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## Crowds Rally for Day of The Teacher

More than 300 teachers, employees, friends, students, families, and community members gathered at Montebello City Park Wednesday to celebrate “Day of the Teacher.”

President Dianne GarciaStevens led the activities. Roger Perez (LMI) volunteered his services as a DJ. Special



Past Presidents Margie Granado (BAE) and Dorothy Chu (DO) participate in the rally. As the NEA Director Margie spoke to the crowd from a national perspective.

Guests included NEA Director Margie Granado (BAE), CTA Director Tyrone Cabell & Senator Ron Calderon. Board President Marcella Calderon presented a “Day of the

Teacher” resolution on behalf of the Board. Superintendent Ed Velasquez also attended.

Entertainment included the Montebello High School drill team, folklorico dancers, pepsters, and marching band.

Normally a day to celebrate the teaching profession, Wednesday’s 26<sup>th</sup> annual California “Day of the



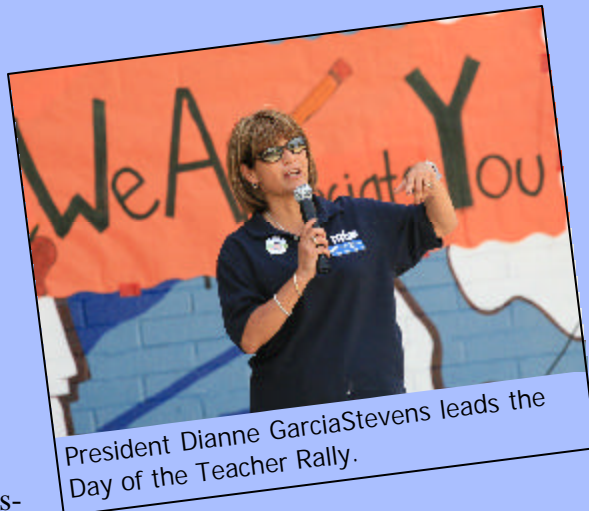
Neal Crook (MHS) leads the cheers among the crowd with a powerful message!

Teacher” instead featured thousands of educators across the state protesting billions of dollars in proposed education funding cuts that will devastate our public schools.

Gov. Schwarzenegger released his revised state budget proposal Wednesday. He rescinded his January proposal of sus-

spending Proposition 98. Avoiding a suspension of Proposition 98 is a step in the right direction. The governor’s revised budget proposal shows that he listened to educators, parents and the will of the voters by not suspending the state’s minimum school funding law. But any cut to education hurts our students and schools, and this revised budget proposal still cuts \$4 billion to public education.

As a result of the proposed cuts, more than 18,000 teachers, education support professionals and other educators have received pink slips. For the last several weeks, CTA leaders have been crisscrossing the state in the yellow, “Cuts Hurt” school bus to show the impact of these proposed cuts. More information is available at [www.cta.org](http://www.cta.org).



President Dianne GarciaStevens leads the Day of the Teacher Rally.

## Book Drive!

Thank you to all who donated books to the Summer Reading Incentive Program. The Executive Committee collected more than 200 books at the Rally!

# MTA RETIREMENT BANQUET 2008

You served and our students scored!!!

## Retirees

- Guadalupe V. Angeles (WGE)
- Claudia P. Benson (RPS)
- Elaine Chan (FRE)
- Marilyn Cohen (MOI)
- Marilyn R. Fant (LMI)
- Sandra Lee Gasper (PHE)
- Gloria Gates (FRE)
- Glenda J. Gould (Sp Ed)
- Jose Luis Guajardo (CCE)
- Tere Hirsch (MOI)
- Dale E. Homan (LMI)
- Janice U. Hurtado (CaSafe)

## Retirees

- Judith Jimenez (EAI)
- Cheryl L. Johnson (LME)
- Janice L. Kahlenberg (LMI)
- Sherril M. Kehl (SHS)
- Katherine Kilgore (BGH)
- George P. Lightholder (BVE)
- Sharyn U. Okamura (LMI)
- Catherine Olguin (SHS)
- Carol R. Phillips (BGH)
- Patricia L. Pierce (WAE)
- Martha R. Thomas (WAE)
- Vicki L. Yesseyian (JGE)

The persons listed above are retirees who have expressed an interest in attending the 2008 MTA Retirement Banquet. These are not all of the retirees of the class of 2008. If your name is on this list in error or if you were omitted in error, please contact us at (323) 722-5005.

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Yes, I will attend the banquet. Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seats at \$40 each (check enclosed).

Please indicate which retiree you would like to sit close to: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: There are 10 seats per table. Return before **June 1, 2008** Please list all names of guests:
