



Communications Workers of America — Local 9509, AFL-CIO

Dear CWA Retiree,

March 12, 2018

The March meeting will be held on the third Wednesday of the month at the CWA Local 9509 Union Hall, 7548 Trade Street San Diego, on March 21st. The meeting will be at 10am with lunch to following. Lunch is \$4.00 if you wish to participate.

If you need to contact the RMC, please call into the Local number at 858-695-1509. Someone will get back to you.

Please see the attached information regarding a Medicare Scam Alert. It seems seniors never stop being targets. This information came from our CWA District 9 Retiree Council.

Also attached is information from CARA regarding their new website and other information.

If you are a retiree who has a service to offer others, please let us know and we will list it in our newsletter. Please support our retirees. (see attached)

I hope you find all the attachments helpful.

Foxyne Hinton
President RMC

Anthony Catanese
Vice President RMC

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Treasurer RMC Secretary RMC



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If we have missed listing your birthday, please call the Local and leave a message when it is and I will make sure it gets in the newsletter.

We would really like to grow the club. We invite you to attend the meetings and bring a friend. If you would like to mention anyone in the newsletter, please leave a message at the Local. We also welcome any articles or information you think would be of interest to our retirees.

Happy Birthday to the following retirees: Marsha Mann 3/4; Tim Sexton 3/23 and Bettie Rand 3/27.

Sincerely,

Joyne Hinton

Subject: CARA LAUNCHES OUR NEW WEBSITE!!! TAKE A LOOK www.californiaalliance.org
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CARA LAUNCHES OUR NEW WEBSITE!!! TAKE A LOOK

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Thanks to our fabulous Webmaster, Chuck Walker, and folks at Signified (a web design firm), CARA has a new website, that is hopefully easier to use, has the information you need to help you get active and stay active, and that you can share with your friends, colleagues, family, and the public. Please take a look when you have a chance, and check in regularly to get updated information and event details.

**CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE FORUMS AND OTHER TOWN HALLS IN
MARCH AND APRIL**

FIND AN EVENT NEAR YOU!

CARA is hosting events all around the State to engage seniors on key issues in order to impact the 2018 elections. CARA is targeting several Congressional Districts where we plan to hold Candidate Forums so that senior voters can learn where the candidates stand on issues like protecting, improving and expanding Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security. In other areas, we are having state and local candidate events. Other locations are sponsoring educational forums on issues like Single Payer, Medicare and Medicaid, and Social Security.

Below is a list of events around the State. Please look for the event in your

area, and plan to attend. We urge you to forward this information to your organizational members, friends, family, neighbors – everyone you know. The June 6th primary is coming up sooner than you think, and we hope to provide information to help everyone be an informed voter. If you want more information about any of these events, please call the CARA office and we can send you an individual flyer for each of the events. Our toll-free number is 877-223-6107. Here is the list of events.

**Congressional Candidate Forums in 5 Target Districts
Medicare/Medicaid and Social Security**

Congressional District and Incumbent	City	Date	Location
CD 49 (Issa)	Vista	Saturday, April 14 1pm – 3pm	Vista Library 700 Eucalyptus Ave., Vista



**Take Action to Take Back our Country in 2018
*Become a Senior Ambassador!***

- o The 2018 elections could decide the future of programs that seniors depend upon – especially Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security. The current national leadership has made cuts and privatization of these programs a top priority – in fact they have already started making these cuts with more to come. Unfortunately, several of our California Congressmembers have voted to support these plans. We must let them know that seniors and our families, regardless of party preference, will not vote for someone who votes to support these devastating cuts to these essential, popular American programs.
- o CARA's Seniors Vote 2018 is targeting 5 Congressional races where the incumbents continue to vote to dismantle our social insurance programs – programs that we paid for. We know that seniors could be the deciding votes in these districts (seniors comprise almost 50% of the regular voters in these districts in mid-term elections). Many of these senior voters are isolated, and don't get a lot of information besides what they see on television, hear on the radio, or read in their mail. They vote for incumbents because they recognize their name. have voted for them

before, or hear and see their name on advertisements, etc. Many of these voters do not even know that the people they elected are voting to cut the programs that they love and need.

- o CARA's Seniors Vote 2018 will recruit seniors throughout California to "adopt a list" of 20 seniors in one of these key Congressional districts to call on a regular basis (3-5 times over the year). They will provide important information to help these voters make more informed decisions using candidate answers to questionnaires, scorecards, etc. CARA will not endorse a candidate, but our callers will help provide information so that these seniors can make more informed decisions.

- o Please sign up today to be a Senior Phone Ambassador. We can take back our country and elect representatives who represent the interests of seniors and our families if we all join the CARA Senior Vote Project. Fill out our Seniors Vote 2018 – Take Action Card today. [You can click here to download the form](#) or call the CARA office if you want to sign up or need more information at 877-223-6107 (toll free).

CARA VOTES TO ENDORSE

THE SCHOOLS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES FUNDING ACT

The California Schools and Local Communities Funding Act of 2018 will restore over \$11 billion per year to California's schools, community colleges, health clinics, and other vital local services. We can no longer afford to keep giving billions of dollars in tax breaks to millionaires, billionaires and big corporations. Closing California's commercial property tax loophole restores \$11 billion per year for schools, community colleges and other vital community services, including emergency responder services, senior services, parks, libraries, health clinics, trauma centers, affordable housing, homeless services, and roads. CARA voted to make this essential reform a priority issue at our last convention. We are helping to collect signatures NOW to qualify this measure for the November 2018 ballot – 900,000 are needed by early May. If you want to help CARA collect signatures in your County, please let us know by calling us at 877-223-6017 and we will send you petitions to get

you started. You can get more information about this ballot measure by going to <https://schoolsandcommunitiesfirst.org>.

**CARA Statewide In-District Senior Lobby Day
June 8, 2018**

CARA is planning to hold our annual lobby day in each of the State Assembly and Senate Districts on June 8th. We hope to have 120 district meetings all on the same day, in each legislator's district office. CARA members/constituents will meet with their elected officials to talk about CARA's key priority bills. If you would like to join other CARA members in your area and meet with your CA Assemblymember or Senator, let us know. We will plug you in. Call CARA at 877-223-6107 (toll free).

You can contact CARA at:

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Medicare SCAM Alert!

The Scam:

Someone from Medicare will call you and say that you're getting a new card; they will say that until it comes, you will need a temporary card that costs between \$5 and \$50. And then they will ask for your bank information and credit card information to process the temporary card.

Please Don't. This is a scam.

The Facts:

1. Medicare communicates only by mail, unless you tell them to call you.
2. Starting on April 1, 2018, Medicare will begin a year-long program to replace all current Medicare beneficiary cards to convert to alphanumeric ID numbers. Currently your ID number is your social security number. ***All the new Medicare cards will come in the mail;*** you don't need to do anything. Your Medicare will show up.

Please Share This Info.

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