

## Hot Off The Press

### STAFF GUILD HIGHLIGHTS

- **ANNUAL STAFF GUILD MEMBERSHIP MEETING 2012:** was at the historic Biltmore Millennium Hotel on Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. The membership meeting takes place annually and is open to the membership, their family and friends. This year there were about 150 in attendance to share breakfast with the Staff Guild Leadership and honor the members who received the "BUG" Awards from each worksite. The speaker this year was Jimmy Gomez, candidate for Assembly, District 50, Dolores Sanchez, CFT Legislative Representative, talked about Pension Reform and many prizes were handed out. It was a success
- **THE COUNCIL OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES DIVISION MEETING:** took place in Los Angeles on Friday, September 28, 2012. Propositions 30 & 32 were discussed as well as the upcoming CCE Conference in San Jose. California Federation of Teachers (CFT) State Council Meeting was the next day. The next Division Meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2012 at the Oakland Airport Hilton.
- **THINKING ABOUT PURCHASING SERVICE CREDIT** before the 1/1/13 deadline? In September CalPERS implemented a new process for requesting cost information for service credit purchase. The new process meant that you must follow these steps: log onto [www.calpers.ca.gov](http://www.calpers.ca.gov); select "Service Credit Cost Estimator"; complete a cost estimate for the service credit type you wish to purchase; print your service credit cost estimate; download the Service Credit Cost Request Form; complete the form & mail it to CalPERS along with the printed cost estimate.
- **VOLUNTEER NEEDED:** Volunteers are needed to help phone bank or precinct walking for the upcoming election. The opposition may have the dollar power but we have people power! Talk to your co-workers, your family and friends about volunteering to help fight the union-busters. Contact the Staff Guild Office at 323-891-1521 for details.

- **ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?** The deadline to register to vote in the 2012 presidential election is October 22, 2012. You can now register online at <https://rtv.sos.ca.gov/elections/register-to-vote> . The working families of California need your voices at the ballot box.
- **PROPOSITION 30 AND PROPOSITION 38: what is the difference?**  
 Proposition 38 promises funding for school, the same as Proposition 30 except for one thing: IT DOESN'T HELP COMMUNITY COLLEGES OR HIGHER EDUCATION! Proposition 30 will reinstate lost class sections in colleges, as well as hiring staff & faculty. It will put a stop to the discussions of furloughs and layoffs. Prop 30 taxes only the highest earners-people making over \$ 200,000 per year compared to Proposition 38 which taxes everyone earning \$ 7,000 annually. Which is better for the working families?
- **AFT Staff Guild 1521A** would like to commend the following retirees for their loyal service to the Los Angeles Community College District. These classified employees have contributed significantly toward providing the highest quality of service to our students and the public.

**July 1, 2012 through August 31, 2012**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Classification</b>	<b>Years of Service</b>	<b>Campus</b>
Joan Steever	Personnel Manager	34	District
Luz Laos	Community Services Assistant	31	City
Ernestina Higuera	Student Services Assistant	25	Trade
Ray Hicks	Accounting Technician	36	City
Diane Gamboa	Graphic Arts Designer	23	District
David Colon	Custodian	23	City
Santokh Singh	Instructional Assistant	14	Trade