

# FYI



(Year) 2016 VOLUME 21 NO.11

The newsletter of the  
Retired Teachers' Organization of  
Rochester and Vicinity, Inc.

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

We hope you are enjoying your summer relaxing or attending the numerous activities this area offers us. We have been attending free concerts several evenings a week. What talented musicians we have in Rochester.

September 7, at the Burgundy Basin will kick off the RTO 2016-2017 year. It is your opportunity to sign up for activities, connect with friends and enjoy a buffet lunch. Registration is from 10:00 to 11:30, a meeting at 11:30, followed by lunch at noon. This year Ernest DuBois, our retiring treasurer, will be honored during the meeting for his many years of service to the RTO. Please plan to attend.

Thank you for responding to the membership data printed in the April FYI. Sam Montello, our Vice President for Membership assisted by Ted Veremeycnik have been updating our membership information. This is important for the survival of our organization. Thanks to both of them.

We failed to obtain candidates for Treasurer and Membership by June 1,

therefore, we could not hold an election at the meeting. Please consider joining the board in one of these vital positions. However, Nancy Hagenbach will continue as VP for Activities. She is extremely organized and knowledgeable. Thank you, Nancy, for continuing as a board member.

Four teachers in Monroe County received a 2016 Barrie Fleegal Memorial Active Education Grant. They have each been involved with unpaid extra-curricular activities in their school while also taking graduate work. Congratulations to Christine Green, a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher in Honeoye Falls Lima, \$200; Brittany Phillips, a 9<sup>th</sup> grade consultant teacher at East High School, \$100; Thom Mallaber, a 7<sup>th</sup> grade social studies teacher at Rush-Henrietta Roth Middle School, \$100; and Rachael Sanguinetti, a music and theater teacher at Allendale Columbia School, \$100.

Fifty-six people gathered at the Whittier Party House on June 1 for our Spring luncheon. We had a great time visiting, eating, and being entertained. The Oasis Tappers performed a variety of

routines with a humorous MC who made us laugh. It was an excellent show. A special thanks to Mary Zimmer, Janet Herman and Carol Wynings for arranging the entertainment. To encourage larger attendance at our three luncheons, we are discussing holding these meetings later in September and June, away from the legal holidays. Please let us know your thoughts on this plus other suggestions to boost attendance.

Norma Clement is Co VP for Friendly Services. If you know of any member she should send flowers or a card to, please contact her at (585) 247 2702 or [NormaJC@frintiernet.net](mailto:NormaJC@frintiernet.net). Norma collected over \$100 at the June meeting to provide for these items. Thanks everyone because a card or flowers can make a wonderful day for someone who is ill.

As you can see by our last financial report, our expenses for the FYI are draining our treasury because our enrollment is down and not enough money is taken in to compensate. We are suggesting that the FYI be put on line by going to the CWZ Website: [www.cwzretiredteachers.org](http://www.cwzretiredteachers.org).

You will have your news at your fingertips and in a timely fashion. Those who do not have access to a computer can sign up to receive it by mail. Simply contact Marge Wood at (585) 683 3194.

This should help keep our costs in line.

Reminders:

Please continue to bring non-perishable food items for Foodlink.

To pay your membership dues this Fall.

To attend all three RTO luncheons

To contact us with any comments, questions, suggestions or concerns at [dhofmann98@yahoo.com](mailto:dhofmann98@yahoo.com) and by phone at (585) 385 1749 for Dolores and for Jack at [johnjerih@rochester.rr.com](mailto:johnjerih@rochester.rr.com) and by phone at (585)348 9024.

We are proud to serve as your co-presidents and to volunteer with all the other Board Members. See everyone on September 7 at the Burgundy Basin.

Dolores Hofmann and Jack Heller

As we begin our 2016-2017 year, we want to welcome all new members to join the Rochester Teachers Organization of Monroe County this September. Please continue reading the newsletter to learn more about the various activities offered and to register to attend the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Burgundy Basin Inn.

[RTO Executive Board Directory 2016-2017 \(click here\)](#)

## MEMBERSHIP

In the last FYI newsletter, the names of Life Members were listed. Inadvertently, a number of names were omitted. If you contacted one of us to say that you were a life member, we added your name to the Life Member list. No further action on your part is needed.

