

## Talking Points for Legislative Chairs, December 2014

Details are in the December issue of the *Advocacy Communicator*.

- The state legislature is starting a new two-year session on December 1. The legislative work will get underway when the lawmakers reconvene in January. A calendar of important dates for the legislature is in the *Communicator*.
- The Orange County Department of Education Board of Trustees held a second hearing on the Common Core State Standards. There were four speakers in favor and four against. Some of their comments are in the *Communicator*. A full transcript and audio recording of the first meeting is posted on the OCDE website and the transcript of the second hearing will be posted there as well.
- There were interesting discussions on a variety of topics at the November Advocacy Roundtable. The speakers were Rick Simpson and Assembly Member Don Wagner. Both of them talked about shifting taxing and decision-making power from Sacramento to local school districts.
- The next Roundtables will be on January 23 and April 24. Be sure to mark your calendars. Programs haven't been announced yet, but they are sure to be interesting.
- The *Communicator* lists the changes in the state legislative districts following the November General Election.
- It's time to register for Sacramento Safari! Who is going?

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