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WELCOME NEW NYSUT RETIREES

<i>Auburn</i>	Baldwinsville	Cato-Meridian	<i>Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES</i>
East Syracuse-Minoa	Fabius-Pompey	Fayetteville-Manlius	
Jamesville-Dewitt	Jordan Elbridge	LaFayette	LIVERPOOL
LYNCOURT	Marcellus	Moravia	<i>North Syracuse</i>
Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES	Onondaga Central	PORT BYRON	SKANEATELES
<i>Solvay</i>	Southern Cayuga	Syracuse	Tully Union Springs
	Weedsport	West Genesee	Westhill

Retiree Council 7 Membership Form 2024 - 2025

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

District retired from _____

Position _____

Participation fees for 2024 – 2025

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.

Please note: If you retired from **Jordan-Elbridge, Liverpool, North Syracuse, Port Byron, or Syracuse City**, your fees are collected by your local (or chapter) and includes the voluntary RC 7 participation fee that is then sent to RC 7. The fees collected in these cases are determined by the local. You should use the local's address when sending in your check.

If you retired from **Auburn, Cato-Meridian, Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES, Moravia, Skaneateles, Southern Cayuga, Union Springs, or Weedsport**, your fees are collected by CORN (Cayuga-Onondaga Retirees of NYSUT) and forwarded to RC 7. Send your check to CORN @Auburn Teachers Association.

Retirees from **other locals** in this RC should send their \$10 check to the NYSUT Regional Office, attn Membership Chair, 4983 Brittonfield Pkwy, East Syracuse, 13057.

RC 7 Travel Survey

Your RC 7 Travel Committee would appreciate your input to help guide our planning. You can mail the survey back to: RC 7 Travel Committee, 4983 Brittonfield Pkwy, East Syracuse, NY 13057. Thank you.

Have you travelled with RC 7 before? Yes No

Are you interested in ___ single day trips ___ one night ___ two nights ___ three nights?

Is there a season you'd prefer to travel? ___ summer ___ fall ___ winter ___ spring ___ no preference

Do you prefer ___ weekday or ___ weekend travel? ___ no preference

Is there a past trip you would do again? _____

Are you interested in travel to Canada? Yes. No (Requires passport or enhanced license)

How important is time to shop? ___ very ___ somewhat ___ not at all

Does cost influence your decision to travel with us? ___ very much ___ somewhat ___ mostly not

Do health concerns (covid/other) impact your decision to travel? Yes No

Destination suggestions or any other thoughts for us?

Upcoming RC 7 Travel Opportunity

One-Day Trip to Raquette Lake and Great Camp Sagamore
June 11, 2025

More info:

Lasting Impressions Tours, Inc.

Email litours@outlook.com

Call 315-439-4200



From the President's Desk...

Loretta K. Donlon

Our Summer of Activism!

Today's column is by Bill Spreter, RC 7 2nd VP and President of the CNY Chapter of NYSARA.

NYSUT RC7 and the CNY chapter of NYSARA* rallied for Retirees this summer. Working together, the organizations called teachers on behalf of our endorsed candidates, participated in healthcare press conferences, attended fundraisers, and celebrated the Mannion primary victory with the candidate in Syracuse. Moreover, RC7 President Loretta Donlon and Past President, Margo Buckingham represented CNY retirees not only in the AFT convention in Houston but at numerous NYSUT meetings in Onondaga County. They and other officers engaged in zoom meetings on NYSUT endorsements as well.

We spread the message of the Mannion campaign in retiree meetings and county meetings of in-service members as well as our brothers and sisters in the union movement. We attended phonebanks, participated in door knockings and literature drops further spreading the word. Our message resonated with Mannion's primary victory on June 25th. Our work was not done, however. Along with State Senator John Mannion and State Senator Rachel May we spoke at "Protect our Care" press conferences and "Care Can't Wait" rallies. In those press conferences and rallies we advocated for increased Childcare, Paid Family Leave, Caregiving Assistance, Eldercare, and help with those with disabilities.

