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President's Message

Barbara Bethel



Barbara

It is with great pleasure that I wish you the very best in 2009! I hope that among your new year's resolutions is a commitment to join us in as many CRTA and Division 4 activities as possible. We have planned many interesting programs and having you participate will make them even better!

This year, CRTA will celebrate its 80th birthday. CRTA got its start in 1929 against the backdrop of the worsening Great Depression. The first president, Laura E. Settle, was every inch the stereotypical schoolmarm. She was an exceptionally talented leader and was determined to better the lot of retired teachers. Pension issues were the first concern of the new organization. In 1929, benefits were only \$500 a year, paid quarterly. Through much effort, the fledgling new organization was able to influence legislators to increase benefits to \$600 a year, paid monthly.



During the ensuing 80 years, the California Retired Teachers Association has been at the forefront of protecting teacher retirements and promoting additional benefits whenever feasible. I hope you are as proud as I am to be a part of this important organization! Watch for future announcements of activities designed to celebrate this important 80th milestone.

We are all anticipating the February 18 luncheon meeting. The new superintendent of the San Diego Unified School District, Dr. Terry Grier, will be our speaker. I know he will provide interesting information and insights about the district and how it is pro-

CRTA San Diego Division 4 February Meeting and Luncheon

Date: Wednesday, February 18

Time: 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Place: Best Western Seven Seas

411 Hotel Circle South

(Mission Valley)

San Diego, CA

Cost: \$18.00

Program

Dr. Terry Grier

Superintendent, San Diego City Schools

Menu Choices

*Pot Roast with Carrots, Roasted Potatoes,
Gravy, and Seasonal Vegetables*

or

*Grilled Fillet of Sole with Rice and
Seasonal Vegetables*

or

Vegetarian Alternative

Note: A green salad, rolls, dessert and coffee, hot tea or iced tea are also included with all meals.

Reservations

To make a reservation, please contact Marilyn Curran by Saturday, February 14, at (858) 487-7621 or <macurran@san.rr.com>.

Be sure to let Marilyn know which menu choice you prefer.

gressing and coping in these tough and challenging economic times. Please don't miss this wonderful chance to join your CRTA friends in welcoming Dr. Grier to San Diego and to our organization.

I hope to see you at the February meeting! Please feel free to contact me, 858-270-3483, if you need a ride to the meeting, if you need additional information/directions, or if I can assist you in any way.

Remember: CRTA San Diego Division 4 is **YOUR** organization and **TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

Program

Laura Stevenson
1st VP—Program Chair



Dr. Terry Grier

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Terry Grier, San Diego Unified School District Superintendent, will be the guest speaker at our luncheon meeting on February 18.

Dr. Grier was chosen to be the SDUSD Superintendent nearly a year ago, after previously serving as the Guilford County Schools Superintendent in Greensboro, North Carolina. In addition to serving as superintendent in a number of other districts across the country, he has worked as a classroom teacher, high school principal, associate superintendent, and college adjunct professor.

Dr. Grier is the recipient of numerous awards, including North Carolina Superintendent of the Year. He has also published more than 50 articles in educational journals and is a frequent speaker at national and state educational conferences. Furthermore, he has been featured in national educational publications, such as *Education Week*, *Urban Educator*, and *Scholastic Administrator*, for his innova-

tive ideas and proven leadership in education. He earned his doctoral degree in education from Vanderbilt University.

At a news conference just after Dr. Grier arrived in San Diego, he stated that he expects to take on the same problems here that he tackled in North Carolina, such as reducing dropout rates, raising graduation rates, and attracting and retaining qualified teachers. He stated, "It's very apparent, regardless of where you live in this country, people have similar concerns. It's about the welfare of our children because we know the quality of the job we do in education has a lot to do with the quality of life in this community in the future." He promised to be not only results-oriented, but hands-on as well.

Dr. Grier has also stated, "I like working with people to help identify key priorities or areas of need and try to empower others and work with others to come up with solutions."

We hope you will join us on February 18 to hear our new superintendent speak to us on his goals and the progress made during his first year in San Diego. We are sure it will be an interesting and informative presentation.

