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## RC 7 Officers Elected in May

RC 7 held its election at the May 20<sup>th</sup> general membership meeting at Orchard Vali, Lafayette. The Elections Committee announced the following results:

**Officers:** Loretta Donlon, President; Candace Johnson, First VP; William Spreter, Second VP; Mary Jo Roberge, Secretary; Carol Graham, Treasurer.

**Board of Directors:** Phillip DelloStritto, Joanne Heisler, Sylvia Matousek, Lilli Rastegar, Marjory Schuster

**AFT Delegate:** Loretta Donlon    **Alternate:** Margo Buckingham

**NYSUT Delegates:** Loretta Donlon, Margo Buckingham, Sylvia Matousek    **Alternates:** Marjory Schuster, Ed O'Rourke

## Scholarship Recipients

At the June meeting, Joanne Heisler, Scholarship Committee Chair, announced the recipients of this year's scholarships.

**Robert Doyle Scholarship:** Matthew Dardone, Liverpool High School, sponsored by **Joe Pesce**, Solvay Retiree.

**Barbara Jacques Scholarship:** Mary Elizabeth Dristle, Jordan-Elbridge High School, sponsored by **Ann McDonnell**, Syracuse retiree.

**Jeanette Pietrantonio Scholarship:** Kyle Cappelletti, James-Dewitt High School, sponsored by **Michelle Cappelletti**, Marcellus retiree.

**Neal Sorkin Memorial Scholarship:** Connor Cook, Baker (Baldwinsville) High School, sponsored by **Vina Cook**, Baldwinsville retiree.

**RC 7 Scholarship:** Timothy Garraffo, Baker (Baldwinsville) High School, sponsored by **Elizabeth DeFazio**, Syracuse retiree.



Left to Right: Matthew Nardone, Mary Elizabeth Dristle, Kyle Cappelletti, Connor Cook. Timothy Garraffo was absent when photo was taken.

**Any child or grandchild of an active\* RC 7 member that is a senior graduating from any New York State public high school or any private/parochial high school whose staff is NYSUT affiliated and plans to enter a profession requiring higher education at an accredited institute of learning is eligible to apply for a scholarship in 2018. Watch for more information in upcoming newsletters.**

**\*Participation fee must be paid by December 31, 2017.**

See page 3 for participation form

### 2017 - 18 MEETINGS

September 19 - NYSUT  
October 17 - Lasca's, Auburn  
*see reservation forms on page 3*

November 21 - Barbagallo's,  
E. Syracuse

December 19 - Bellevue CC,  
Syracuse

March 20 - Orchard Vali, Lafayette

April 17 - TBD

May 15 - Springside Inn, Auburn

June 19 - Lodge @ Welch-Allyn,  
Skaneateles

# From the President's Desk...

*Loretta K. Donlon*

## Retirees Vital Action This Fall

NYSUT and RC 7 have had a very active year. With elections in both, members have been reading about our state and our national affiliates, AFT, ARA and NEA, defending our issues in this climate of continuing attacks.

Whether it has been the attacks on health care that filled our televisions, keeping our heads spinning and our minds filled with worry about how it would affect retirees or the threats to cut Medicare and Social Security, it has not been a calm summer.

**That being said, New York retirees have one vital battle closer to home that they must focus on for the next few months.** It is one which can affect an unbelievable range of values that we often take for granted, including a free public education, protection under the law, the right to negotiate and join a union, safe guards for the environment, workers' compensation, separation of church and state and, of course, preserving our pension from being "diminished or impaired", to name just a few!

