

S.S.R.A. NEWSLETTER

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SMITHTOWN SCHOOLS RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

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Tree of Knowledge

by Susan Fink

A beautiful artist's rendition of the **Tree of Knowledge** hung on the front wall of the lobby of High School West for almost 25 years. It is still there, but in a resized incarnation, and now hangs on the side wall of that same lobby.

What follows draws on the memories of our Smithtown Family and is an attempt to document and pass-on the history of this meaningful piece.

High School East and High School West came together; Roger Sullivan was principal. To promote a positive school culture and inspire students, and to recognize those who improved their grade point averages, Assistant Principal, Ed Ehmann nurtured The Renaissance Program. Twice a year this program publicly awarded prizes and gift cards to qualifying, improved students. To meet the on-going cost of this Renaissance Program, a fundraiser was to be set up. Roger Sullivan also envisioned and suggested the companion component; a visual symbol to show pride, support, dedication, and remembrance-- The **Tree of Knowledge** wall hanging. This special way to "perpetually honor" would be a permanent display of small bronze leaves, individually engraved, and arranged along a bronze tree trunk. Larger "rocks" with space for more text were placed at the base of the tree.

To get the entire project off the ground, Ed

Ehmann reached out to Thomas J. Walsh Jr. of the COLONIAL WIRE & CABLE CO. INC., Walsh Cable Company, (currently, still in Hauppauge). When Mr. Walsh heard the plan, he immediately donated the entire \$15,000 needed to underwrite

the 12 foot long, 6 foot high, 4 inch deep shadow box and its 3 foot tall bronze tree trunk with 3 branches; approximately 500 blank, stylized, bronze, 3 inch leaves mounted on lucite sections; 7 bronze rocks; 1 bronze acorn; and a 16 inch donation plaque.

That engraved plaque, dated 1995, is inscribed, *The TREE OF KNOWLEDGE — "Grows From Caring Hearts Anchored*

in Fertile Soil, Its Roots Spread, Thriving on Benevolence and Trust. The Foundation Strengthened by Knowledge and Compassion. Branches Reaching in All Directions Seek Understanding and Wisdom. Each Leaf, Unique and Special, Embarks on a Journey To Fulfill Its Own Destiny."

--Thomas J Walsh Jr. & Family

The physical **Tree of Knowledge** was to remain dedicated a wider concept. Presenting the idea at a faculty meeting, Roger Sullivan invited and encouraged the faculty advisors of different organizations and clubs to consider having their group purchase, and inscribe a leaf. The idea spread and attracted interest!

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Original Tree Of Knowledge displayed at High School West

Smithtown Schools Retirees' Association

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The Smithtown School Retirees' Association is affiliated with the
Smithtown Teachers' Association,
the **New York State United Teachers,** and the **American Federation of Teachers,**
and is comprised of members from all of the bargaining units
in the Smithtown Central School District.

Monthly meetings are held on the second Monday of each month
at 9:30 AM at the STA office

*All members are invited to attend.
We encourage your input and newsletter submissions.*

Our Deepest Sympathy :

Theresa Cannone, on the loss of her
precious son, Anthony Cannone.

You can contact her at 30 University Drive,
Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

Friends and family of

Brian Kiefer.

Brian taught physics from 1962-1982 then went on
to teach in the International School System for 19
more years.

Diana Riccoboni, on the loss of
her mother, Anita Riccoboni.

Donations can be sent to St. Jude's Hospital

Joanne Perrino, on the loss of her
Husband, **Frank Perrino.**

Donations can be sent to St. Jude's Hospital or
Lustgarten Foundation

Donna Milgrom, on the loss of her
father, Donald Sprague.

Friends and family of

Carl Haymes.

Founding member and previous Editor
to this newsletter, Carl passed suddenly at his
home in Florida. Our heartfelt sympathy to his wife,
Carol, their children, and grandchildren.

Friends and family of

Al Allmaras

Former administrator and President of the
SSRA for many years, Al passed after several
months in hospice care.

Where time and space permit, we will memorialize
him in our next issue due out in June.