Scholarship Foundation

Dr. Georgianna K. Galas, Pres.



Georgi

The Scholarship Foundation Board will meet on January 26 to discuss our finances and to decide on the number of scholarships to be awarded in June, 2009. We will present this information to members at our meeting on February 18.

Many thanks for all of your contributions to the Division 4 Scholarship Foundation. You have been most generous, and your generosity is appreciated.

We have sent packets to all high schools in San Diego, including charter and alternative high schools. Packets contain applications, flyers to post, and our letter urging counselors to assist students in completing their applications and submitting them by the April 1 deadline. During February, foundation members will visit the schools to remind them of our scholarship program. We also call the school counselors in March to remind them of our April 1 deadline. Personal contacts are very helpful.

An application for students to use is also on our web site, <http://area11.carla.org/Div4.html>. (You may go to Area 11 and click on Division 4.) We are trying to reach many students. Generally, we receive thirty or more applications. We make every attempt we can to inform schools and students of the available scholarships.

Division 4 members are always invited to attend our Scholarship Foundation meetings. Please call me at 619-702-7662 if you wish to attend.

Scholarship Donations

Barbara Bethel, Treasurer

Watch for information about our 2nd annual scholarship fundraiser beginning in late February!

Thanks to every one of our fabulous members and friends of CRTA who donate to our Scholarship Foundation each year. Your generosity continues to provide the resources needed for the student scholarships we award each year. Thank you from Division 4 **AND** from the students who receive the much-appreciated scholarships!



Barbara

Directions to Best Western Seven Seas Hotel

The conveniently located hotel in Mission Valley is at 411 Hotel Circle South, the frontage road on the south side of I-8. It is the hotel just west of and closest to CA-163.

Upon arriving, look for a CRTA greeter or go to the hotel restaurant and they will direct you to the luncheon location.

From the West on I-8

Take the Hotel Circle exit.
Turn left onto Hotel Circle South.
The hotel is on your right just as the road turns to go under the freeway.

From the East on I-8

Take Hotel Circle/CA-163 N exit.
Take Hotel Circle exit on the left.
Follow the Hotel Circle exit sign.
Turn right onto Hotel Circle N.

From North/South on CA163

Take Hotel Circle/I-8 W exit.
Take Hotel Circle exit.
Turn right onto Hotel Circle N.
It is the first hotel after going under the freeway (on the left).

If you need additional assistance in finding the hotel, please call either
Barbara Bethel, 858-270-3483, or Marilyn Curran, 858-487-7621.

We also take this opportunity to acknowledge and say thank you to each of the following people who have generously contributed to the scholarship fund since our November newsletter. If you have made a donation and we missed your name, please accept our apology and let us know so we may acknowledge your helpful support.

To the General Scholarship Fund

James Biggerstaff
Phillip Green
Marjorie and John Rodriguez
Mildred Wood

In Memory of Fannie Payne

Frances Venn

In Memory of Ruth Hageman

Leona Plummer

In Honor of Mildred Wood

Muriel Campbell

Membership

Anita Gillett
2nd VP—Membership



Anita

New membership application brochures which reflect the dues increase to \$42 annually, or \$3.50 withheld from pension

checks each month, are now available. Copies of the brochure will be provided to those who attend the meeting on February 18. If you need brochures before then, you may obtain them by calling Anita Gillett at 619-465-4645. The new brochures provide background information about CRTA and should be very helpful in encouraging prospective mem-

Invitation!

Members who have joined Division 4 within the past year and have not yet attended a meeting are cordially invited to be guests of the division at the February 18 meeting. Just mention this invitation when making your reservation. We look forward to meeting you.

bers to join. This issue of *The Link* includes a membership application form on p. 7.

You may also continue to use the old brochures by crossing out the old amount for dues and writing in the new amount which became effective on January 1. CRTA will appreciate your creative use of the former brochures.

All efforts to recruit new members are very much appreciated. CRTA successes depend on our strength in numbers.

