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LOCAL ASSOCIATION R.A. DELEGATES ELECTIONS

Have you been thinking about getting more involved in Association activities, but do not deal with advocacy issues, aka grievances? Well now is your chance! The Vineland Education Association is accepting self-nominations for the National Education Association **Representative Delegate Assembly**, the decision making body of the NEA. VEA is entitled to 8 delegates, 7 elected seats and the local president's seat, which the president can give to the designee of his choice.

Every year the Representative Assembly is held in a different state or commonwealth. This year the **RA** will be held in **San Diego, CA.** from July 1 to July 6, 2009. Being an election year, it is a guaranteed memorable gathering. Your local, county and state associations pay for your travel and accommodations in the form of a stipend.

If you are interested

**Please submitted a letter of intent to the VEA office by
Wednesday, February 18, 2009.**

Please be aware that it is not a vacation. Your day will start at 7:00 am with a state caucus meeting and end at approximately 6:00pm. Signed attendance is taken several times throughout the day.

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Points of Interest:

- Visit www.njea.org and update your membership information.
- If interested in getting more involved in the Association, see your building Rep.
- To have your membership questions answered contact :
Yolanda Gutierrez at ygutierrez@prodigy.net.
Put "VEA" as the subject.

Who are my building Reps?

Administration

Marion Ostrowski

Coney Avenue

Diane Biagi
Henry Weintraub

Adult Ed. Center

Brenda Cucukov
Fay Romanik

Success

Mary Burgents

Cunningham Alternative

Robert Davenport
Cindi Panas
Theodore Prohowich

Dallago Preschool

Pauletta Berger
Jason Lera
Angela McCann
Paula Renzi-Steere

Leuchter Preschool

Christine Malinski

Barse

Janice Jefferson
Peter Moniodis
Michelle Pantalone

D'Ippolito

Roxanne Derenzis
Val Gallina
Rossini Salerno

Durand

Rita Myers
Brandy Patch

Johnstone

Beverly Hughes
Maria Cristina Oria
Shirley Santos

Mennies

Lilia Beneat
Richard Bermudez
Nancy Hollenweger

Petway

Diana Karol
Regina Merkel
Shari Testa

Sabater

Valerie Carbonara
Kelly Fisher
Daisy Mercado

Winslow

Michael Hindermyer
Susan Lucas
Melissa Pomante

Rossi

Larry Berger
Pam English
Nicole Martinelli
Gina Merlino

Landis

Barbara Crescenzo
Donna Grasso
Brenda Nichols
Nellie Torres

Memorial

Sue LaTorre
Nicole Zavis

Wallace

Kate Checkly
Maureen Hibbs
Sean McCarron
Glenn Muller

VHS North

Gregory Bartholomew
Eileen Bosco
Robert Imperato

VHS South

Jessica Albertson
Penny Moltane
Nancy Pagliughi
Gina D'Archangelo-Russo
Lou Russo
Hillary Scull

Your Officers are in the Following Buildings:

Rossi

President

Sal Emburgia

Vice-President

Angela Calakos

Main Office

Treasurer

Marion Ostrowski

Mennies

Recording Secretary

Rosa Mendez

Sabater

Membership/Corresponding Secretary

Yolanda Gutierrez

VEA RETIREMENT GALA MAY 29, 2009

You spoke and we listened. After tallying last years Social Committee's survey it was determined that our members want to keep going to Buena Vista to honor our retirees. Members prefer a buffet instead of a sit down dinner. We eliminated the **long** individual speeches and we finished before 9:30 pm. We even had a DJ to do a little dancing after the presentation of gifts to the retirees. This year we will stick to that same format.

If you want to be honored at this year's Retirement Gala your name has to be submitted to the board for the April Board meeting and your retirement date is to be effective September 1, 2009.

Tickets will go on sale in March.

This year's menu will be:

Caesar Salad

Breaded Chicken Cutlet with Supreme Sauce—Buena Vista's Specialty

Broiled Salmon with Dill Sauce

Roasted Top Round of Beef

with Mushroom Sauce

Bow Tie Pasta with Sundried Tomato Cream

Zucchini Italiano

String Beans with Mushrooms

Oven Roasted Redskin Potatoes

Assorted Dessert Table

\$40.00 per person

All retirees receive a free ticket for themselves.

Look Who's Retiring!

The following individuals have submitted their names for retirement as of January 2009:

Linda Fineman	Barse
Karen Coulter	Barse
Sharon Speziali	Durand
Catherine Matos	Winslow
Dale Landi	Landis
Catherine Masucci	Landis
Mary Ann Kirchner	Rossi
Concetta Souder	Rossi
Judy Feinstein	VHS North
Richard Klimek	VHS North
Robert Platoni	VHS North
Doreen Rivera	VHS North
Pamela Casella	VHS South
Beverly Dickerson	VHS South

Don't you wish you were them? Come and celebrate with your colleagues on May 29th. Anyone who was not honored at last year's Gala will be honored this year. If you know anyone who should be on this list, please let us know so that we may send them an invitation.

