

Retired Public Employees' Association Chapter 043 - Yolo County, Area VII

3RD Quarter, 2021

We are active and retired California public employees working together to maintain and improve the quality of the lives of our members by protecting and improving retirement, medical and other benefits.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 2021 CRACCHIOLO'S, 1320 E. MAIN, WOODLAND, 11:30 AM

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MEETING DATE CHANGE THURSDAY AUGUST 19, 2021



CHAPTER 43 PRESIDENT

WELCOME BACK EVERYONE TO LUNCH AT CRACCHIOLO'S

Hi everyone,

I hope this message finds you in good health, happy and excited about the future. It's time for us to finally meet for an "in person" membership meeting. Wow did I really say that, yes I did. I am excited to once again be able to see all of you at our quarterly



membership meeting. Along with our meeting we'll have our usual lunch and also update you on everything that's going on with CAL-PERS relating to your retirement. I'm like you, I want to know my retirement is protected and available to me for many years to come.

A couple of things I should remind you of. Yolo County has mandated the wearing of face masks while indoors, so we'll have to require the same thing at our meeting. Yolo County said even if you have been vaccinated masks are required. This, I don't understand but we'll follow the rules and ask that you wear a mask when you come to the meeting. We all want to be as safe as possible and I'm sure we're all accustomed to wearing them now anyway.

Please come join us. It'll be great to see you all again.

Chuck Kolb, President, R.P.E.A. Chapter 43



ONLINE MEMBER RENEWAL

Members wishing to pay online for their membership renewals should use the following link:

https://store.rpea.com/products/single

-membership-renewal

VOLUNTEER HOURS AND SOME THOUGHTS TOO

As I started to write this short article, a number of thoughts really did cross my mind. It has truly been a long and difficult journey trying to navigate our way through a little over 14 months of a pandemic. It seemed that nothing was stable and the very fabric of our lives



seemed to be ripped. People seemed to react in three different ways.

Some people shut down emotionally and mentally. They stayed inside their homes, watched TV, read new or rehashed information and vegetated. They were literally paralyzed with fear and dread.

Another group denied the existence of COVID-19 and resolutely believed that news reports were fake news. They tried to go about life as normal and were often frustrated by anyone who did not agree with them or prevented them from reaching their goal. They certainly livened things up for the rest of us still sitting at home.

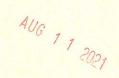
Finally, there was another group of people who were concerned and cautious, but not paralyzed. When it was safe, they ventured out and about, even if it was only their backyards in the beginning. This group of people became bored with looking at television and meditating on their navels and began to look for ways to stimulate their minds. They used whatever electronic means were at their disposal to communicate and support each other. They also found ways to safely volunteer in their communities. I applaud anyone who was able to volunteer during this time, no matter the level of time donated. It is my hope that we are coming out of the dark days of COVID-19.

As a Chapter, we will have our first face to face meeting on August 19. I cannot tell you how much I am looking forward to sitting at the table, checking you in, and giving you a set of bingo cards for our Virtual Bingo Game. It will also be a good opportunity to nag you about those volunteer hours you have neglected to send in. We will enjoy some camaraderie and food and for just a few moments forget the horror and pain of the last 14+ months.

Loran Vetter, Chapter Secretary



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VIEW FROM THE BLEACHERS

I've been a member of RPEA for around 30 years as I joined RPEA 10 years before I retired. I joined because I felt there was a lack of information on issues we'd soon be facing in retirement.

Alas, nowadays there is a plethora of information, with opinions on any subject you could think of and even some you'd never have thought of.

Hence it is important to try to keep abreast of things that are of concern to you using reliable information sources. For retirement and CAL-PERS issues, RPEA is a good one.

There are also non-retirement issues such as COVID-19, election recalls, climate change and so on . . . that we as voters need to be aware of. And I personally recommend visiting, as needed, Aunty Acid and Maxine cartoons. Eric Thompson, Davis





LUNCHEON DETAILS

Please RSVP by August 16th
THEME IS FIESTA

Member lunch cost is only \$5.00

Guest lunch cost is \$20.00

Meal will be Taco Bar/Drinks/Dessert

FREE BINGO with \$20.00 PRIZES

DOOR PRIZE OF \$25.00 AWARDED

CALL 530-662-9985 TO RSVP

PLEASE WEAR
YOUR MASK



Welcome To Chapter 43

David Levin

Davis

Henry Lopez

Vacaville

In Memoriam

Estaban Mendoza

Díxon

Virginia Svihovec

Woodland

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Second Thursdays at Cracchiolo's Hall, 11:30AM: August 19, 2021 November 11, 2021 February 10, 2022 May 12, 2022

BOARD & NEWSLETTER, COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Second Mondays, 1 PM, Raley's Meeting Room:
October 11, 2021
January10, 2022
April 11, 2022
July 11, 2022

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