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President's Message

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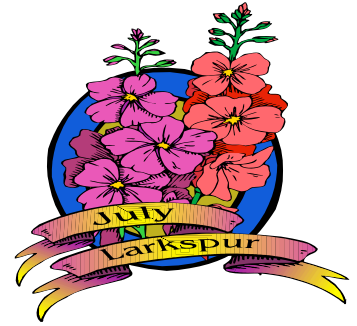
Happy Summer to every one of you. I hope you had a good and safe 4th of July. Your Board has been at work planning next year's meetings. As of now we are planning for in-person meetings on the 4th floor of the CTA Building. I hope to see you then. Our first meeting is set for August 17, 2022 at 10:00 am. Scheduled speaker will be Rob Kriete, Present of CTA, who will give a 'State of the Union Address', talking about recent happenings in CTA. After the meeting we will have our 2022 CTA Staff appreciation luncheon. It will be box lunches, since we are still watching and following CDC protocol. All members attending the meeting are welcome to attend, however you will need to pre-order your lunch. Information for ordering and menu selections will be given in the August Reporter.

Back to School membership packet stuffing is set for the week of July 25th. You are welcome to participate. Volunteers are asked to arrive around 10:00 am each day. For more information, please contact CTA at (813) 238-7902.

Your HEA-R Board met on Tuesday June 28, 2022. Speakers were selected and 'Field Trips' were discussed. Since we have no Program Committee Chair, various board members are contacting potential speakers and venues. We hope to have a schedule of activities next month. Please reserve the third Wednesday of each month August through May (2nd Wednesday in December & March) for HEA-R meetings & events.

We are now accepting Contributions for 2022 Innovative Grants. Please send your donations to Barb Toepke. If you are interested in being a Grant reader/evaluator this year, contact Dale ASAP at desfeardd7@yahoo.com

Vice President's Report - Stephen Tabin - As we remember the freedom we celebrated just a few days ago, I urge you to demonstrate that freedom. Your Vote Matters for all of us. The Election of US Senators and of the President of the United States matters. Among other things, they approve new US Supreme Court Judges, who then make decisions for all of us, for decades to come. Please vote in the Florida Primaries in August, and Vote in the Mid-Term Elections this November. **Your Vote Matters for all of us.**



Happy Birthday!

Jacqueline Mentor	07/01
Nancy Lambert	07/07
Mary Davis	07/08
Jessie Finlayson	07/08
Mary Woods	07/09
Barbara Toepke	07/10
Jill McDannold	07/11
Rosemarie Berrios	07/13
Carroll Mitchell	07/14
Flo Felicione	07/16
Arlessa Kubon	07/16
Marilyn Dupree	07/17
Yvonne Lyons	07/22
John Streater	07/22
Donna Crowder	07/23
Harrietta Willis	07/25
Shirley Lloyd	07/27
Aileen Pelham	07/29

Please notify me if I do not have your correct date of birth. Thank you. Sue

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Welcome New Member

Kelly Willis



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News You Can Use

FEA Power Hour is a once-a-month zoom call with President Andrew Spar and staff. Sign up at www.feaweb.org/powerhour to hear the latest news and make a few phone calls to help public schools and employees.

Volunteer Hours for June can be sent to Jim Roney at 813-205-5669 or jimroney53@gmail.com. Keep track of hours spent working with charities and faith groups, friends and neighbors, extended family, and community organizations & report them to Jim.

Treasurer's Report- Barb Toepke

Membership Renewals are due by August 17.

Instructional dues remain at \$56 while ESP dues are now \$37. Dues include HEA-R, FEA-R, NEA-R and AFT-R, and allow members to continue NEA benefits. Contact treasurer Barb Toepke at 813-439-7481 or btoepke504@gmail.com with any questions.

Medicare turns 57 on July 30th! Celebrate senior healthcare by asking our senators to protect it. Go to retiredamericans.org to read more and to take action with two simple steps. We are members of the ARA, Retired Americans through our NEA and FEA dues.

Owl's Nest Sanctuary for Wildlife brought a baby flying squirrel and an American Kestrel to our meeting in May. Kris Porter, a Licensed Rehabber and the founder of Owl's Nest, said that 75% of her work is education on the phone. When people call 813-598-5926 to report wounded wild animals, volunteers like our member Suzy Buchanan will pick them up and take them to the sanctuary or to a veterinarian. Owl's Nest has rehabilitated deer, foxes, coyotes, bobcats, racoons, possums, cranes, falcons, owls, and squirrels. Go to www.owlnestsanctuaryforwildlife.com to learn more.

Community Outreach

Concerning charities that HEA-R Supports:

At its June 28 HEA-R Board Meeting, the board decided that for the 2022 - 2023 school year it will again take up cash collections for Beth-El at each meeting. Members will also be encouraged to take their gently used clothing items to an "OASIS" drop off box. Boxes are located in New Tampa, South Tampa and Valrico. Meals on Wheels has reached out to us for volunteers. Please call them at [\(813\) 238-8410](tel:(813)238-8410) to volunteer.

