

## Your Union, Your Voice Your Newsletter

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Hesperia Teachers Association

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As we are enjoying our break and reflecting on the past year, we thought we would start the newsletter with some humor:



#### 35 Things You Never Thought You'd Say Until You Became a Teacher

"We Are Teachers" asked their Facebook fans to share some of the most surprising things they've said as a teacher. Here are some of our favorites.

#### "Please don't bite me."

Lori B. says this was met with, "Oh, I wasn't going to bite you. I just wanted to lick you."

#### "Don't microwave the baby."

Giving kids time for free play is good, but it's still good to encourage good behavior.

#### "Don't touch his Woody without his permission."

Chris W. said this after a student tried to take a classmate's Toy Story toy.

#### "Why do you have your grandma's false teeth?"

And we want to know: Does grandma know about this?

#### "Why do you have fried chicken in your pocket?"

This takes snacking to a new level.

#### "We can't chew gum that we find on the bathroom floor."

I mean, we can—but we shouldn't.

#### "No, I do not want to see your scientist underwear."

The teacher did add, "I'm sure it's super cool though."

#### "Did you just put banana in my coffee?"

The answer was yes.

#### "Turn off your shoes!"

Yes, those light-up shoes can be turned off with a button.

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#### Your Rep. Council

#### **Canyon Ridge**

Dennis Canady

#### Carmel

Barbara Beechum Deanna Sanders

#### Cedar

Sarah Smith Jeff Smith

#### Cottonwood

Robert Balder Penny Hale

#### **Eucalyptus**

Phoebe Gutierrez Elsa Valdez

#### DO

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Carolyn Stayton

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#### Hesperia High School

Barbara Howard Kate Gentilucci Maq McNair Michelle Rodriguez

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Caitlyn Nealey Cindy Walker

#### Joshua Circle

Lorelei Bibler Samantha Wharton

#### Juniper

Danise Moyer Miya Narvaiz-Ward

#### **Kingston**

**Brittany Majors** 

#### **Outgoing President's Message**

By Tom Kerman

As we end another school year and look towards the next year, I too am winding down my tenure as your president. Over the last ten years we have ridden this roller coaster together. Our victories have brought us success, but our failures have made us grow. We are the voice for our students, our colleagues and ourselves. We are the the professionals with the education, experience and knowledge and the the voice to communicate and organize our community for the respect, dignity and equity that we and our students deserve. It has been my honor and privilege to stand side by side with you in support of each other.

#### Thank You!

#### **Incoming President's Message**

By Jim Resvaloso

As we begin another school year, I wanted to take some time to reach out to you to introduce myself and let you know my vision for our association. I grew up in San Bernardino. I attended CSUSB where I received my B.A. and Later an M.A. I have been teaching in Hesperia Unified for seventeen years.

In our current climate of highly charged politics and divisive rhetoric I think it is important that we, as educators, continue to support each other in order to foster an environment where teachers, and by extension their students, can develop and thrive. In order to provide our students with the best educational experience possible, it is vitally important that we recruit and retain the most highly qualified teachers available. I believe that this is best done through insuring that our members are treated fairly and equitably, given opportunities to care for and develop themselves, and are compensated appropriately for their levels of expertise, training, and experience.

The Hesperia Teachers Association we would like to thank our outgoing officers for their hard work and personal sacrifice on behalf of our members.

Thank you Tom Kerman, Jim Garrett and Rebekah Swanson!

#### Krystal

Jamie Barnhardt

#### Lime

Christine Robinson Oren Zebooloon

#### Maple

Jeffrey Hunt Misty Victor

#### Mesa Grande

Kim Kelly

#### **Mesquite Trails**

Laurie Krause Alicia Romero

#### **Mission Crest**

Aaron Carr Teri Jo Muzquiz

#### Mojave

Laura Griffith

#### Oak Hills

Steve Trudeau Sean Shea Jim Kutch Ray Cortina Joe Kulm

#### Ranchero

Lynette Erfurth Alfred Carillo

#### **Shadow Ridge**

Jim Fowler

#### Sultana

Shane Haldeman Hector Armendariz Brett Simmons Paul Mog

#### Topaz

Wendy Spears Robin Thomas

#### **Election Results**

The four officer seats were up for election this year. The election was announced at March Rep Council as per the By-Laws. In addition to information brought back by reps, the timeline and process were posted on the website's main page at www.hesperiateachers.com.

Total voters for ballot: 298 (27.8% of 1070 total codes)

#### **President**

271 total voters

Jim Resvaloso: 265 votes (97.4%)

#### **Vice President**

284 total voters

Paula Kondratko: 281 votes (98.6%)

#### Secretary

286 total voters

Shane Haldeman: 196 votes (68.2%) Rebekah Swanson: 90 votes (31.5%)

#### **Treasurer**

273 total voters

Christine Robinson: 271 votes (98.9%)

#### **CTA State Representatives**

286 total voters

Dennis Canady: 104 votes (36.0%) Paula Kondratko: 180 votes (62.9%)

#### **Dates to Remember**

School Board Meeting (6 pm to 9 pm)

Monday, August 5

Teacher Workday - School Year Begins

Wednesday, August 7
First Day of School

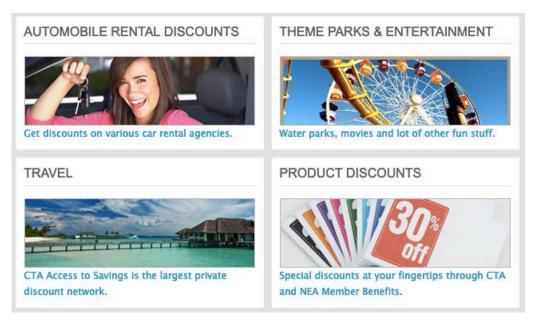
Monday, August 12

HTA Social @ Johnny Carino's (3 pm to 6 pm)

Friday, August 30

### Remember as we continue our summer plans that CTA members have access to many discounts. Don't miss out!

Did you know there are over 325,000 members of CTA? Because of our purchasing power, we are able to negotiate valuable benefits, programs and services for our members



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# ACADEMIC FREEDOM COMMITTEE

## WE WANT YOUR STORIES!!!

We are collecting member experiences and questions about Academic Freedom in your classrooms and at your schools. We are looking for a variety of grade levels, schools, districts, and more. Your concerns are our concerns! We will use your stories to further develop our CTA policy and to create resources for members and presidents to use. Use the link below to submit your story.

https://bit.ly/2WkGErE