

Seneca County Retired Teachers
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I hope everyone is having a pleasant end to summer. Lots of warm weather and then way too much rain in too little time for some of us!! I am looking towards a fantastic fall with pretty colors and a bit of nip in the air!

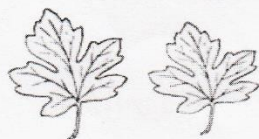
We will be having our Fall meeting in a new location due to the closing of Abigails. It is time for a new venue and we will be going to the south end of the county! Taste of Wine Country is the spot! Traveling north on Rte. 414 will take you to the big stop light in Ovid! Turn right toward Willard on 96A. About 2 miles from there on the left is Taste of Wine Country. It is a white building just past the storage units. Mary Reed will host us and provide morning and lunch fare much like we are used to having at our past meetings. Catering is her major business but she will have room for us right at the prime location. This will save us the extra expense of using another building. She is being ever so generous with the price and we are lucky to find her! I am hoping for a good turnout! Enjoy the seasonal views along the way from every direction!



I have been attending the Central Western Zone meetings quarterly and reading the messages from our presidents and other members, as well as the NYS publications! Membership is our **BIGGEST** concern! This is true of all parts of the state. Sadly, more of our members are passing into their heavenly retirement and fewer of our more recently retired members are joining! This is significantly important at the state level. We love and appreciate all our new local group members and hope they will encourage others to join. We very much need to increase our state membership to maintain our long time security for our pensions. **NYSTRA** Membership is only 8 cents/day. The return on this investment has served us well! It is our responsibility to continue to grow our Association and insure the educators of today will be able to live on their pensions when their turn comes. Education is not a top choice of major for college students today. The conditions, even in NY, have not been hospitable enough to encourage young people to enter our profession. We can only do our part as Educators (Right...you are an important part of the profession **FOR LIFE!**) if we **ALL** step up and bring in new members and stress the importance of retirees who stand for all those who follow in our footsteps!! Please make a call, chat with people you know, send a card and more to do your part and bring along more fine people to join **NYSTRA** and **SCRTA**!

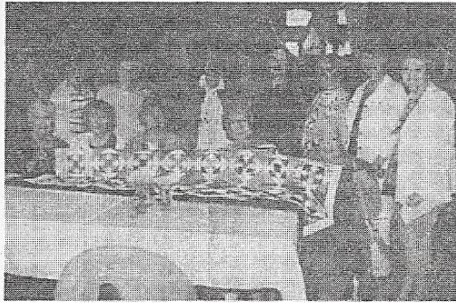
Carol Westlake

HAVE A WONDERFUL FALL



Marilyn Meadway Soule, SCRTA member with her husband John "Jack" Soule at the SCRTA Spring meeting.

SENECA COUNTY RELAY for LIFE



Skoj-Yase Retired Teachers gathered to have the drawing for the beautiful quilt. Karen Morreti, a newly retired High School Spanish Teacher won. Sadly we will miss Barbara Amidon, a 2014 retired Skoj-Yase teacher's aide.

I'm so excited! Thanks to SCRTA Team members, supporters and friends we raised over \$1,500. At the end of the Seneca County Relay we were at \$59,000 and one team was sponsoring a golf tournament. So hopefully we will hit the \$60,000+ Goal. We are trying to get more people involved from the Southern end. If you know anyone interested, please have them contact Phyllis or Carol F. Thank you to all the members of SCRTA, especially Carol Fearon, Norma Cayward, Lynn Hefferon, Maureen Dykowschak, Carol Lord, Linda Milliman, Barbara Rosecrans, Pat Panek, Patsy Amidon, Jane Morehouse, Bernie and Michael

Picano, Phyllis Dunlap and our youngest team member Madison Dunlap. She collected dimes all year in a can at St. Paul's Episcopal Church and did "chores" at home to raise her \$100 to be a team member. She joined us after her 4 hour dress rehearsal at Mynderse High School.

CWZ COMMUNITY SERVICE

This is for the NICU of Golisano Children's Hospital. **Their wish list includes:**

Premie-infant: 0-3 month's clothes and socks

Sibling activity supplies: Crayola crayons, markers, colored pencils, stickers and drawing pads

Parent journals: no smaller than 4 x 6 with a variety of designs for both moms and dads and pens for recording the new parents' experiences and feelings.

Joan Handfield will deliver any items brought to the meeting at Club 86 on September 20th.

Monetary donations can be made as follows:

Online www.givetokids.urmc.edu

By Mail: NICU Child Life Program

At Golisano Children's Hospital
601 Elmwood Avenue, Box 619-11
Rochester, NY 14642