

FLAGS POLE

SUMMER, 2015

FLAGS is a membership organization whose purpose is to provide networking, resources and professional development to world language teachers in the greater Sacramento area. We are an affiliate of the California Language Teachers' Association.

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SUMMER SEMINAR!



The 2015 Summer Seminar is just 2 weeks...if you have not registered, follow the links here to make sure you are in Santa Barbara from Friday, July 17 through Tuesday, July 22, 2015!

To access the Summer Seminar 2015 brochure:

<http://web.stanford.edu/group/CFLP/summerseminar2015.pdf>

For online Registration:

<https://www.tfaforms.com/323776>

For additional information, email: summer@clta.net, or call (650) 736-9042



The President's Perch

Greetings, FLAGS Members!

Welcome to summer vacation, 2015. We hope this issue of the FLAGS Pole finds you all enjoying well-deserved relaxation, fun and adventure--only the good kind of course! After a busy year in our own classrooms and getting ready for the CLTA conference, your FLAGS Board continues to be busy. In fact, we just had our 2015-2016 planning meeting and we have pulled together a great calendar of events for new and current members. Look for a detailed announcement with information for all of our events in August, just in time for the start of the new year.

In preparation for participating in all of our great activities, don't forget that the FLAGS membership year runs September 1 through August 31. Therefore, now is the time to renew your membership so you can take advantage of our member benefits for 2015-2016, including reduced registration fee for our professional development events, eligibility to attend both of our FREE members'-only events (the Fall Festa and the Student Awards Breakfast), eligibility to be considered for professional recognition with a FLAGS Teacher Award, and more. So, head on over to the membership page (<http://www.flagsteacher.com/membership.html>) and renew your membership now. Then forward the page to a friend and encourage him/her to join!

Best,

Nicole

Calendar of Events:

Please take a moment to add these dates to your personal/professional calendar!

- **Friday, Aug. 28, 2015** - FLAGS Fall Festa @ Mimis (Alta Arden), 4:30-6:00PM
- **Sat., Oct. 17, 2015** - FLAGS Fall Professional Development: Functional Objectives - Isn't that just Grammar? (NO, but come find out HOW and WHY!) - See Fall, 2015 Issue of FLAGS POLE for more information and Registration links!
- **Thursday, November 19 - Sunday, Nov. 22, 2015** - ACTFL Annual Convention - San Diego, CA! Rick Steves is Key Note Speaker! Register Now at www.actfl.org.
- **Sat., Jan. 30, 2016** - FLAGS Winter/Spring Professional Development, (Focus on Tech!) - See Fall 2015 Issue of FLAGS POLE for more information and Registration links!
- **Thursday, March 17, 2016** - Sunday, March 20 - CLTA 2016 Conference - "To the Core: Never Cease Growing". More information to come in Fall, 2015 and Winter, 2016 Issues of FLAGS POLE!
- **Sat., April 30, 2016** - FLAGS Student Awards Breakfast, 8:30-10:00 AM. See Winter and Spring, 2016 Issues of FLAGS POLE for updated information!

Teacher Awards!!!

TEACHER RECOGNITION!!!! Is there a special teacher at your school that you want to honor? You know, the one who is organized, creative and just simply an amazing world language teacher! Why not honor this special teacher with a FLAGS Teacher Award? The teacher you honor will win special in-school recognition, and will receive \$200. To learn more about this fantastic opportunity, and to nominate a teacher at your school, visit <http://www.flagsteacher.com/teacher-awards.html>.

Got Membership?

FLAGS MEMBERSHIP

Greetings Members!

Now that the 2014-2015 school year has wound down, it is time to think about your membership in FLAGS. Effective for the coming school year, FLAGS Membership will run from September through August. Therefore, if you were a member for the past academic year, (2014-2015), you will need to renew your membership for the next academic year (2015-2016) by September 1st. If not a member, we strongly encourage you to join when school starts up again.

There are many benefits to being a member of FLAGS. You can apply for small grants to fund special Advocacy/outreach events with your students. You can join us at the FREE fall member reception. And you get instant updates on matters of importance to the profession. Additionally, you get reduced rates for FLAGS workshops. You can nominate colleagues for awards recognizing them for their outstanding teaching. You can honor a student at the annual Student Awards Breakfast for FREE.

Finally, as you renew your membership or join FLAGS for the first time, think about renewing or becoming a member of our mother Association – CLTA. To renew or join FLAGS, print and send in the membership form on page 6 of this newsletter or visit <http://www.flagsteacher.com/membership.html>. To renew or join CLTA, visit <http://www.tfaforms.com/340273>.

Sincerely,

Evelyn

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFO!!!

Attention Members!!!

If your contact information (school, physical address, email address or phone number has changed in the past 3 years, please contact Evelyn Bejarano at eob2jmf@pacbell.net ASAP.

We will be sending out the FALL 2015 issue of the Flags Pole via email link AND hard copy in the early fall and we want to make sure your issue arrives in your email inbox and your mail box!!! Thank you!!!



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Membership Application or Renewal

September 1, 2015 - August 31, 2016

Circle One

New Renewal

Name (please print)

Title (circle one) Miss Ms. Mrs. Sister Dr. Mr. Rev. Brother

Home AddressCA.....

number street city zip

Home Phone (.....)..... School Phone (.....).....

School Language(s).....

School AddressCA.....

number street city zip

E-mail Fax

(New members) I was encouraged to join by

FLAGS dues* (\$20 Regular; \$10 Student; \$5 Retiree) \$_____ (A)

CLTA dues (\$45 Regular; \$10 Student; \$35 Retiree) \$_____ (B)

TOTAL (A + B) \$_____

(A) If paying FLAGS dues only, please make check payable to **FLAGS** and send it with this form to:

FLAGS Membership
9400 Trenholm Dr.
Elk Grove, CA 95758

(A+B) If paying both FLAGS & CLTA dues, please make check payable to **CLTA** and send it with this form to: (or go to clta.net/membership to pay w/a credit card and/or join other affiliates)

CLTA Membership
425 Twain
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