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**Garden Grove Education Association**  
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*President: Tina Gustin-Gurney, Electronic AdNotes March 6, 2015*

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**TONIGHT!!!!**

*GGEA First Fridays*

*Join GGEA members for a meet and greet!!*

*March 6th 3:00-?*

*Lazy Dog on Beach Blvd, HB*

*Upcoming Meetings*

*Join a GGEA Committee!*

*March 9 Instruction and Professional Development*

*March 12 Communications, Special Ed, Organizing, Community Action*

*School Board Mtg. are March 17.*

*Schools asked to attend:*

*Santiago, Los Amigos, Doig, Walton, Eisenhower, Riverdale, Clinton,  
Clinton Corner, Peters K-3, Peters 4-6, Woodbury, Rosita, Hazard,  
Russell and traveling music teachers*

*See Tina at the Board meeting to get a form for raffle.*

*Contact Tina if you have any questions.*

**Support Teachers in Saddleback**

Saddleback Valley Education Association is awaiting mediation in their contract negotiations. Many of our own teachers live in this area. A few of them went to the last school board meeting to speak as parents and encourage the district to give the teachers a raise. The delay in negotiations is hurting the district in moving forward in preparing for SBAC and transitioning to Common Core.

If you are able to show up to support our fellow teachers in this district and can even speak up for the teachers, please join a group from GGEA who will be attending their next school board meeting.

The meeting is Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 6:00 pm

at

SVUSD District Education Center Board Room

25631 Peter A Hartman Way  
Mission Viejo, CA

**Attention Reps: GGEA Shirts**

GGEA shirts will be available to order at the segment meeting on Tuesday, March 10. This is the last day to place an order for this year. These Land's End shirts cost \$15. Make checks payable to GGEA.

**Send us your photos!**

Do you have photos from Tet celebrations? Will you be participating in Read Across America next week? Send us photos or stories to share in our next Advocate newsletter. Send any to [advocate@ggea.org](mailto:advocate@ggea.org)

**Reminders:**

**Scholarship for Students with Disability  
Help a talented student with a disability win \$2,500 for college**

TheStandard is once again partnering with [Incight](#), a nonprofit dedicated to reducing barriers between high school and college for students with disabilities, to offer one-time scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 each to eight students nominated by California Teachers Association (CTA) members.

The deadline to nominate your students is March 15, 2015, and student applications must be completed by April 1, 2015.

To learn more and to submit your student nominations, visit <http://www.standard.com/cta/scholarship>

**Looking to Retire and Need Information?**

The CTA Orange Service Center will be holding CalSTRS Retirement Workshops for members on March 21 and May 16 in Orange. The workshops cost \$10. Please see the flyer for further information [Retire](#)

**Tax Return Information**

Remember, your professional association dues are tax deductible. The amount paid for GGEA/CTA/NEA dues for the 2014 tax year is posted here [2014TAXINFO](#)

W-2 tax forms can be accessed through the Orange County Department of Education Information System website. To access the website, there is a link posted on <http://www.ggea.org>

For first time users:

- Log-in: ten digit District Employee Identification Number
- Password: Last four digits of District Employee ID Number immediately followed by the last four digits of your social security number.

**Attorney Available at the GGEA Office**

GGEA provides its members with the opportunity to meet with an attorney for 30 minutes about non-job related issues free of charge. This is on a first come, first served basis. There are spaces available on the following afternoon: March 11 and 25 from 3:00-4:30. Please call the GGEA office if you wish to schedule an appointment.

**Join the GGEA Facebook Page**

To join, Facebook members search for "Garden Grove Education Association" and ask to join the group. This is a great way to get up to date information. Allow our administrators 24-48 hours to accept your request. If you are concerned about privacy, please make sure your own Facebook page has privacy settings adjusted before joining GGEA Facebook.

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***Together Everyone Achieves More***

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