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Next Meeting: In-Person Luncheon at Madonna Inn Round Room

Date: Tuesday May 2, 2023

Time: 12:00 Noon

Presentation: Carl Nelson: Annual Update on the Status of Our Pension Trust **Cost:** \$20.00 for Members; \$25.00 for Non-Members. Spouses, etc., are welcome.

RSVP by email to Straith at RSVPtoSLOCREA@gmail.com
Or by phone or text to Brian at 805-704-1625.

Be sure to RSVP no later than Monday April 24, 2023!

Be sure to state entrée preference: stuffed chicken, salmon, or vegan.

Note: the chicken has a vermouth sauce.

2023 General Meetings:

Tuesday May 2, 2023 @ 12 Noon @ Madonna Inn. Be sure to RSVP by 04/24/23 Tuesday July 11, 2023 @ 12 Noon at El Chorro Regional Park: Lunch & Tour SLO Botanical Gardens

Tuesday October 3, 2023 @ 12 Noon at El Chorro Regional Park. Speaker TBD Tuesday December 5, 2023 @ 12 Noon at Madonna Inn Round Room

Board Meetings will immediately follow the above meetings. You are welcome to attend.

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Hi Everyone,

We are delighted to be meeting in person again, Tuesday May 2nd at 12 Noon at Madonna Inn Round Room! Carl Nelson of Pension Trust will give his annual update on Pension Trust. He is retiring at the end of 2023, so this will be his last such presentation to us.

We need all your RSVPs no later than Monday April 24, 2023 (email Straith as above or call or text Brian). Be sure to state your lunch preference then also. Our choices are: stuffed chicken, salmon, or vegan (steamed veggies with rice pilaf.) All meals include a dinner salad and the chicken & salmon also include small red potatoes. When you check in at the door you will receive a tiny tag with your entrée on it. Then put the tag on the table at the top of your plate so the servers can see it.

The cost to you is \$20.00 per member, \$25.00 per Non-Member. The Madonna Inn charges us about \$30.00 per lunch; we are currently subsidizing the balance. You are welcome to bring your spouse, partner, friend, etc., to any of our general meetings. Just be sure to include them when you make your reservation.

Cost of Living Increase is 3% for Tier 1 and pre-tier retirees! Details should be in your April statement. Contact Pension Trust with any questions.

Save the date: Tuesday July 11, 2023: Our outdoor Summer Picnic, at El Chorro Regional Park. We plan to tour SLO Botanical Gardens after we eat lunch. Watch for more info about this in our next newsletter.

Looking ahead: We hope to have our fall meeting outdoors also at El Chorro Park on **Tuesday October 3, 29023.** Members at our March meeting asked to have Ashleigh Szkubiel, Benefits Coordinator from SLO County HR, talk about health insurance open enrollment and someone from Hi-Cap talk about Medicare. We will keep you posted.

Several other ideas for presentations for future meetings are being discussed. One is the Senior Peer Counseling Program. There is also interest in learning more about local efforts to reduce Homelessness (HSOC).

As always, if you have a suggestion for a program, please let Vita know (call, text or email). Thanks for your input!

Happy Spring!