

Happenings

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Message from the President

Officers

When you work in a school, and you say, "March Madness," you are not talking about basketball! Though March Madness is upon us, at least it's a reminder that SPRING is finally here!

President:

Election of Officers Regis Foster

1st Vice Presi-

dent:

It is that time of year again for the election of officers. If you are interested in running for any of the following positions below, you may nominate a person by E-mailing Kristin Wadeson, by April 20 at 3 p.m., or come and be nominated at our April representative meeting. I will once again be running as president.

Jenny McElroy 2nd Vice Presi-

Officer positions that one may be nominated for:

dent:

President

Barbara Cathy

1st Vice-President 2nd Vice-President Grievance Officer

Recording Secre-

tary:

Recording Secretary

Corresponding/Social Secretary

Debra Cassara

Treasurer

Corresponding/ Social Secretary: 2 people for the New York State Untied Teachers' Representative Assembly

Delegate & 1 person as an Alternate Delegate

1 person for the New York State Teacher Retirement System (NYSTRS)

Claire Dillon

Delegate & 1 person as an Alternate Delegate

Treasurer:

Snow Day Give Backs

Joseph Becker

We have three snow days left!

Grievance Chairman:

PJTA has been informed that one of the three snow days will be returned to us subject to BOE approval (and if no additional snow days are used) on Monday,

April 6 (day after Easter). The other 2 snow days will be returned to us at a later date.

Robert Avdoyan

President's Message

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VOTE-COPE

VOTE-COPE is an acronym representing the Voice of Teachers in Education, the Committee on Political Education. VOTE-COPE is also referred to as a PAC (Political Action Committee), and is the non-partisan political action arm of New York State United Teachers. Funded entirely by voluntary contributions from members, VOTE-COPE is used to help union-backed candidates and campaign committees that support education and labor. VOTE-COPE helps strengthen political action programs on all levels - national, state and local. To help on the local level, VOTE-COPE provides rebates to participating unions for political action. VOTE-COPE funds, by law, are kept separate from those of NY-SUT. Decisions on the use of VOTE-COPE contributions are made by a statewide committee. Voluntary, VOTE-COPE contributions can be made through payroll deduction or by writing a check. Contributions or gifts to VOTE-COPE are not tax deductible.

The Building Representatives will be around asking for your support again this year. All checks will be collected at our May18 meeting.

Scholarship Committee

Please E-mail Barbara Cathy if you are interested in being on this committee.

Retirement

If you are retiring in June, make sure you contact Nancy Ladonne in the Business Office. There are forms that need to be filled out, which you can get from her.

PJTA End of the Year Dinner

The PJTA annual End of the Year Dinner will be held on June 19, at the Eire Trackside. To date the board of education has accepted resignations for the purpose of retirement from Barbara Cathy, Jo Ellen DeGraw, Helenanne Gillinder, Trisha Kenniston, Lori Kuroski, Luann McCarthy, Julie Nimal, Nadine Plate, Ron Semerano, and Nancy Warner. I hope to see you all there as we celebrate the careers of our colleagues in our chosen profession – and we all know that teaching is more than "just a job"!

In Solidarity!

Regis Foster



Correspondence



Sympathy

Tim & Kelly Moul—loss of his sister-in-law, Ann Trimble
Jenny & Rich McElroy—loss of her aunt, Ann Trimble
Mary Grace Carlton—loss of her mother, Elizabeth Lynch
Nicole Waligroski—loss of her uncle, Rex Horan
Amanda Silko—loss of her grandmother, Elizabeth Lynch
Jenny & Rich McElroy—loss of her nephew, Matthew McElroy

Get Well

Judy Brown

Cards Received

Thank you from Jenny McElroy
Thank you from Father David Carlson
for our generosity to their Food Pantry