

Hi Everyone!

Your PACRA Board hopes you are well and anticipating the beauty of Fall wherever you are in the world right now!!

This email is being sent as a Bcc to 2021-2022 PACRA members for whom we have email addresses; feel free to forward to others!

PACRA BOARD UPDATE

This is to inform our members that at our PACRA meeting held August 26, 2021, the Board accepted the resignations of President Judy Cater and Vice President Steve Spear. The Board, in turn and by unanimous vote, appointed June Rady and Bob Larson as Interim Co-Presidents and Becky McCluskey as Interim Vice President. The newly appointed officers have agreed to serve until the vacant positions are filled on a permanent basis. The Board expressed its appreciation to Judy and Steve for their service and tireless work in promoting the mission of PACRA, particularly as it relates to protecting the retirees' health benefits.

Please know that your Board will continue to vigorously implement its primary mission by pursuing all matters of interest to retirees, particularly as they relate to the health benefits provided to us upon retirement. *Bob Larson and June Rady, Co-Presidents*

In addition, an email was sent to Human Resource Services (Vice President Montoya, Wendy Corbin, and Christine Winterle):

Subject: Changes to PACRA Board of Directors

At its August 26, 2021 meeting, the PACRA Board accepted the resignations of Board President Judy Cater and Board Vice President Steve Spear. The new leadership positions will be assumed by Interim Co-Presidents June Rady and Bob Larson and Interim Vice President Becky McCluskey. The aforementioned officers will serve in these positions until such time the positions are filled on a permanent basis.

There will be no changes to the remaining members who serve on the current Board nor will there be changes to the PACRA representatives who currently serve on the Palomar College Benefits Committee (M. Jayne Conway, Judy Dolan, and Becky McCluskey). Please know that the PACRA Board will continue to implement its primary mission by pursuing all matters of interest to our retirees. PACRA is very appreciative of the support, cooperation and assistance that has been provided to retirees by the excellent staff who serve

in Human Resource Services. Thank you. *Bob Larson and June Rady, Co-Presidents*

FOLLOW-UP INFO TO OPEN ENROLLMENT FROM HR

THANK YOU to members who attended an OE Webinar; the representatives who presented, as well as our HR reps, were—and are—a wealth of information!

Wendy Corbin sent a follow-up email after Open Enrollment with this reminder for retirees:

Human Resource Services

Retiree Resource Page <https://www2.palomar.edu/pages/hr/retiree-information-page/>

RETIREE OPEN ENROLLMENT 2021-2022 INFORMATION

Anthem EGWP - over age 65

Anthem PPO - under age 65

KAISER

DELTA Dental

Palomar College Retirees' Association - PACRA

Retired Public Employees Association - RPEA

Staying Healthy

Attached are two .pdf files that are also available on the RRP and in these links:

➤ [Retiree Benefits Enrollment Guide](#): *Pages 5-8*

➤ [Update your address](#) / email address / dependent information / and other personal information:

please return to benefits@palomar.edu or USPS mail to:

PALOMAR COLLEGE

ATTENTION: HUMAN RESOURCES BENEFITS

1140 W MISSION RD

SAN MARCOS, CA 92069

To review your benefits package at any time, go to your PC benefits portal at

Online [eBenefits Portal Link](#)

BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD SETTLEMENT: REMINDER TO FILE A CLAIM

Some of you may have received the above email notice. During the OE webinars, PACRA asked for verification of the content of the email—here is the response from Armando Cabrera | Account Manager | Self-Insured Schools of California (SISC):

The information is legitimate and accurate. This is a national settlement, not related to just SISC plans and involves members who may have been enrolled on an Anthem Blue Cross or Blue Shield plan in prior years outside of SISC/Palomar CCD; thus, we are not able to assist with this settlement.

SISC provides various ways for members to access behavioral, mental and emotional wellness benefits. Visit [SISC Mental Health Resources](#) or more information.

