

THE R. C. #4 GRAPEVINE

NYSUT Retiree Council 4 (RC4)--Retiree Election District 51

1 West Oak Hill Road Jamestown, New York 14701 Fall 2009

CALENDAR

October 5 - RC #4 Exec. meeting 10:30 Perkins -Olean

October 7&8 - Contiguous meeting of all RC's - Albany

October 18 - Cancer Walk - Jamestown

October 27 - Western Steuben Luncheon - Bath

November 3 - RC#4 Exec meeting - 10:30 Perkins -
Olean

November 5 - C.A.R.D. Hilltop Restaurant - Bolivar

November 17 - Chautauqua County - SUNY Fredonia

INTRODUCING THE NEW RC # 4 WEBSITE!!

As of July, 2009 NYSUT Retiree Council No. 4, which serves the NYSUT and NEA retirees of Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, Allegany and Steuben counties, has its own website, www.nysutrc4.org. Once retirees become aware of the site, communications concerning retiree concerns and activities will be greatly improved. While newsletters will continue to be published, the website will contain electronic versions of the newsletter, which will usually be available on the web before the paper version is mailed. Additional information of concern to retirees which must be left out of the newsletter because of size constraints will also be available on the website, as well as important information which might be outdated by the time it would appear in a newsletter.

JOIN US FOR THE OCTOBER 18th STRIDES FOR CANCER WALK AT JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

Join us for this year's "Strides for Cancer" to be held at Jamestown Community College on October 18th at 10:00 AM. The walk begins and ends at the Campus with many volunteers manning the booths to sign in entrants. NYSUT has its own tent to welcome us and encourage us on our way. NYSUT is a flagship sponsor of this drive to support a cure for breast cancer and we wish every teacher, retiree or active to participate. Linda King and Ruth Brown are our local chairmen. This is a statewide event with Strides being held in Jamestown for the fourth year.

Please support this year's efforts. If you cannot make the walk, please send a contribution to the NYSUT office with the name of your local or RC Council. (We are RC #4). The address is: Southwestern Regional Office, One West Oak Hill Road, Jamestown, NY 14701.

NYSUT RC#4 Officers

President - Hobie Rhinehart
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Director - Chris Page
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Lee Gridley
Mary Raymond

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C.A.R.D.