Membership Update



New Members

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Strohbein, Connie

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Changes

The recent membership survey revealed many telephone and e-mail additions and changes.

**TOGETHER WE CAN
MAKE A DIFFERENCE . . .**

- * in our CRTA Division 4 organization
- * in our educational community
- * in our greater San Diego community
- * in our circle of friends and colleagues

Be an active part of our Division 4 Team.
Help us make a difference!

Place these CRTA Division 4 meetings on your calendar today!

- # Wednesday, February 18, 2009
- # Wednesday, April 15, 2009
- # Saturday, June 6, 2009

All meetings: 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Best Western Seven Seas

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Precious Gem

Welcome to our newest San Diego Division 4 Precious Gem:

Jeanette A. Kramer

Reminder: If you have reached your 90th birthday and have been a CRTA member for at least five years, please tell Chris Paré, 858-560-1060, or Anita Gillett, 619-465-4645, so that we may acknowledge you as one of our Precious Gems.

Resigned

Charles J. Rezek

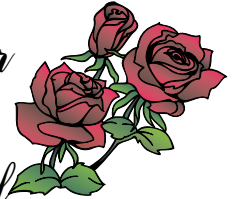
Condolences

In Memoriam

Georgia C. Bogan	11/30/08
* Lucile L. Jones	11/27/08
Elizabeth S. Lydon	11/ /08
Joseph D. Robinson	11/14/08

* Precious Gem

We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of our deceased members.



Lives of great men remind us
We can make our lives sublime.
And, departing, leave behind us
Footprints on the sands of time.
—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Legislation

Laura Stevenson, Chair

Representatives Howard Berman (D-CA) and Buck McKeon (R-CA) reintroduced the Social Security Fairness Act to repeal the Government Pension Offset (GPO) and the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP). The previous bill, which had 300 cosponsors, expired at the end of the last Congress. When the 111th Congress convened, the new bill, HR235, was introduced with over 80 cosponsors.



The Senate version is expected to be re-introduced shortly. CRTA has the WEP and GPO repeals as its highest federal priority.

Action Needed: CRTA Legislative Advocate David Walrath has said that we need to start work now on increasing the number of California Representatives who are co-sponsors and urging House Speaker Pelosi, Senate Majority Leader Reid, and President Obama to pass and sign this important legislation.

In an interview with the *Washington Post* on January 16, President-Elect Obama pledged to shape a new Social Security and Medicare "bargain" with the American people, saying that the nation's long-term economic recovery cannot be attained unless the government finally gets control over its most costly entitlement programs.

"That discussion will begin next month," Obama said, when he convenes a "fiscal responsibility summit" before delivering his first budget to Congress. He said his administration will begin confronting the issues of entitlement reform and long-term budget deficits soon after it jump-starts job growth and the stock market.

Mr. Walrath reported that Governor Schwarzenegger's proposed state budget for 2009-2010 includes recommended major cuts to public schools. However, the governor proposes full funding of the state contributions to the State Teachers Retirement System, the Supplemental Benefit Maintenance Account, as well as the first interest payment based on the court victory achieved by CalSTRS and CRTA. This should be reassuring news to all of us.

I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I know: The ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve. —Albert Schweitzer

Communications

Marty Elliott Volunteer Hours

It is said that **VOLUNTEERISM**

is good for the soul. Volunteers live longer and healthier lives and find pleasures of life more vivid. They also smile a lot. If all of this is so, the souls of our members are in great condition!



Marty

Retired classroom teachers have spent years helping students. That ingrained interest in assisting people has carried over into retirement. Teachers never quit giving their time and efforts!

Please add your volunteer hours and report them to us. Members in attendance at our December meeting got off to a good start by filling out volunteer hour cards covering the period from March through December, 2008.

If you did not submit hours at that meeting, please fill out the form on the right side of this sheet. For those who attend the meeting on February 18, we will have another card available to be used then.

We need to inform the public that our pensions are modest, that we paid 8%+ of our salaries, and our school districts also contributed substantially to our retirement funds while we were working. In a multitude of ways during retirement, we continue to work for the betterment of our communities—for free! Don't be shy! Report your volunteer time.

