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Final Plans for Meeting In Cambria!

The REACTA officers met last week to review final plans for our Annual Reunion and Business Meeting in Cambria. We are very aware of the current COVID conditions and have been in contact with the hotel to make sure all safety protocols are followed. Tables for our Hot Topics session, meeting and banquet will be "socially distanced." Our demographics indicate that we will probably have a high percentage of vaccinated attendees. **However, regardless of your vaccination status, we strongly recommend that masks be worn for all indoor activities except when eating or drinking.** We will let you know if conditions change prior to our meeting. Prizes will be given for the "best" masks worn at the morning session.

We are expecting close to 80 REACTA members, spouses and partners to join us in Cambria. We plan to set up a Zoom link for the Hot Topics and Business Meeting. This will be sent in an email blast around September 20. Our tentative agenda includes the following:

Monday, October 4, 2021

 Check-in at Cambria Pines Lodge • Hospitality Suite will open at 4 p.m.

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

- The REACTA Book Club meeting has been postponed until November and will be held via Zoom. The selected book is <u>The Four Winds</u> by Kristin Hannah.
- Hot Topics session will start at 10:00 a.m. Presentations will be made by our Pension Trust and Health Trust Trustees. Also expected to join us are CTA Executive Director Joe Boyd, Management liaison Nicole Love, CSO President Bruce Saathoff and CAS President Jill Coert.

REMINDER...

If you have moved, changed phone numbers or changed your email address, please notify Kathie Casas. She does a wonderful job trying to keep our membership directory up to date but needs your help when you make changes. Thanks for your cooperation!!

- Annual Business Meeting will begin at 2 p.m.
- Annual Group Dinner will start at 6:00 p.m. with a nohost bar. REACTA will host dinner for REACTA members!

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

- Check out for those leaving Cambria.
- On your own activities for those leaving on Thursday.

You still have until September 3 to reserve using our guaranteed room rates. You need to contact the hotel for reservations by calling 800-966-6490 and mentioning you are with Retired Employees (REACTA) Group. You also need to return the registration form to Felice Strauss so we can determine our food order. I look forward to seeing you at Cambria.

Special Election September 14

You should have received a mail ballot in mid-August for the September 14 Special Election. As mentioned in the previous HOT TOPICS, CTA is strongly recommending a "NO" vote on the recall. Reasons may be found at <u>www.cta.org/recall</u>. The Newsom campaign is recommending you don't vote for any of the candidates listed on question 2. CTA has not made a recommendation on question 2. Your ballot will still be counted if you leave question 2 blank.

Please return your ballot as soon as possible. You also have the option of in-person voting on September 14. Given the return of the Delta variant, mail in voting is being encouraged. **Don't** forget to vote in this critical election. Voter turnout will determine the winner.

Member Assistance Fund

Many parts of California have been devastated by the recent wildfires. If you are in need of financial assistance, please contact our treasurer Felice Strauss to receive an application form. Information is also available on the REACTA website, <u>www.REACTA.org</u>.