costs, supplies	217.17
Refund, Damage Deposit	250.00	Web page, email services	459.18
Total Income	\$8,417.85	Total Expenses	\$8,807.09

Ending Assets, Dec. 31, 2016: \$9,360.87

Respectfully submitted, Dee Smiley, Treasurer



DUES DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION FORM

I, the undersigned, hereby authorize the Seattle City Employees' Retirement System to deduct from my retirement, beneficiary, and/or disability allowance such dues as are duly established from time-to-time by the Retired City Light Employees Association, Inc. Until further written notice by me to the RCLEA, such deductions shall be made annually from my February allowance and shall be paid to the Retired City Light Employees Association, Inc.

Name (please print) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Signature _____ Date _____



RETIRED CITY LIGHT EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, INC. MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues are \$6 per year. Automatic dues deduction from the February allowance can be initiated by completing the form on our website www.rclea.net or by completing the form below and mailing it to RCLEA, P.O. Box 27204, Seattle, WA 98165-1604. This form only needs to be submitted once. (If you prefer, dues may be paid annually by check or money order payable to Retired City Light Employees Association, Inc. and sent to RCLEA, P.O. Box 27204, Seattle, WA 98165-1604.)

NEW RETIREES

Clint Christian, Robert Devine, Karen Dinehart, Philip Grayson, John Harvey, Michael Morrison, Nelson Park, Manolo Rivera, Thomas Stewart, James Turrell

IN MEMORY

Shirley C. Hall, Dolores G. Sund, William David Thomson, Gale F. Wirth

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BREAKING BREAD 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.

2016 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

President	Jack Kelley	(206) 522-0807
Vice President	Paula Rose	(206) 706-0380
Financial Secretary	Anne Ducey	(206) 364-8913
Treasurer	Dee Smiley	(425) 788-3341
Corresponding Secretary	Nancy Robb	(206) 329-1247
Recording Secretary	Carol Everson	(206) 878-1712

OTHER TRUSTEES:

Caroline Dethloff, Frank dosRemedios, Dix Fulton, Gary Moore, and Mary Winslow

WRITING TO RCLEA?

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