Condolences may be sent to his son, Kevin:
101 Wildwood Circle, Holtsville, NY 11742

Ed Raftery, on the loss of his wife, Nancy.

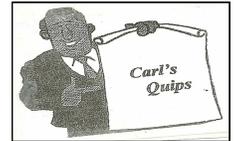
Farewell, Dear Friend, Mr. Editor



Praise be the judge of truth.

It is with heavy hearts that we tell you of the passing of **Carl Haymes**. Carl and his wife Carol were snow-birding at their home in Florida when he suddenly fell ill and passed away. He was 87 years old.

Carl's teaching career began at the elementary level and continued to the middle school where he taught Social Studies. I venture to say that most of his material for "Carl's Quips" came from answers provided by those students! *Who hasn't chuckled at "Carl's Quips"?*



Carl retired in 1994. At 85, in his final issue as SSRA Editor in November 2018 he wrote, "*Several years after I had retired, the SSRA had a need for someone to take over the Newsletter. Little did I know that 20 years later I would still*

be doing it!" That was Carl — funny, diligent, eager to laugh, always willing to learn, smile on his face, witty story to tell. He never gave up learning the ever-changing world of desktop publishing. I find myself wanting to call him for advise on the newsletter, even now. He was tenacious. And he had a great sense of humor. He was quick to tease that he was getting on his bike in Florida on a sunny day or going to play golf— while we were freezing in the New York weather!! And, oh boy, he loved his **Mets!**



Carl embodied kindness. He was patient, and warm; a concerned friend and a dedicated family man. We will miss him at our SSRA meetings and Wednesday breakfasts.

We will miss him terribly.

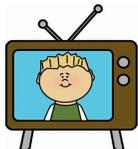
~Susan Fink and Mary Mills Desjeunes

News of Members

Theresa Cannone remains grief-stricken on the sudden loss her 51 year old son, Anthony Cannone. He worked at the Smithtown Traffic Department. He is survived by his wife and two sons, aged 23 and 19, who are so lost without their loving husband and father. Theresa was widowed 36 years ago. She will remember Anthony for making her life easier and being the most devoted, caring, helpful, good, perfect son any parent is lucky to have. You can contact her at 30 University Drive, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779

I keep myself busy with the things I do. But every time I pause — I still think of you.

MaryJane Casey -We are looking forward to June and July as we are expecting two more great- grandchildren. That will make 7 little cherubs! We feel blessed. We love being great-grandparents but what's difficult to accept is that our children are grandparents. Time flies!



Carmelina and Sal Trifiletti are proud and happy to announce that their son Paul Trifiletti will be on **Jeopardy!** on Wednesday, March 4, 2020. Be sure to tune in or Record if you're not around. Enjoy the show!

Bobbi Mastrangelo—Bobbi Mastrangelo has been selected as one of the finalists in Women in the Arts competition to be held at the Orlando Public Library from March 7 to April 24, 2020. The Women in the Arts Awards reception and "Meet the Artist" gallery walk are on Saturday, March 28 at 2:00 PM. All events are free For more information go to www.bobbimastrangelo.com



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Group efforts of entire student classes, as well as individuals, families, students, staff members; even outside interested groups chose to participate in this fundraiser. They bought leaves and rocks; they dedicated inscriptions to honor, remember, inspire, memorialize, thank, and show appreciation. Interest was high. It was hoped that this program would continue into the future.

In all, 38 leaves, 7 rocks, one acorn were sold, leaving more than 450 leaves in place, but blank. As time passed, pride in the Tree remained, but additions slowed. There is no evidence of activity on the Tree since 2000.

Recent curiosity about The Tree, sparked discussions about possible future activity. Members of the Smithtown Schools Retirees' Association considered the possibilities of reinvigorating interest and opening the Tree to additions, repurposing much of the unused sections, resizing the used sections, or relocating a resized Tree altogether. The current administration of HSW supported new ideas and interest.

