



## Northwest Suburban Unit 90 Minutes

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**Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at 10:00 am - at Arlington Heights Senior Center**

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**Meeting was called to order by Mark Boumstein at 10:02 am**

**Attendance:** Mark Boumstein, Marna Boumstein, John Braglia, Rich Chierico, Karl-Heinz Gabbey, Louise Finton, Rainy Kaplan, Gerie Kay, Bob Lyons, Diane Pfister, Reinhard Taylor, Linda Wagner and Linda Wallin. **Guest:** Ken Wolin

**1. Minutes** (*Gerie Kay*) The minutes from March 5, 2025 were approved.

**2. Treasurer's Report** (*Reinhard Taylor*) The Treasurer's Report for March 2025 was approved.

**3. President's Report** (*Mark Boumstein*) Our Area 2 conference will be on Zoom, Sept. 16, 2025 at 9:30 am.  
The IRTA State Convention will be Oct. 27-28. Voting will be done electronically and presented at the convention in a sealed envelope. A paper ballot may be requested by June 1. (800-728-4782)  
IRTA shirts (t-shirt or sweatshirt) saying "Retired not Silent" are available at <https://irta-store.dcpromosite.com/>

**4. Unit 90 Events for 2025** (*Linda Wagner*) Our spring luncheon will be at Inverness Golf Club on Friday, June 13. A violinist for entertainment will be available at a cost of \$300  
We'll attend a Boomers baseball game at Wintrust on July 6, 2025. Tickets are \$30 and include \$20 for food and drink. Arrive at 1 pm. See Linda for tickets when you arrive.  
The tickets for A Play that Goes Wrong at the **Overshadowed Theater** have been passed out.  
August 7, 2025 a tour and Lake Geneva cruise with lunch and entertainment is planned. Tickets are \$91 per person (free parking for handicap). If necessary we may cancel by July 6.  
Our New Member Breakfast will be in September

## 5. Committee Reports

**Membership:** (*Janette Wanner*) Our Life member Mary Stitt is celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The Board is signing a card and sending it to Mary.

**Foundation/Scholarships:** (*Diane Pfister*) Cards have been sent to the family of David Toepke and Darryl Phillips (both of District 214). Memorial donations have been sent to the IRTA Foundation.

**Member Benefits:** (*Rich Chierico, Janice Calvey*) Social Security offices can be reached by phone and it is recommended one get an appointment to meet in person. There are offices in Bloomingdale, Woodstock, etc.

**Communications/Website:** (*Reinhard Taylor*) Membership directories have been sent by email. Some responded with a "thank you" and some sent corrections to their info.

**Volunteer Services:** (*Carolyn White*) Dates for volunteer activities: FMSC (to be announced), Kids Above All-May 6 at 10am for Baby Bundles and August 5 at 10 am for Back Packs. Watch for pictures in our May Newsletter.

**Newsletter:** (*Jane McCauley*) Our next Newsletter is May 7. Deadline for submissions is April 28.

**Legislative:** (*Karl-Heinz Gabbey*) Tier 1 and Tier 2 are in discussion.

**TRS:** (*Bob Lyons*) Results of the voting April 1, 2025 in some townships for a referendum. to freeze our pension increases of 3% each year at a certain age passed by 75% of those who voted in those townships. The passing of this referendum presented to the Congress might encourage a state wide referendum. This would affect not only teachers but also police and fire fighters, etc..

**Media:** (*Linda Wallin*) Our Facebook page had 487 views by 76 people and no new followers.

**Constitution:** (*Bob Kaplan*) No report.

**Other Business:** We are in Area 2 but everyone is invited and encouraged to attend all the virtual Area Conferences:

Areas 5 and 6 June 11, 9:30 am                      Areas 3 and 4 July 14, 9:30 am

Areas 1 and 2 September 16, 9:30 am

**The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.**

**Meeting Schedule for 2025:** First Wednesday of each month (except July and December).  
Newsletters in February, May, August and November

**Next Meeting on May 7, 2025 at the Arlington Heights Senior Center**