We also published a list of paid members. Some of you have sent in another check for \$15.00 since the last FYI. If you did that, your \$15.00 will be credited as membership for the 2016-17 year. Your new membership cards will be available for pick up at the September RTO meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 if one was not mailed to you.

After every FYI mailing, a number of newsletters are returned for a variety of reasons- moved, no such address, etc. Since the newsletters are not sent first class, they are not forwarded but returned to the sender, us. Consequently, we are unable to determine their whereabouts. Listed below are the names of members whose newsletters were returned. If you have updated information on where these members are, please contact one of us. On the other hand, you could ask the member to contact us directly and we'll update the list based on their feedback.

Members whose FYI newsletters were returned:

Bowers, Mary Lou	Bradshaw, Jean	Byndas, Judie	
Czajka, Duane & Barbara	Ellstrom, Dawn	Finity, Claire	
Hansen, Betty	Hendrick, Nancy	Kiely, Rosalie	
Lynch, Cola	Mahoney, Rosemary	Maracle, Marion	
Maynard, Maria Lou	O'Briun, Amy	Rice, Helen	
Saab, Nancy	Senter, Bernadette	Sibbald, Grace	Schwendy, Donna

If we do not receive updated address information for the above members, we will remove them from the mailing list.

At the September RTO meeting, to be held at the Burgundy Basin on September 7, we will be happy to take membership dues and give you your 2016-17 membership card.

Additionally, we are ending our stint as membership co-chairpersons. If you are interested in becoming involved as a membership chairperson, please let one of us know. We will be most happy to forward your name to the Co- Presidents and also help get you started.

Membership Co-Chairs:

Sam Montello, 585-545-4286

Ted Veremeychik, 585-425-4048

Email- [smontell@rochester.rr.com](mailto:smontell@rochester.rr.com)

Email- [tveremey@hotmail.com](mailto:tveremey@hotmail.com)

Retired Teacher Organization (RTO) of Rochester and Vicinity

**Membership Form**

**Annual Dues (September to September) are \$15.00 per person**

**Please make checks payable to RTO and send with a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Dr. Theodore Veremeychik**

**4 Charles Gate**

**Fairport, New York 14450**

**Spouses are also welcome to join**

-----  
Clip off and send in this bottom portion

**Membership cards are issued yearly. Lifetime members should already have their cards.**

**Check here if your information has remained the same. \_\_\_\_**

If nothing has changed, you simply need to fill in your name.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail (printclearly) \_\_\_\_\_

School District retired from \_\_\_\_\_ Year retired \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Renewal (\$15) \_\_\_\_\_ New Members(\$15)

Please do not include activity group dues with your registration. You may mail your dues to your club or pay at your first meeting.

If you are a new member, how did you hear about RTO?

\_\_\_ Friend \_\_\_ Word of mouth  
\_\_\_ Flyer mailed to me \_\_\_ Other

RETIRES

RTO ORGANIZATION

# A GROUP OF RETIRED SCHOOL PERSONNEL!

*RTO - Retired Teachers Organization of Monroe County and Vicinity*

*Come join us and have a great time.*

Are you looking for something to do, but something that doesn't tie you up so you're still free to do what you want?????

You have just found it.....

## THE RTO

### WHAT DO WE DO?

HAVE FUN!

We have a variety of activities and 3 luncheons a year. Please see our list of activities below.

WHY NOT JOIN US!

RTO

## Who are we?

We are ANY school-related personnel residing in Monroe County or its vicinity who are retired.

Retired Teachers, Para Professionals, and Administrators.



Retired School Secretaries, nurses, social workers, psychologists.



Retired School custodians and maintenance workers.



Retired school bus drivers.

Spouses welcome!

### RTO OFFERS A PLACE TO BE ACTIVE AND MEET NEW PEOPLE.

#### Activities

- Bowling (No, you don't have to be good.)
- Hiking/Walking
- Bicycling
- Caroling: We go into Nursing homes.
- Birding
- Garden Club
- Antiques
- Bridge (duplicate and informal)
- Cross Country Skiing
- Dutch Treat Dining Club
- Trips and Slides
- Book review

\*\*Dues are only \$15 per year and there are many activities to be involved in.