So design and work began with the very generous cooperation and help from:

- Interim Superintendent of Schools, Russell Stewart
- Director of Facilities, Dan Leddy
- Skilled Craftsmen, Eric & Joe
- HS West Principal, John Coady
- HS West Assistant Principal, Chris Elsesser
- Scores of Retirees with suggestions and first-hand knowledge, and
- ***Editor's Note:*** Please include Smithtown Schools Retirees' Association (SSRA) President Patty Stoddard, and Treasurer Susan Fink.

The **Tree of Knowledge** once again prominently hangs in the front hall of HSW. It has been beautifully reconfigured and skillfully rebuilt in a new, smaller shadow box measuring 6 feet high, 5 feet wide, and dramatically displays and highlights its 38 inscribed leaves, 43 blank leaves, 7 rocks, 1 acorn, and of course the dedication plaque; as shown in the photos below.

...It is hoped that all who pass this resized **Tree of Knowledge** read the inscriptions, consider the meaning behind each, and feel the life in the **Tree of Knowledge**.

...Its original spot now contains the **Wall of Heroes**, a large display patriotically honoring our former students who served in the United States military. It is hoped that all who pass this display read each of these dedications and quietly thank each student for protecting the life we live today.



**Re-configured Tree Of Knowledge
now on display the in entrance lobby
of High School West**

ODE TO CARL

Remember Carl and his student quips
His back and forth to Florida trips
His writing our news four times a year
Working skillfully to make things
clear
Loyal Met fan, devout as could be
Loved his family, that, we could see
As kind a soul as any could be

~ George Makris

OFF THE CUFF by John Pettit



DEEP MEMORIES: This has been a very sad winter for me: The sudden passing of two dear friends has left me deeply shaken; while these friends were quite different from one another, they both fulfilled a most meaningful place in my life. I met Coach **Frank Perrino** in one of my earliest days at Great Hollow and he rapidly became a friend, an advisor and a mentor. Coach Perrino was all about the kids – he was the go-to guy in the school, both for the faculty and all the students. Frank involved me in coaching various sports and after-school activities through which we enjoyed many hours and stories. Despite his many school related commitments, Frank set a great example for me as a great family man; he always had time for family and friends,

I met **Carl Haymes** in the second half of our teaching careers, when he moved up to the middle school, teaching Social Studies. We almost immediately discovered that we had much in common: love for travel, shared family experiences, sense of humor, the Mets, the Giants, etc. I learned that this quiet, polite man was the “Editor” (i.e., “Chief-Cook-&-Bottle-Washer”) of this Newsletter, however, at that time (the late ‘90’s) the number of retirees grew exponentially beyond his “kitchen-table” operation. We worked together and Carl became my “conscience” and my “brakeman”, guiding and restraining my impulses to writing my overly opinionated, contrary pieces for the Newsletter. We enjoyed working together, and more importantly, I cherished whatever time we shared.

Both of these men meant so very much to me and they will be sorely missed.

SPRING LUNCHEON : On page 8 of this issue is your detailed “invitation” to our Spring Luncheon; we are proud to have a Guest Speaker: Ms. Claudia Manzella – United HealthCare/Suffolk Schools Employees’ Health Plan Representative who will explain recent changes in our coverages. Ms. Manzella has proven to be most knowledgeable and helpful to the many retirees who have sought her help and she will answer any questions you have.

MEMBERSHIP: Thanks to the vast majority of members who have renewed their membership in the SSRA for 2020. I carefully check for new addresses, phone numbers and email addresses on each renewal slip (you are welcome to use any slip of paper) and I appreciate being kept up-to-date. One request: Kindly direct your new info to me – John Pettit, 631-584-7564 grumpyof@optonline.net Submitting your changes to other members merely delays the process.

A THOUGHT: If you don’t read the newspaper, you are uninformed; if you do read the newspaper, you are misinformed. -- *Mark Twain*

Classified Ads

Rental- St. Lucia, One Bedroom Duplex Villa. Accommodates up to 4 people, Full Kitchen, mid level Full Bath, Bedroom and Living Room Covered Decks, A/C and Ceiling Fans. Beautiful hillside water view of Marigot Bay. 12 units with community pool. For info go to Oaisimarigot.com, then click on Vacation Villas. Available 9/12/2020- 9/19/2020 and 10/10/2020 - 10/17/2020. Partial week rental possible. \$80 per night. Contact Bill Benzinger at nkeepr@optonline.net.

