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President's Message

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Hillsborough Educators Association - Retired

Have you renewed your annual H.E.A.R. membership?

Annual memberships must be renewed prior to the end of August to remain in good standing with NEA/AFT/FEA Retired. Secure the benefits you enjoy as a member by mailing them now. If your membership is allowed to lapse then your name will be removed from the roles and you will jeopardize your existing benefits.

We are offering an incentive gift card drawing in September for those that submit their dues prior to August 31. There will be several winners but you must claim your prize before the December meeting.

The renewal dues are currently **\$56** payable to "**HEAR**" [NEA-R, FEA-R, AFT & HEA-R]

Mail to: **Merrilyn Crosson**
1708 Woodbine Drive
Brandon, FL 33510

Lifetime memberships are currently available at \$450. For monthly payments contact Merrilyn: merrilynkay@aol.com.

Note: We have been notified that lifetime dues will increase \$50 next year. Now is a good time to upgrade an annual membership to a lifetime membership.

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Remember to **submit your annual dues prior to August 31**. As an incentive to pay your dues on time, we will be awarding several members a \$25 Publix gift card. We already have many who have their names eligible for the gift card drawing, which will be held on September 12, 2018. In addition to the possibility of getting the gift card, you have the certainty of getting multiple benefits through your NEA/AFT/FEA/HEA-R membership.

We are sad to announce that HEA-R member Yvonne Lipke passed away on July 25.

Happy Birthday!

August Birthday Wishes

Patricia Brinser 08/03	Russell Patterson 08/06
Leslie Butler 08/07	Dessie Williams 08/08
Nancy Tokarz 08/09	Sharon Hogan 08/10
Renada Knott 08/11	Avis Chaplick 08/11
Gordon Johnston 08/12	Sharon Wingo 08/14
Judie White 08/18	Janice Stewart 08/19
Joyce Carroll 08/21	John Carmody 08/22
Donna Violette 08/22	Carol Ayers 08/23
Paula Marczynski 08/23	JoAnn Rudes 08/23
Willie Thomas 08/24	Pat Lantis 08/25
Naomi Ryan 08/26	Sue Creekmore 08/27
Lois Plaag 08/29	Alice Brayton 08/30
Jeanette Trotter 08/30	Diana DeNitto 08/31
Cheryl Burnett 08/31	Leitha Seidl 08/31

Please let me know if I miss your birthday! Thanks.

News You Can Use

The Executive Board met on July 18th. At this meeting the board reviewed all of your suggestions for speakers and /or venues to visit. Sue Harmon, our program chairperson is now contacting speakers and making reservations. We will have information regarding our speakers soon.

Teachers return on August 2nd and students on August 10th this year. **Our first meeting for the 2018-2019 meeting year will be held on Wednesday, August 15, 2018.**

We will continue our regular meetings at the HCTA Building, which is located at 3102 N. Habana Avenue, Tampa 33607. Our meeting will begin at 10:00 AM. However, we would like to have you come 15-30 minutes early to get time to socialize before our meeting.

The following Delegates will attend the FEA-R Annual Retiree Meeting, which will be held on October 11th in Orlando.

They are: **Rich Lucas, Harrietta Willis, Carl & Merrilyn Crosson.**

Alternates (in the event that one of our delegates is unable to attend) are: **Sue Huttig, John Manning and John Streater.**

Russ Patterson is registered as a guest.

Automatic Delegate is: **Candy L. Gale, President.** Information about location and times will be sent to each delegate in the near future.

The State organization, FEA-R is collecting classroom books for FYRE, passing on books from retired teachers to young educators.

They are also collecting new and gently used purses filled with toiletries to give to women in a homeless shelter in Orlando. I have three ready to go!

If you have these items please give them to one of our members who will be attending before October 11.

Community Outreach

Beth-El is now distributing food weekly to more than 630 families. 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.)

Spaghetti sauce w/meat	Canned Chili
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	<u>Canned fruits</u>
<u>Canned vegetables</u>	<u>Pinto beans</u>
<u>Rice</u>	Meseca flour
Evaporated milk	

Please Note:

Now is a good time to start shopping for school supplies. The back-to-school sales have now begun. Let's help send the children back to school with lots of school supplies.

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

New Members

Susan Buchanan Jean Clements Faye Cook Donna Crowder Kenneth Perry B. Lynn Smith

Welcome Back! I look forward to seeing you all August 15th!