\*\*\*If you didn't see an activity that fits you, we encourage members to create new ones. That's how all of these groups began.

\*\*\*If you would like further information regarding RTO please contact Sam Montello or Ted Veremeychik at the subject:

tveremey@hotmail.com  
smontell@rochester.rr.com

## RTO ACTIVITY GROUPS

2016 - 2017

1. Biking - Meets Tuesdays and Fridays from April - September at various locations  
Coordinator: Chris Dear 872-4141
2. Bird Watching - Meets at 9:00 am on Thursdays ( Sept., Oct., March-June ) Locations vary.  
Coordinators: Janet Miles 787-0507
- 3 Book Review - Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month ( Oct. - Jan., April - June )  
Time: 9:30-11:00am  
Place: Asbury First United Methodist Church , 1050 East Ave.  
Coordinators: Carol Hutchins 225-4456, Dory DeJager 865- 4904
- 4.Bowling- Meets at 9:30 on Mondays all year long ( except 4th of July week )  
Place: Bowl -A - Roll , 1500 Jefferson Rd. , Henrietta  
Coordinators: Ron Hoffmann 385-1749, Duwayne Paulick 352-4902
5. Bridge - Meets the 1st Tuesday of each month all year long  
Place: AAUW House , 494 East Ave Time: 10:00 to approx. 2:30  
Coordinator: Carol Achilles 421-0876
6. Caroling - Meets the first 2 weeks of Dec. ,end of April - early May  
Coordinators: Betty Weber-Worden 247-2793, Terry Rizzo 388- 0677
7. Cross Country Skiing - Meets Tuesdays ( Jan.- March ) Time: 10:00 Locations vary  
Coordinators: Carolyn Emerson 889-1887 , Sandy Foley 889- 3123
8. Friendly Services - Contact Norma Clement 247-2702 ( illness )  
Ronald Hoffmann 385- 1749 ( death )
9. Garden Club - Meets the 4th Monday of the month ( Sept. - Nov., Jan.- June )  
Time: 12:00 lunch / 1:00 speaker  
Place: Asbury First United Methodist Church, 1050 East. Ave.  
Coordinators: Mary Petronio 248-8444 , Beverly McDonnell 377-3622,  
Marg Holder 427-7923
10. Hiking and Walking - Meets Tuesday mornings Sept., Oct., May & June  
Time: 10:00am Locations vary  
Coordinators: Rich Forsey 585-293-3193 E-mail r4c511@yahoo.com  
Sue Mattice 585-329-6824
11. Trips & Slides - Meets the first Wednesday of the month ( Oct.Nov., January -May )  
Time: 1:30pm  
Place: Brighton Town Hall Community Room , Elmwood Ave.  
Coordinator: Nancy Viola 243- 0769

**\*Please keep this sheet for future reference.**



# Activity Group News

---

## Fall Group Sign - Up

---

The Fall Activity Group sign -up will be held at the Burgundy Basin Party House on Marsh Rd. Paid members may sign up for as many groups as you wish. Representatives from each group will be available from 10:00a.m. until 11:30 a.m. to sign you up and answer any questions you may have.

Remember, if you are unable to attend the Sept. 7 sign-up you can contact the group coordinator or attend their meeting to join.

Please read over the attached list of groups and select those which interest you. Maybe try a new one this year.

## Activity Group Coordinators

---

I am asking each of the activity group leaders to have a representative at your table in the Burgundy Basin Party House on Sept. 7 at 9:45 a.m. This way you will be ready to answer questions, sign-up members and collect fees. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter,

## Holiday Craft Show

---

We will once again offer crafts at the Holiday Party in December. As I am unable to attend the Sept. meeting, I will be calling all of those who have previously participated in the show, in mid September. You may also call me to be sure you are on the list.

If you are a new crafter and would like to sell your items, please contact me at [nanhag@msn.com](mailto:nanhag@msn.com) or 585-621-5207. We ask each crafter to donate an item for a door prize in lieu of charging for tables.

Important Dates : Sept. 7 - RTO Lunch and Sign-Up  
Dec. 7 - RTO Holiday Lunch and Craft Show

Nancy Hagenbach  
VP Activities  
[nanhag@msn.com](mailto:nanhag@msn.com)

# RTO ACTIVITY GROUPS 2016-2017

---

**BIKING** This group offers enthusiastic rides of 16 to 22 miles. We meet for lunch afterwards.

Meet: Tuesdays and Fridays from April thru September.