Rental- Lake Rescue, Ludlow Vt. 3 level home sleeps 10 with loft, 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 kitchens, 2 fireplaces, 2 decks, gas and charcoal BBQ, Internet service, 2 tvs. Fishing, Swimming, 3 kayaks and canoe available, private dock and float for summer fun. Fire pit on side of house. Okemo Mountain/Golf 5 min from house, Restaurants and shopping 10 min. SUMMER-Weekly rentals June 21-Sept 9. Rentals winter, spring and fall 2 night min. For more info on surrounding activities, Call 516 971 5101 MJ CASEY

Remember to send your Social Security Statement for reimbursement of your Medicare Payments to: Smithtown C.S.D.
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS DEPARTMENT, 26 New York Avenue, Smithtown, NY 11787



Why do we need VOTE/COPE?

By *June Smith*, Suffolk Vote/COPE Coordinator & former STA Political Action Chairperson

Simply put....One of the most important responsibilities of the union is getting legislation passed that helps educators and public schools and blocks legislation that hurts these groups. Passing "good" legislation and blocking "bad" legislation means we need legislators who share our concerns and priorities. Unless the system changes (unfortunately not likely anytime soon!!) getting elected costs money.....and so we need VOTE/COPE. We can never match the contributions of the Koch brothers and their friends but by each making a small contribution we can have an impact on elections and legislation.

We have just come through a very expensive three years. Usually we collect VOTE/COPE contributions for 2 years and then spend money on campaigns. (We only get involved in State and Federal elections which happen in even numbered years) Every 20 years we face a referendum about having a Constitutional Convention in New York. That happens in a odd numbered year. This time it was 2017. So for the last 3 years we've mounted expensive campaigns. Now it's time to rebuild the fund for the 2020 campaigns.

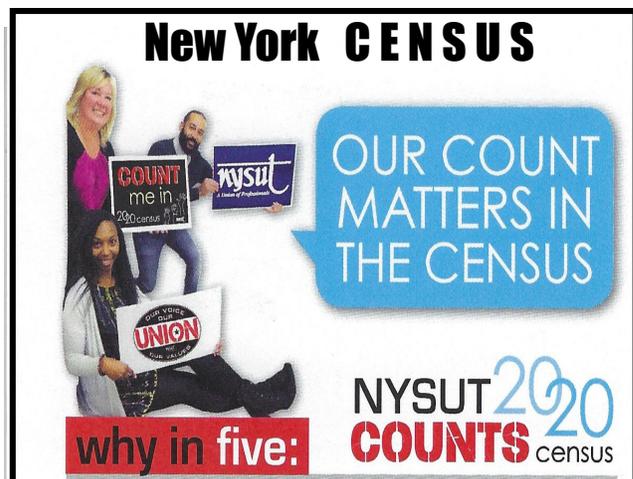
As retirees we not only continue to be concerned about education and our in-service colleagues but also our particular concerns such as pension protection, health insurance, Social Security and Medicare.

If you are retired 5 years or more you are receiving a COLA adjustment every year. While it is a small monthly adjustment (\$15 to \$18.) per month per year it adds up. I retired in 2004. Over the years my pension has increased over \$2,000. per year because of the COLA. NYSUT fought for the COLA legislation 20 years ago and was able to succeed because we had elected supportive legislators. We continue to try to increase the COLA but in the meantime our pensions are a little better each year as a result of our advocacy. Not a bad investment!!

If you're already a regular contributor-- **Thank you!!** But I would encourage you to think about how much you contributing and possibly increasing. If you're not contributing, please consider adding your support to the effort. Smithtown's retiree average contribution last year was \$11.36. Our neighboring chapters in western Suffolk mostly average between \$20 and \$30. Twenty five of our members give \$5. or more per month. If you're not one of that group, how about joining us? The easiest way to contribute is through pension deduction. Contributing a few dollars a month is an easy way to do your share and invest in yourself.