We will appreciate your taking the time to help us. The information you provide will be added to reports submitted by other members throughout the state, tallied, and used for reports to the public, legislators, and possibly for other public relations purposes in accordance with CRTA policy.

CRTA San Diego Division 4 Volunteer Hours

Monthly Record 2008—2009

Name: _____

- Cut out this form.
- Fill in your volunteer hours. Estimate past months.
- Briefly list the kinds of volunteer work.
- Total your hours in February, 2009.
- Turn in your report at the February 18 meeting or mail to:
Marty Elliott
5228 Biltmore Street
San Diego, CA 92117-1108

March 08	_____ hours
April 08	_____ hours
May 08	_____ hours
June 08	_____ hours
July 08	_____ hours
August 08	_____ hours
September 08	_____ hours
October 08	_____ hours
November 08	_____ hours
December 08	_____ hours
January 09	_____ hours
February 09	_____ hours

Total 08-09: _____ hours

Types of Volunteer Work:

Quotes

San Diego Division 4 President Barbara Bethel provided the quotes from Albert Schweitzer, p.5, and Calvin Coolidge, p.6. She also sent the following timeless quote:

To laugh often and much;
to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children;

to earn the appreciation of honest critics and to endure the betrayal of false friends;
to appreciate beauty;
to find the best in others;
to leave the world a bit better whether by a healthy child, a garden patch or a redeemed social condition;
to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived,

This is to have succeeded.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson

Communications

Area XI Communications Chair Dr. Angela Aschbrenner provides informative, interesting, thought-provoking, and funny e-mails including the following.



Angela

**CRTA is like Hallmark cards—
We care enough to send our very BEST.**

Twenty-four Things About to Become Extinct

- 24. Yellow Pages
Like newspapers, print Yellow Pages will give way to digital counterparts such as Internet Yellow Pages, search engines, and combination search/listing services.
- 23. Classified Ads
Free online listings may make classifieds obsolete—and maybe printed newspapers, too.
- 22. Movie Rental Stores
Blockbuster is closing stores by the hundreds; countless small video chains and mom-and-pop stores have closed.

- 21. Dial-up Internet Access
Infrastructure to accommodate affordable high speed Internet connections and disappearing home phones have nearly eliminated this service.
- 20. Phone Landlines
Many homes use cell-only service.

**CRTA is like General Electric—
We bring good things to life.**

- 19. Chesapeake Bay Blue Crabs
Population is down 70% since 1990; overfishing, pollution, invasive species and global warming are blamed.
- 18. VCRs
Only remnants are left.
- 17. Ash Trees
Larvae of a pretty, iridescent green species of beetle, emerald ash borer, have killed millions of trees and are spreading.
- 16. Ham Radio
The Internet has caused the decline.
- 15. The Swimming Hole
As injuries occur and lawsuits follow, more swimming holes will post "Keep Out!" signs.

**CRTA is like a Ford—
It's got a better idea!**

- 14. Answering Machines
As cell phones increase, many replace landlines and eliminate the need for answering machines.
- 13. Cameras That Use Film
There is a sharp increase in sales of digital cameras and equipment.
- 12. Incandescent Light Bulbs
With the green movement, the Compact Fluorescent Light-bulb (CFL) is replacing Edison-era bulbs.
- 11. Stand-alone Bowling Alleys
Most new bowling alleys are part of facilities for multiple types of recreation or added to non-traditional venues.
- 10. The Milkman
Because of better home refrigeration and longer-lasting milk, most milk is now sold through supermarkets in gallon jugs.

**CRTA is like Dial Soap—
Aren't you glad you have it?
Don't you wish everybody did?**

- 9. Hand-written Letters
E-mails and text messages are replacing letters.
- 8. Wild Horses
It is estimated that from two million 100 years ago, the number is down to 32,000, and the Bureau of Land Management is seeking to reduce the number to 27,000, possibly by selective euthanasia.
- 7. Personal Checks
Checks account for only 49% of consumers' recurring bill payments now, down from 72% in 2001 and 60% in 2003.
- 6. Drive-in Theaters
No new drive-ins have been built since 2005; there is not much movement toward reviving the many closed ones.
- 5. Mumps and Measles
Thanks to a vigorous vaccination program, they are disappearing from the U.S.

