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Hello CAPHI Members (and Hopeful Members):

I am sure that you are back at work or whatever you do once the summer is past and we start looking forward to the turn of the year. During the summer the CAPHI Executive Committee met and made a couple of changes to our structure and activities.

First, we have the following elected officers: Vice-President: Angie Juarez, Treasurer: Jocelyn Corson, Membership Secretary: Susan McCrary, Recording Secretary: Grace Castillo. I have agreed to serve as President for 2011-2012. Anne Merrel and Nicole Kylvkiw have agreed to work on the web site.

Second, membership requests will go out all at once in October. A membership form is attached. If you renewed your membership in the 2010 year we will give you a "pass" for 2011-2012 and pick up everyone next fall.

You must be asking yourself, "What do I get for my membership?" Good question. One answer might be "A chance to win the grand prize at the CAPHI conference!" Yes, we have a conference date and place. **CAPHI will meet in Santa Barbara this year on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**. Deby Geiger is our local arrangements coordinator and has an auditorium and break out rooms at the Santa Barbara County Education Office. And the grand prize? An iPad2! That might be worth a membership renewal. In addition, CAPHI is providing many more prizes for conference participants so get ready to visit the central coast in February. Maybe we could plan a visit to the Hitching Post (site of the film Sideways) for a little Santa Maria BBQ and local wine after the conference. Maybe...

Another reason to join CAPHI is to meet with other teachers in California who serve students with physical and health impairments. As many of you know, jobs are getting tight and interacting with each other is a terrific way to network. You folks know where the jobs will be much quicker than they are ever posted on Edjoin.

So "Save the Date" and renew your membership. Conference registration will follow quickly. Circle your calendar and plan a weekend in Santa Barbara. See you there.

Sherry Best

CAPHI President