

# THE R. C. #4 GRAPEVINE

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

1 West Oak Hill Road Jamestown, New York 14701

June 2010

## CALENDAR

June 23, 2010 - Annual Retiree Conference, Seneca Allegany Casino Resort  
 July 13, 2010 - CARD luncheon, Moonwinks  
 September 14, 2010 - Chautauqua, Free at Last  
 November 3, 2010 - CARD luncheon, Moonwinks

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## Looking for Retirees (new and old)

Some of our in-service colleagues will be joining us in retirement soon. If you have a friend or two (or more) who will be retiring be sure to let them know about our organization and the three local chapters (Chautauqua, CARD, and Steuben). As a retiree they are a member of RC#4. Invite them to join the local chapters. Direct them to the website where they can find an enrollment blank. Or, give them one from this newsletter. If you have a friend who has not joined us, invite them as well. As when we were in service, there is unity in joining together to continue the causes that were dear to us when we worked. The social activities are fun, too.

### NYSUT RC#4 Officers

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

### Division Officers

#### C.A.R.D.

President - Linda King

#### Chautauqua

President - Doris LaSpada

#### Steuben

President - Allan Johnson

Webmaster - Richard Steinfeldt

Retiree Consultant - Louise Ortman



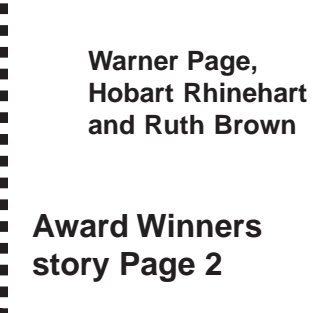
Warner Page and Hobart Rhinehart



Ruth Brown and Hobart Rhinehart



Warner Page, Hobart Rhinehart, Louise Ortman and Ruth Brown



Warner Page, Hobart Rhinehart and Ruth Brown

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## C.A.R.D. NEWS

Save the date!!!!

Fall Gathering  
Wed. November 3, 2010  
Moonwinks, Cuba  
11:30am - Registration  
12:00pm - Luncheon  
1:00pm - Program  
Craig Braack-”Low Bridge -  
Everybody Down - The Story of the  
Genesee Valley Canal”  
\$13 includes tax & tip for  
2 soups & sandwich buffet with  
salad bar, dessert & coffee  
Reservations due October 27  
Jeanette Maxim, 9 Bristol St.,  
Cuba, NY 14727

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

### ***News From Chautauqua Division***

Our annual “Free at Last” program.  
Tuesday, September 14 at noon.  
Tentatively scheduled for Point Gratiot  
Park in Dunkirk. Cost will be  
announced ASAP (2010 retirees attend  
for free). A registration form will be  
posted as soon as details are  
completed.

### **RC#4 WEBSITE**

[www.nysutrc4.org](http://www.nysutrc4.org)

At the time of publication area  
events have not been scheduled  
Please be sure to check the website  
so you don't miss any  
of the upcoming events.

INFORMATION POSTED THERE  
IS CURRENT AND UP TO DATE.

## NYSUT 2010 Awards

On May 27 at the Southwestern  
Regional Awards Dinner at the  
Seneca Casino Event Center, two  
of our own were recognized for  
their service to NYSUT and the  
retiree chapter.

Receiving the Local Outstanding  
Service Award was Ruth Brown.  
Ruth who served on the Retiree  
Council #4 Board since its incep-  
tion. She helped write the original  
constitution in 1997 and was sec-  
retary until 2009. Ruth was in  
Albany lobbying for the COLA,  
worked on the first “Free at Last”  
luncheon, has been a delegate to  
state meetings and has been co-  
chair for the “Making Strides for  
Breast Cancer Walk” in  
Jamestown.

We are grateful to have Ruth as a  
member of RC#4 and value her  
contributions.

Receiving the NYSUT Statewide  
Community Service Award was  
Warner Page. Warner has been  
devoted to improving the lives of  
others through his profession as a  
teacher, advocacy as a union  
member, and service to the com-  
munity. He was recognized as  
Allegany County Educator of the  
Year in 2003 for all his activities  
with students, district, parents,  
and NYSED. He was an Alderman  
in the city of Olean, served on  
many committees including the  
Allegany-Cattaraugus County Eco-  
nomic Development Zone commit-  
tee. After his retirement, Warner  
served as a director to RC#4 and  
is currently treasurer. He orga-  
nized the councils trip to New  
Orleans to help with Katrina  
cleanup.

Job well done, Warner!

**Travel with C.A.R.D. #4 on the Erie Canal**

Save Tuesday, July 13, 2010 and bring your mule, Sal, to go 15 miles on the Erie Canal with our own Ginny Figura. A short business meeting will follow the canal trip.

**Place: Moonwinks Restaurant, Route 305 (North of I - 86), Cuba, NY 14727**

**Registration: 11:30 AM    Lunch: 12:00 PM**

The lunch selections are:

1. Julienne Salad with ham, turkey, American and Swiss cheese served with choice of dressing on the side
2. Open Hot Roast Beef Sandwich with mashed potatoes and gravy
3. Homemade Lasagna with or without meat

The salad and sandwich entrees include soup. All three selections include dessert and coffee. **Cost: \$11.00** per person including tax and tip.

Make check payable to **C.A.R.D. #4** and mail to Linda King, 8330 North Otto Rd., Cattaraugus, NY 14719. Reservations must be in by **Friday, July 2nd**. Call Linda with any questions at 716 - 257 - 5098.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Meal Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Guest \_\_\_\_\_ Meal Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**WANTED: PARTICIPATION FEE July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011**

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:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### The recently endorsed **Motivano SmartSavings Online Discount Marketplace**

offers a slew of shopping opportunities. You'll have access to hundreds of brand-name retailers and thousands of discounts, all from one Web site. Motivano negotiates the best deals and regularly updates its offers to help you stretch your hard-earned dollars.

From clothing to vacations, event tickets and computers, you'll find it all on Motivano. And you can even recommend your favorite merchants to be added to the site.

Another online shopping opportunity is through **Working Advantage**. From this site, you can get discount tickets for movie theaters, movie rentals, theme parks, online shopping, Broadway Theatre, museums and attractions, special family events and more. You can save up to 43 percent on movie tickets, up to 45 percent on theme parks and up to 50 percent on museums and attractions.

Yet another shopping opportunity is available with **The Buyer's Edge**. You can use this helpful buying service when shopping for your best deal on major appliances, TV, video and audio

equipment; cars (new and used); furniture; carpeting; exercise equipment; pianos; luggage; moving services and more. This is a helpful buying service for consumer products.

Be sure to check out the other discount programs endorsed by Member Benefits. A new plan, the **EPIC Hearing Service Plan**, provides savings from 20 percent to 50 percent off

Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Prices on all name-brand manufacturer hearing aid technology and referrals to a network of credentialed audiologists and ear physicians.

Another new plan is online **Defensive Driving** courses through the National Safety Council, which offers convenience and savings. NYSUT members and their family members who are licensed in New York state can take this course at the Member Benefits-reduced

price of \$25.25 per person, a savings of almost \$20 per course fee.

Be sure to access these and other money-saving programs through the Member Benefits Web site, [www.memberbenefits.nysut.org](http://www.memberbenefits.nysut.org) and click on Discounts - Members on the left-hand navigation bar. Using links provided from the site will ensure you receive any necessary discount ID codes and ensure you receive the Member Benefits discounted prices.

Questions? Call NYSUT Member Benefits during normal business hours at **800-626-8101**.



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