

RCLEA REPORT

RETIRED CITY LIGHT EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, INC. * Spring, 2018

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

I am really feeling kind of guilty for complaining about shoveling a little snow on Christmas. I hope none of our members retired to New England. We are lucky to be living in the Northwest. Here I am, sitting in the sun looking forward to attending the RCLEA Spring Luncheon on Wednesday, May 9th. What could be better than enjoying great food with good friends? A signup form is printed in this newsletter. You can also go online at www.rclea.net to register. Either way you will have to remember to write out that check and get it in the mail. This spring luncheon will cost \$22.00 per person. The price will be \$25.00 for those registering after May 2nd. Please take the time to register right now.

The Active and Retired Seattle City Employees (ARSCE) has four luncheons each year and are encouraging more SCL retirees to attend. Some RCLEA members are already members of ARSCE and have attended these luncheons in the past. A group of our board members attended the March luncheon at the West Seattle Golf Course. We had a great time and found we knew many of the

retirees from other departments. This could provide our members with additional opportunities to get out and reminisce with friends. Representatives from both boards will be meeting soon to discuss mutual interests. We will have more about this in future newsletters.

I want to thank Mike Knutson for arranging many outdoor activities. He has arranged biking, hiking and skiing trips for our hale and hardy members. The board does realize that not all members are the outdoorsy type. That was pointed out when we could not drum up any interest for a RCLEA Polar Bear Plunge last January. Frank dos Remedios has arranged a tour of the Scuttlebutt Brewery in Everett (see the announcement in this newsletter). This will most definitely interest more members than a ski trip. Frank is also setting up a tour of the Georgetown Steam Plant (date yet to be determined). The board wants to put together other activities but we need your ideas. If you can think of an activity we should undertake, please let a board member know. It is all about having Fun, Fun, Fun!

Jack Kelley, RCLEA President

ANNUAL SKAGITEERS SPRING REUNION

This year's reunion will be on Saturday, May 5, at 11:30 a.m. The place once again is the Royal Star Buffet in Mount Vernon, 2300 Freeway Drive, on the west side of I-5. There is a wide selection of good things to eat at the buffet, including a Hot Iron Grill: You choose the ingredients, and they cook them up. This popular event routinely attracts more than 100 attendees. We look forward to seeing you all again this year. If you have any questions, you can contact Nancy Chase Bluhm at nkbhumer@comcast.net or 425-334-2499.





RCLEA 2018 SPRING HIKE

RCLEA is planning a day hike on Friday, May 11th, to Blanchard Mountain located on Chuckanut Drive. This is a great year-round hike with sweeping views of Chuckanut Bay, Skagit Valley and the San Juan Islands. This moderate level hike is five miles round trip. After the hike we plan to have lunch at the Chuckanut Manor Seafood & Grill, located just south of the trailhead. If interested, please contact Mike Knutson at mwknutson@gmail.com or call (206) 272-0953 for details and carpool information.

SCUTTLEBUTT BREWERY

Visit and sample beer from this great brewery with the Head Brewer Matt Stromberg, May 16th at 1:30 p.m., 3310 Cedar Street, Everett, WA 98201. For more information contact Frank dos Remedios, (206) 363-1938.



DUNN GARDEN TOUR

Join us on Thursday, May 31st at 1:00 p.m. for a docent-led tour of Dunn Gardens; an 8 acre Olmstead designed garden in Northwest Seattle, www.dunngardens.org. This gorgeous historical treasure features naturalistic groupings of trees, broad lawns with borders of shrubs, woodland walks and a plethora of naturalized perennials. This tour is \$10.00 per person, over 65 is \$5.00 per person. Register by Thursday, May 24th. For more information, contact Anne Ducey at ducois@gmail.com or 206 595-4068.

RCLEA ANNUAL PICNIC AT NEW LOCATION IN LINCOLN PARK – SAVE THE DATE

The annual RCLEA picnic will be on Tuesday, July 17, in Lincoln Park. More information on menu, cost, and registration will be in the Summer Newsletter.

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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.

CATCHING UP WITH OLD FRIENDS

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.

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.

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

SPRING LUNCHEON

Spring is almost here again. You can feel it in the air. It is lighter longer, and days are getting warmer. Things are greening up and starting to grow. Nature is renewing itself, and here is your chance to join right in. After the past winter, you deserve a break. So, why not call your City Light friends and arrange to meet at the annual RCLEA Spring Luncheon?

Make your reservations and plan to join us at the RCLEA Spring Luncheon and General Membership Meeting on **Wednesday, May 9**. You can complete and mail in the form below or register at the RCLEA website: www.rclea.net. Either way, be sure to send a check made out to RCLEA to RCLEA, P.O. Box 27204, Seattle WA 98165-1604, no later than **Wednesday, May 2**. You will have the opportunity to renew friendships and visit with old acquaintances. Perhaps you will also meet some new interesting people.

The Buffet Lunch includes: Herb Seasoned Chicken with Pineapple Mango Salsa • Fresh NW Salmon with Lemon Thyme Butter • Wild Rice Pilaf with Cranberries • Seasonal Sautéed Vegetables • Warm Artisan Dinner Rolls with Butter • Balsamic Garden Salad with Tomato and Cucumbers • Greek Salad • Rotini Pasta Salad with Roasted Vegetables • Fresh Fruit and Berries Display • Assorted Chef's Choice Desserts • Ice Tea with Lemon, Gourmet Coffee, Decaf and Herbal Tea.

When: Wednesday, May 9, 2018

No-Host Cocktail Hour: 11:00 a.m.

Lunch: Noon

Where: Nile Golf & Country Club, 6601, 244th St. S.W., Mountlake Terrace, WA. Located on the King County/Snohomish County line. From I-5, take the Edmonds/Kingston Ferry Exit.

Please fill out the reservation form below or register on-line at RCLEA.net. Then mail your form and/or your payment so that we receive it no later than **Wednesday, May 2**.



RCLEA SPRING LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Please mail this reservation form (unless you registered at www.rclea.net) and your check no later than Wednesday, May 2 to: RCLEA, P.O. Box 27204, Seattle, WA 98165-1604
If you have any questions, please call Carol Everson at (206) 878-1712.

Please reserve _____ places at \$22 each for the RCLEA Spring Luncheon. Total \$ _____

Name (please print) _____ Guest Name _____

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