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From North Lake Shore

North Lake Shore Retired Teachers Association
Unit 18 of the Illinois Retired Teachers Association

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TIME TO THINK ABOUT CLEAN ELECTIONS!



Dr. Lora Chamberlain

As 2020 looms ever closer, elections are a crucial issue. How do we vote best to really make sure our votes count? What's going on that might hinder our greatest right to democracy? Dr. Lora Chamberlain will be presenting a wonderful, informative program at our next luncheon, Thursday, November 14th. (She was a guest at our September luncheon; as an activist, she enjoys an opportunity to speak with our legislators.) Her presentation, "Protecting Our Elections from Enemies Both Foreign & Domestic" will answer those questions and more.

Dr. Lora (as she is well known by both state and national election protection agencies and watchdogs) is the Founder and Director of Clean Count Cook County (formerly known as "Who's Counting Chicago?"), which is affiliated with the longtime state organization, Illinois Ballot Integrity Project.

Dr. Lora has been working on election integrity since 2003. She is a Family Physician who has taken a sabbatical from her medical practice to focus full time on that issue, as well as issues concerning sustainability (she founded Frack Free Illinois, which fights for a ban on fracking in Illinois). Of late, she has also been leading the charge to stop 5G (an upgrade of cellular service towers intended to increase device capabilities, but has been studied by scientists and is shown that such towers will harm our--and our children's and grandchildren's--long-term health).

As the lead organizer of Clean Count Cook County, she advocates for reforms such as:

1. Voter verified paper ballots (no flimsy paper trails and no bar-coded ballots);
2. Statistically relevant hand-counted audits of those paper ballots that escalate if any discrepancies are found--these audits should escalate all the way to 100% hand count of the paper ballots, if warranted;
3. The expanded audit results should replace the official results if discrepancies are found.

At this meeting we will be asking our members to bring school supplies, or to make monetary contributions to purchase things that children need at this time of year. We will be giving the supplies to District 62, Des Plaines, one of the districts in our area where there is great need. Warm hats, gloves, scarves are also very much needed and appreciated as winter approaches. Checks made out to District 62 are deductible as charitable contributions, if you itemize for taxes. Many of us have been away from the classroom for a number of years, but the care and concern for children never abates.

We're looking forward to seeing you on November 14th! (And, of course, turkey and all the trimmings will be an entrée choice.) Use the reservation form found on the last page of this newsletter and have your first Thanksgiving feast with us! Invite a friend to join you for this interesting and informative program. Extend a special welcome to that new, or fairly new, retiree who should be a part of our group



LOOKING AHEAD

Thursday, Nov. 14, 2019
Membership Meeting
and Luncheon
Des Plaines Elks Club

Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2020
Board Meeting

Thursday, Feb. 20, 2020
Membership Meeting
And Luncheon
Des Plaines Elks Club
Program: A Graduated
Rate Income Tax for
Illinois?

Thursday, May 14, 2020
Membership Meeting
And Luncheon
Des Plaines Elks Club

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2019

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The Elks Lodge is located at 495 Lee Street, Des Plaines; phone (847) 824-1526.

MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

Thursday, November 14th, 2019

Social, 11:30 a.m. Luncheon, noon

\$24.00 per person

Please reserve _____ place(s) at the luncheon. I enclose my check for \$ _____.
(Make checks payable to North Lake Shore Retired Teachers Assn. or NLSRTA)

Entrée choice: _____ Roast Turkey _____ Parmesan Crusted Sea Bass _____ Pasta Primavera

Name(s): _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____ Retired from District _____

Send reservation to: Jeanne Parker, One Calvin Circle, #A-201, Evanston IL 60201

Reservation Deadline: Monday, November 11, 2019.

(If reservation is for more than one person, please indicate which entrée each person desires.)
