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Our spring **YCREA** luncheon/meeting is scheduled for **Monday**, June 6th at 11:00 at the Moose Lodge. Please come and join your fellow retired educators for a short meeting followed by a safely delivered and delicious lunch for a cost of \$15 including tip. Masks are not required, but feel free to do what feels comfortable After lunch will hear from Donna Nielsen, director of Keuka Comfort Care Home since 2007—when the home opened its arms to area families in need of terminal care for a loved one. Donna keeps the Home running in ship shape while caring for their residents, consulting with families, and managing the every day ins and outs. We are also proud to say that several of our



Keuka Comfort

Care Home

Yates County retired educators volunteer at KCCH in various ways, filling a much needed service in our community, while creating positive experiences for themselves. We look forward to hearing from Donna about these experiences. We hope you will join us and have the chance to catch up with all of your friends!

Yates County Retired Educators Executive Team 2022-2024

Our current executive team was elected this past fall, and we thank them for so efficiently completing their duties to keep our organization running. If you have any suggestions to help improve what we do, please contact one of us!

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Address, Phone & Email **Updating**

Deb Minor does a wonderful job keeping track of everyone's contact information, and making sure you hear from us. Retirement is a time when changes may take place, so if your address, phone or email has changed, please make sure that you notify Deb of this. Even if you are not able to attend meetings we still want to stay in touch. In order for us to do this, we asking that you update your current information on the reservation sheet or send Deb a quick email. We will all certainly appreciate it. Thanks!!



We are pleased to report that we have applicants from both Penn Yan Academy and Dundee High School for the second year of our YCREA Scholarship to students pursuing a degree in education. The winners have been chosen, and we will announce the recipients at our June meeting. Thanks to your generosity, we are able to present these scholarships and hope to continue each year. We will continue to accept donations from any of you, who would like to contribute to this fund. There will be an opportunity to do this by including your contribution with our meeting reservation form or at our meeting. We will also share a special fundraising opportunity that will not only help increase this fund, but may also be meaningful to many of us. We again thank Tom Abraham for his work in creating and organizing this scholarship, and all of you for your support!

50/50 PROCEEDS & DONATIONS FOR KEUKA COMFORT CARE HOME

Our 50-50 proceeds at our June meeting will go to Keuka Comfort Care Home in honor of our speaker, Donna Neilsen, who will be retiring later this year. Donna has also shared a wish list of items that the home can use. She especially asked for **paper towels.** You can also find a list on their website. Please bring, if you are able, one or more of these items to our June meeting, Thank you!

Gift cards from Tops, Oak Hill Farms, Morgan's Grocery, Aldi, Dollar Stores, Hardware Stores...

Office supplies: copy paper, stamps Paper towels, tissues, napkins...

Laundry products such as: unscented Laundry Soap

for HE washer, bleach, dryer sheets...

Trash can liners: large, small kitchen and medium

Hand Soap, Lotion, baby wipes...

Vinyl gloves medium /large.

Dish washer detergent, hand washing detergent, cleaning products...

MEMBERSHIP KAY MEISCH

Many of our Yates County unit members do not belong to the state organization, RENY, Retired Educators of New York. The cost of joining RENY is \$30 each year and the check can be sent to: RENY, 8 Airport Park Boulevard, Latham, NY.Y. 12110-6414. If you aren't a member you lose out on the benefits of belonging to the organization that serves only retired educators. Some Key Services that RENY provides are: Legislative Action Com. advocating on behalf of the members at both the state and federal levels, A health Care Com., RENY's "Health Insurance information Network". Discounted Insurance Plans, Financial assistance via the DeCormier Memorial Fund and the Unique Friendly Service Program, Hearing aid assistance/discount, Discounted travel through Collette Travel, Friendly Service Com, Community Service Com. and the quarterly magazine YORK STATE that reports news and important information from the Zones, with updates on actions taken by RENY on important State and Federal legislative issues, and Health Care issues.

Certainly look forward to seeing you June 6 at the luncheon and meeting of YCRE at the Moose Club in Penn Yan. Dues to join YCRE are \$5 each year with the first year free for new members.



FRIENDLY SERVICE ELAINE GLEASON

Hello to all! We are looking forward to gathering on June 6, 2022 for our Spring Meeting. It will be nice to see everyone and catch up on what has been happening in everyone's life. We will once again be at The Moose and will have a buffet lunch to enjoy.

I will have cards out for everyone to sign for those members who could not be with us and could use a bit of "sunshine" from the group. Please, if you know someone who is ill, or unable to be with us, let me know and we will be sure to add a card for them. You can always email me ahead of time and I will have a card ready. I don't always know who is in need of a "Thinking of you" or "Get well" message. My email is bug50@eznet.net. This is an important piece for our group as we only see each other twice a year.

Thank you to those who serve on the Friendly Service Committee for keeping in touch with folks through out the year. The members are: Amy Stewart, Pam Ayers, Meredith Nielsen, Jeannie Schuck, Joan Rubin, and Anne Meyer-Wilber.

We still would like to have everyone's birth-date if you are willing to share it. I will have a sheet on each table for you to fill in please!

Looking forward to seeing you on June 6. Our meeting starts at 11:00 AM and lunch at 12:15 PM.

In a P.S. to Elaine's message, our executive team has suggested asking each member who is able, to bring to our meeting a **few greeting cards, i.e.: birthday, support, sympathy, thinking of you—that can be distributed to our Friendly Service Team members. These ladies send out 100's of cards each year, that we all appreciate receiving. We 're sure they can also use a little support.