**Our vital battle this fall is to convince everyone that it is not in their best civic, financial, or environmental interest to support the Constitutional Convention proposal on the November ballot. Are we ready for the battle? I hope so!**

**Just vote " NO " on your November ballot!**



*RC 7 President Loretta Donlon presents Donna Breen with the NYSUT Community Service Award.*

### We Remember...

**Baldwinsville**

Mary Roberts  
Gerry Scott

**West Genesee**

Elizabeth Link

**North Syracuse**

Frances Arnold  
Carol Coon  
Mary Cornaire  
Bridget Delia  
Ingeborg Eyre  
Robert Lalonde  
Ruth Lewis  
Nicholas Macrides  
Janet Mather  
Lucille Petroff  
James Schwanke

**Jamesville-Dewitt**

Frank Albino  
Daniel Feldman  
Adele Haas  
Lena Piselli  
Mary-Gene Swan

**Liverpool**

Joseph Camerino  
Paul Hoag  
Beverly Lynch  
Donald Lohr  
Florence Marquardt  
Jane Oriente  
Mary Palmisano  
Florence Schumacher +NS  
Arlene Simms

**Fayetteville-Manlius**

Mona Crockett  
Jeanette Deland  
Jean Hayes  
Charles Humpleby +ESM  
Kathleen Karcher  
Gloria Miller  
Warren Petty

**East Syracuse-Minoa**

Wenona Homer  
Phillip Willcox

**Union Springs**

Henry Slywiak

**Westhill**

Helen Bruce  
Margaret Clancy  
Joseph Paterniti  
Catherine Poniatowski

**Jordan-Elbridge**

Mary Elizabeth Bateman  
Natalie Cook  
Ronald Hawker, Sr.  
Albert Maloney

**Auburn**

Eleanor Ramos  
Linda Riblet + Skan  
Margaret Savage

**Skaneateles**

Lillian Marsden  
Cleolee Paradise

**West Genesee**

Susan Blumer  
Margaret Faulkner  
Marjorie Gannon  
Virginia Gildea  
Peggy Palmer  
Richard Pontello

**Tully**

Richard Mitten

**Marcellus**

Joseph Kundell  
Leora O'Sullivan

**Syracuse**

Dolores Antonacci  
Helene Armannsberger  
Arnold Berger  
Rose Bradtke  
Mary Anne Brinson  
Margaret Cadaret  
Patsy Campolieta  
Elizabeth Dixon  
Shirley Dixon  
Neil Driscoll  
Christopher Harrison  
Edward Kokernak  
Margaret Lorini  
Karen Magnarelli  
Debra Martin  
Carol Porter  
Joanne Powell  
Robert Provost  
Caroline Ryder  
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**Wednesday, October 25, 2017**  
NYSUT Regional Office  
4983 Brittonfield Parkway East Syracuse

Registration at 8:45; Class 9:00 - 3:30

Class open to NYSUT Retirees, family and friends

\$25 per person, includes snacks

30 minutes for lunch included in the time. Bring a bag lunch or order pizza as a group.

**You MUST bring your Driver's License and payment to the class.**

Reserve your spot now!  
Call 315-431-4040



Join Us on **September 19, 2017** for the RC 7 Luncheon at  
**NYSUT Regional Office, 4983 Brittonfield Parkway, East Syracuse**

\$15 per person

Enjoy sandwiches from Brooklyn Pickle with macaroni salad, baked beans, chips, brownies, cookies, water, soda, and, of course, PICKLES!

**Registration @ 11:30 • Meeting @ Noon • Lunch @ 12:30 • Program after Lunch**

Ian Phillips, NYSUT Regional Political Organizer, will update us on the hot topics for this year.

*Directions: Take 690 E to 481N. Take exit 7 - Bridgeport. Turn right, then left onto Brittonfield Parkway. NYSUT is on the right.*

**Reservation Form RC 7 Luncheon - September 19, NYSUT**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of reservations \_\_\_\_\_ at \$15. Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please send reservation form and a check payable to **NYSUT RETIREE COUNCIL 7** to:  
**RC7 Luncheon Chair, NYSUT Regional Office, 4983 Brittonfield Parkway, Box 247, E. Syracuse, NY 13057**  
**Reservations must be received by September 1. No one can be seated without a reservation.**

Join Us on **October 17, 2017** for the RC 7 Luncheon at  
**Lasca's, 252 Grant Ave., Auburn**

\$17 per person

**Registration @ 11:30 • Meeting @ Noon • Lunch @ 12:30 • Program after Lunch**

*Directions: From Syracuse, take 690 West to 695 W to the end. Exit right onto Rte. 5 W. Travel approximately 20 miles into Auburn. Lasca's Restaurant is on the left. Or take the NYS Thruway to exit 40. Turn right onto Rte. 34S. Turn left onto Rte. 5E (Grant Ave.). Restaurant is on the right.*

