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The Blanche Chester Award For Outstanding Teacher Advocacy Paul McKernan . patricia Knapp Robin GrayBallard Karen van der Baan1995 Linda Moran..... Maria Cortes..... David Lebow..... Frank van der Baan.....1999 Mary Dupuis......2000 Juan Gastelum......2001 JoAnn Barro.....2001 Lois Wankovsky.....2002 Pat Tonelli

Voluntary Transfer Date Is April 15

If you are considering a voluntary transfer from one site to another, you must complete the forms from Human Resources. Applications for the 2004-2005 school year are due **Thursday, April 15.** (Article XIII. D.1.a.) A tentative vacancy list should be available through Human Resources no later than April 7.

Involuntary Reassignment Due Date Is May 17

Whenever possible, principals must announce involuntary reassignments no later than **Monday, May 17**. If you have not heard you have reassigned by May 17 you can assume that you will remain in your current assignment. Changes that cannot be controlled by the principal such as fluctuations in enrollment and alterations in the educational program could cause reassignments later in the year. (Article XIII. C2.a.)

Go 70 CTC.CA.GOV For Credential Information

If you need information regarding your credential quickly when filing for the teacher tax credit go to www.ctc.ca.gov. Click the link at the top left cor-

Nominations Are Open for the Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate Award

Simply complete the form below and return it to the MTA office by Friday, March 5. This honor is awarded to individuals who demonstrate strong Bargaining Unit member advocacy at their site and throughout the Association. All nominees will be asked to complete an application and statement. In addition, the nominator will be asked to gather individual testimonials from colleagues on behalf of the nominee.

The Executive Committee will select three Blanche Chester finalists, who will be announced at the April, 20 Council meeting. There will be one finalist each from the three levels: pre K-grade 4, grade 5-grade 8, and grade 9-adult. A committee of former Blanche Chester winners will determine the winner among the finalists. The announcement will be made at the May 18 Council meeting. So take a moment and complete the form below and recognize an outstanding advocate.

> NOMINATE AN OUTSTANDING TEACHER ADVOCATE FOR THE BLANCHE CHESTER AWARD RETURN TO THE MTA OFFICE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 5

I nominate(Members of the 2003-200	Site 04 Executive Committee member		nche Chester Award. winners are <u>not</u> eligible.)
Name	Site		Extension
	You may mail fax email or phone	in the nominee	