See contribution form on Page 7.

Thank you!



New York CENSUS

OUR COUNT MATTERS IN THE CENSUS

why in five: NYSUT 2020 COUNTS census

- 1 Don't let New York get shortchanged.**
We need every single adult and child in NYS to be counted.
- 2 New York could lose congressional seats.**
Fewer seats means less say in federal policymaking.
- 3 New York could lose BILLIONS of dollars.**
Census data determines how the federal government distributes more than \$700 billion for schools, hospitals and roads.
- 4 The census is safe for ALL state residents.**
The law prohibits the census bureau from sharing personal data with other federal agencies.
- 5 Because it's easy.**
Filling out your census form only takes a few minutes online.

nysutcounts.org/pledge #CountMeIn #NYSUTcounts

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2020 SSRA VOTE COPE DRIVE

CHOOSE ONE of THREE WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE:



- 1) SEND CHECK TO SSRA OFFICE**
(mail check to: 26 New York Ave., Smithtown, NY 11787)
- 2) ONLINE** at nysut.org/my-nysut **OR**
- 3) MONTHLY PENSION DEDUCTIONS**
(print; fill out form below, and mail to Albany) ↓



VOTE-COPE PENSION DEDUCTION AUTHORIZATION CARD

Complete and Mail to:

VOTE COPE Post Office Box 5190 Albany, New York 12205-0190

Name: _____

Pension or Member ID #: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Local: Smithtown Schools Retirees' Association #23-050

CHECK ONE: I belong to: **NYSTRS** I belong to: **NYSERS**

The undersigned authorizes the New York State Teachers' Retirement System (NYSTRS) or the New York State Employees' Retirement System (NYSERS) to deduct from each of my regular defined-benefit pension payments the sum of (CHECK ONE)

\$10 or \$5 or Other \$_____ PER MONTH and to forward that amount to VOTE COPE, PO BOX 5190, ALBANY, NY 12205-0190. I understand that this monthly amount will continue to be deducted until revoked by me in writing.

Such guidelines are merely suggestions. NYSUT members are free to contribute more or less than the guidelines suggest, and NYSUT will not disadvantage anyone by reason of the amount of their contribution or decision not to contribute. Contributing to VOTE COPE is voluntary, and NYSUT members may refuse to contribute to VOTE COPE without reprisal. Contributing to VOTE COPE is not a condition of membership in any labor organization. VOTE COPE may use the money it receives to make political contributions and expenditures in connection with federal, state and local elections.

I expressly acknowledge and understand that the deduction, as specified above, be withheld monthly and that NYSUT will transmit this authorization to the appropriate retirement system. I hereby certify to NYSTRS and NYSERS that I am a member of NYSUT, an employee organization entitled to receive union deduction payments as provided by law.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Contributions to VOTE COPE are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

SMITHTOWN SCHOOLS RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

Spring 2020

LUNCHEON

Old Street Pub

92 East Main Street, Smithtown, NY 11787
631-979-9073

Wednesday, April 29th

Noon to 3pm

\$30 pp

Guest Speaker:

Claudia Manzella

United HealthCare/Suffolk Schools Employees' Health Plan Representative
Claudia will be on-hand to bring us up-to-date on changes and answer your questions.

Send check made payable to: "Smithtown Schools Retirees' Association"

Mail to: SSRA
c/o STA Office

26 New York Avenue, Smithtown, NY 11787

RSVP by April 24 – Note: This is a FIRM Deadline – No Walk-ins

Please Note:

As has been our practice, we will be collecting **\$\$CHECK \$\$** donations
for local Food Pantries –

Kindly bring a **separate check** made out to
"Smithtown Schools Retirees' Assoc."

We will only be accepting monetary donations. Please don't bring food.

