

Next Meeting

January 8, 2019

11:30am Hometown Buffet Moonlite Shopping Center El Camino/Kiely-Santa Clara

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Retired Public Employees' Association Mission City Chapter #61 January 2019 Newsletter

Program: To Be Announced at Meeting



President's Report.....Rick Mauck

Welcome to the New Year everyone – hope everyone's holidays were joyful! Good news - we got our annual Chapter Financial Report and report on our 2018/19 Chapter officers to RPEA International as required. I will try to do a good job as President, but let me know if I forgot something! Bill Wallace is going to help so I think I will be okay. In addition, he has agreed to continue doing the legislative updates and be involved with the regional committee work - thank you Bill!



1st VP/Legislative Chair......Bill Wallace

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season, as my family and I did. I cannot believe an entire year has passed, but here we are in 2019. In January 2019, we face new legislative challenges - those who are dedicated to destroying public employee pensions will renew their efforts. It is our responsibility to spot challenges to our retirement security and root them out.

The most import event on the legal front is that the California Supreme Court will be making a decision on "The California Rule," which holds that public workers enter a contract with their employer on the day they begin employment and that their pension coverage cannot be diminished unless replaced with similar coverage. Courts in California have upheld this rule in a series of legal decisions since 1955.

This is also the time to decide if healthcare an important issue to you. Do you feel you have adequate coverage at a reasonable cost? Would "Medicare for all" or a California single payer program be an improvement? Should "Medicare for all" or a similar healthcare improvement be supported by RPEA?

In January, many public employees are just starting their retirement and RPEA needs help from these retirees to fight renewed efforts to strip away retirement security. Let's work to bring these folks on board, because they are the key to the success of RPEA. With renewed vigor, we must make this an outstanding year for the recruitment of new RPEA members.



Secretary.....Sandy Myers

Meeting convened at 12:05 p.m. by President Rick Mauck. Rick announced that Ron Duva is unable to continue as 1st VP, and Bill Wallace will fill this position temporarily.

Membership. Dave Hanson announced that new members are signing up, although not necessarily attending meetings.

<u>Veterans</u>. We honored veterans and discussed the Honor Flight Program. Rick Mauck mentioned that Kiwanis Club 10K Run is January 1 at Shoreline.

Speaker. Pamela Derrama from Sojourn Hospice spoke. Service is available up to 6 months before estimated departure. They are available 24/7 and provide a social worker, a chaplain and a doctor for medication orders. All insurance will cover it. Meeting adjourned 12:31 p.m.

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November's Birthday Recipients

Patrick Beall Chris Fernandez Dave Hanson Bruce Myers Lois Steiner



Membership Chairperson......Dave Hanson

Chapter 61's membership increased by 33 members in 2018. It will probably increase a little more in the next few weeks, because this is historically a time of the year with a lot of retirements. That's good news, because we need strength in numbers to effectively fight the ever present efforts to erode our retirement security. Plus, it's fun to socialize with other public employee retirees at our luncheons! So come on over to one of our meetings and enjoy the fun. Contact Dave Hanson at dhanson6@yahoo.com.



Newsletter Editor.....Robin Burdick

We're up to 67 members who are now receiving Chapter #61 newsletters by email! If you would like to receive your newsletter electronically rather than by US mail, please alert Newsletter Editor Robin Burdick at robburdick28@gmail.com.



2nd VP/Program Chair......VACANT

We're looking for someone to serve as 2nd VP/Program Chair. Please think about volunteering for this position. Chapter president Rick Mauck served in this position last year and is ready to help whoever will take on this job.



Don't forget!!

Every time you attend a meeting,
you have a chance to win some prize money!



Top Prize \$50!

