

# SBUT ANNOUNCER

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## A Challenging School Year Ends

Greetings Members,

We've come to the end of another in a series of very difficult school years. While we know that some of you will be leaving for the happy purpose of retirement, we are still saddened to know that your years of experience and expertise will no longer be there at the sites for your colleagues to draw upon.

There are still others of you who have been snared in the net of a bad economy and through no fault of your own, you are being forced to leave the jobs you love because of layoffs. What a tremendous loss for students at a time when they need so much. What a tremendous loss to the profession at a time when we are losing so many veterans, to lose some of the keepers of the flame too is even more difficult

to absorb. It may be of no comfort at all to know that we will continue to monitor the district to make sure you are recalled when positions that you are credentialed to fill are open, but we will. Your chapter leaders will be vigilant in looking out for those openings—please, you do the same. Check back with colleagues, monitor Ed-Join and your district's website and let us know if there's something we may have missed.

If you are laid off, you are eligible to apply for unemployment benefits. Be careful though, if you start to get benefits and are called back by the district, you should contact the Employment Development Department to let them know as soon as possible. The District should also give you information about COBRA. This program allows you to con-

tinue your healthcare coverage for up to 18 months under the employer's plan—at your expense.

I appreciate the fantastic job you do to educate, council and nurse students through good times and bad and the fact that you do it with consistently high levels of professionalism and care. We know that a society needs all kinds of workers in order to function, but none is more important than that of educator. I hope that you don't give up on the profession and that our State and nation wises up and starts to fund schools properly. Thank you all for great work in a tough environment.

All the best,  
Sandra Goins  
Executive Director  
South Bay United Teachers

*Congratulations to Redondo Beach USD*

*Teacher of the Year:*

*Patrick Vaughan!*

### *Coming this fall...*

- ◆ This October, SBUT will be hosting a workshop on **teacher rights**. Date and time to be announced.
- ◆ Have a **School Site Council**? Talk to your rep about setting up training for the union members on the panel.
- ◆ **Open House** at South Bay United Teachers—November 2010

## SBUT OFFICE HOURS JULY/AUGUST

During July and August, SBUT office hours are irregular. If you need to come by, be sure to contact us first. Phone calls and e-mails are checked daily.

**DON'T FORGET THE SBUT  
WEBSITE!**  
[www.sbut.org](http://www.sbut.org)

# SBUT "Garage Sale"

We have two used computers in the office that may be of interest to a member. If you are interested in one or both of the computers below, call or email the office by June 18th to put your name in a drawing. (You may put your name in for both, but can only win one, so be sure to note your order of preference).



## COMPUTER 1

Dell Dimension 4100 with 16" Dell Monitor, speakers. Corel WP8, Window XP, Pentium III processor 930 MHz, 384MB of RAM, 3 ½ floppy drive, CD ROM drive, 6 GB free disk space.



## COMPUTER 2

Dell Dimension XPS B866 with Sync Master 18" monitor, speakers. Windows 98, 128 MB RAM, 16 GB free space. MS office 2000, 3 ½ floppy, CD ROM Drive.

## FIRST FINANCIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**New in 2010!** This year, the First Financial Credit Union Scholarship Program is also open to members currently enrolled in an accredited College, University, Community College, Trade School or Technical School, who will still be enrolled in the Fall of 2010. They are excited to make this change in 2010!



First Financial Credit Union's Scholarship Program was established to recognize and assist both graduating high school seniors and current college students. First Financial will award up to ten (10) \$500 non-renewable scholarships to First Financial members who are either 2010 high school graduates or current college students who plan to attend an accredited College, University, Community College, Trade School or Technical school in the Fall of 2010.

Visit [www.ffcuc.org](http://www.ffcuc.org) and click on the scholarship icon for more information. Application deadline is June 12, 2010.

## Don't forget your Summer Discounts websites:

[www.tsaspecialservices.com](http://www.tsaspecialservices.com)  
(or use the link on the SBUT website:  
[www.sbut.org](http://www.sbut.org), "resources," "teacher discounts")  
AND

**Employee Savings Tickets**, another option for discounted entertainment.

Visit the website  
([www.employeesavingstickets.com](http://www.employeesavingstickets.com))  
and enter our access code, ETF72G.

You can purchase tickets online, but the least expensive way is to visit their office in Torrance:  
21311 Hawthorne Blvd., Suite 101.  
You will need your CTA card & a driver's license.

SBUT Drawing for a chance at one of two

**\$25 Target gift cards!**

Call or e-mail the office by June 18th at 4pm  
for a chance to win!