

# Lex Talk

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I wish you and your families a prosperous and healthy New Year. It is hard for me to believe another year has come and gone, and we are welcoming in 2011. When I agreed to take the position of Vice President last year, I honestly never considered that I would ever serve as President of our Ashland Retirees Club. I primarily wanted to renew old friendships and make new ones, then step down and let someone else take over the responsibility of President. As it turned out, I thoroughly enjoyed serving on your Board and am looking forward to this year and its challenges. I want to thank our new Board members for their commitment and look forward to their input and working with them. They are Carol Hatton, Vice President; Linda Elam, Secretary; and Sharon Hall, Director. They join Stan Briggs, Treasurer; Stan Wonn, Past President; and Directors Shirley Rice, Ernie Stamper, and Carol Tipton. I would also like to thank Mike Abrams, Roger Craycraft, and Robert Fruth for their past Board service. They will be missed, but I am sure they will remain nearby, valuable resources.

For those who did not join us for our Christmas luncheon, you missed a great time of sharing memories with friends and former co-workers, delicious food, and wonderful entertainment, not to mention a sing-along with Mitch Miller, aka Ernie Stamper. It was a seasonal (that means cold) day, but around 95 braved the weather, and a few took home some nice door prizes.

Our new Board has an exciting calendar of events for the coming year that you, our membership, chose as the activities in which you would prefer to participate. We encourage each of you to attend at least one of the upcoming events in the New Year. Our first event will be on March 15th at 11:30 a.m. when we will meet at de Sha's Restaurant in downtown Lexington (across from

### PLEASE TAKE NOTE

*Due to rising costs of printing and mailing newsletters and in fairness to those who have renewed their 2011 membership, this is the last mailing of Lex Talk you will receive unless you have paid your 2011 membership dues for the Ashland Retirees Club of Lexington. In case you have not renewed your membership, we have enclosed a Dues Form in this mailing. Please fully complete and sign the membership form, then send the completed form, along with your \$10 check for dues, to the address at the bottom of the form. We encourage you to keep us up-to-date about your e-mail address, so we can advise you of last minute details regarding upcoming events. (Your e-mail address will not be shared between club members nor published on the web site.)*

Triangle Park) for lunch. Following lunch we will tour the Lexington History Museum at the Old Courthouse. Our next activity will be on May 17th when we meet at Wallace Station located out Old Frankfort Pike close to Midway for an early lunch around 11:00 a.m., then on to Three Chimneys Farm for a horse farm tour at 1:00 p.m. The Annual Spring Golf Scramble for the golfers will be on June 14th with a rain date of June 16th. On the same day, the non-golfers are invited to a lunch in Nonesuch at The Glitz, then tour/shop at Irish Acres Antiques.

In closing, please take the time to renew your membership. The events for this year should be both interesting and exciting, and we want you to be a part of our activities. Our Club's success is directly related to the members' level of participation. Come out and have some fun with us!

I look forward to seeing you at the March event.

## Helen Osborne

### NEXT EVENT

#### March 15, 2011 Luncheon & Tour of Lexington History Museum

We will meet at deSha's Restaurant in downtown Lexington (across from Triangle Park) for lunch. Following lunch we will tour the Lexington History Museum at the Old Courthouse. Incorporated in 2000, the Lexington History Museum, Inc. opened in October 2003 in a partnership with the Lexington Fayette Urban County Government. We hope to have a large group join us for this first outing of our 2011 year.



