

FCRTA

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Programs

September 10 - Mark Arni of the Westminster Thurber Retirement Community Speakers Bureau will present a program titled "Ethical Wills - A Endowment of Your Life." An ethical will is not a living will or even a legal document. It is a record describing the life lessons, beliefs, values, and history that one wishes to pass on to family or friends. Formats and ideas to help one get started will be discussed.

October 8 - State Senate Candidates Danielle Blue (D) and Jim Hughes (R), candidates for the 16th Senate District, will share their views on three issues of concern to us as retired educators:

- Increased state contributions for health care coverage for STRS retirees
- Oversight of state pension systems in other areas such as divestiture of funds
- Diversion of state dollars from public schools to non-public charter schools.



Danielle Blue grew up in Youngstown and has a BS degree in political science from Capital University Law School. She is currently an attorney with a Columbus Law firm. As a trial lawyer, she has defended auto accident victims and homeowners over property rights.

Additionally, as an independent contractor for the State of Ohio, she serves as a hearing officer for companies providing homeland security services to all Ohioans. She and her husband Doug reside in Upper Arlington. As a first-time candidate, she promises to listen to the concerns of her constituents and advocate on their behalf in the legislature.

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Luncheons and Board Meetings 2008

Sept. 10
Berwick Manor
3250 Refugee Rd.

Oct. 8
Aladdin Shrine
3850 Stelzer Rd.

Dec. 10
Berwick Manor
3250 Refugee Rd.

The CEA-R Notes
will present a program of Holiday Music

Executive Board Meetings
will meet at 10:00 a.m. on these dates.
Lunch is at 12 noon

SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON RESERVATION

Wednesday, September 10, 2008

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

e-mail _____

Deadline: Sept. 3, 2008
Cost per person: \$15.00
Make checks payable to FCRTA and send to:
Mildred Becker
311 East Walnut Street
Westerville, OH 43081-2339

Special thanks fo Ray Fatig and Donald Conard for being hosts at the meetings.

Check our website
<http://www.geocities.com/fcртаoh>
to see the **Newsletter in color.**

Information for the December Newsletter should be to Daisy Clarke, aclarke@columbus.rr.com by October 24, 2008.

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Jim Hughes has a BS in business administration and a BS in transportation and logistics from Ohio State University and a JD degree from Capital University Law School. He is currently completing his fifth term as state representative for the 22nd District (Clintonville area). He is chair of the Juvenile and Family Law Committee and serves on the Commerce and Labor Committee. He is a co-sponsor of HB 315 which would increase state contributions for health care coverage for STRS retirees. Past roles include assistant county prosecutor (Franklin County) and assistant city prosecutor (Columbus).

Plan to attend FCRTA on October 8 to learn the views of these candidates. Invite other retirees to join us, especially those who live or taught within the boundaries of the 16th District.

The 16th Senate District is in north and north-west-central Franklin County and includes all or parts of Clintonville, Dublin, Grandview Heights, Grove City, Hillard, New Rome, and Upper Arlington. The seat is being vacated by Steve Stivers, who is a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives seat being vacated by Deborah Pryce.

Eileen Young, Legislative Chair

From the President

I hope everyone had a good summer. At least, there was variety in the weather and we could enjoy the mild days.

We are starting a new year with many issues at hand but the work of ORTA and FCRTA is never done. We must stay abreast and work to protect our benefits as best we can. It is most important that we all stay united in the common cause. Most of all, we must realize that life will never be as it has in the past and all of us must work to come up with some acceptable solutions. That is why it is especially important for us to have healthy membership numbers so that our voices will be heard.

Here's to another year of progress and our 60th Anniversary to celebrate our years together!!!!

Gloria Woods

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Welcome to our new members!!!

Albert Acierno	Barbara Hackett
Laura Huston	Carolyn Kennedy
Susan Litfin	Roger Murphy
Susan Rhinehart	Dorothy Turnbo

The best news is that starting in January 2009, we will have a new membership chairperson and mailing address for new members. Marty Kinkead will assume this responsibility at the end of her term as Secretary. She is very proficient and I am sure you will see excellent results.