Providing our members with exceptional customer service is important to us. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to improve our service or, if you would like to provide feedback, feel free to contact my manager, Nicole Henry at 661-636-4713 or nihenry@kern.org

This communication and any attachments may contain confidential and privileged information for the use of the designated recipient(s) named above. Any unauthorized review, use, disclosure, or distribution is Strictly Prohibited. If you are not the intended recipient, please reply to the sender and destroy all copies of the original message.

Also, a member sent this follow-up information:

After more research, I called the plan settlement number and it seems legit. I've requested a paper claim form and will submit a claim before Nov 4. You can call the settlement admin number at the bottom to request a paper claim form, in case you don't feel comfortable putting all your info electronically. Of course, it would be nice to know the date we all were changed to BlueCross because they ask that on the claim form!
FYI: the change to SISC Anthem Blue Cross was effective January 1, 2016.

METLIFE/ HYATT LEGAL PLAN - PALOMAR COLLEGE RETIREES

Update from Board member Jayne Conway—whose diligence is awesome!!

Sept 3: As you may know, those of us that continued the *MetLife/Hyatt Legal Plan* were continued in the Palomar College retiree plan. Wendy said the District is currently not supporting the plan, but those involved can continue. *Met Life/ Hyatt Legal* said they will inform us at renewal time. I have heard from 2 retirees who have not received the renewal notice; I also have not received the renewal notice by email from *MetLife/Hyatt*. It appears the renewal has been set up for August during Open Enrollment. Have any of you continued your *MetLife/Hyatt Legal Plan*? Did you get notified to renew your plan in time for Open Enrollment? I will keep you informed.

Sept 7: I'm pleased to report I have been successful in regaining my *MetLife/Hyatt Legal Plan* coverage. The plan is renewing yearly during Open Enrollment in August. My current plan covers until Sept 30, 2021 and the new Palomar College

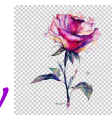
Retiree plan will renew October 1, 2021 until Sept. 30, 2022. The cost for this legal consultation coverage is \$234 per year directly paid to MetLife/Hyatt. Since I didn't receive the renewal notice at my Palomar email, I have changed my email listed to my personal Gmail in case this was part of the problem. Thanks to those who got back to me.

M. Jayne Conway MSN, APRN, PHN | Director Emeritus Health Services |
mjconway21@gmail.com

A comment from a grateful member: *Jayne. Great! Good work. We all appreciate your efforts.*



WE REMEMBER JAY ALPERSON



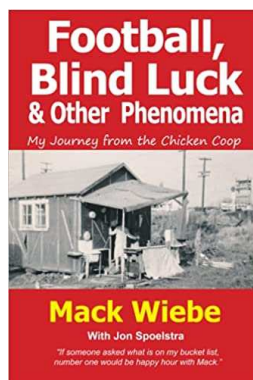
If you got to know Jay, I'm sure you found him to be a warm and wonderful person who was a very talented and multi-faceted person. A real great colleague and treasure for Palomar. Attached is his obituary as it appears in Aug 22 SD-UT.

INFO/LINKS THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO YOU

Mack Wiebe has authored a book:

*Hi Judy, I have written a book and it was published through Amazon on June 25, 2021. I have listed the link below for more information on the book. Thank you.
Mack Wiebe*

https://www.amazon.com/dp/B097XFM2DJ/ref=sr_1_1?dchild=1&keywords=mack+wiebe&qid=1624822059&s=books&sr=1-1The



SD County Health and Services—info from Jayne Conway

SEPTEMBER 2021 AGING & INDEPENDENCE SERVICES BULLETIN

https://content.govdelivery.com/attachments/CASAND/2021/09/03/file_attachments/1925449/September%20AIS%20Bulletin.pdf

SD COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

<https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/ais.html>

Take good care, everyone!
Judy

Judy Dolan, Secretary (on behalf of the PACRA Board)



ATTACHMENTS

- Retiree Benefits Guide
- Address/Name Change Form
- Jay Alperson