



RPEA NEWS AND VIEWS

Retired Public Employees' Association of California
Chapter 048 Hemet – San Jacinto, Area VI

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We are California public employees who are working together to maintain and improve the quality of our members' lives by protecting and improving our retirement and medical benefits. RPEA members include retirees and their beneficiaries, those public employees who are currently employed, family, friends, and others who share our goals.

We welcome everyone!

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Join us for a Happy Holiday Luncheon!

When? Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2019 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where? The Sizzler, 4762 W. Florida Ave., Hemet

Be sure to RSVP by Dec. 4.

Phone Sharri at 951-654-8965, Carol at 951-306-0336, or Linda at 951-784-1060. Or email lindaandwes@aol.com. Give name (with correct spelling) and phone number for each attendee.

Lunch Price: RPEA Member: \$7 Spouse of member: \$7
New member attending for the first time: FREE
Non-member: First time – FREE; thereafter - \$12

What's planned? A delicious lunch, friendly conversation, election of chapter officers, a fun gift exchange and FOUR \$25 DRAWINGS. (You must be present and a chapter member to win!)



Participate in our gift exchange by bringing a holiday-wrapped gift valued between \$5 to \$10 suitable for either a man or woman.





Welcome to Our Newest Chapter Members!!!!

Elaine Brown	Perris	Sherrie Risen	Murrieta
Constance Caballero	San Jacinto	Samuel Salazar	Hemet
Preciosa Carter	Temecula	David Soto	Hemet
Raymond Cline	Desert Hot Springs	Larry Stockton	Hemet
Patricia Kile	Anza	Bill Tracy	Nuevo
Terrill McCarty	Lake Elsinore	Michele Tracy	Nuevo
Yasmin Medina	Texas	Sandra Washington	Menifee
Donald Palmer	Murrieta	William Watson	Temecula

“NEW AND IMPROVED” RPEA WEBSITE

Go to **rpea.com** to access the state RPEA website. Click on “Retired Public Employees of California (RPEA)” to fill in a membership application; to learn about health, dental, vision and other insurance available for members; to read about current issues important to retirees; and to order RPEA logo items such as polo shirts and caps. Members can order Sees’ Candy certificates (\$4 savings per pound). Click on “Chapters” to find each chapter’s location, meeting dates and current newsletters. [Hemet Chapter 48 is listed under Area VI.] If you’ve moved and want to find a new chapter to join, use this website to find one. Everything is “user friendly”!



In Remembrance

Kay Butler	Hemet
John Garcia	Bakersfield
Norma Savage	Hemet

CHAPTER 048 LEADERSHIP

Sonny Gillespie, President	951-492-0787	Robert McMahan, Membership	951-256-6757
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Dennis Kaczor, Past President		951-454-7241	
Susan Nelson, Area VI Director 909-794-2017 (Please leave message with name & chapter number.)			



HELP WANTED: CHAPTER OFFICERS

We need two chapter members to “step up” and take the positions of Recording Secretary and Chapter Treasurer. Here are brief job descriptions:

- ❖ Recording Secretary accepts emails from RPEA Headquarters, provides agendas and (following each luncheon) takes minutes for Board meetings
- ❖ Treasurer writes checks (6 each quarter), cashiers at lunches, reconciles the checkbook, once a year fills in a one-page financial report, gives the Treasurer’s Report at meetings, and “keeps an eye” on the budget.

Phone Linda at 951-784-1060 for more details and to let us know you’re interested. We need you!

CALPERS BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

In the election for the position as representative of retired CalPERS members, unofficial results indicate the incumbent and current CalPERS Board President Henry Jones received 76,570 votes (65.82%). Challenger J.J. Jelincic received 39,495 votes (34.18%). Election results are considered unofficial until formal certification by the California Secretary of State.

LTC CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT UPDATE

In the lawsuit against CalPERS, after two mediation sessions, a third was scheduled for mid-November. The trial has been continued to April 13, 2020.

RPEA RECRUITMENT GOALS MET

AMBIA, the company that provides for our Member Benefits, brought in 1,721 new RPEA members during 2018-2019. In addition, RPEA’s own recruitment efforts brought in 688 new members. When you join RPEA, you become eligible for discounts on a wide variety of insurance—vision, dental, hearing aids, identity theft, travel, medical emergency air services, long-term care and much more. Some people choose to become RPEA members as a cost-effective way to afford insurance. For example, you may have adult children or friends who need coverage. To get details, phone RPEA Headquarters at 1-800-443-7732. AMBIA has a sales force that was created specifically to serve California.

CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 512

The state RPEA Legislative Committee is keeping an eye on SB512 which is designed to create a framework to provide a managed cash benefit to spend on long-term care services and supports (LTSS). We await details.

It would bring relief to middle-class Californians since it targets families who earn too much to qualify for Medi-Cal but too little to afford LTC insurance or to pay out-of-pocket for LTSS services.

NOTE: The bill was developed in concert with the California Aging and Disability Alliance (CADA) which includes 20 statewide groups.



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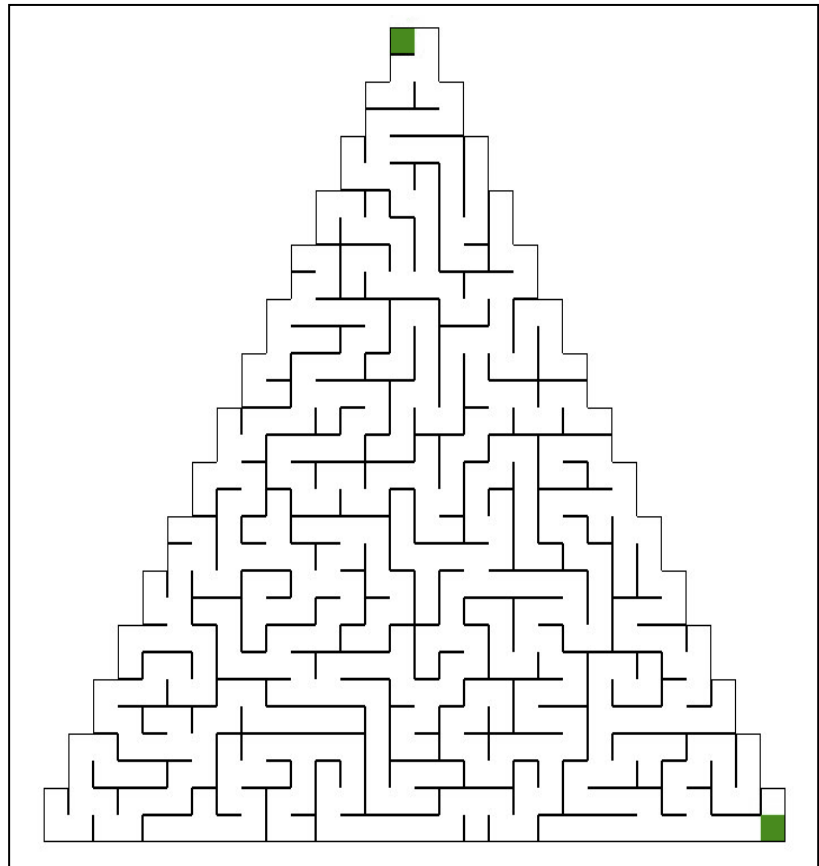
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**PLEASE SAVE THESE
2020 LUNCHEON
DATES**

- March 11**
- June 10**
- Sept. 9**
- Dec. 9**



Know someone who might be interested in joining RPEA? Please share this invitation!