

# STAy Informed

June 2015

 **Saugus Teachers Association**



## News!

### New Teachers:

We look forward in welcoming 19 New Teachers into our Saugus Family!

### Congratulations Retired Teachers:

Thank you so much for teaching with us in the Saugus Union School District!

### CTA/NEA - RETIRED

Stay informed by become a member. This is the only retired educator group affiliated with CTA and NEA.

They help keep open lines of communications to stay informed and updated on issues that matter to you!

## 2015-2016

### **STA Executive Board:**

President - Debbie Rocha  
Vice President - Maritza de la Cruz  
Treasurer - Jody Naus  
Recording Secretary - Sandy Belanger  
Bay Valley Rep. - Janice Elam  
Corresponding Secretary- Michele Collins

### **Bargaining Committee:**

Liz Hand, Steve Goldstein,  
Chris Bloore, and David Stepner

## Be In The Know!

### STA Website:

[www.saugusteachers.org](http://www.saugusteachers.org) Go to "News from the Table/Updates" Click the links to see the MOU's we have signed in the last 3 years.

### What has STA gained for our membership this year?

In July, we received 1.5% salary schedule off our salary schedule bonus and a 3.5% increase on the salary schedule. In addition, a \$50 a month increase to benefit CAP. We pushed for lower class sizes and now have a District wide average of 24.7 students in primary and 29 students in grades 4-6. We just added 36 hours of release time for planning.

We have a tentative agreement for our vision insurance to be changed from MES to VSP @ the request of membership. Gaining a \$500 orthodontic benefit. The bargaining team will return to the table June 19<sup>th</sup> to address bereavement and other contract language. Bargaining is always driven by the annual bargaining survey. A new survey will be sent out in the fall to address issues next year.

### School Board Meetings:

June 16 & 23 (6pm), July 21, August 11 & 18, September 29, October 20, November 3 & 17, and December 8. Come support our STA and our bargaining team! Meetings are at the DO @ 7:30.

## Helping Support Our Own:

Salt City Candles – [walker.candles4u@gmail.com](mailto:walker.candles4u@gmail.com)

Ramsay Gems - [etsy.com/shop/RamsayGems](http://etsy.com/shop/RamsayGems)

Portrait Photography on Location -

[PumpnickelPictures.com](http://PumpnickelPictures.com)

Children's Furniture: [www.KidsFurniturePalace.com](http://www.KidsFurniturePalace.com)

[srdstraighteningreins.org](http://srdstraighteningreins.org) – Supporting Positive choices and Infinite Possibilities for Youth.