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# RETIRES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS

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## It's Celebration Time!

It's almost impossible to believe, but we're about to finish our first year of being! And what giant steps we have taken in this exciting time! In September 1991 a small group of retired teachers got together to talk about organizing. We met with several major obstacles along the way, but we persevered because we had our eye on the larger goal. And here we are, a few short months later, alive, and well, and raring to go!

What have we accomplished in this time? Let's take a look:

1. We have ratified a constitution that says all teachers, secretaries, and clericals who retired as NYSUT members may be members of our organization - the RETIRES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS (ROBS);
2. We have elected our officers, formed an Executive Board, established a treasury, and organized functioning committees;
3. We have hosted a seminar on health care and concerns of aging, with a featured speaker; and
4. We have arranged for a spring luncheon in June to celebrate our first year.

That's an impressive list! But it's only the beginning. It's time now to plan for next year. We hope you will join us as a CHARTER MEMBER. If you have any pet projects or suggestions, let us know. Bring your ideas and experience with you - as well as your Brentwood Retiree friends. We need you all - and you need us.

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## **ROBS Affiliates With BTA**

It's official! THE RETIREES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS ARE NOW OFFICIALLY AFFILIATED WITH THE BRENTWOOD TEACHERS ASSOCIATION. We are a retiree chapter within BTA and as such we are a fully recognized organization within NYSUT with all rights and privileges accorded as chapter members and not as separate individuals.

On March 30th, ROBS President Dot Zuckerman and Vice President Rhoda Stamler met with BTA President Joe Hogan to reopen talks concerning our status within BTA. In October we had reported that after several attempts to achieve affiliation, BTA had rejected our membership and had said they were not interested in having us become an affiliated chapter.

At the March meeting, we were able to successfully clarify and explore areas of misunderstanding and/or confusion. It was agreed that ROBS and BTA would work together within NYSUT to attempt to resolve any issues that needed clarification or change within the NYSUT structure.

Now we have truly completed our initial organizing phase. It's time to look ahead and to plan for the future.

### **DO YOU REMEMBER?**

**RESEARCH QUIZ!** Just for fun and to test your memory, see if you are able to answer this question. If you know the answer, just call 567-3866, leave your name and answer on the phone tape, or if you are ambitious, drop us a line. The correct answer and the names of those with the correct answer will appear in a future edition of our newsletter.

**QUESTION:** In 1968-69, the Taylor Law made collective bargaining possible between school boards and teacher unions. Who was president of the Brentwood Teachers Association during that year?

# THE NYSUT RETIREE

RETIREES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS



**HELP US CELEBRATE OUR NEWLY ORGANIZED nysut AFFILIATE!**

Please mail your check in the amount of \$18 per admission by June 10th to:

Ms. June Dawson, 54 Live Oak Drive, Holbrook 11741  
516-472-9110

Checks should be made payable to: ROBS

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Return with check to June Dawson

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## MENU

### HOT ITEMS

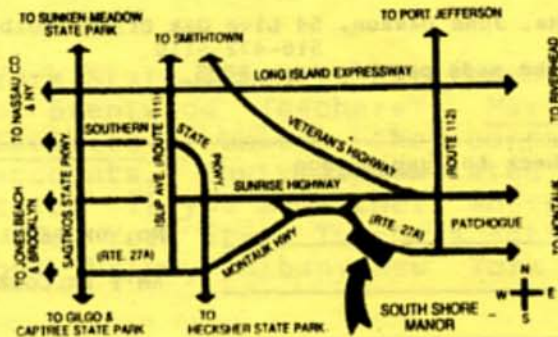
Sausage and Peppers  
Veal Cacciatore  
Meatballs  
Pepper Steak  
Seafood Newburg with Rice  
Barbecued Baby Back Ribs  
Southern Fried Chicken  
Stuffed Baked Clams  
Baked Ziti

### COLD ITEMS

Cole Slaw  
Potato Salad  
Macaroni Salad  
Mixed Green Salad  
Fruit Salad  
Vegetables and Dip

Coffee, Tea or Sanka

Cake



# Summary Of Meeting: March 4, 1992

Our March meeting, at the Di Pietro Center of Brentwood High School, began with the final reading of the draft of the constitution of the RETIREES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS. Each article was carefully considered and, in many instances, differing points of view were discussed on individual sentences and even words. The chosen name of the organization, for example, indicates the philosophy of the members - to have a broadly based organization of teachers, secretaries, and clericals.

Two questions received the most attention: first, who may be a member? May an administrator join us? Decision on this issue was tabled with the understanding that the question would be on the agenda next year. The second issue was of dues. Since the amount of dues is not a constitutional matter, it was deferred until after the constitution was ratified.

At the end of the reading, the constitution was voted on as an entity. It passed unanimously. We are truly now a bona fide retiree organization.

After discussion, the amount of \$15 was chosen as the dues for a year's membership. Anyone who pays the dues now will be credited for full payment through next year.

The next item on the agenda was the election of officers for two year terms of office. The following are the results:

President - Dorothy Zuckerman  
Vice President - Rhoda Stamler  
Secretary - Chris Veech  
Treasurer - Harriet Pepine

Also elected were three members to the Executive Board: May Moller, Ruth McCalla, and Millie Eisenberg. Our elected delegate to NYSUT ED 21 Retiree Council is Jack Zuckerman.

The chairs of the temporary standing committees were reappointed to the permanent committees. They are:

Political Action - Miriam Massucci  
Publicity/Newsletter - Mary Ruffino  
Social/Program - June Dawson

The meeting closed on a high note with the realization that we, the RETIREES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS, are now ready to go forward. The first steps have been completed.

## New Health Care Plans Are Proposed

A Universal Health Bill has been introduced in the Senate titled the Welstone Bill - S2320. It is similar to the Russo bill which is being considered in the House.

A two-hour television special "Critical Condition/The American Health Care Forum" was scheduled for April 8th from 9:00 to 11:00 p.m. on PBS. Phil Donohue was the moderator. After the program viewers were invited to participate in a national referendum on the issues by phoning a health vote line.

AARP has a new Health Care America proposal. Highlights of the proposal will be brought to the next ROBS meeting.

Miriam Massucci

## MISSING PERSONS

The New York State Teachers Retirement System is trying to locate two Brentwood Teachers: Marilyn J. Hertz and Theresa E. Nicolette. Unless they contact the NYSTRS and claim their accounts, their accumulated funds will revert back to the State. If you know their whereabouts, have them write to the New York State Teachers Retirement System, 10 Corporate Woods Drive, Albany, New York 12211, or call (518)447-2666.

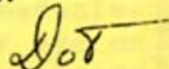
# RETIREES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS

This is an exciting opportunity for us to come together once again. As RETIREES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS, we have formed an organization that will keep lines of communication open. Teachers, secretaries, clericals - everyone who retired as a member of NYSUT - is eligible to become a member.

We are staying informed about national, state, and local issues that concern us as retirees and as interested members of the educational community. We just hosted a seminar with a speaker who addressed health care issues such as Medicare, Medicaid, and other health insurance concerns.

Don't miss this opportunity to become a CHARTER MEMBER of the RETIREES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS! Come to meetings, meet new and old friends, get involved on a committee. Join us for what promises to be an active and stimulating experience.

We look forward to having you with us.



Dorothy Zuckerman, President

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## 1992-93 DUES FOR RETIREES OF BRENTWOOD SCHOOLS - \$15

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

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YEAR OF RETIREMENT \_\_\_\_\_

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