No Fee

Coordinator: Chris Dear 585-872-4141

**BIRD WATCHING** We had a good time this year visiting local birding "hot-spots". As well as finding beautiful birds, we often find an interesting restaurant for lunch. Join us for some fresh air with friendly people, and enjoy adding to your knowledge of birds.

Meet: 9:00 a.m. on Thursdays (Sept., Oct., March - June)

Fee: \$ 3.00

Coordinator: Janet Miles 585- 787 - 0507

**BOOK REVIEW** Do you enjoy reading or just learning about some current books? Then the Book Review Group is for you. Six speakers are featured every year; some are authors, usually local, presenting on their own works. Others are talented book lovers who enjoy telling others about an interesting book. Reading the book yourself is optional. Refreshments and socialization precede the presentation, with questions and comments following.

Meet: 9:30 - 11:00a.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of the month ( Oct. - Jan. April- June )

Place: 1010 East Ave.- the house just west of Asbury First Methodist Church

Fee: \$ 5.00

Coordinators: Sheila Harp 585-594-4359  
Dory De Jager 585- 865-4904

**BOWLING** This is a non league group offering a way to socialize and meet friends. Averages don't count. Open to all skill levels.

Pay your own bowling each time- bowl 1,2, or 3 games.

Meet: Mondays all year long ( except 4th of July week)

Fee: \$2.00

Time: PROMPTLY AT 9:30

Place: Bowl-A--Roll 1500 Jefferson Rd., Henrietta

Coordinators: Ron Hofmann 585-385-1749

Duwayne Paulick 585-352- 4902

**BRIDGE** DUPLICATE and INFORMAL

All levels of experience are welcome.

Bring your own lunch, coffee is provided.

Meet: 1st Tuesday of the month - all year long.

Place: AAUW House 494 East Ave.

Time : 10:00 a.m. to approx. 2:30 p.m.

Fee: \$5.00 each time you play ( AAUW members pay no fee )

Coordinator: Carol Achilles 585-421-0876

**CAROLING** Enjoy singing? Would you like to brighten the day of someone in a nursing home? Then this group is for you. There are no auditions. Come join us for as many dates as you can. here are 2 rehearsals a year. ( one in Fall and one in Spring )

Meet: First two weeks in December, end of April and early May.

Fee:\$1.00

Coordinators: Betty Weber Warden 585-247-2793  
Terry Rizzo 585-388-0677

**CROSS COUNTRY SKIING** THINK SNOW111

This hearty group of "winter ski or hike in parks throughout Monroe County - and for the past few years even made it south to Harriet Hollister Park. Start thinking about your favorite cross country ski trail AND offer to lead that outing!

Meet: Tuesdays at 10:00a.m. January - March

Coordinators: Carolyn Emerson 585- 889- 1887

jtemerson@frontiernet.net

Sandy Foley 585-889-3123

sfoley3@rochester.rr.com

**INFORMAL CROSS COUNTRY SKI**

We will meet every Wednesday morning at 9:30a.m. when the SNOW flies!

Place: Ski hill parking lot of North Hampton Park on Hubble Street, west of Spencerport.

NO FEE! NO SIGN -UP!!!!



# RTO ACTIVITY GROUPS 2016-2017

---

## FRIENDLY SERVICES

This group sends cards or flowers to RTO members who are hospitalized or recuperating from illness at home.

Sympathy cards are sent to the families of deceased members.

Birthday cards are sent to members 90 and over.

**ALL MEMBERS CAN ASSIST BY NOTIFYING NORMA OR RON WHEN THEY KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO NEED THIS SERVICE..**

**DONATIONS:** Funding for this group is collected at the June and September meetings.

**Coordinators:** Norma Clement 585-247-2702 (illness)  
Ron Hofmann 585-385-1749 (obituary)

## GARDEN CLUB

This group hosts monthly speakers whose presentations appeal to the interests of gardeners. We bring our own lunch. Coffee and tea are provided. Each month volunteers take turns bringing desserts to share.