Kindly detach below and return slip – please print



Member Name _____ Phone _____

Guest Name _____ Amt. Enclosed: _____

The SSRA

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The SMITHTOWN School Community

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 26 New York Avenue
 Smithtown, NY 11787

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Mr. Russell Stewart, Interim Supt.
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← In November 2019, The SSRA Board decided to contribute \$150 to the **25th Business Olympics** — Smithtown's Industry Advisory Board — MaryPat Grafstein, Executive Director. This year, the students were challenged to present projects with the "Go Green/Choose Clean" theme.

In addition, the SSRA will → continue its \$150 donation to the **Smithtown Teachers' Association's 2020 BIG TICKET RAFFLE** to benefit STA's Scholarship Fund.




The SSRA holds a Drive at its **ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON** to collect money that we donate to local food pantries each year. (Only monetary gifts are accepted.)



← And, of course, our **Tree of Knowledge** project was resurrected with the help of Susan Fink and Patty Stoddard. The blank, unused leaves will also be repurposed to create 'flames' for a newly designed Torch Award display at the Smithtown Teacher Center.

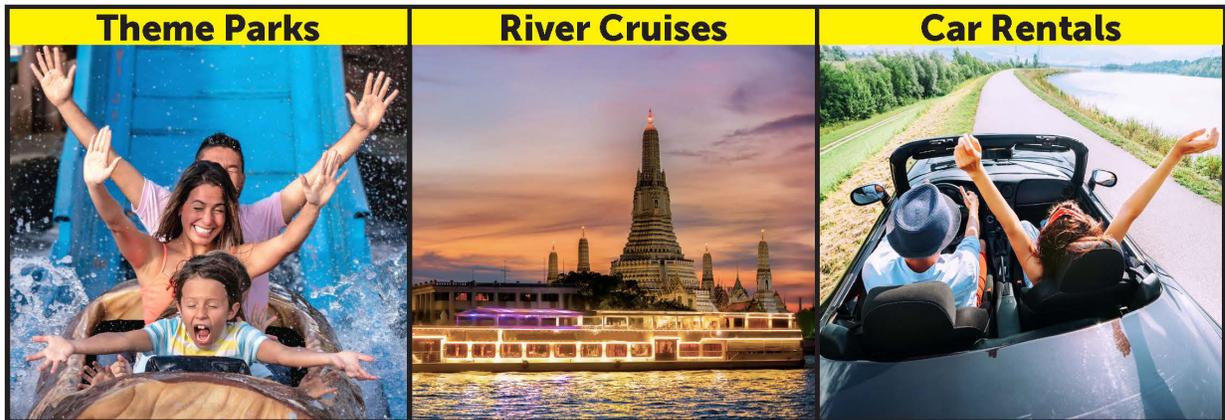
SSRA Goes Back To The Castle!

By Susan Fink



"Silly" is alive and well and living in Smithtown! For the third year in a row, the Smithtown social scene was in full swing for Valentine's Day, as 21 of us gathered for a sumptuous dining experience. With needed reservations in hand we entered the appropriately decorated White Castle in Centereach and enjoyed the traditional food; special service; but mostly, each others company!

Pictured are: (Left to right) Barbara Jaye, John Pettit, George Makris, Marilyn Harris, Fred Brunnermer, Molly Stanford, Claire Trent, Joan Shin, Linda Pettit, Gertie Gello, Dorothy Ascoli, Carole Palmer, Donna Milgrom, Anne Dragos, Dieter & Patty Dose, Karen Makris, Irwin Jaye, (Front row:) Susan & Jerry Fink, Beverly Daffner



Save on travel with NYSUT Member Benefits!

NYSUT Member Benefits understands the challenges the dedicated members of the NYSUT organization face when it comes to stretching their hard-earned dollars, including when booking vacations and making other travel plans. That is why we encourage all NYSUT members to look to NYSUT Member Benefits before making any purchasing decisions.

Save up to 30% on Orlando, FL excursions with our endorsed **Orlando Employee Discounts** program. Enjoy discounted tickets to Disney World, Universal Studios, Sea World and several other Orlando area attractions. Orlando Employee Discounts also offers up to 60% off rack rate at select hotels close to or on theme park property; hotel and theme park ticket travel packages; and a free 75-page *Disney World Guide*.