**CRTA is like a Chevrolet—
The heart beat of California**

- 4. Honey Bees
Honey bees are necessary for the survival of our food supply; Colony Collapse Disorder (CCD) throughout the U.S. and Europe has wiped out 50% to 90% of many bee colonies.
- 3. News Magazines; TV News
Audiences have left.
- 2. Analog TV
A new TV or a converter box will be required to get channels that broadcast only in digital.
- 1. The Family Farm
Now only 91% of U.S. farms are small family farms.

**CRTA is like the U. S. Post Office—
Neither rain, nor snow, nor sleet, nor ice will keep CRTA from its appointed destination.**

No person was ever honored for what he received;
Honor has been the reward for what he gave.
—Calvin Coolidge

CALIFORNIA RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (CRTA)—AREA XI

New Member Enrollment Form (Do not use for renewals.)

Please check your payment method and complete the enrollment information below. I authorize the California State Teachers Retirement System (CalSTRS) to deduct my association dues. Should the amount of dues be adjusted, as deemed necessary by CRTA, I authorize that the adjusted deduction shall continue unless I notify the CRTA business office in writing to the contrary. To terminate dues deductions, I agree to make my request in writing to the CRTA business office.

Membership Dues

- [] Dues Deduction (monthly): \$3.50 _____ (for self) \$7.00 _____ (for self and spouse)
 [] Cash: \$42.00 annually (renewals due on anniversary date of original membership)
 [] Life Membership: \$840.00 (one time payment)

Enrollment Information

Name: _____ Social Security No.: _____
 Spouse Name if joining: _____ Division No.: 4
 Address: _____ Phone: () _____
 City/State/Zip: _____ Cell: () _____
 E-mail Address: _____ FAX No.: () _____ Birthday (month/day only): _____
 Retired from: (school and district) _____ Retirement Date: _____
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please indicate payment method above and mail to:

Office Use CASH DD LIFE DDX2 INS
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Anita M. Gillett—Membership Chair
 CRTA San Division Division 4
 5435 HEIDI STREET, APT. 3L
 LA MESA, CA 91942-2419



California Retired Teachers Association San Diego Division 4

DID YOU KNOW THAT:

- CRTA won a lawsuit against the state to recover \$500 million owed to the Supplemental Benefit Maintenance Account (SBMA) and was successful in getting Governor Schwarzenegger's signature on its proposal to increase purchasing power protection to 85% (up from 80%).
- CRTA won the battle on the interest rate the state owed on the \$500 million.
- CRTA is committed to the repeal of the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and the Government Pension Offset (GPO) which deny benefits to retired teachers who have paid into Social Security.
- CRTA membership means you are not alone, but are one of over 50,000 retired educators represented in the State Legislature and in Congress by Legislative Advocate David Walrath.
- CRTA membership entitles you to discounts on automobile insurance, travel—and even See's candy.
- CRTA will keep you informed about legislation and litigation that affect your retirement security through the *CRTA Contact* and the Division 4 newsletter, *The Link*.



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January-February, 2009

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Date: _____

Enclosed is my scholarship donation check for \$ _____
made payable to **Scholarship Foundation, San Diego Div. 4,
CRTA.**

Mail check to: Barbara Bethel, Foundation Treasurer
5109 Dubois Drive
San Diego, CA 92117-1925

Name(s): _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____

Complete the following, if appropriate. This donation is:

In memory of: _____
In honor of: _____

Please send an acknowledgement card to:

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____

How should the acknowledgement card be signed?

Your gift donation is tax deductible according to IRS
regulations [501(c)(3)].

Note: An acknowledgement card giving your name(s) will be
sent as you direct, but the amount will not be disclosed.
You will receive a receipt for the amount of your donation.

Thank you for making it possible to help our worthy graduates
from San Diego high schools.