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President's Message

John Manning

Hillsborough Educators Association Retired

As an active retired member, you have an opportunity to be a delegate to the Annual FEA Delegate Assembly (DA) and / or NEA Representative Assembly (RA). The FEA DA is scheduled for October 15-17 in Orlando, Florida. The NEA-R followed by the NEA-RA will also be held in Orlando, Florida from June 28 -29 through July 1-6th. I urge you to consider this opportunity to become more involved in our interests at the state and/or national level.

I have enclosed a Nomination Form with this newsletter. Please pay very close attention to the deadline for this election. Nomination forms must be postmarked not later than February 21st. Please mail your completed form to the address for the Election Committee, which is listed on the bottom of the nomination form.

At this time, the FEA-R group is allotted 30 delegates to the FEA DA and 3 delegates to the NEA RA. This is our total number of delegates statewide.

I am happy to say that HEA-R has received a \$500 NEA grant to continue the M.O.R.E. outreach to help us mobilize and engage retired members who are members in their home state but reside in our county. I will need your help to assist with contacting and engaging these retired members and to invite them to attend our meetings.

There are many NEA-R members who now reside in Hillsborough County. We are expecting an updated list from NEA-R soon. I will be calling on you to assist in this effort. Please plan to get involved.

You may call or text me at (813) 766-4390



<u> Happy Birthday!</u>

February Birthday Wishes

Geneva Murphy 02/01 Sherry Bowers 02/03
Elsie Alexander 02/05 Janet Naaktgeboren 02/06
Linda Pasetti 02/10 Joann Watkins 02/17
Mary Anne Pothier 02/23 Jim Roney 02/24

John Brown 02/26 Mary Brumley 02/2

Helen Marie Spieler 02/27

Harriet Hollyfield 02/27

Please let me know if I failed to list your birthday. My contact information is listed at the bottom of the President's Message.

News You Can Use

Our next meeting will be on February 18 at 10:00 AM. We will gather at the Shriners Hospital for Children. The facility is located on the University of South Florida campus, 12502 USF Pine Dr.[down the road from the botanical gardens]. There is plenty of paved parking. We will be the guest of Beth Ann Demas, RN, C., ONC. I taught her twins while at Buchanan Middle. You will be amazed at the pediatric care that is provided at this beautiful modern facility with no out of pocket cost to the families. The phone number is (813) 975-7115.

There is a very nice cafeteria and dinning area on site and we will be able to have lunch there following the meeting.

On March 18 we return to the CTA building at 3102 N. Habana Ave. At this meeting our speaker will be Dr. Gary Mormino guest speaker on Tampa's Italian immigrants and food..

On April 15 we will take cruise/tour of the port of Tampa. Details to follow.

Community Outreach

Please bring items to the meeting to assist the many families that Beth El helps each month.

Food Items: (Please note underlined items are a priority. They are asking for 1 lb. bags of rice and beans, and the 14 oz size of fruits and vegetables.)

Spaghetti sauce w/meat Canned Chili Canned Sloppy Joe Canned meats

Peanut butter Juices
Non-fat dry milk Jelly
Pasta/Macaroni Cereals

Graham Crackers
Mayonnaise
Coffee
Rice
Canned fruits
Canned vegetables
Evaporated milk
Sugar
Caffee
Canned fruits
Pinto beans
Mesca flour

Personal Items:

Priority needs are: toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, deodorant, linens, and towels.

School Supplies:

Due to the transient population that they serve, they are always in need of replenishing their supplies: Notebook paper, pencils, crayons, glue sticks, washable markers, and folders are always appreciated.



Gwendolyn Lamb



2015 NOMINATIONS FOR FEA-RETIRED DELEGATES TO THE FEA DELEGATE ASSEMBLY, NEA-R ANNUAL MEETING & NEA REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Nominations for FEA-Retired delegates to attend the annual FEA Delegate Assembly and the NEA-R Annual Meeting and NEA Representative Assembly are now open. YOU MUST BE A MEMBER TO BE NOMINATED You are responsible for all costs related to these meetings.

FEA Delegate Assembly

Based on our membership, FEA-R is entitled to 29 elected delegates to attend the 2015 FEA Delegate Assembly scheduled for October 15 – 17 in Orlando.

NEA-R Annual Meeting and NEA Representative Assemblies

FEA-R is entitled to 3 elected delegates to attend the 2015 NEA RA and the NEA-R Annual Meeting. The election covers both meetings to be held in Orlando, Florida. NEA-R Annual Meeting on June 28-29 and NEA RA from July 1 to July 6. FEA-R has allocated \$4000 to be equally divided among the delegates.

Nomination Form

You may nominate yourself or any other eligible FEA-R member (with their permission) on the nomination form printed below. Members are eligible to run for both assemblies. An elected delegate is expected to attend all sessions of the assembly and be seated with the FEA-R delegation.

Be sure to provide all necessary information.

Please return this form POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 21. Forms mailed after this postmarked date will not be considered. Nominees will be notified by e-mail (or phone) when their applications are received.

Election Process

If the number of candidates exceeds the number of delegates to be elected, FEA will mail a ballot to eligible voters. Marked ballots must be returned to the Election Committee for counting and certification of the results.

| DELEGATE NOMINATION FORM | | | | | | |
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| Name | | | | | _Male | _Female |
| Address | | | | | | |
| City | | _State | | Zip Code | | |
| Phone | E-Mail addre | ss | | | | |
| Check one: | American Indian/Alaska Native_ Hispanic | | Black_ Asian/P | _ acific Islander_ | White_ | |
| Check one or both: FEA Delegate Assembly NEA-R Annual Meeting and NEA RA | | | | | | |

Please note: If there is a need to distribute ballots in either of the above categories, the ballots will include brief statements from nominees who wish to provide such statements. To make a statement about why you want to be elected as a delegate to the FEA DA or the NEA-R Annual Meeting and NEA RA, please enclose the statement with your nomination form. Statements are limited to 25 words; if an application contains more than 25 words, only the first 25 words will be printed. Statements can be written on the reverse side of the nomination form.

Return the completed form to:

FEA-R Elections Committee 5881 SE 125 Place Belleview, FL 34420 DO NOT send it to Tallahassee