

# The PCRTA Newsletter

Affiliated with the Ohio Retired Teachers Association, 2017

## PCRTA MEMBER MEETING INFORMATION – NEXT MEETING: APRIL 11TH

Meetings begin at 12 Noon at the St. John's Lutheran Church, Enterprise Road in Ingomar

**Menu** – Ham Loaf, Cheesy Potatoes, broccoli, perfection Salad, Pies, dinner rolls, etc.

**Program**–Preble Shawnee Music program & Eaton/MVCTC PLTW **Greeters**-Nancy Wright/Pat Deeter

**Blessing** - Bob Fox

**Door Prizes** - Harold Niehaus

## PCRTA OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

<b><u>President</u></b>	Harold Niehaus	<b><u>Vice President</u></b>	Bob Fox
<b><u>Treasurer</u></b>	Darrell Meeks	<b><u>Recording Secretary</u></b>	Janet Crelin
<b><u>Corresponding Sec.</u></b>	Sharon Norman	<b><u>Legislative Rep.</u></b>	George Henry
<b><u>Retirement Planning</u></b>	Nancy Wright	<b><u>Community Service</u></b>	Judith Looker
<b><u>Membership &amp; Website/Webmaster</u></b>	Paul Ellison	<b><u>Member Newsletter</u></b>	Open
<b><u>Information &amp; Protective Services</u></b>	Phyllis Marling	<b><u>Public Relations</u></b>	Sharon Norman
<b><u>Tools for Schools</u></b>	Rosalie Doran & Jean House	<b><u>Past President</u></b>	Janet Crelin

## PCRTA SECRETARY'S REPORT

Preble County Retired Teachers Association met on Nov. 8, 2016 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Ingomar with 40+ members in attendance. Members were greeted by Nancy Wright. The welcome by President Harold Niehaus preceded lunch, which was prepared by the ladies of the church and enjoyed by all. Betty Brenner offered thoughts for Veterans Day and a prayer of Thanksgiving. After lunch, the business meeting was held. The Recording Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were approved as printed in the Oct. 2016 Newsletter. Darrell Meeks passed around the basket to collect money for Tools for Schools. President Niehaus mentioned a thank you from the Principal at West Elkton, Kyle Morton. President Niehaus also recognized the efforts of Sharon Norman who continues to get information in the local newspapers. She will send a cheer card to Pat Deeter who had a recent fall. Judy Looker thanked members for turning in their volunteer hours, and Marilyn Vandershaaff won the drawing for a free PCTA meeting meal in 2017. Phyllis Marling mentioned that a member had received a call that ended up being fake and that we must all be vigilant. Paul Ellison told us there are 210 current members of the PCRTA and again suggested members check out the website for more information – [www.pcrta.org](http://www.pcrta.org). The rolls will be purged in January for those who have not paid dues nor attended any meetings. 3 new members were introduced, and we hope they will continue to attend the luncheons. Five door prizes donated by JoAnn Hoffman. Darrell Meeks also donated several bags of vegetables for a drawing.

**Old Business:** Harold passed around a sign- up sheet asking for volunteers for the 2017 meetings – greeters, prayer, and door prizes.

**New Business:** Phyllis White led a discussion about donating money for books for the Christmas for Kids program. In the past, the executive committee has voted to approve money to be given to Phyllis to buy books. With a motion by Judy Looker and a second by Betty Brenner, the PCRTA voted to donate \$200 for books which Phyllis will purchase and deliver to the program. Harold invited members to the play "You Can't Take It with You" that he is directing at Eaton HS on Nov. 18 & 19.

Following the business meeting, Vice President Bob Fox told the group the April 11, 2017 meeting would showcase Preble County students with music and technology students joining us. He then introduced the featured entertainment by Spittin' Image, a musical comedy duo, Blain and Brian Swabb from Greenville. Spittin' Image refers to the fact that they are identical twins who have been performing since they were 14. The duo enjoyed teasing retired teachers about talking, not paying attention, etc. all the things they had been accused of as students.

Respectfully submitted: Janet Crelin, recording secretary.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Balance in Checking 10/1/16	\$2596.39	
Receipts 10/1/16-3/1-17	651.27	
Total	3247.66	Savings Certificates (3) \$5510.06
Expenditures 10/1/16-3/1-17	737.50	
Balance in Checking 10/1/16	\$2510.16*	

\*Includes \$378.00 in Tools for Schools Fund

Submitted by Darrell J Meeks, Treasurer

**Are Your PCRTA & ORTA Dues Current? If your mailing label shows 2015R "or" Before 12/31/15...this will be your last newsletter unless you pay dues.**

PCRTA Annual Dues=\$10; Lifetime Dues=\$100.00

Make checks payable to PCRTA and mail the form below to

Darrell Meeks , 5091 Monroe Central Road, Eaton, OH 45320

\_\_\_\_ PCRTA Annual Dues (Teacher) \$10.00      \_\_\_\_ PCRTA Annual Associate (Spouse) \$10.00

\_\_\_\_ PCRTA Lifetime Dues (\$100.00)      \_\_\_\_ Annual ORTA (\$30.00)      \_\_\_\_ Life ORTA (\$500.00)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**Important Information**

- DONATE \$ To "TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS" Basket will be passed at each meeting.
- Check out the Website - **pcrta.org**
- Recording Secretary Cards sent since last meeting: - Sharon Norman sent email thanks to Spittin' Image; Cheer card to Pat Deeter after her fall; sympathy card to Phyllis Wood after death of her son Jamie Smith; and received a thank you card from Phyllis Wood.
- Are you continuing to track your volunteer hours in the community? You will be asked to provide totals at the November meeting so add them up today! ☺ You do not have to prove your hours or say what you did or where you worked. We will just need a total at the November meeting plus an estimate for the remainder of the year. We provide these numbers to the ORTA and had 4793 volunteer hours by 25 people in 2016!

**PCRTA Member Meeting Reservation Form                      Cost: \$10.00 per person**

\*\*\*Reservations deadline Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Checks payable to PCRTA and mail to: Darrell Meeks, 5091 Monroe Central Road, Eaton, OH 45320. Call 456-5340 with questions.

Enclosed find \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ reservation(s)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**(I/We) are willing to be a "Greeter(s)" at the next Member Meeting (Arrive by 11:30 A.M.)**

**PLEASE SEND RESERVATIONS IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND SO WE CAN HAVE AN ACCURATE COUNT FOR THOSE WHO PREPARE OUR MEAL.**