I must apologize for my negligence in the past couple of months in responding to your calls and getting information back to you. I have been working on another major project that is over and turned out quite well. Thanks for your patience.

Don't forget, if your label does not read FL (Life Member) or FA 08, then you need to remit your dues. Also, get your friends to join.

Gloria Woods, Membership



On the FCRTA website
<http://www.geocities.com/fcртаoh/lunches.htm>
links to the Ohio Senate candidates' webpages have been added for more information.

OCTOBER 2008 LUNCHEON RESERVATION

Wednesday, October 8, 2008

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

e-mail _____

Deadline: Oct. 1, 2008

Cost per person: \$15.00

Make checks payable to FCRTA and send to:

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311 East Walnut Street

Westerville, OH 43081-2339

INFO HIGHLIGHTS



Looking for a bargain! Well you are not alone....what with a tank of gas making a dent in your life's savings. However, ORTA is providing a little ray of sunshine. They have endorsed the Association Member Benefits Advisors to provide an array of benefits. These benefits are available to FCRTA members who are also ORTA members.

For information about any of the following benefits call AMBA at 800-268-7041 or visit the website www.orta.org.

- * Long Term Care/Home Health Care
- * First Diagnosis Cancer
- * Medicate Supplement Insurance Plans
- * Final Expense Whole Life Policy
- * Tax-Deferred Annuity
- * Medical Air Services Association
- * Ameritas Dental Insurance
- * Astrum Vision Care
- * Government Employee Travel Opportunities (Geto)
- * Geto Hotel
- * Grand Circle Corporation Travel
- * Vacations to go Cruises
- * La Quinta In and Suites Discount
- * Advantage and Budget Rent-A-Car Discounts
- * Dell Computer
- * Costco
- * CsIdentity Protector
- * Apple Computer Discount

Phil Courtad, Informative and Protective Service Committee

FCRTA Members — *Your money is safe with us*

MidState Educators Credit Union has been offering financial products and services to educators and school employees since 1936. All members of FCRTA are eligible to open an account at MidState Educators Credit Union.



Angie Freeman

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With recent news headlines focusing on the failure of IndyMac Bank you may find yourself questioning the soundness of financial institutions. As a member of MidState Educators Credit Union, you are also an owner of the credit union. We are pleased to inform you that your money is safe and sound here at MidState Educators Credit Union. We go above and beyond to make sure your money is extra-secure. How do we do this? We maintain more money on hand for unexpected expenses than most other banks and credit unions. We maintain a Capital Ratio (*One of the ratios used to measure a financial institution's stability and efficiency*) well above government requirements and industry standards. We also provide our members with additional insurance above what the government provides. The federal government has your funds with us insured up to \$100,000 (IRAs are covered up to \$250,000). The insurance we buy from *Excess Share Insurance Corporation (ESI)* adds an additional \$250,000 making **your deposits with us insured up to \$350,000**. MidState Educators Credit Union also makes smart loans everyday thus reducing our risk of loss. The loans we make are in the best interest of our members / owners.

Members of FCRTA may contact Angie directly at **614-340-1518** during regular business hours or via email at afreeman@educu.org. When speaking with Angie or whenever you contact her please identify yourself as being a member of FCRTA. We look forward to working with you.

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Street Address	Apt.	City	State	Zip
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Telephone			Year retired	
e-mail _____				
____FCRTA Life\$100.00		____ORTA Life..... \$300.00		
____FCRTA Annual.....\$ 10.00		____ORTA Annual.\$ 20.00		
Check the organizations you are joining and enter dues here: _____				
Please make check payable to FCRTA and mail to: Gloria Woods, 2237 Koebel Road, Columbus, OH 43207-2825 (Enclose a stamped envelope if a dues card is desired.)				

If you have moved, please inform the membership chairperson. Be sure to include your phone number.	
NEW ADDRESS	
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Street	_____
City	_____ State_____
9 digit Zip	_____
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