Our endorsed **Grand Circle Travel** program offers NYSUT members special pricing on a variety of international river cruises, tours and destinations around the world. Save \$100 per person on published tours simply for being a NYSUT member, and enjoy other discounts and savings opportunities available for specific tours. Discovery opportunities, activities and discussions are included with each trip.

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Mar./Apr. '20

Additions/Changes to Directory

Al Allmaras	Deceased 2/23/20	Marianne Marquart	add cell: 516-316-2412
Lewis Baranello	3555 No. Avenida Caballeros add cell: 631-871-4780	Mary McKillop	add cell: 860-256-5611
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Linda Christy	add cell: 631-275-3847	Joanne Pugliani	add cell: 631-864-5079
Dolores Clarke	add cell: 631-766-3485	Karen Ricigliano	add cell: 631-334-8327
Adelaide DeAnnutus	325-238-0357	Joan Rein	add cell: 631-456-1635
Peter DeFina	add cell: 516-317-4920	Patricia Rotella	add cell: 631-805-1965
Bonnie Dioguardi	add: 516-724-0398	Barbara Ruoff	add cell: 631-278-2350
Alice Dunne	631-828-4167 516-241-4246	Robert Russo	add cell: 413-427-5433
Patricia Friel	add cell: 917-575-6713	Jeanette & Tom Salemi	add cell: 631-804-3836
Lauren Gambale	631-875-7008	Greg Schepanski	add cell: 631-278-5124
Kim Gilbert	add cell: 631-357-0895	Alice Schleifer	add cell: 516-580-6017
Rose Ginolfi	10774 Stony Creek Way, Port St. Lucie, FL 34987 (Brennity at Tradition)	Jane Scott	171 Theodore Drive, Coram, NY 11727 add cell: 631-255-6619
Michele Gray	833 Myrtle Landing Place, Wilmington, NC 28409	Alvin Sedler	add cell: 516-672-9757
Carl Haymes	Deceased 2/5/20	Linda Seltzer	add cell: 561-270-7840
Claire Heatley-Mueller	add cell: 516-659-3755	Henry Shatz	480-661-8525 & 480-244-6051
Yvette & Larry Hohler	add cell: 631-569-0030	Maureen Smilow	add cell: 631-361-9538
Sherry Jargo	add cell: 910-547-2992	Glenda Smith	add cell: 631-793-9988
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Kathleen Johnson	add cell: 631-664-6835	Roberta Stoddard	add cell: 631-220-7412
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Gus Lowe	add cell: 757-645-6157	Michael Walsh	add cell: 631-495-8721
Virginia Lutz	add cell: 631-848-3726	G. Holly Whitacre	add cell: 919-360-4813
Muriel MacLean	add to address: Apt. 3011 add cell: 845-281-0809	Mary Ellen Williams	add cell: 631-664-6233
Elyse Magram	add cell: 561-323-1969	Donna Woodworth	add cell: 461-749-5997
Arleen Mantione	add cell: 631-872-5473	Audrey Yacos	add cell: 914-388-3448
Carol Margraf	add cell: 631-265-1844		
		RETURNING MEMBER:	
		Bonnie Thivierge	3 Huyler Court, Setauket, NY 11733 631-751-2458 bont@optonline.net

LAST CALL to RENEW your MEMBERSHIP!

Complete the form below and mail it with a check for **\$15** made payable to the
Smithtown Schools Retirees' Association no later than **APRIL 1ST, 2020**
Please note: We operate on a calendar year and these dues are independent of the STA.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

If you receive any endorsed programs & services from NY State other than a pension, you
are required by law to belong to your local retiree association— **SSRA**

Kindly cut out this coupon and mail it with your check to:
Smithtown Schools Retirees' Association c/o STA office
26 New York Avenue, Smithtown, NY 11787

*(For those with more than one address please list only your **PRIMARY** one)*

Name: _____ Year Retired : _____

Address: _____ Apt. #: _____

City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Home Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

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