



TRTA Newsletter

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TRTA General Meeting Dates:

August 8, October 10, and December 12 every other month on the second Tuesday, 12:00 Noon, at **Ciminero's Banquet Centre**, 123 N. Main St., Niles, Ohio 44446.

Program:

The June Program will honor the 2023 TRTA Scholarship recipients and A+ Teachers.

Hospitality: Mary Fuller, Chairperson

"Everything good and magical happens between June and August."

--Charles Bowden.

Our decorations will celebrate this magical season, including the summer holidays and the beauty seen in nature.

Collected at all meetings:

Cancelled and **trimmed stamps**, cell phones, eyeglasses, hearing aids, and yarn. No candle wax or pill bottles!

Foundation Financial Update:

See a list of donors on our webpage.

Mailing Meetings:

Won't you please consider joining us to help with the mailing at 9 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Market St., Warren, on July 18, September 19, and November 21.

From our President, Marilyn Stanton:

Well the calendar tells us it's spring even though it doesn't feel like it. However, the beautiful flowers and flowering trees remind us that those warmer temperatures are coming.

We are beginning to plan things for 2024-2025. If you are interested in helping on one of the committees, please contact one of the officers. In particular, if you would be interested in helping with the nominating committee, please contact me ASAP. Anyone with suggestions for programs please share that as well.

We look forward to welcoming our scholarship recipients and our A+ teachers at the June meeting. Hope to see you all there.

CASH APP: ANOTHER WAY TO PAY

At the request of a couple TRTA members, your board has been investigating how members can use a Peer-to-Peer social payment application to transmit funds to the TRTA treasury. The app that works best for members and TRTA—at least for now—is Cash App. Follow these steps to pay for a luncheon, membership, and/or make scholarship/teacher grant donations:

1. Download the Cash App to your device and link it to your account that will make the payment.
2. Use the TRTA Cash App tag: \$TrumbullRetired.
3. Enter your payment amount. Tap the *Pay* button.
4. IMPORTANT: Tell TRTA the purpose(s) of your payment. For example, *May luncheon*.
5. Tap the *Send as Cash* button.

Your payment should be deposited in the TRTA checking account in two or three days. Use Cash App to avoid writing a check and using a stamp!

Treasurer's Report, April 30, 2023

Checking account balance \$3,183.98

Savings account balance \$8,538.36

Community Foundation-Scholarships \$11,613.00

Community Foundation—Teacher Grants \$268.00



You may view the detailed treasurer's report on the TRTA website: <https://trumbullrta.wixsite.com/trta>

TRTA Lifelines

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General Medication Safety: Always ask lots of questions when you get a new prescription. Know what the side effects might be. Keep track of your medications. Set a reminder on your cell phone or watch for times to take your medications. Organize your medications by putting them all in one place, or by using a “pill minder” to sort them. Get into the routine of taking them if you can. Set up automatic refills for those you take regularly. Be safe! (wedmd.com/drug-medication)

Pill Splitting: Sometimes people split pills to save money on prescriptions. It's important to talk to your doctor or pharmacist before you consider cutting your pills. In general, however, look for these three signs that a pill is safe to split: If the FDA has approved a drug for splitting, it will be printed on the package insert. If you want to split pills, get an okay from your doctor or pharmacist. Scored pills are easier to split evenly, but a line down the middle doesn't always mean it's safe to split. However, there is always the possibility of an incorrect dose. First, you can split a pill unevenly or even crush it. Second, if your hands are unsteady or your vision is impaired, you could have difficulty splitting a pill. Always get advice from a doctor or pharmacist! (webmd.com/drug-medication)

Bit of Trivia: Most of us older folks learned to read by using the Dick and Jane series of books. What was the name of Dick and Jane's dog? (Sorry, youngsters, if you don't know.)



Spelling Bee 2023, Ava Bloom and Garry Peacock, Chairpersons

The Trumbull County Fair is happening this summer, and so is the 37th Annual Spelling Bee! The Bee will be held on Thursday, July 13, at 1 p.m. on the historical stage of the fairgrounds. If you would like to make a monetary donation toward the spellers' treat bags, you may do so at the June 13 luncheon. If you are not attending the June luncheon, you may also mail a check payable to TRTA and send it to Garry Peacock, 3689 Staunton Dr. Youngstown, OH 44505. Preregistered spellers will receive free admission (rides not included). Pre-registration begins on June 1 and runs through July 1. Call Garry at 216.262.3194 to pre-register. Registration will also take place on the day of the Bee from noon to 12:45

p.m. on the historical stage.