As some of our representatives in Washington scheme to cut programs such as Medicare and social security, we reminded Syracusans the importance of Medicare by celebrating its birthday on Salina Street as we handed out birthday cupcakes. And, not to be outdone, social security's birthday, along with cake was enjoyed at the CNY chapter of NYSARA picnic at the Matousek home on Oneida Lake.

A short time after, a fundraiser was held in Baldwinsville for our endorsed candidate, Ian Phillips, a NYSUT Regional Political Organizer, running in the 126th Assembly district, highlighted an August activity. In addition, our members attended a rally for John Mannion and Josh Riley as they were both endorsed by NYSUT for Congressional seats. RC 7 officers and members also traveled to Albany to attend the state NYSARA convention and heard from Senator Kirsten Gillibrand and others. Finally, in August Comptroller DiNapoli recognized RC7 officers, among others at his annual breakfast.

Labor Day, the traditional end of summer, marked another year for RC7 and the CNY chapter of NYSARA to participate in the Labor Day Parade at the State Fair. As retirees we were further recognized when we spoke at the Expo Center as the parade of union members gathered around. Following this, CNY NYSARA held a presentation on Project 2025 and its dire implications for the country, especially for retirees.

Summer may be officially coming to an end, but that just marks the beginning of work to elect candidates who share our view of the future of the state and nation. So, if you are able, please help out by volunteering for postcard writing, phone banking, door knocking, literature drops. You can also talk to friends and neighbors. All of us need to take action and VOTE!

*Remember that not only are you a member of NYSUT RC7, but you are automatically a member of the CNY chapter of NYSARA. Chapter meetings are held at NYSUT headquarters, 9483 Brittonfield Parkway, the second Friday of every month, except for July. Meetings begin at 10 am and end at noon. Come join us.

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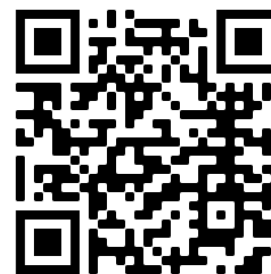
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Please Note: Our newsletter is posted on the RC 7 Website before it is printed and mailed from NYSUT Headquarters. Be sure to check there for luncheon information and avoid sending in a late reservation due to unexpected printing and/or mailing delays.



Join Us on **Tuesday, December 10, 2024**, for the RC 7 Luncheon at
Bellevue Country Club, 1901 Glenwood Ave., Syracuse

\$39 per person

**Registration @ 11:30 • Meeting @ noon • Lunch @ 12:45 • Program after Lunch
 Seasonal Entertainment**

Entrée Choices: Haddock, Chicken Marsala, Eggplant Parmesan
 Garden Salad, Rice Pilaf, Seasonal Vegetables, Rolls & Butter

Chocolate Mousse Dessert, Water, Tea, Coffee

Reservation Form RC 7 Luncheon – October 17 @NYSUT

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

If you require any device or accommodation as provided by the Americans with Disabilities Act, or need a dietary accommodation, please indicate here: _____.

Number of reservations _____ at \$39. Amount enclosed \$ _____ Check # _____ Cash _____

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

_____ Haddock _____ Chicken Marsala _____ Eggplant Parmesan

****First Time Attendee? _____ District Retired From: _____**
We'll make sure you find your colleagues!

Please send reservation form and a check payable to **NYSUT RETIREE COUNCIL 7** to:
 RC7 Luncheon Chair, NYSUT Regional Office, 4983 Brittonfield Parkway, E. Syracuse, NY 13057
Reservations must be received by December 3. No one can be seated without a reservation.