President - Linda King

Chautauqua

President - Doris LaSpada

Steuben

President - Allan Johnson

Retiree Consultant - Louise Ortman

Chautauqua County Retired Teachers

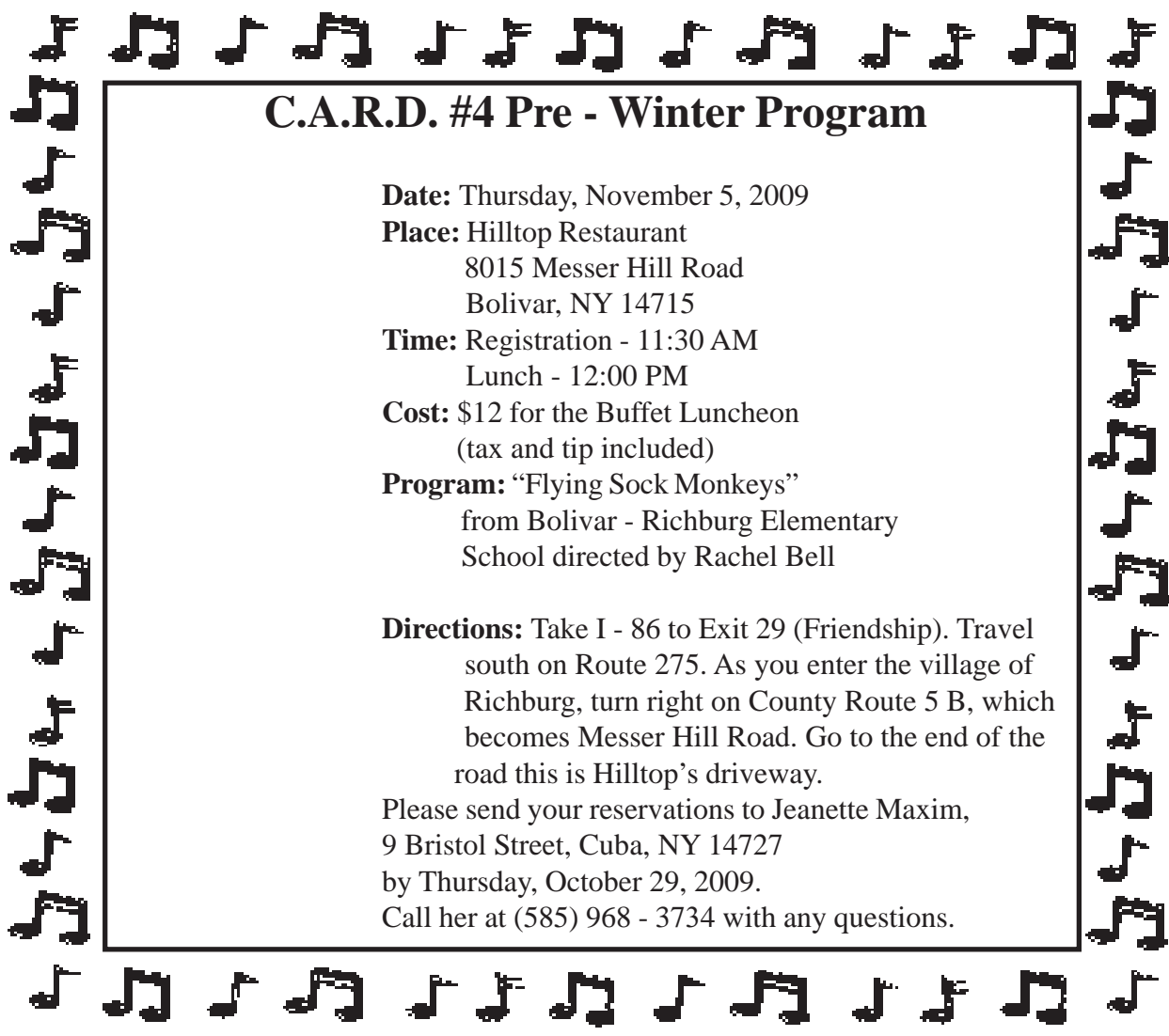
Wil Apps Scholarship

Each spring the Chautauqua County Retired Teachers award two scholarships to support local high school students entering the field of teaching. Eligible applicants must be graduates of a Chautauqua County high school and must complete student teaching with honors. They also must submit an essay relating their philosophy of education to their actual classroom experiences. The small monetary award will be a benefit to these first year teachers as they begin their career in education. The scholarship is named the Wil Apps Scholarship honoring Wil for the high scholarship standards he held for his students in his years of teaching at Forestville Central School.

The Chautauqua County Retired Teachers feel it is important to help the next generation of educators. This scholarship is a small way for our retired teachers to help some first year teachers. Donations to the Wil Apps Scholarship may be made at any time by sending your contribution to:
Pat Webb

10 Fourth St., P.O. Box 152
Forestville, NY 14062

Phone Pat Webb at 965-2932 if you have any questions about this scholarship.



C.A.R.D. #4 Pre - Winter Program

Date: Thursday, November 5, 2009

Place: Hilltop Restaurant
8015 Messer Hill Road
Bolivar, NY 14715

Time: Registration - 11:30 AM
Lunch - 12:00 PM

Cost: \$12 for the Buffet Luncheon
(tax and tip included)

Program: "Flying Sock Monkeys"
from Bolivar - Richburg Elementary
School directed by Rachel Bell

Directions: Take I - 86 to Exit 29 (Friendship). Travel south on Route 275. As you enter the village of Richburg, turn right on County Route 5 B, which becomes Messer Hill Road. Go to the end of the road this is Hilltop's driveway.

Please send your reservations to Jeanette Maxim,
9 Bristol Street, Cuba, NY 14727
by Thursday, October 29, 2009.
Call her at (585) 968 - 3734 with any questions.

To All Western Steuben NYSUT Retirees and Guests

You are cordially invited to attend a hot roast beef buffet luncheon

(Retiree Council #4 - A Free At Last Event)

When: October 27, 2009 at 12 noon (Registration at 11:45 AM)

Where: Bath Country Club, May Street, Bath, NY

Cost: \$ 12.00 per person - Each 2009 retiree and their guest will be a guest of NYSUT.

Program: "The Grab Bag of Financial Tips"

Presented by Nancy Williamson, CEO of Serv U Federal Credit Union

A give and take discussion by a dynamic presenter about financial matters that all retirees need to know

To register: Complete and mail (or copy) the following form with a check for \$12.00 (per person) payable to NYSUT Retiree Council 4, Western Steuben Division. Send check to:
Al Johnson at **5 Mount View Road West, Bath, NY 14810**

Please send your reservation no later than October 18th.

Name (s) _____

Street _____

Town (City) State and Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

School Retired From _____ Year _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ (Each 2009 NYSUT retiree and their guest are invited at no cost.)

Keep these plans in mind!

You may not need any of these benefits today or tomorrow, but at some point, you'll probably find yourself in need of at least one of these services. Your membership in NYSUT gives you access to a variety of benefit programs and services endorsed by NYSUT Member Benefits. Every endorsed program is monitored on a regular basis for participation, member satisfaction, utilization and product competitiveness.

