

# Happenings

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## Message from the President

### Officers

**President:**

**Regis Foster**

**1st Vice President:**

**Jenny McElroy**

**2nd Vice President:**

**Barbara Cathy**

**Recording Secretary:**

**Debra Cassara**

**Corresponding/  
Social Secretary:**

**Claire Dillon**

**Treasurer:**

**Joseph Becker**

**Grievance Chairman:**

**Robert Avdoyan**

May was such a busy month that it was so nice that we could enjoy our five day Memorial Day weekend, as it has given me the opportunity to compose the President's message for the May newsletter. It's comforting to remember that in less than four weeks we'll all be able to take a breath. I hope you, and your family had a relaxing, and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend!

### Budget Vote/School Board Elections

The budget overwhelmingly passed. The vote was 826 residents voted yes and 306 residents voted no.

Congratulations to Deborah Lasch, Valerie Maginsky, and Cathy Sadaghiani who were all elected to serve three-year terms, which begin on July 1st. I know all of these candidates will do a fine job on the board. PJTA wishes them all the best in their term of office!

I also want to take the opportunity to thank Michael Bello, Noeleen Casey-Tomasi, and Reyes Torres for all of their hard work, and service on the board.

### PJTA Elections

Speaking about elections, PJTA's elections were held, and accounted for at our May 18th representative assembly meeting. There were 247 members who voted. Congratulations to Carol Brown as Second Vice-President. The results were as follows:

#### President

Carol Brown – 169 votes

Timothy Leonard – 78 votes

## **President's Message**

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At our April 20th representative assembly meeting, the recording secretary was directed to cast one ballot for all of the uncontested offices. The uncontested offices were the following:

President	Regis Foster
1st Vice-President	Jenny McElroy
Corresponding/Social Secretary	Claire Dillon
Treasurer	Joseph Becker
NYSUT Delegates:	Craig Fisher & Eric Hartman
NYSTERS Delegate:	Raymond Holyk

I would like to take the opportunity and thank once again Kristin Wadeson, Election Committee Chairperson, and the PJTA members for running a smoothly handled election.

### **Retirement Dinner**

Come one; come all to the annual PJTA end-of-year dinner at the Erie Trackside on Friday, June 19th. Let's give the new PJTA retirees Barbara Cathy, JoEllen DeGraw, Helenanne Gillinder, Luann McCarthy, Julmar Nimal, Patricia Keniston, Lori Kuroski, Nadine Plate, Karen Schneider, Ron Semerano, Annmarie Ward, and Nancy Warner a proper send-off while enjoying dinner, dancing, and great company. I urge all of our PJTA members and other friends and co-workers to attend. Our CSEA co-workers are, as always, welcome to join us!

### **Benefit Fund**

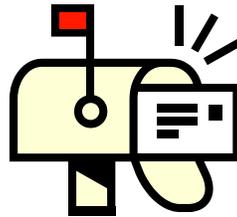
Just a friendly reminder, your vision allotment for this two-year cycle will be coming to an end on June 30, 2015. If you are in need for a new pair of glasses, now is the time to get them.

June is the time to make desired changes to your PJTA Benefit Fund coverage (dental and vision care). If you wish to change your coverage from individual to dependent (family) or from dependent (family) to individual for the 2015-2016 plan year, send a letter indicating the desired change to PJTA Benefit Fund Administrator, PO Box #179, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301-0179. When your letter requesting a change is received, the necessary forms will be sent to you.

In Solidarity,

*Regis Foster*

## Correspondence



### Cards Sent

#### Sympathy

Amanda Coalla—loss of her grandmother, Theresa Alfieri

### Congratulations

Nancy Rascona & Mario Santiago—birth of their son, Nico

Lynn & Jose Felix—birth of their son, Logan

Amanda & Tim Coalla—birth of their son, Sawyer

### Cards Received

Thank you from the 2015 Yearbook Staff for our ad in the yearbook

Thank you from the Administrative Professionals:

Nancy LaForge, Maryann Hull, Kristen Pacos, Jeanmarie Schields, Michele O'Donnell,  
Debbie Rutt, Terri Pagano, Lisa Buczek, Jennifer Maillet, Karen Howard, Dawn Lasch,  
Nancy Ladonne, Barbara Hamilton, Jackie Smith, Patty Hess, Reenie Nicolette