**Forever in our
 Hearts...**

West Genesee

- Peggy Anthony
- John Bubb
- Assunta Cammuso
- Lynn McGraw Davis
- Mary Kate Faloon
- Dorothy Kondratowicz
- Gloria MacCallum
- E. Clyde Ohl
- Margot Paronis
- Janice Roller

North Syracuse

- William Angell III
- Margaret Biswanger
- Calvin Dorn
- Frederick Haag III
- Sharon Jackson
- Margaret Loftus
- Blaise Salerno
- Reba Spencer
- Genevieve Therre
- James Toole

Tully

- Charlotte King

Onondaga

- Mary Austin
- John Thornton

Baldwinsville

- James Baker
- Gail Karn
- Linda McMahon
- Sylvia Petrosillo

Fayetteville-Manlius

- David Engel
- Mary Casey Leib
- Marguerite Reynolds

Liverpool

- Lee Edward Campion
- Donna Cook
- Sharon Denton
- Sandy Frank
- Susan Jarosz
- Virginia Raulli
- William Thompson

Jordan-Elbridge

- Carlton Auer
- Ronald Marks
- Pamela Reed
- Barbara Schwarting
- Alice Sherman

Syracuse

- Mary (Kate) Ackerman
- Charlene Baker
- Rose Marie Barilla
- Vernice Bell
- Mary Susan Berkery
- Dolores Bluman
- Sharon Brush
- Cecile Buck
- Margaret Cavelos
- Henrietta Dacres
- Lisa Dillman
- Ruth Ann Doran +Moravia
- Betty Lou Egan
- June Egan
- Jody Engel
- Joanie Epolito
- Vernon Eudell
- John Fanizzi
- Robert Gentile
- Thomas Kenah
- John Kolodziej.
- Susan Ludwig
- Jean MacBain
- Andrew MacSeamus
- Annemarie Michalowski
- Brian Mingolelli
- William Moll
- Mary Rovall
- Dorothy Schafer
- Jordan Tannenbaum
- Joseph Zader

Marcellus

- Glenn Argus
- Kenneth Bersofsky.
- Mary Alice Lamanche +OCC
- Ruth Anne Reagan
- Michael Reynolds
- Peter Vignogna, Jr. +Syr

Fabius-Pompey

- Helen DeHart
- Daniel Driscoll

East Syracuse-Minoa

- Linda Clarkson
- Theresa Hutchinson
- Michael Meltzer
- Arlene Neyhart
- Nancy Palmer

Jamesville-Dewitt

- Karolyn Bodgan
- Walter Dodge
- Alice Randall
- Carol Scullion

Solvay

- Joan Joss

Lafayette

- William Fox

OCC

- Margaret Farrington

LIFE INSURANCE: *Crucial for protecting your loved ones*



Life insurance is a topic many people find confusing, complicated, and uncomfortable to think about. It is undoubtedly one of the most vital types of insurance products you can purchase, though. Whether you're looking into your first policy or to upgrade existing coverage, it's important to determine how much life insurance you need and which type is right for you.

One key fact about life insurance you may not be aware of is premiums are likely to be less expensive if you purchase it earlier in life. For those of you who currently have policies, what you purchased 10 years ago, five years ago, or even last year may not be enough to replace your income and all you provide for your family. And if you are part of the 30% of Americans who don't have any life insurance at all,* you could be putting your family at great financial risk.

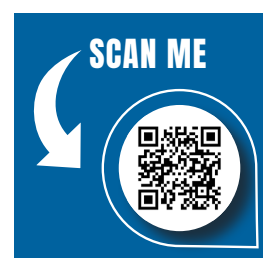
There are a variety of options to consider when it comes to life insurance, including:

- 1. Term Life** – this product pays a benefit in the event of the death of the insured during a specific timeframe but offers no cash value.
- 2. Level Term Life** – this insurance is similar to term life but is normally for a set period of time such as 10, 15, or 20 years; it also offers no cash value.
- 3. Universal Life** – this option offers a way to protect your family while building tax-deferred cash value; policyholders can usually access a portion of the balance without impacting the guaranteed death benefit.

* Source: USA Today - <https://www.usatoday.com/money/blueprint/life-insurance/life-insurance-statistics>

NYSUT Member Benefits endorses a number of competitive life insurance programs (those listed to the left and others) available to NYSUT members and their spouse/certified domestic partner. Many of these plans offer reduced rates not available to the general public along with additional convenience and savings opportunities through payroll or pension deduction.

Learn more about Member Benefits-
endorsed life insurance programs
by scanning the QR code, visiting
memberbenefits.nysut.org, or
calling 800-626-8101.



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