

# RTA NEWSLETTER

Connecting Our Community



## LIMA COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING

A TRADITION WE ARE HONORED TO BE A PART OF

300 volunteers flocked to Veteran's Memorial Civic Center to help with the largest community meal offered on Thanksgiving Day. This year was the first year that Lima Community Church took on the responsibility of the event. As usual, we were glad we could help. RTA transported many of the events attendants via a special fixed-route.

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### ROUTES

All routes will be reinstated by the end of 2019. Route 8 will be a combination of routes 8 & 9.

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### SATURDAYS

Saturday service is planned to return January 11th, 2020.

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### EVENINGS

As we try fill more driver positions, evening service should return in the 2nd or 3rd quarter of 2020.



### New Board President- Holly Rex

Holly Rex works at WOCAP and has held a seat on our board for many years. Her term as board president will begin 1/1/2020.



### New Head of Maintenance- Stan Kasler

Stan has traveled all the way from Juno, Alaska to head our maintenance facility.

His many years of experience in transit maintenance makes him a valuable addition to our team.

## New Buses Join Our Fleet

Three new buses were delivered at the beginning of October and we couldn't be more excited.

Say hello to 1074, 1074, and 1076, the newest additions to our fleet. These beauties are 35 foot Gillig buses manufactured right here in the United States.



In 2016 we were rewarded a grant that allowed us to purchase these new vehicles and two years later they were delivered to our door.

The new buses boast several new features, one of the most noteworthy being the Q-Pod Wheelchair Restraint technology; a smarter, more efficient, and safer way to secure our riders with wheel chairs.

### MIX 103.3 FLIP THE SWITCH

Another holiday tradition the RTA loves being a part of is the downtown Lima tree lighting. Every year we park the "Mix" bus (Mix 103.3) in the square for the festivities. The downtown tree lighting is a great event for families in Lima and the surrounding areas.

