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President's Message

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Hillsborough Educators Association Retired

I am happy to report that we continue to collect annual dues and have received the payment from almost all of our annual members. Thanks to all of you who have sent in your dues. We are still looking for 42 of our annual members who have not yet rejoined. Please send your dues to John Streater in order to get your membership reinstated in HEA-R.

At our first meeting, which was held in September, we held the drawing to award eight lucky winners each with a \$25.00 Publix Gift Card. All members who had submitted their dues by August 31 were entered in this drawing. The winners were: Janet Burt, Carol Engstrom, James Parkhill, Wendy Carnahan, Nancy Burris, Marie Carothers, Burt Neumeier, and Kenneth Weber.

None of the winners were present to receive their prizes. The winners can pick up their prizes at our meeting in October or November. If the prizes are not claimed by the November meeting, we will have new drawing from the remaining qualified entrants. I look forward to seeing you! Congratulations to all of the winners!

As a member, we are all winners as we utilize all of the many discounts and services provided by our local, state and national organizations. Remember, your FEA-R membership card is your Access Card to many benefits. Please remember that you do not receive a new card each year. The cards issued are valid through 2016. If you have lost, misplaced, or cannot locate your membership card please notify me if you are in need of a replacement card. New members who do not receive a membership card within 6 weeks of joining our group should notify me and I will happily check on it for you.

I am here to serve you! You may reach me at



Happy Birthday!

October Birthday Wishes

Nancy Burris 10/01 Dorothy Henning 10/01

Roman Leal 10/01 Sara Bailey 10/03

John Vecellio 10/03 Glenda Keith 10/05

James Parkhill 10/04 Gary Rouillard 10/04

Sandra Maynard 10/08 Patricia Davis 10/08

Carol Williams 10/08 Eva James 10/09

Ann Marie Armstrong 10/11 Catherine Conover 10/12

Chuck Kiker 10/16 Daisy Wade 10/

Ethel Chester 10/24 Julia Jennings 10/27

Emma Ross 10/28 Dave Reddin 10/29

John Mattox 10/29 Dan Correll 10/31

Please notify me if I do not have your correct date of birth. See contact information provided in the President's letter.

News You Can Use

Our next meeting will be on October 15 at 10:00 AM. We will have our Annual Membership Recruitment Picnic at the new Ulele –Waterworks Park, which is located at 1710 N. Highland Avenue. There is free parking along both sides of Highland Avenue. Please remember that it is important to bring a prospective member to enjoy the day with us and show them what a wonderful organization that HEAR provides for all interested education retirees! Please RSVP for yourself and your prospective member. Please call Geneva to RSVP and to verify what delicious dish you will be bringing to our picnic. Geneva can be reached at (813) 621-2293.

The FEA-R Annual Meeting will occur on October 16 and the FEA Delegate Assembly will be held on October 16-18. At our meeting on November 20, your elected delegates to both of these important meetings will present reports on these events. Please plan to attend our monthly meetings in order to get the latest news from our state organizations.

On November 20 we will meet at the CTA building, which is located at 3102 North Habana Avenue. We will meet on the 4th floor. (Please take the elevator at the street level.)

We will be honored to welcome as our speaker Mr. Jack Espinosa who is a noted historian and former teacher. This will be a very informative and enjoyable meeting.

Please continue to help us to grow. The personal approach is always most effective. Please ask former colleagues and friends to join us for a meeting.

Community Outreach

Beth-El is now distributing food weekly to more than 625 families. Dave Moore, Executive Director, sends his sincere thanks for all of our help. In addition to collecting money at each meeting, I urge you to bring an item or two from the list below. Their food pantry is always in need of being replenished.

The underlined food items are in critical need. Please provide 1 lb. bags of rice and beans and the 14 oz cans of vegetables and fruit. (This makes it convenient to distribute the items to more families without the need for repackaging.)

Canned Chili Spaghetti sauce w/meat **Canned Sloppy Joe Canned meats** Peanut butter Juices Non-fat dry milk **Jelly** Pasta/macaroni Cereals **Instant grits Instant oatmeal Graham Crackers** Sugar Mayonnaise Coffee Corn oil **Canned fruits Canned vegetables** Pinto beans

Please Note:

Evaporated milk

Rice

Since many of the families that Beth-El services change often throughout the school year, school supplies are a continuing need as new families arrive.

Meseca flour

Please bring any items that will fit within your budget. I appreciate your help with this project.



Paula Maczynski Harriet Hollyfield Christine Outten Roman Leal

Welcome! I look forward to seeing you at our October meeting!