Preretirement, Gretchen, LaLiberte and Luanne Hite, CoChairs

The preretirement seminar will be held on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, from 5:00-7:00 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Warren. We will ask for volunteers to assist with registration or preparing refreshments in the kitchen. Once again, we will be asking for volunteers to provide one box of commercially wrapped cookies, brownies, etc., such as “Little Debbie” or “Hostess”. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Gretchen at 330.240.9966 or grlalib@embarqmail.com or Luanne at 330.719.4438 or ib573@aol.com.

Community Service, Jeannie Morello, Chair

Thank you to all those who volunteered at Second Harvest. Your willingness to help with this community project is appreciated.

Luncheon Reservation Tuesday, June 13, 2023

12:00 Noon at Ciminero's Banquet Centre

Please make reservations by June 1, 2023

Member Name: _____ Guest Name: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

_____ Lunch(es) @ \$16.00 = _____

Scholarship Donation: _____

Teacher Grant Donation: _____

_____ **Boscov Passes @ \$5.00 each** = _____

Total Enclosed: _____

If you make a reservation and are unable to attend, regretfully there can be no refunds or carry overs for the next meeting as TRTA has to pay Ciminero's for the lunches ordered.

A RESERVATION IS REQUIRED; NO WALK INS. Thank you for your understanding.
Social distancing rules will follow state guidelines.

The recipient of the free lunch for the June meeting is Barbara Guliano.

Make one check payable to TRTA.

Send this form to:

Dave Ambrose
2740 Atlantic St. NE
Warren, OH 44483-4426
330-647-3666

Boscov Passes

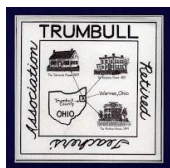
Once again, Boscov's is sponsoring a community day, **Friends HELPING Friends**, for one day, October 18, 2023. For a donation of \$5 you will receive a shopping pass worth 25% off the lowest price. One hundred percent of your \$5 donation will go to TRTA. You can get your pass at TRTA's August luncheon or even preorder. Many are choosing to make a donation to TRTA and buy extra passes to share with their friends! The donations from the sale of the shopping passes will be split between Scholarships and Teacher Grants. Thanks, Boscov, and thank YOU for donating!!!

How can I get a pass?

1. Mark the number of passes you want on the luncheon reservation form in the newsletter. You can include the pass purchase with your luncheon check.

- If you are attending the luncheon, you can pick them up at the luncheon.
- If you are NOT attending the luncheon, Dave can mail them to you or keep them for a future meeting.

Membership, Luanne Hite, Gretchen LaLiberte, Co-Chairs



Dave Ambrose, Dues Coordinator

PLEASE HELP! IT'S TIME TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS!

The 2022-23 school year is coming to a close, and it is time for TRTA to begin our membership drive by locating the names and addresses of newly retired educators who taught or live in Trumbull County. If you are still in contact with the staff in the district where you taught, ask them to help find the names and addresses of new retirees. If you have helped us locate this information in the past by contacting a specific school district and would be willing to contact the same district again this year, please let us know. Your help is greatly appreciated. Send your information to Gretchen LaLiberte grlplib@embarqmail.com or Luanne Hite ib573@aol.com. New member applications will be available at the June meeting. If you know a retiree who has not joined TRTA, please consider giving them an application and inviting them to a future luncheon. We have found that this is the best way to increase our membership. If you have any questions concerning your membership, would like a TRTA membership card, need to make an address correction, or change an email address, contact Dave Ambrose at 330-647-3666, dambrose1@neo.rr.com, or at 2740 Atlantic Street NE, Warren, OH, 44483-4426.



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Make and Bake Sale, *Diana Bauman and Cindy Harris, Co-chairs*

An early reminder that we will have our annual Make and Bake Sale at the October 10, 2023, membership meeting. So as you are planning summer crafts and gardens, please keep it in mind. The proceeds go to our Teacher Grant Program.

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