

# **APT News Update**

October 24, 2023

The APT core bargaining team bargained with the district on October 9, 12, 16, and 19.

Upcoming bargaining dates: 10/26, 11/7 & 11/16.

## General Membership Bargaining Update

- The last few bargaining sessions were focused on extending the contract and MOUs to the end of December, while we continue the bargaining process.
- The bargaining team is currently finishing Article 10 (Hours of Employment) and Article 14 (Leave Provisions) with the District. Details were provided in a previous update
- The Bargaining Team and District are collaborating around teacher retention and recruitment strategies as PUSD continues to suffer staffing shortages of education specialists.
- Budget meetings with the District have continued as we prepare for bargaining compensation.

Respectfully: Timi King (Chair), Donovan Macleod, Jeanette Goss, Rosalind Keeler, Rita Torres, Yolanda Gardner-Horn

Sarah Vigrass (CTA Staff) and Wei-Tsu Loh (President) served as consultants

District Team: Silvia San Martin, Silvestre Maravilla, Alicia Castaneda, Bobby Guerrero, Claudia Ruiz, Carlos Villegas (Attorney)

Solidarity Rally - October 25 @ 5:00 p.m.

The focus of this rally is to show APT solidarity and our support for our bargaining team.

Please attend!



ASSOCIATED POMONA TEACHERS

OCTOBER 25TH SCHOOL BOARD RALLY IN SUPPORT OF APT CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

ED CENTER - 800 S.GAREY MEET IN THE PARKING LOT BETWEEN 4-5.

WEAR YOUR APT SHIRT OR RED

PIZZA AND BEVERAGES WILL BE PROVIDED



### **APT Executive Board**

Rebecca Becerra, Yanira Rodriguez, Mary Morales, Alicia Perez, Crystal Torres, Blendalynn Morano, David Colon, Wei-Tsu Loh, Maria Elena Garcia, Silvia Godoy, Marie Garcia and Eddie Perez

## **Community Engagement**



Kindness Carnival: Wei-Tsu Loh, Rosaura Jimenez-Mireles, and Diana Bermudez (Chair)

Not shown: Jeanette Goss & Eduardo Perez



Crystal Torres & Sarah Vigrass: If you are a Pomona resident, would you like to put this sign in your front yard? Please pick up a sign at the APT office (2140

Walnut St, La Verne).

## APT Workshop - November 15 @ 4:30

The Associated Pomona Teachers want to help you with your financial future.



The Associated Pomona Teachers are offering two virtual trainings to overview CTA & NEA Member Benefits and help with student loan forgiveness.

#### Generation Debt: Student Loan Forgiveness

Student loans have been in deferment since March 2020 and that deferment period recently ended. In addition, with the recent Supreme Court decision many members have questions about student loans, how to lower their monthly payment, and begin the process of forgiveness. This session will cover updated policy decisions and attendees will learn about the three loan forgiveness programs from the U.S. Department of Education. We'll also discuss the requirements for each, pitfalls to be cautious of, and the "NEA Student Debt Navigator" powered by Savi, which is a tool to help association members analyze their personal student loans. Members will leave with a better understanding of this process and how to navigate it.

RSVP to attend: Wednesday October 11, 2023 4:30-6:00 PM

#### Strengthen Your Finances with CTA & NEA Member Benefits

From your local association to CTA and NEA, our union becomes stronger through our collective unity. You will be introduced to the most popular programs under Member Benefits, encompassing discounts on shopping and travel, optional insurance coverage, student loan forgiveness, retirement savings, financial services, Educators Employment Liability (EEL) protection, the Disaster Relief Fund, and more. CTA and NEA have crafter these Member Benefits exclusively for educators, and as members become acquainted with these offerings, they will be delighted to uncover additional avenues through which their membership can address a variety of personal and financial needs.

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To sign up for Strengthen Your Finances with CTA & NEA Membership Benefits:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/strengthen-your-finances-with-cta-nea-member-benefits-tickets-706100665097?aff=oddtdtcreator

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### October - <u>Breast Cancer Awareness</u> November - <u>Diabetes Awareness</u>

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