



Cleveland Teachers Union

News & Notes

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CTU RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

For all CTU members that are retiring this year, Cassandra Carter is requesting your address so that you can be sent an invitation for the annual retirement celebration. All Chairs were emailed a form that can be filled out and submitted to Cassandra. The annual Retirement Celebration is held in September. Formal invitations will be sent out by August 15. Members must retire by Aug 1 to attend this year's luncheon.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Shari Obrenski is happy to announce that Summer School MOUs have been agreed upon. The time to apply for summer school is here. Job postings for Secondary Summer School, OGT BootCamp, ESL Enrichment, and Elementary Summer Reading Academy are posted and were sent via email on April 21. Please see the postings for more information and details regarding the programs and positions available.

ROVING HAPPY HOUR

Reminder: Roving Happy Hour is this Friday, April 24th at Fredericks Wine and Dine 22005 Emery Rd. Cleveland 44128 from 4:00 until 7:00 pm.

HONORING VOLUNTEERS

When you are at the Board Meeting on Tuesday, April 28 - you will also have the opportunity applaud some of CMSD's awesome volunteers. The week of April 20th is Volunteer Appreciation Week and the district has invited many of their volunteers for recognition at the Board Meeting. This happened last year. There are many all-star volunteers that will be honored at this meeting.

STRESS RELIEF WORKSHOP

The Salary & Benefits Committee is hosting a Stress Relief Workshop on Thursday, April 30 at East Professional Center (1349 E. 79th Street). Vendors to shop from that are educator friendly, organizations to help with annuities and financial assistance, massages, and Mary Kay product demonstration. Space is limited. RSVP via email to Cindy Antonio (cantonio@ctu279.org).

CONDITIONS FOR TEACHING

The Conditions for Teaching Survey will open on Monday, April 13. All CTU members are invited to participate. This is a chance to give honest, productive

feedback about your working and the student's learning conditions. You will receive an email via CMSD email with a link to the survey. All responses are confidential and the district and school leadership will NOT know if individual staff members completed the survey. Contact Jillian Ahrens for more information.

7th ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF OUTING

Cleveland Teachers Union and Cleveland Custodians Union are working together again to sponsor their 7th Annual Charity Golf Outing to benefit Tri-C Scholarship Fund and the CCU Scholarship Fund. The outing will be on Saturday, May 16 (close to Tracy's birthday) at Bob-O-Link Golf Course. Information is being sent to buildings through school mail. Contact Wendi Kral (wkral@ctu279.org) for more information.

OPEN POSITION INTERVIEW PERIOD

Open Position Interview Period is underway to staff for the 2015-2016 school year. All teachers and paraprofessionals are eligible to interview for any open position. There is no Voluntary List. If a teacher or a paraprofessional chooses to interview for an open position(s) and is not selected or does not accept a new position – he/she simply remains in current assignment. Anyone who is identified as a Necessary Transfer and does not interview or is not selected will be assigned a school. All Necessary Transfers will still have a position. The Open Position Interview Period will run from April 9 – May 15. Interviews and selections can continue all throughout the OPI Period. All selections and acceptances from teachers and paraprofessionals will be due to HR by Friday, May 15 at 4:30pm.

Chairs and Principals must submit a signed form to HR indicating who they have selected for open position(s). Candidates must also email HR letting them know that they have accepted the position. No selection is complete until both the Selection Forms and Acceptance emails are submitted.

BOARD MEETING APRIL 28

The next Board of Education Business Meeting is on Tuesday, April 28 at 6:30 at James Ford Rhodes High School 5100 Biddulph Avenue, Cleveland 44114. Hope to see everyone in their CTU blue.