

President's Message

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Hillsborough Educators Association Retired

Our picnic at Tampa's Eureka Springs Park was delightful. The weather was bright and sunny and the surroundings were very beautiful. Thank you to Sue Harmon for arranging a lovely picnic and to all those that brought the delicious dishes and necessary supplies.

Halloween has passed and holiday season music is playing in the retail stores. We are quickly approaching the merry season. Our meeting this month, Nov 15th at HCTA with our speaker from the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), Joe McAuliffe. Next meeting will be December 13th. Our holiday season luncheon at the Golden Corral located in Temple Terrace at 11:00 AM.

In the spirit of thankfulness, it is important to remember Beth-El in their endeavor to provide for the less fortunate. Willie Norwood will be collecting the items as listed in this Reporter. Also, monetary donations will be greatly appreciated. Make checks out to H.E.A.R. and memo Beth-El.

Looking forward to seeing all of you November 15th at the HCTA building.

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Happy Birthday!

November Birthday Wishes

Allen Levy 11/01	Suzanne Bopp 11/0
Jo Anna Helak 11/03	Carolyn Hash 11/10
Juanita Cook 11/13	Stan Swanson 11/14
George Schultz 11/18	Gwen Drapela 11/22
Jeanie Russo 11/23	Rene Tamargo 11/25
Eura Robinson 11/26	Debra Graff 11/28

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

On November 15th we will meet at the CTA Building, which is located at 3102 North Habana Avenue. As always, our meeting will begin at 10:00 AM. Please plan to arrive by 9:45 AM in order to enjoy coffee, snacks, and a wonderful social time together.

In December we will enjoy our holiday luncheon at the Golden Corral Restaurant in Temple Terrace. This meeting will be held on December 13th. We will have more information about this holiday tradition in the December Newsletter.

I continue to ask for your help with recruitment. We all need to work together to build our organization. Many of the current teachers are beginning to age out to drop and retirement.

Several of you have taken advantage of our monthly installment payments plan toward a lifetime membership. Lifetime memberships protect you from future dues increases and you're able to maintain the NEA/AFT/FEA discounts and benefits and association with the AFL-CIO and FLARA. While recruitment is very important, there is another aspect to our organization's growth and strength that is equally crucial! That is the retention of our annual members. Membership and involvement is key! Come and join us at our monthly meetings. Make some new friends.

Community Outreach

Beth-El is now distributing food weekly to more than 625 families. Kathy Dain, Executive Director, sends her 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.)

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>	<u>Meseca flour</u>
Evaporated milk	

Please Note:

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.

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

New Members

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