



Northwest Ohio Gerontological Association

On May 5, 2022, the 2022 NOGA Annual Celebration Event was a celebration of organization's 55th anniversary and our membership.

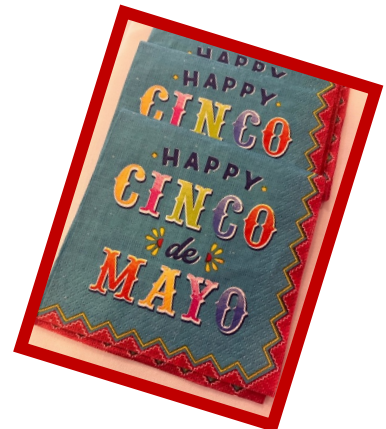


*We wish to thank **Gardens of St. Francis**, in conjunction with our Program & Hospitality team, for their hospitality. The location and the taco bar (celebrating Cinco de Mayo) and drink refreshments were fantastic.*

*As always, **Kristy Wortketter** Director of Admissions and Marketing at The Gardens of St. Francis was a gracious host.*



*We wish to thank the **Rehabilitation Hospital of NW Ohio** for donating the decorations for the event in the spirit of the Cinco de Mayo holiday.*



A time to socialize and network!



Beth Boltz and Carolyn Heintschel, NOGA Board Members, greet everyone at the registration table.





*Our program speakers,
Deitra Hickey from Ruthie's Angels (pictured on the left below) and
Ana Kryzhanivska from Toledo Helps Ukraine were inspiring!*



*Pictured above is **Cindy Binkley**,
NOGA Board Member, sharing
Program & Hospitality Committee news*

Ana Kryzhanivska from Toledo Helps Ukraine spoke to the members about efforts to help Ukraine.



*Clayton Birney
shows off
his t-shirt*

*Thank you to our
members for
bringing donations
to help the cause.*

The 2022 John Vance Scholarship Award

*Chris Cremean, Scholarship Committee Chair, opened this portion of the program. Prior to presenting this year's scholarship award, last year's recipient, **Alayna Bollinger**, spoke about what she's accomplished professionally in the year following her award.*



Chris Cremean (far right) begins the presentation by reading an excerpt from Emily Kahlig's award winning essay which will be published in the May *TIMES*.

*Thanks to the generosity of the **Area Office on Aging's** donation and our members, Area Office on Aging's **Board Chairman, Bill Harris**, presented **Emily Kahlig** with her award and check for \$2,500.*



*Good news!
To continue building our scholarship fund for next year's recipient, a 50/50 raffle was held. The winner was Gina Nadon and our 2023 Scholarship Fund!*



Alayna and Emily

The 2022 NOGA Annual Member Meeting



Clayton Birney, NOGA President, opened this year's annual membership meeting per our Bylaws. A moment was taken to thank our Gold, Silver, and Bronze Sponsors.

*Each year we take this opportunity to review the past year and present various reports, e.g., the 2021 Annual Treasurer's Report.**

*Unique this year was the presentation of the proposed Bylaws. The members were informed on the changes proposed and then a vote was taken. The members present voted to unanimously approve the Bylaws as presented.**

*Then the slate of candidates for the 2022-2023 NOGA Board, **Phil Wylkan and Rob Goewey**, were presented to the membership for voting. No nominations were received from the floor and subsequently the members voted unanimously to accept the candidates. Welcome Aboard!*

We welcome these two new members!

We also took time to recognize those who served on the NOGA Board for the term of 2021-2022.



Thanks to all the Board Members for helping put on a wonderful annual celebration!

**If you would like a copy of our Annual Treasurer's Report or Bylaws, please contact Vickie Leeming, in the NOGA Office, at al4noga@bex.net.*