**Meet:** 4th Monday of the month (Sept.-Nov. , Jan. - June)

**Time:** 12:00 lunch - 1:00 speaker

**Place:** Asbury First United Methodist Church 1050 East Ave.

**Fee:** \$5.00 ( \$1.00 is collected at each meeting to cover drinks and paper products)

**Coordinators:** Mary Petronio 585-248-8444  
Marg Holder 585-427-7923  
Beverly Mc Donnell 585-377-3622

**Treasurer:** Roberta Paul 585-381-6391

## HIKING & WALKING

This group uses a variety of trails in parks, nature centers, along the canal, rivers and lakes throughout the area. Hike at your own pace for 2 to 3 miles ( 1 - 1/2 hours ).

**Meet:** At 10:00 a.m. Tuesday mornings Sept., Oct., May and June

**Fee:** \$2.00

**Coordinators:** Rich Forsey 585-293-3193  
r4c511@yahoo.com  
Sue Mattice 585-329-6824

## TRIPS AND SLIDES

This group offers a view of travel around the world. Every month we have different speakers share their knowledge and pictures of an exciting trip they have enjoyed. Our group meets the first Wednesday of most ( 7 ) months. Programs this coming year will take us to Borneo and the Phillipines, Latvia, New Zealand and Australia, Africa, the Amazon, Southern France, Amsterdam, Bruges, Antwerp and Paris.

**Meet:** First Wednesday of the month ( Oct., Nov., Jan. thru May )

**Place:** Brighton Town Hall Community Room( enter through the rear of the building)

**Time:** 1:30 p.m.

**Fee:** \$7.00

**Coordinator:** Nancy Viola 585-243-0769

**Treasurer:** Barb Kent

## \*\* REMINDER \*\*

You may sign up for as many groups as you wish once you have paid your membership dues. Sign -up begins at 10:00 and lasts until 11:30.

A brief meeting and lunch will follow.

**Place:** Burgundy Basin Party House

All articles for the November-December 2016 FYI Newsletter need to be submitted by October 15, 2016.

Please submit your articles to : [mwood92@rochester.rr.com](mailto:mwood92@rochester.rr.com)

As of June 30, 2016, through July 30, 2016, we have to announce these deaths.

Bedens, Elizabeth	July 1, 2016	Lifetime Member
Moran, Carol	May 18, 2016	
Sibbald, Grace	May 23, 2016	
Slocomb, Robert	May 3, 2016	Husband of LM Katherine
Welch, Jane	April 28, 2016	

Retired Teachers Organization

Fall Gathering

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

ARE YOU READY FOR MORE EXCITEMENT?

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. We will meet at the Burgundy Basin Inn to sign up for your favorite activity groups and to pay for memberships.

11:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. Business Meeting  
Special recognition to J. Ernest DuBois

12:00 P.M. Buffet Lunch (Help will be provided to carry food)

Menu: Baked ham, Chicken Mediterranean, mixed vegetables, rice florentine penne marinara, seasonal salads

Served at table: Tossed salad, coffee, tea, bread and butter

What a dinner!

Have fun meeting and greeting friends!

Enjoy your activity groups this year!

If you need a ride, or if you can provide a ride, please call Janet Herman at (585) 889-2697.

**PLEASE:** Let's help Burgundy Basin prepare for us early! It is important to send your reservations in by August 25, 2016, to Mary Zimmer, 68 Jordache Lane, Spencerport, NY 14559. Make your check payable to Retired Teachers Organization. Send your \$21 check with the form at the bottom of this page.

Directions to Burgundy Basin, 1361 Marsh Road, Pittsford, NY.: To avoid the one-lane bridge: Take Route 490 East to Exit 26. At Route 31, turn left towards Pittsford to the nearby signal light at Marsh Road. Turn left on Marsh Road just before bridge turn right into the parking lot. One-lane bridge lovers: Take Route 490 East to Exit 27 and go right on Jefferson Road and turn right on to Marsh Road and go over the bridge. Burgundy Basin is on the left.

Committee: Mary Zimmer (352-4982); Carol Wynings (594-4692); and Janet Herman (889-2697)

---

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

The \$21 check includes tax and tip.

No refunds will be given after Thursday, September 1, 2016.