



Count me in!

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BENEFITS!

AFSCME Advantage Annual Scholarships
See our website for details.

MEETINGS

EDCEA, Local #1 has a Board of Directors (BOD) that meet on a monthly basis along with EDCEA staff, on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm with occasional exceptions. All meetings are held via Zoom.

Upcoming meetings:
7/19/22 and 8/16/22

Email edceapub@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I've talked a lot in the last few issues of this newsletter about the importance of communication, unity, and the fact that this is OUR Union.

From time to time, issues come up that affect the entire membership. When they do, we need a way to communicate with you directly, away from County email, to get your confidential feedback on how you would

like our Union to respond. This is why it's important to keep your personal contact information updated with us, not so that we can barrage you with emails, but because we need to be able to hear from you and speak openly about what's best for our members. Signing up for our text alerts is another great way to stay in touch. If you haven't already updated your information, it's easy to do this on our website at <https://actionnetwork.org/forms/update-your-contact-information-15?source=direct> link&. We'll send you a phone charger when you sign up for text alerts (while supplies last, so don't wait to sign up!).



We want to hear from you, not just about problems that come up, but about the good things, too. Do you have an important work or life event you'd like to share with the membership? How about an idea for an item you'd like to see in our newsletter? Newsletter submissions can be sent to me at edceapres@gmail.com or to Laura, our staff administrative services assistant, at edceapub@gmail.com. Submit your item by the 5th of each month to get it published in that month's newsletter.

This is OUR Union. Every Voice matters. Your VOICE matters!

Stewards and Site Reps

To show our appreciation for our hardworking shop stewards and site reps, we're planning a couple of special events, one for the West Slope on July 19, and one for Tahoe on August 16. We'll keep you posted on the details as we finalize arrangements. In the meantime, if you are interested in stepping up to serve in one of these positions, please reach out to me or to one of our chief shop stewards, Greg Hicks (West Slope) and Ashaka Mali (Tahoe). Training is provided and your contributions will be very much appreciated by all of our members.

Welcome New Members

Kimberley Mattingley-HHSA/BH
Stephany Snow-CAO
Maria Ortez-Valensuela-HHSA/SS

Alan Reinhardt-EM
Rikki Pratt-Assessor
Riley Gulan—P&B

Justin Turner-HHSA/CS
Monique Migdol-HHSA/MH
Melinda Weldy-HHSA/SS

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Hi! I'm Debbie Touchette.

I am the Supervising Auditor-Appraiser in the Assessor's office, and have worked for the County since June of 2016. My husband and I moved to El Dorado County in 1987, have raised two grown daughters, and now have our youngest in high school. I'm currently serving as treasurer on the Union Board.

My husband and I have been a Union family since the beginning, with him working 35+ years in the grocery industry. We learned early on how important Union membership is to working class families, and what a difference it made to have the wage and healthcare benefits.

I joined the Union at my New Hire Orientation and have been a proud member ever since. It's important to me to do what I can to support this organization that supports us. Sometimes that's been just paying dues, but that all by itself is so important. It tells the County that there's another person who cares how they're treated!

Really, this Union is Us! And, we need to support ourselves. If we don't, who will?

June Anniversaries

Congratulations to our members celebrating the following anniversaries this month:

1 Year - Matthew Taylor

5 Years – Donna Fettig, Kelly Gatchet, Andrea Hunt, Kristen Jensen, Shaun O'Malley, Tommy Williams

10 Years - Sheilee Fuss, Connie Grekoff

20 Years - Dan Kikkert



KEEP CALM AND READ YOUR CONTRACT