

From the President's Desk

My Last Hurrah--It Has Been an Eventful, Satisfying Two Years

I'm stepping down as Chapter president after this December meeting--replaced by the able Roberta Christensen, most recently vice-president and program chairperson. The entire slate of new officers is listed below.

You will note that the vice-presidency remains open--we need a willing candidate to fill that position,.

During my two years as president the chapter has enjoyed remarkable growth. The roster stands at 403 now--it wasn't too long ago that we carried just over 300 members. In the past month alone we added 12. Our luncheon attendance has been steady but light--we constantly strive to bring you good food and superior programs, worthy of your time.

Last month, for example, our speaker from the State Department of Business Oversight gave us chapter and verse on the abundant scams being perpetrated against retirees. One she didn't mention was the subject of a CALPERS warning issued just days ago: Scammers are calling PERS retirees claiming to be "representatives of the California Retirement Department," and advising that the call recipient "owes" money to the retirement fund. Stop right there. CALPERS *never* makes cold calls asking retirees for money. If you get such a call, report it to CALPERS but don't respond to the caller.

Our RPEA state-level board has looked at the candidates involved in a runoff election for what is known as Seat B on the CALPERS Board of Administration, and advises that it has endorsed Margaret Brown. Brown has a long history as a financial analyst for various public entities and projects. Ballots have been (or will be) mailed to CALPERS retirees, with voting permitted for the next several weeks.

Our slate of new officers:

President, Roberta Christensen, 916 983-9502

Vice-President, vacant

Treasurer, Gloria Kalthoff, 916 723-2908

Secretary, Alfredo Gomez, 916 726-0848

Directors

Marty Martinez, 916 425-7699

Ray Aguilera, 916 771-5021

Maria Sumner, 916 849-8599

They will be installed at our December 7 luncheon by Bob Wilson, a former State President of RPEA.

Finally, I send you the message of joy and peace that defines Christmas and the entire holiday season. And I extend the hope that 2018 will be invigorating, satisfying and most of all, rewarding. I thank you for your support during my two years as president.--**Helen Field**

Christmas Program to Combine Entertainment and Achievement

The Chapter 084 Christmas gala once again will offer a varied program that provides a good meal, rewarding entertainment, business, and the opportunity to give for a worthy cause.

Installation of officers (see President Helen Field's column) will be followed by the relaxing music of Julian Lacell, singer-guitarist who has played for us at previous Christmas luncheons, always generating a warm reception.

We will recognize the Sierra Regency kitchen staff for its service throughout the year with presentation of a special gift, then reward luncheon attendees with presentation of poinsettia plants to 10 lucky people.

Perhaps the highlight of the luncheon will be collection of gifts for children and youth. Each person attending lunch is asked to bring an unwrapped gift (\$10 minimum) for a child or teen, through age 17. The chapter will arrange for distribution of gifts to Toys for Tots or the fire department. And, as a special benefit, the Christmas luncheon is complimentary.

We're Still Adding New Members

Twelve new members joined Chapter 084 since the last meeting: Thomas Young, Jason Thompson, Chyerl Snow, Edward Schmidt, Dale Porter, Virginia Kessler, Kenneth Kessel, Deborah Hehe, Norma Hankinson, Kim Goldsworthy, Sali Burningham, Sharon Autrey

And Celebrating Birthdays Are:

November--Celia Lariviere, Cendra Patrick, Wil Roe, Cheryl Wilson, Kent Milton

December--Ernie Boulton, Maria Dupras, Florence Shearer

October--Belated birthday greetings to Violet Carter

Treasurer's Report

Bank balance as of October 31--	\$7,156
Revenue	631
Expenses	683
New balance	\$7,104

Audit Due

The treasurer's reports from 11/01/16 through 10/31/17 will be audited during November.

And Finally

We're still offering electronic distribution of your newsletter. Just advise Kent Milton (barbjuly20@gmail.com) of your e-mail address and he'll make the switch.

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RPEA-Roseville Chapter 084

The Christmas Luncheon--10:45 a.m. December 7

Where: Sierra Regency, 1015 Madden Lane, Roseville 95661

The Menu:

Goat Cheese Ravioli with Roasted Beets, Walnuts and Squash or
Filet Mignon, Mashed Potatoes and Asparagus

Reservations a Must--Call Marilyn Cain (916) 434-6369 or Helen Field (916) 783-0325
with your menu selection no later than Monday, December 4. ***And if you leave a
message with your choice of entrée, also leave your phone number so we can
check back to confirm.*** There is no charge for the Christmas luncheon.

*(If you make a reservation but find you can't attend, remember to cancel with Marilyn or
Helen because the chapter is required to pay for every reservation).*

The December 7 Program

The December meeting is always special because we have fine entertainment, we
signal the start of a new program year with officer installation, and we bring gifts
for children and youth as a symbol of our gratitude for the blessings of the year
now ending. (See details inside)