

# HEAReporter

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## President's Message Candy Gale, President

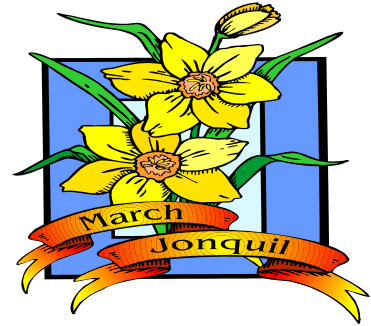
Our last meeting was February 19 at CTA. Yvonne Marone from Guardian ad Litem told us about training for volunteers, working with an attorney and a case manager, and earning respect from judges in court appearances. Carl and Merrillyn Crosson shared their experiences as guardians for 14 years, talking to children in their care about positive choices and being their advocate in court. There are always openings for volunteers!

Please note: Our next meeting is March 18 at the **Botanical Gardens**, a 16-acre green space showcasing 3,000 plants. Group admission is \$6.00 per person. They take cash, check or credit card. Meet us at 12210 USF Pine Drive, Tampa, 33612, at 10 am. Wear walking shoes and bring a hat!

April's meeting will be back at CTA with a motivational speaker.

Speak up for schools! It's not too late to get updates from FEA. Text the word "edactivist" to 31996 for a quick and easy way to contact your legislators and support public education.

HB1 is a bill that will hurt union membership. Go to Hillsborough County Legislative Delegation and tell them to vote NO to sign-up delays and dropping annual renewals of union membership.



## Happy MARCH Birthday!

- 01: Ed Hess
- 02: Daisy Wade
- 04: Dee Perry
- 05: Mirta Martinez
- 07: Paula McQuillan
- 09: Gladys Mitchell
- 09: Susan Buchanan
- 14: Barbara Henderson
- 18: Gwendolyn Lamb
- 24: Linda Harmon
- 29: Ed Fabian

*Please let me know if I missed your birthday.*  
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## CENSUS 2020

Postcards will be sent out on March 12. We can respond online at [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov) or reply by mail or phone. Our information determines how much funding Florida receives so tell your friends and family.

Ballots for delegates to the Annual FEA Assembly in Orlando and the NEA meeting in Atlanta will come out soon. Check the list for HEA-R members. Thank you for your vote!

### NOTICES

*Nominations for next year's open HEA-R offices will be coming up very soon. President, Membership Chair, and the Second District will be open for nomination. Please consider if you would help by putting your name in for nomination. Your union needs YOU!!!*

The Election committee will present the slate of nominees at the April meeting and an election will be held at the May meeting.

NOTE: Our Staff appreciation luncheon is scheduled for May.

### In Remembrance

Marla Rouillard passed away recently. She had helped ESP's to organize before they joined HCTA. After retirement, Marla and Bill Roberts started HEA-R. Sympathy cards can be sent to her husband Gary, a retired teacher, at PO Box 892, Floral City, FL 34436.

# 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
Instant grits	Instant oatmeal
Graham Crackers	Sugar
Mayonnaise	Coffee
<u>Rice</u>	<u>Canned fruits</u>
<u>Canned vegetables</u>	<u>Pinto beans</u>
Evaporated milk	Meseca 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.

**Please bring clothing items to the meeting to assist the many families Hillsborough County School Social Workers distribute to needy families through Oasis.**

## New Members

Welcome to Roberta Washington.

