

B.R.E.A.D

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50/50 Raffle Winners

Opening Day 50/50 BREA RAFFLE

Deb Dower	RMS
Tammy Corrigan	WMS
Sharon Anderson	WMS
Joan Carson	Merrill
Ellen Brennan-Ring	MES-North
Lil Holbrook	MES-North

Thank you to all who participated. Remember these monies go back to the membership in the form of scholarships and retiree gifts so please contribute when the BREA holds raffles and other fundraisers.

New Insurance

All insurance cards should be arriving at your home. If you have any problems please contact Joseph Delude, Director of Business Services at the Superintendent's office (508-824-2730). Double check your payroll deductions to make sure you are in the correct plan. There is nobody in the low option HMO Blue plan. HMO Blue payments should be the following when deducted from your check: Individual: \$20.52 and Family: \$53.07. Blue Care Elect (PPO) payments should be \$25.04 for an individual and \$64.76 for a family. The Educational Assistant insurance calculations are more complex due to the rates being different for certain periods of time. Any questions may be directed to Joseph Delude.

Know your Contract

Any BREA member who plans on taking alternative longevity beginning school year 2008-2009, letters are due to the superintendent by November 1.

Q: How do I make a lateral advancement?

A: First, you need to submit a letter to the superintendent's office 6 months ahead of when you believe you will be moving columns. You do not need to have all of your courses completed yet to send the letter. Advancements for the start of the school year need to be sent by March 1. February advancements need letters in by August 1. A sample copy of the letter may be found at the BREA website. Secondly, complete an evidence of achievement application that you can get from your main office. Take the completed application and transcripts/grade reports to the superintendent's office. The BREA recommends hand delivering all materials to the central office so you can receive time stamped copies.

If you have any questions about the contract, we will try to answer them in this space. You can send questions by e-mail to bridgeraynea@comcast.net.

BREA Social

Thursday, November 1 from 2:30-6:00
Harry's La Casa Mia
840 Broadway, Raynham
\$10

Classifieds

One bedroom furnished condo for rent in Bridgewater, \$650 (heat and electricity included).

Call 508-758-9419 or see Karen Manning (MES/South House)



Just for New Teachers Conference

Educators Currently in Their First Four Years of Practice

Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel and Trade Center
Marlborough, Mass.

Friday, November 30


8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

- Classroom Management – Managing the Inspired Classroom – Elementary/MS or MS/HS
- Differentiating Instruction – Every Child Can Learn – Elementary/MS or MS/HS
- Working with Parents – Elementary/MS or MS/HS
- Licensure and “Highly Qualified”
- Professional Roles and Responsibilities
- A SPED Primer for Regular Ed Teachers
- Legal Basics for New Teachers
- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
- Online Alert!

Registration Deadline: November 26

You can register online and find more info at www.massteacher.org/teaching/conferences/conferences_jfnt.cfm

Member news

 Linda Fregeau (WMS) became a grandmother on Sept. 11 when Leah Marie was born.



 The mother of Donna Holt (Merrill) passed away.

 The mother of Kim Morast (RMS) passed away.

Attention Educational Assistants

Any educational assistants who believe that they paid for health insurance for the summer out of their pocket because they thought they would not have insurance coverage otherwise needs to contact Anita Newman (508-866-4317).

BREA retirees

Any BREA retiree who started a Verizon wireless plan before they retired can still go to a Verizon store for service and phones. When they pull up your account, it should have the discount noted. This can be done for new Verizon service.

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