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CALIFORNIA STATE RETIREES CHAPTER 17 - SAN DIEGO/IMPERIAL COUNTIES District G

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Chapter 17 - Diane Whorton, President



At our April meeting we started a discussion on preparing our personal information for our families and agreed it was a topic that needs to be talked about. At our June meeting we will have a speaker from Sharp Healthcare who will be giving us information on Medical Directives and the process for healthcare needs. We will have further discussion regarding Wills/Trusts; Durable Power of Attorney and what we need to prepare our families for the future.

CHAPTER MEETING – April 7, 2016

Regular meeting Location:

Sizzler Restaurant, 3755 Murphy Canyon Road, San Diego, CA, (858) 278-6988. Off of I-15 – take AERO DR exit from North or South – go West to Signal -Turn Right. **Go to parking lot behind the building. Entrance to room is at back of building at the parking lot.**

Doors open at 10:30 am. Meeting - 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please come early so we can get started on time. OPEN TO ALL CHAPTER 17 MEMBERS – SALAD BAR LUNCH - MEMBERS MEALS ARE PAID BY THE CHAPTER.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

1. **JUNE 2, 2016 – Member Meeting – Sizzler Restaurant - Doors open at 10:30 am. Salad Bar – FREE TO ALL MEMBERS - 3755 Murphy Canyon Rd. San Diego, CA – Speaker: Sharp Healthcare- Topic: Medical Directives**
2. **June 28th thru 30th, 2016 – CSR Statewide Committees and Board of Directors Meeting – Costa Mesa Hilton**
3. **AUGUST 4, 2016 – Member Meeting – Sizzler Restaurant Doors open at 10:30 am. Salad Bar – FREE TO ALL MEMBERS - 3755 Murphy Canyon Rd. San Diego, CA**
4. **OCTOBER 6, 2016 – Member Meeting – Sizzler Restaurant - Doors open at 10:30 am. Salad Bar – FREE TO ALL MEMBERS - 3755 Murphy Canyon Rd. San Diego, CA**
5. **October 25th thru 27th, 2016 – CSR Statewide Committees and Board of Directors Meeting – Sacramento Hilton**
6. **DECEMBER 8, 2016 – Chapter 17 HOLIDAY MEETING. Mission Valley Resort – 10:30 to 2:00 pm. Mission Valley Resort, 875 Hotel Circle S, San Diego, CA 92108 Phone: (619) 298-8281. I-8 at 163. Hotel Circle exit from either direction on I-8. OPEN TO ALL CHAPTER 17 MEMBERS**



SAVE THE DATE – MARK YOU CALENDAR

**HOLIDAY MEETING
2nd Thursday, December 8, 2016
Mission Valley Resort**

875 Hotel Circle S, San Diego, CA 92108



MORE INFORMATION TO COME



CHAPTER 17 – San Diego Member Meeting

April 7, 2016
12 Noon to 2:00 pm

- Call To Order** Diane Whorton, President
12:00 pm
- Pledge of Alligence** Steve Haley, Vice President
- Roll Call of Officers** Diane Whorton, President; Steve Haley, Vice President; Gloria Koch, Secretary (excused); Elaine Edwards-Yahraus, Treasurer (excused)
- Delegates** Diane Whorton, Elaine Edwards-Yahraus-excused, Steve Haley, Gloria Koch-excused, Gaspar Oliviera, Danny Morales, Patricia Oneil, Marva Roddy, alternate.
- Committee Chairs** Laurianne Bella (excused) and Steve Haley, Co- Chairs PAC Committee
David Juarez and Therese Juarez, Membership Co-Chairs
- Introductions** • Jay Jimenez, District G Director – excused -on travel
- Approval of Minutes** February 4, 2016 Member Meeting – Motion made by Danny Morales to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Marva Roddy. Motion passed.
- Treasurer’s Report** Diane Whorton for Elaine Edwards Yahraus. Report passed out to members.
- Treasurer’s Report – 1st Quarter income: \$1,534.09
Balance from last quarter: \$15,255.65
Deduct Expenses: \$2,731.26
Balance at end of Quarter: \$14,058.48
- President’s Report** Diane Whorton, President
- Reminder:
- Speaker for June Meeting will speak about Medical Directives and Power of Attorney document. Important that we as seniors have our documents in order to assist our family deal with our medical and legal needs if we become incapacitated.
 - If there are other topics of interest to our members let me know and we will make an effort to find speakers to provide us with information useful to us. Also let one of the officers know if you can arrange a speaker for one of our meetings.
 - Chapter minutes are published in the Chapter 17 website newsletter. Please read and copy the minutes before the meetings to assist us to use less paper. Also become informed about what is going on within Chapter 17.
 - Holiday Meeting in December 8, 2016 – Mission Valley Resort. Mark your calendars.
- Welcome new members** Tran Hung Retired from DMV
Frank Spees Retired from Cal Trans
Michael Miller – Retired from California Healthcare Center San Juaquin.

Committees Reports

Membership

David and Therese Juarez – Requests made for recruitment flyers and applications for memberships for the North County offices. There are also applications in the internet and in the Retiree newspaper. There is now an Associate membership for any non State Retiree that wishes to join the Chapter membership. Dues are only \$12 a year.

All new members listed in the Retiree newspaper will be sent an invitation to join our Chapter membership and meetings.

PAC/Legislation

Report from Lobby Day - Steve Haley – Gaspar Oliveira
Steve Haley reported it was a very successful Lobby Day gathering. The Legislators were very receptive to the visits. Everyone learned a lot from each other. One important point of interest was that the average retiree monthly pension was \$2,627 not \$25,000 as being reported by newspapers. The Legislators were interested in getting info from attendees.

Gaspar Oliveira informed the Legislators that the taxpayers contribution to retiree pensions is only 13%. 65% comes our contributions and 22% comes from employer's contribution.

Laurianne Bella, and Elaine Edwards-Yahraus also attended.

Sub Committee

Laurie Bella – Elaine Edwards- Yahraus – Networking with San Diego Retiree Groups - Security Roundtable – NO REPORT -

New Business

- Info of CalPERS, COLA listed in Retiree newspaper. 2% COLA for those retired 2004 or earlier. 1.555% COLA for those retired 2005. No COLA for others.
- Table Cover – there is a need for a new tablecloth for our benefits table. Motion made by Gaspar Oliveira to spend \$246 +tax for a tablecloth for our benefits table. Motion seconded by Tom Gibson. Motion passed.
- CalPERS Prospective newsletter sent via mail to all Retirees. Blue Shield Plan will be dropped. Check literature for future info.
- Steve Haley- a special thanks to Diane Whorton for all her work with the chapter business in spite of the loss of her mother and brother within weeks of each other. We all appreciate her hard work for Chapter 17.

Old Business

- Freedom House – Article from Coronado newspaper about Freedom House is on back of Financial Report. This is where or community project donation went in 2015

District G Report

Jay Jimenez No report - Jay on travel

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned 1 pm.

Submitted by

Nellie Sayer, Note Taker

PLEASE BRING MINUTES WITH YOU TO THE MEETING

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