# **RPEA RIVERSIDE**

Retired Public Employees' Association of California Chapter 15 Riverside California Area VI Issue 2 of 4 - 2024



## YOU ARE INVITED To Join Us For Lunch!

- WHEN: Thursday, March 28, 2024
- TIME: 11:30a.m. TO 2:00p.m.
- WHERE: Meeting Room D Janet Goeske Community Center 5257 Sierra St., Riverside

### **Reservations are Required**

- RSVP: by March 15
- TO: Andy Stonebreaker
- TEXT: 951-830-4936
- EMAIL: stoney-55@hotmail.com
- CALL: 951-830-4936
- COST: \$-0- for Chapter 15 members and First Time Guests

**MENU:** Hawaiian chicken, Rice pilaf, Stir fry veggies, Green salad, Rolls & butter, Water, Coffee, and Assorted cookies!

### PROGRAM: Dean Roche, HICAP

Volunteer Training Specialist Dean, from the Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program (HICAP), will deliver a presentation on the various components of Medicare, including coverage, exclusions, associated costs, and essential considerations. Feel free to bring forth any inquiries you may have. Remember, many of us share the same questions, so please ask yours.



## MAKE A DONATION

The Goeske Pantry needs non-perishable food items and toiletries (unopened and not expired). Items in high demand include:

- Vegetables Canned or Dried, Beans, Legumes, Low Sodium
- Fruits Canned or Dried, Packed in Water, No Added Sugar
- Cereal Oatmeal, Whole Grains, etc.
- Pop Tops Easy Open Lids
- Meats: Fish, Chicken, Jerky, Etc.
- Milk: Shelf Stable or Powdered
- Toiletries/Household Items Shampoo, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Detergent, etc.

#### SAVE THESE 2024 LUNCHEON DATES! MARCH 28 **MAY 23 SEPTEMBER 26 NOVEMBER 14**

Welcome, Chapter 15 - Riverside Retirees, to the season of renewal and rejuvenation!

As the vibrant colors of spring paint the landscape around us.may this season bring you endless opportunities for exploration, relaxation, and basking in the beauty that surrounds you.

Take delight in the blossoming flowers, the gentle warmth of the sun, and the melodies of birdsong that fill the air. Embrace each moment with joy and gratitude as you savor the freedom and leisure that retirement offers.

Whether you're strolling along the coast, driving through majestic forests, or simply enjoying a peaceful moment in the garden, may this spring be a time of fulfillment and contentment for you all.

Here's to the start of a season filled with endless possibilities and unforgettable experiences.





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We're thrilled to extend our warmest greetings to each of you as you join your local community of CalPERS retirees. Your presence enriches our chapter, and we're excited to embark on this journey together.

At RPEA Chapter 15, you'll find a supportive network of individuals who share your experiences, interests, and passions. Whether you're looking to connect with fellow retirees, participate in engaging activities, or contribute to meaningful causes, you've found the perfect place.

As you settle in, we encourage you to take advantage of all the opportunities available to you within our chapter.

Thank you for choosing to be a part of our vibrant community. We look forward to getting to know you and creating lasting memories together. Welcome aboard!



### **Senior Targeted SCAMS**

Community members have reported receiving suspicious telephone calls from young people claiming to be their grandchildren. These scammers asked for money for medical expenses, to avoid arrest, post bail or to purchase food. You are strongly encouraged to contact local law enforcement, or an allied government agency, before providing these scammers any money or personal information. Other scams include:

- Government impostor scams. ...
- Elder financial abuse. ...
- False investment scams. ...
- Tech support scams. ...
- Robocalls and phishing messages. ...
- Sweepstakes and elder lottery scams. ...
- Romance scams.

#### **Curtailing Abuse Related to the Elderly (CARE)**

Older community members are most often targeted and victimized in these cases. Riverside County residents who are 65 years or older, or dependent adults (18 to 64 years old) can contact the Department of Public Social Services Adult Services Division CARE Program at any time for assistance. CARE provides education to seniors and dependent adults, and one-on-one advocacy to those who need assistance filing complaints.

#### **CARE Program** (800) 476-7506

#### **Recruiting for Luncheon Chair**



The Chapter 15 - Luncheon Chair is an RPEA Board position responsible for organizing the five luncheon meetings held in January, March, May, September and November. Your role is to coordinate with Thomas Catering on planning the menu, managing RSVPs, and communicating with catering staff on the day of the event. Our Luncheon Chair plays a key role in creating enjoyable and successful dining experiences for Chapter 15 members and guests. Let's EAT!!

#### On the Lighter Side ... What do you call a person who is happy on a Monday?



Answer: Retired

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT January 2024

Active: 555 Chapter Associates.: 1 State Associates: **Beneficiary: 39** Affiliates: 4

Annie James, Membership Chair



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