



VESPA April 2024 Newsletter

- VESPA President, Carol Peek, represented our union on a national stage. She was one of 38 people nominated for a national award honoring ESPs. Carol stated she was incredibly moved and honored to represent us. She appreciated the words of support from our members.



- Membership Appreciation Day will be celebrated at Tony's Pizzeria (186 E Thompson Blvd, Ventura, CA 93001) on May 3rd 5:00-10:00 pm. Look for flier for more details.

- VESPA Scholarship applications now available on our website: [CLICK HERE](#) for application. Deadline: Friday, May 10 at 4:00 pm. VESPA awards four \$1,000.00 scholarships each year to high school seniors who have a parent who is a VESPA member. Applications can be mailed or sent via inter district mail.

- This year's **WHO Award** (We Honor Ours) is presented to Gayle Innocenti, Paraeducator at Juanamaria School. She has worked as a paraeducator for 18 years and is retiring at the end of this school year. Congratulations, Gayle!



- The next School Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16th at 6:00 pm at the Education Service Center on Stanley Avenue. All are encouraged to attend or watch live on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@VenturaUnifiedSchoolDistrict/streams>
- Next VESPA meeting will be at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, **May 1**. Check your personal email for Zoom link.

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