<http://www.lexingtonhistorymuseum.org/>

## ASHLAND RETIREES CLUB CALENDAR - 2011

*(some actual dates to be announced)*

March 15 <sup>th</sup> ..... (Tuesday – 11:30 a.m.)	Lunch in Lexington at deSha’s Restaurant, then at 1:30 p.m. tour Lexington History Museum at Old Courthouse
May 17 <sup>th</sup> ..... (Tuesday – 11:00 a.m.)	Early lunch near Midway at Wallace Station, then at 1:00 p.m. tour “Three Chimneys Horse Farm”
June 14 <sup>th</sup> ..... (Rain date for both events will be June 16 <sup>th</sup> )	Golfers – Spring Golf Scramble Non-golfers – Lunch in Nonesuch at The Glitz, then tour /shop at Irish Acres Antiques
August 9 <sup>th</sup> ..... (Tuesday)	Catered lunch in Lexington at “Ashland” Home of Henry Clay, then tour the Home
September .....	Fall Golf Scramble
September 15 <sup>th</sup> ..... (Thursday)	Lunch in Frankfort at Jim’s Restaurant on the River, then tour State Capitol & Museum
October .....	Ashland Inc. Benefits Meeting
November 15 <sup>th</sup> ..... (Tuesday)	Lunch in Versailles at Woodford Reserve, then tour Woodford Reserve Facility
December .....	“Annual Festive Christmas Lunch” Location and date to be announced later



### RECENT EVENTS

#### THE ANNUAL MEETING & CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The Annual Meeting and Christmas Luncheon of the Ashland Retirees Club of Lexington, KY, Inc. was held December 7, 2010, at the Embassy Suites in Lexington, KY.

The approximately 100 attendees began with a reception at 11:30 a.m. Members and guests mingled to seasonal music provided by harpist Carolyn Dupont.

The luncheon was convened by Pres. Wonn, and music continued during the meal. Later, after a short session of group singing, the business meeting was called to order.

The principal item of business was the report of the Nominations Committee, chaired by Bob Fruth, and election of officers for 2011. Election results are in the President’s letter above, and the officers and board members, with their respective email addresses are listed later in this newsletter.



**STAYING CONNECTED**

With the reduced financial support from Ashland Inc., there is greater uncertainty about how the club will be able to continue to communicate, insofar as printed/mailed materials. The good news is that we will always be able to provide all our news and event planning info via both the club website and email. But you have to do your part in this by regularly checking on [www.LexTalk.org](http://www.LexTalk.org) and keeping us up-to-date about your email address (**your e-mail address will not be shared between club members nor published on the website**).

**WEBSITE:** The Ashland Retirees Club of Lexington KY, Inc.'s website can be viewed at [www.LexTalk.org](http://www.LexTalk.org). On it links for various photo albums will be offered throughout the year.

**2011 Board Members:**

- Helen Osborne - President ([hwosborne@roadrunner.com](mailto:hwosborne@roadrunner.com))
- Carol Hatton - Vice President ([cmhat@insightbb.com](mailto:cmhat@insightbb.com))
- Stan Briggs - Treasurer ([S.Briggs@insightbb.com](mailto:S.Briggs@insightbb.com))
- Linda Elam- Secretary ([ljde310@aol.com](mailto:ljde310@aol.com))
- Stan Wonn - Past President ([dswonn@insightbb.com](mailto:dswonn@insightbb.com))
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- Carol Tipton - Director/events ([pctipton180@roadrunner.com](mailto:pctipton180@roadrunner.com))
- Shirley Rice - Director/membership ([sdrice1951@yahoo.com](mailto:sdrice1951@yahoo.com))
- Ernie Stamper - Director/communications ([erniestamper@gmail.com](mailto:erniestamper@gmail.com))

ASHLAND RETIREES CLUB OF LEXINGTON	
TREASURERS REPORT January 24, 2011	
<b>Cash:</b>	
Balance at December 31, 2010	\$4,476.45
Receipts Membership Dues	70.00
Balance at January 24, 2011	\$4,546.45
<b>NOTES:</b>	
Memberships for 2010 = 162	Memberships for 2011 = 119
<b>2010 Dues Summary:</b>	<b>2011 Dues Summary:</b>
Dues paid in 2009 = 111	Dues paid in 2010 = 99
Dues paid in 2010 = 33	Dues paid in 2011 = 7
Dues paid in 2007 = 1	Dues paid in 2007 = 1
Retiree Spouses = 17	Retiree Spouses = 12
Total = 162	Total = 119
Submitted by Stan Briggs, Treasurer	



L to R, Stan Wonn, Sharon Hall, Carol Tipton, Linda Elam, Stan Briggs, Shirley Rice, Carol Hatton, Ernie Stamper, and Helen Osborne.