



## Northwest Suburban Unit 90 Minutes

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**Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 9:00 am - at Arlington Heights Senior Center**

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Meeting was called to order by Jane McCauley 10:05 am.

**Attendance:** Mark Boumstein, Marna Boumstein, Rich Chierico, Karl Gabbey, Bob Kaplan, Rainy Kaplan, Gerie Kay, Bob Lyons, Jane McCauley, Diane Pfister, Barbara Riske, Reinhard Taylor, Linda Wallin, Linda Wagner, and Carolyn White

**1. Minutes** (*Gerie Kay*) September 6, 2023 Minutes were approved.

**2. Treasurer's Report** (*Reinhard Taylor*) The Treasurer's Report was approved. The 3-year renewal of our domain name and website hosting has been paid. Send requests for reimbursement of money for the convention to Reinhard.

**3. President's Report** (*Jane McCauley*) IRTA Convention -Oct.16-17, 2023 at Crown Plaza Springfield. Eleven Unit 90 members will be attending. Our unit will contribute a basket for the silent auction. The focus at Convention will be revision of rules and amendments. Review the Constitution Committee Report. Copies were passed at October board meeting. It was agreed that one should submit bill for copies of agenda, etc. as needed for our board meetings. If possible, Board Members should make their own copies. On October 26 there will be a project at the Arlington Heights Senior Center. High School students and Senior volunteers may participate in activities and have lunch with the students. We have received a request from Aron Van Cleave of the Presbyterian Church in Barrington Hills. They are looking to fill a part time paid position for a director of their Sunday School. He wanted to take out an advertisement to get the word out to retired teachers. After discussion it was decided that this request be denied. He will be sent that decision by email as that is the only contact info we have.

**4. Unit 90 Events for 2023** (*Linda Wagner*) The 2023 Holiday Luncheon for Unit 90 will be held on Thursday, December 7 at Inverness Golf Club. The reservations deadline will be Monday, November 27. The District 54 Jazz Band will entertain. A \$250 fee will cover the band's transportation and student lunch. Due to rising costs we will charge \$35 for members and \$40 for non members. This is a \$5 increase for each category. The actual cost of the lunch will be subsidized by the Unit 90 treasury. The club has a strict dress code. "shirts with collars, no denim or cargo pants of any color and no tennis shoes." Guests not following the dress code will be asked to leave. Linda will discuss the shoe code with Inverness Golf Club. The flier for the Holiday Luncheon will be sent by Reinhard to membership. Linda discussed the experience at Overshadowed Theater in Medina. All were in favor of the

presentation and location. She will investigate an upcoming play at that location of Murder on the Orient Express.

## 5. Committee Reports

**Membership:** (*Janette Wanner*) Currently we have 583 members active in Unit 90 (243 life members) and 517 are also members of the state IRTA. There are 94 needing to renew. The State IRTA has renewed the policy of providing changes in member info to us.

**Foundation/Scholarships:** (*Diane Pfister*) The following members have passed: J Milton McGinnis, District 214 and Joyce Mackert, District 25. A card has been sent to the families and memorial donations have been sent to the IRTA Foundation.

**Member Benefits:** (*Rich Chierico, Janice Calvey*) Janice reported that Patricia Hampton, Committee Chair and Roger Hampton, IRTA Vice President are leaving. Rich will be sending articles for our newsletter such as TRAIL information for us to review.

**Communications/Website:** (*Reinhard Taylor*) The December 7 Luncheon Flier will be sent out. Our web site contract has been renewed for three years.

**Volunteer Services:** (*Carolyn White*) *Kids Above All* is looking for mentors. Carolyn will check this out. We have a date scheduled for *Feed My Starving Children* on January 17, 2024 from 9-10:45 am.

**Newsletter:** (*Jane McCauley*) Items for the November newsletter are due October 28. Send articles to Reinhard.

**Media:** (*Linda Wallin*) Go to Unit-90 IRTA to search for our Facebook and follow to read and post.

**Legislative:** (*Karl-Heinz Gabbey*) It is campaign season. A date in December will be the last day for candidates to file. Watch for who will be running.

**TRS:** (*Bob Lyons*) The Tribune articles sent to us by Jane were interesting. There will be some changes to Tier 2. One suggestion was a tax increase. There would be little chance to for that to happen. Ralph Martie suggested changing the target date to pay off the state debt to 80% by 2025.

**Other:** Reinhard Taylor gave a demonstration using the iphone to HIDE info on a picture file.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 pm.

**Meeting Schedule for 2023:** First Wednesday of each month (except July and December).  
Newsletters in March, May, August and November

**Next Meeting on November 1, 2023 at the Arlington Heights Senior Center**