**Reservation Form RC 7 Luncheon - October 17, Lasca's**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

*All entrees include baked bread and butter, dessert, and beverage.*

**Please indicate entrée choice below. If including multiple reservations, indicate names clearly next to meal choice.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Parmesan with Pasta \_\_\_\_\_ Baked Scrod with Salad \_\_\_\_\_ Eggplant Rollette with Side

Number of reservations \_\_\_\_\_ at \$17. Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please send reservation form and a check payable to **NYSUT RETIREE COUNCIL 7** to:  
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**\*\*PLEASE SEND A SEPARATE CHECK FOR EACH LUNCHEON EVENT.\*\***

**Trip to Baltimore MD September 12 - 15, 2017**

Trip includes:

- ❖ Roundtrip motor coach transportation
- ❖ Three nights at Embassy Suites Inner Harbor
- ❖ Three breakfasts at the hotel, two lunches and two dinners
- ❖ Admission to:
  - Spirit of Baltimore Dinner Cruise
  - Annapolis Harbor and US Naval Academy Cruise
  - Camden Yards Tour
  - Self-guided tour of National Aquarium, Ft. McHenry, and B&O Railroad Museum
  - Wine Tasting at Thousands Island Winery

Cost is based on number of travelers and room occupancy



choice. Cost will range from a high of \$1310 (single room, 25 travelers) to a low of \$675 (quad room, 40 travelers). Initial deposit of \$100 per person and registration form is necessary to reserve your

**Making Strides Against Breast Cancer**  
**Sunday, October 15, 2016**  
**Onondaga Community College**  
 Registration begins at 8:00 am  
 NYSUT Booth  
 Walk begins at 10:00 am  
 Walk with "NYSUT RC 7"  
 Go to [makingstrideswalk.org](http://makingstrideswalk.org)  
 /Syracuse  
 or call 1-800-227-2345 to register and **JOIN OUR TEAM!!**

**Please Note: Our newsletter is posted on the RC 7 Website before it is printed and mailed from NYSUT Headquarters. Be sure to check the site for luncheon information and avoid sending in a late reservation due to unexpected printing and/or mailing delays.**

**Active membership** in Retiree Council 7 is open to every NYSUT retiree of any NYSUT represented group in Election District 7. ED 7 is comprised of all units in Cayuga and Onondaga counties. Active members are those who have paid RC 7's participation fee of \$10 per year and, if required by the local, payment of local retiree fees. **Associate membership** is open to the spouses of active members. **One important note:** If you are retired from Auburn, ESM, Jordan-Elbridge, Liverpool, North Syracuse, or Port Byron, your RC 7 participation fee is collected with the dues for your local retiree chapter and then forwarded to us. You should not use the form here or mail dues directly to us. Participation fees are accepted at any time. However, **to be able to nominate your child or grandchild for one of our June 2108 scholarships you must pay your participation fee by December 31, 2017.**

**Retiree Council 7 Membership Form 2017 - 2018**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

District retired from \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail form with your \$10.00 check payable to **NYSUT RC 7** to:

RC 7 Membership Chair c/o NYSUT  
 4983 Brittonfield Pkwy Box 247  
 East Syracuse, NY 13057

❖ 9/19 @ NYSUT, E.  
 Syracuse

❖ 10/17 @ Lasca's, Auburn

**NYSUT RC 7 TRIP RESERVATION FORM**

Please complete the following form for each traveler and return to Bella Tours and Travel Inc. 305 Vine Street, Suite 9, Liverpool, NY 13088 Phone# 315-652-0121 Fax# 315-299-4733 email: bellatours@hotmail.com



Name \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Method of payment: Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ (call cc info into Bella) Money Order \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate any physical limitations, and dietary restrictions.

Bring a list of medications and allergies with you on tour.

You must have a Passport or Enhanced License for out of country trips.

Make checks payable to Bella Tours and Travel Inc. (There will be a \$20 fee for any returned checks.)