<p>Insurance plans include term life, disability, auto, home, boat, personal excess liability (umbrella), long-term care, catastrophe major medical, flexible premium adjustable life insurance, accidental death & dismemberment, vision, in-service dental and retiree dental.</p>	<p>Financial and legal services include online banking (money markets, savings and CDs), mortgage services, credit monitoring service, consumer credit counseling services, and a legal service plan.</p>
<p>Discounts include EPIC Hearing Service Plan, Powell's Books, OfficeMax, Bose, Dell Computers, Barnes & Noble.com, Working Advantage (discount tickets and more), Philips Lifeline, car and truck rentals, Six Flags, The Buyer's Edge buying service, and HEAT USA.</p> <p>Check the Member Benefits Web site, www.memberbenefits.nysut.org, for particulars on these discounts, because some you can only receive by linking off the Member Benefits site. Many have unique ID numbers.</p>	<p>Other services include MAP (Member Assistance Program), an e-mail information service; payroll and pension deduction of Member Benefits-endorsed programs, which often yield reduced premiums or additional coverage; MPP (My Program Participation), an online look-up service on programs in which you participate; Consumer's Guides on Automobile Insurance, Homeowners and Renters Insurance, Legal Services, Long-Term Care Insurance, Long-Term Disability Insurance and 403(b) Plans; and MetDESK (Division of Estate Planning for Special Kids).</p>
<p>Workshops include Defensive Driving, Identity Theft, 403(b) Basics, 403(b) Employer Contributions, Inside the 403(b), and Unraveling the Mysteries of Credit and Credit Reports. Workshops are scheduled by your local president, chapter leader, retiree council leader or retiree chapter leader.</p>	

To request more information, call Member Benefits at 800-626-8101 or visit www.memberbenefits.nysut.org.

Some benefits may not be available in all local associations.

For information about these programs or about contractual expense reimbursement/endorsement arrangements with providers of endorsed programs, please contact NYSUT Member Benefits or refer to your NYSUT Member Benefits Trust Summary Plan Description.

Agency fee payers to NYSUT are eligible to participate in NYSUT Member Benefits-endorsed programs.



R.C. #4 Chautauqua County Retired Teachers

Presenter: Diane Andrasik making a presentation on photography

When: Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2009

Where: Alumni House, SUNY Fredonia Campus

Use the Central Ave entrance. Alumni House will be on your right but go to the stop sign and turn right. Park in the lot on your immediate right. You can walk up the sidewalk or the path through the woods to the Alumni House.

Time: 12:00 noon

Menu: buffet lunch

Cost: \$13.00 per person including tax and beverage

Reservations due by Sat. Nov. 7th

Tear off and mail to:

Pat Webb

10 Fourth St., P.O. Box 152

Forestville, NY 14062

Phone: 965-2932

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Name(s) _____

Permanent address _____

Other Address (optional) _____

E-mail address (for Chautauqua County Retirees only) _____

_____ (we would like to send out future mailings by e-mail, if possible)

Telephone number _____

2009-2010 school year dues @ \$10.00

for RC #4 Chaut. Co. Retired Teachers \$ _____

_____ # Meals @ \$13.00 each: Total cost \$ _____

Scholarship Contribution (Chaut. Co.): \$ _____

Amount enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to Chautauqua County Retiree Division (CCRD)

| **PARTICIPATION FEE** July 1,2009 - June 30, 2010 is due. A \$10 check includes membership to RC #4 |
and your local division. For more information and forms see the website: www.nysutrc4.org

WANTED: PARTICIPATION FEE July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

The participation fee for the 2009- 10 year is now due. If you want to join the Cattaraugus - Allegany Division , please send your form and \$10.00 check payable to C.A.R.D. # 4 to Dennis McCauley , P. O. Box 215, West Valley, NY 14171. If you are joining the Chautauqua Division, please enclose your form and \$10.00 check payable to Chautauqua Division and send to Pat Webb, P.O. Box 152, Forestville, NY 14062. If you would like to join the yet-to-be formed Western Steuben Division, please send only your form to Allan Johnson, 5 Mount View Road West, Bath, NY 14810 . Finally, if you would like to contribute to just the Retiree Council, please send your form and \$5.00 check payable to Retiree Council #4 to Warner Page, 116 Monroe Terrace, Olean, NY 14760. Thanks so much for your support! If you aren't sure if you have contributed, please contact your appropriate division and they will be glad to assist you.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

E - MAIL ADDRESS: _____

LOCAL THAT YOU RETIRED FROM: _____

DATE OF RETIREMENT: _____