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ACTION REPORT

Take Charge of Your Life! Exclusively for AEA Members!

Are you struggling with your finances? Trying to figure out how to make your money work for you? Then you need to know the "15 Financial Mistakes You Can't Afford to Make", presented by NEA Member Specialist Richard Smith. You can't afford *not* to attend this workshop taking place Tuesday, September 15 from 4-6pm. AEA will also provide members additional workshops this year including:

- Teacher Evaluation- What You *Really* Need to Know
- Dealing with Difficult People
- Your Rights, Licensure, & Employment
- The Ins and Outs of National Board Certification
- Grant Writing-Easier Than You Think!
- Legal Benefits of Membership for Your Personal Life

and seats are limited. Look for additional information in your mailbox.

Email page@aeava.org to register before time runs out.

Registration is required,



NO INCREASE IN LOCAL DUES for 2009-2010!

In tough times, AEA is here for you. The AEA Executive Board and Delegate Assembly approved a freeze on local dues for school year 09-10. Your local dues for 09-10 will stay at the current rate. **As always, there are no dues deducted in July and August.**

State and national dues will only increase 55¢ per pay period for full-time T-scale and 28¢ per pay period for part-time T-scale. State and national dues for full-time ESP's will only increase 27¢ cents per pay period and part-time ESP's state and national dues will increase 13¢ per pay period. **MAKE YOUR DUES WORK FOR YOU.** Check out financial member benefits

at www.neamb.com. Read tips on how to survive a recession or register to win a spa treatment! Did you know the NEA website also has professional lessons and activities? Go to www.neamb.com, and click on the "Professional Resources" tab.

Win Big in the NEA Sweepstakes!

Win a NEW WARDROBE and/or LAPTOP for the new school year! NEA members can register on the NEA Member Benefits Web Site and view sweepstakes rules by going to [NEA Member benefits](#). The following are sweepstakes prizes for the month of September: September, 1-15 win one of 4 \$500 gift cards from Macy's.

September 16-30 Get it all done at work or home! Enter to win one of four DELL laptop computers.

If you win let AEA know! Good luck!



APS Email: Guard Your Privacy!

Everything you send/receive through your APS email (GroupWise/APSmail/Novell Web Access), is a public record and is therefore archived (stored). This action is in accord with Virginia law.

Safeguard your privacy! Do not send/receive private emails through APS. For your privacy write AEA using your personal email address. Free email addresses are available through Google mail, AOL, Hotmail and other internet sources.

HELP Save the Planet! Send AEA your personal email address and we will email the "E-Action Report" instead of the paper "Action Report"! Email us at page@aeava.org. Do it today!

NEW HIRES: Welcome to Arlington Schools! CURRENT MEMBERS-WELCOME BACK!

The Arlington Education Association welcomes back all current members and welcomes all new hires! Congratulations for working in one of the top public school districts in the nation. We know whatever your assignment, you are the BEST! Otherwise, APS wouldn't have hired you! You deserve the best, and AEA is here to help you achieve it. The first AEA Assembly takes place Monday, September 14th at 4:15 pm in the Kenmore Middle School Library. ASSEMBLIES ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS! Please join your AEA representatives in kicking off a great new school year! AEA is *YOUR PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION*. It is largely run by members and its actions are determined by the members. Tell us what you want and let us hear from you! Here are just a *few ways* your Association helps YOU:

- AEA protects your rights.
- AEA provides professional liability insurance and other member benefits (see page one and below).
- AEA represents your interests on APS committees, with Senior Staff, and the APS School Board.
- AEA is vigilant in protecting and advocating for improved working conditions.
- AEA has professional and support staff to help you.
- AEA keeps you informed with professional publications, conferences and workshops.
- AEA speaks for you on salary and benefits improvements.

Our Newest Member!

Congratulations to AEA member Rosanne Johengen and husband Chris, the proud parents of baby boy Cooper born May 12, 2009!



National Education Association Representative Assembly '09: Hope Starts Here

Representatives from across the nation came together in July at the NEA Convention in San Diego, CA to attend to the business of NEA. AEA members were part of the VA Delegation. President Shelley Jennings was selected by VEA President Kitty Boitnott to host international visitors from Africa and North America.

Secretary of Education Arne Duncan held a town hall-style meeting with delegates

where he spoke about President Obama's goals for public education and answered questions from representatives. Representatives voted approval on several new business items, including development and implementation of an action plan to inform and influence President Obama's proposal to turn around 5,000 schools with \$5 billion in five years beginning in the fall of 2010.

For more details on this, and other new business items, amendments, and resolutions, go to [NEA's website](#). Click on bullet five under "Inside Grants and Events".

"...test scores should always be a measure, but not the measure."
-Arne Duncan, U.S. Secretary of Education

Welcome Back from NEA Member Benefits *Members deserve all the savings and support we can give them.*

Our goal is to make sure that you know you can turn to us to get the savings you need and the support you deserve, especially during these challenging times. We understand how demanding this time of year can be: balancing school responsibilities with a busy home life, shopping for your family and your professional needs, and looking for ways to stretch an already tight budget. We want to do everything we can to help.

SAVINGS

Because we understand how important it is to be able to save money while you prepare for a new school year, we've negotiated several special offers and discounts to help you get what you need without overloading your budget. Plus, we've made it easier for you to access these great deals in one place - just visit the *Welcome Back* page in the Professional Resources Channel at [neamb.com](#).

Barnes & Noble

Get 10% off instead of the regular 5% - that's double the savings!

uBoost.com

Receive 60% off membership to this popular online student rewards program.

Instructor Magazine

Get a free 1 year subscription.

Rapid Resources

Receive a free, 30-day trial for individualized lesson plans.

SmileMakers.com

Save twice as much on supplies with 10% off instead of the usual 5%.

Kmart

Receive special savings on clothing and school supplies.

Bank of America

Special Back to School Offer--You can receive a \$50 statement credit when you apply and use your new NEA Credit CardSM with WorldPoints[®] rewards to make transactions totaling at least \$75 within 45 days of opening your account. This offer begins July 30, 2009. For more details, visit the "welcome back" section on [neamb.com](#).

Look for the *Welcome Back* banner or go to the Professional Resources Channel on [neamb.com](#)! You'll find even more savings on the website.