



A Letter from the President

The past few months have been near apocalyptic—earthquakes, mud slides, hurricanes, wild fires, among other events. Our hearts and prayers go out to those who have been affected by these tragedies, here and around the world. Monica Stansberry, President of TADE, our Texas Chapter, has sent a donation resource list which I have included at the end of this letter. I will be meeting with our Florida chapter leaders next week, and will gather resource lists from them. A huge donation of positive thoughts and love goes a long way as well.

New from NADE

As life returns to a new normal for our friends and colleagues, your Executive Board is working to make your membership in NADE more meaningful, more worthwhile, and more deserving of your hard-earned dollars. Here are some initiatives on which we are working:

- **Webinars**

NADE is starting a series of Practitioner for Practitioner Webinars that will begin, hopefully, in October. The idea behind these low cost (we are thinking around \$50) webinars is to provide professional development the way it works best for most people—that is, hearing about good ideas from other teachers and staff,

stealing those ideas, and trying them out with your own twist.

Past-President Gwenn Eldridge of Ivy Tech has agreed to be our first Rock Star presenter with a workshop on IRW. She has developed it, teaches it, and is continuously improving it. The webinars will consist of a 30-minute or so presentation, and then a Q & A. If you are interested in presenting something that has worked or is working for you, please let me know at President@thenade.org.

More information is coming soon.

- ***NADE Digest***

After many years of stellar service, Naomi Ludman has resigned as Editor of the *Digest*. Thank you, Naomi, for all the high-quality work you have done on this publication. We will miss your contribution, but we are grateful you have two more issues coming out before your departure at the end of this year.

The Board is talking about how to best use the *Digest* for our membership, and if you have ideas of what you would like to see the *Digest* be, please let me know. We will be asking for volunteers to apply for the position of Editor. Please watch for those announcements in the *NADE Newsletter*.

Final Thought

This week is the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah, the New Year, a time of renewal, a time to begin anew. For all of us, Jewish or not, this message from spiritual leader Karen Berg, can give us hope and empowerment despite the chaos that has surrounded us:

This is a time when we can change things. It is within our hands to create the energy that will bring dignity and respect to all beings, to be immersed in this high energy for these two days, and then to take that energy back to where we are from and share it as much as we can. For we know the light of the candle never dims by sharing its flame. The only thing that happens is that the room that was once

blanketed in darkness can slowly but surely be filled with light.

Have a happy and safe holiday!

—Robin Ozz

Texas Donation Resource List

This has been a tumultuous time in Texas! Many of our colleagues, including our board members, were affected by Harvey. TADE and TxCRLA both want to extend our support for those who were caught in the storm's path. Our CASP board encourages you all to give to the many organizations who are working with the greater Houston and Gulf Coast



areas. Please see below a list options for giving to a cause that most speaks to you:

American Red Cross	http://www.redcross.org/
South Texas Blood and Tissue Center	https://southtexasblood.org/
Save the Children	http://www.savethechildren.org
Houston Diaper Bank	http://www.houstondiaperbank.org/
Portlight Strategies	http://www.portlight.org/
Feeding Texas	https://www.feedingtexas.org/
Houston Food Bank	http://www.houstonfoodbank.org/
Food Bank of Corpus Christi	www.foodbankcc.com
San Antonio Food Bank	https://safoodbank.org
North Texas Food Bank	www.ntfb.org

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Galveston	https://www.catholiccharities.org
Interfaith Ministries For Greater Houston	https://www.imgh.org
Islamic Society of Greater Houston	https://isgh.org
Jewish Federation of Greater Houston	https://www.houstonjewish.org
Salvation Army	www.salvationarmy.org
Samaritan's Purse	https://www.samaritanspurse.org
The Humane Society of the United States	www.humanesociety.org
Houston Humane Society	www.houstonhumane.org
BARC	www.houstontx.gov/barc
Forgotten Dogs of the 5th Ward Project	forgottendogs.org
Austin Pets Alive	https://www.austinpetsalive.org

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