



# THE CHAT NEWSLETTER

**Retired Public Employees' Association  
Burbank Chapter #026 Area V**

*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.*



After enjoying a much requested Chinese lunch at our last meeting, we were given a lot of good information regarding how to protect ourselves from investment and loan fraud by our August speaker, Antonia Villasenor, with the Education & Outreach Program of the California Dept. of Business Oversight. We will receive information on the importance of recycling from the Burbank Recycle Center representative at our October meeting. Mary Jo and I attended the General Assembly as our Chapter representatives. It was very interesting and informative. It is always nice to get to meet with other chapter members, sharing information, and ideas. I was also able to meet Margaret Brown, the newest CALPERS board member, and hear her speak as I had not been able to meet her when she spoke at our June meeting. Al Darby defeated Donna Snodgrass to become our new President. Mary Jo and I also represented RPEA at the Burbank Health Information Fair on September 20<sup>th</sup> at the Buena Vista Library. We handed out our applications and provided information on the importance of membership in our group. Election of officers will take place at our October meeting. It would be really nice to have a choice of candidates for each office. **Think it over, this is your group, take part, be active, we all win!** Please read the newsletter so you don't miss anything and remember to let us know if you are coming to the meeting so we will always have enough food for everyone.

**Sharon Leech, President-Chapter #026**

**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY:  
December 10, 2018**

**YOU ARE INVITED & WE HOPE YOU'LL ATTEND!  
RPEA CHAPTER #026 LUNCHEON**

**When? Noon on Monday, October 22, 2018**

**Where? Joslyn Adult Center  
1301 West Olive Avenue  
Burbank, CA 91506-2217**

**Lunch is free and will be catered from El Pollo Loco!**

**Please RSVP to Sharon Leech By 10/20/18:**

**By Phone - (818) 768-5945 OR  
EMAIL – [snrleech2@yahoo.com](mailto:snrleech2@yahoo.com)**

## ***FEATURED PROGRAM***

The Burbank Recycle Center is located at 500 S. Flower Street in Burbank, CA and can be reached at (818)238-3900. It's owned by the City of Burbank and is a private and public partnership between the City and Burbank Recycling, which is a privately owned company that specializes in the processing and marketing of recyclable materials. The Burbank Recycle Center is by far the best place to go for recycling, even if you are not a resident of Burbank. They open early at 8:00 a.m., have helpful staff, and there is never a wait. They accept all types of materials for recycling, like plastic, paper, aluminum cans, bottles, jars, plastics and electronics. The Recycle Center is a sorting facility where materials are separated, packed, and shipped to areas all over the world that processes recyclables. Recycling is good but Reduce/Reuse is better! They want Burbank residents to revive the lost art of repair and experience less consumption. Learning how to fix items is the perfect way to reinforce this idea. Kreigh Hampel is the Recycling Coordinator, and he and his staff promote "The Three R's of Sustainability: Reduce Reuse Recycle!" Stop by sometime to visit the Recycling Tree of Life which was created in 1997 by a local artist and is located in the Center. Come to the meeting on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and find out how you can recycle more in your households and make a little money on the side!

*Mary Jo Watkins, Vice President/Editor*

You may be someone who cannot attend luncheon meetings, but you want to support our efforts to protect your pension and health care benefits. If you want more information or want to have an application mailed to you, phone toll free 1-800-443-7732, or email [rpeahq@rpea.com](mailto:rpeahq@rpea.com). For an online application, go to [www.rpea.com](http://www.rpea.com). Additional Note: Keep your email address up-to-date with RPEA should it change.

**THE MORE MEMBERS WE HAVE, THE STRONGER OUR INFLUENCE!**