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Congratulations are in order to the "graduates" of Brentwood Retiree Class of 2003. They are as follows:

Joseph Abelson, Antonia Acunzo, Frances Brida, Arlene Dargan, Linda Eckert, Martin Eckert, Lynne Gorman, Melanese Hamilton, Carol Herzog, Thomas R. Holmes, Caster Howard Jr., Charleen Keeley, Frank Konen, Audrey Kutin, Janet Levy, Anita LoPiccolo, Melinda M. Marcalo, Gerard McCarthy, Jacqueline Cavanagh, Rose O'Connor, Georgianna Petrilli, Phyllis Randazzo, Faye Rosen, Carolyn Schorn, Maureen Sidito, Carole Sobocinski, Elizabeth Stosuy, George Stuhler, Barbara Sweeney, Janice Thorkelson, Joan Turano, Peter Vercillo.

We can't wait to meet and greet you at our first meeting!



The first meeting of the year will take place at the **Bay Shore Brightwaters Library on Friday, September 5th at 10:00AM.** We are looking forward to meeting old and new friends alike. We would like to have a short meeting which will give you a chance to meet the Executive Board of ROBS, take care of a few minor details and quickly return to visiting with your friends. Below is a list of the meeting dates for the first half of the year:

October 3rd, November 7th, December 5th(?). The December date will be based on restaurant availability for our holiday luncheon.

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Congratulations to Lilian Kelly who received a great report card from the doctor. Well wishes go out to Jim Howard for a speedy recovery. Our sincere condolences go out to Carmela Criscione on the loss of her brother Sal; Elaine Levy on the loss of her son and the family of Selma Berkowitz.

Phyll's Forum

Dear Colleagues,

I hope that all of you have had a wonderful summer. There are so many things going on that it is difficult to keep track of them. So as usual, I will try to tackle as much as I can in this small space.

First, I am so proud that 205 members have returned their membership forms in a timely manner. Let's see if we can return the remainder no later than **October 31st.**

We will be keeping an eye on Congress in terms of the Medicare adjustments, prescription plans, military incursions and of course the up-coming primaries.

I would like to thank all of the wonderful people who have volunteered for our history project. John and Carmela will certainly have their work cut out for them.

Please don't shoot the messenger! We try to give everyone a chance to speak their mind. However, we are a NYSUT affiliate and try to keep you abreast of the issues that are being discussed around the state whether it is Vote/Cope, NYSARA, AARP or political issues. The end result has been and always will be that we are sentient beings and must make our own decisions.

Ruth McCalla is still looking for people to help organize our programs for the year. Please feel free to contact Ruth (631.234.8013) with any ideas that you may have for a program.

In Harmony,
Phyllis Goodwin

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NYSUT NOTES

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Exciting News! The New York State United Teachers is planning a Third Annual Retiree Regional Conference for retired members in Suffolk County to be held on Thursday, November 6, 2003 at The Watermill on Route 347. The topic for this year's conference is "Health and Wellness."

The registration/participation fee will be \$25 (non-refundable). A continental breakfast. will be provided during the registration period. Plans are to have three sessions with a choice of three workshops in each session. The conference is expected to be concluded by 12:30 PM, leaving time for lunch on your own. Specific details are being worked on at this time.

Notice of the Health and Wellness Conference registration will be mailed to you from NYSUT in September. **Watch for your invitation and respond promptly - the Conference is limited to 200 participants.** Registrations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the conference, please contact me at the NYSUT Suffolk Regional Office 631 -273-8822 - or e-mail at dzuckerm@nysutmail.org.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

July - August - September

July: Eli Acosta, Karen Bloomfield, Clara Cannavo, Carmela Criscione, Marilyn DePlaza, Linda Eckert, Martin Eckert, Dorene Erb, Grace Fishenfeld, Ruth McCalla, Rose O'Connor, Carl Perrino, Jean Poggie, Eleanor Roode, Herminia Silos, Clement Stancik.

August: Sandra Adams, Jeanette Collins, Ray Cunneen, Wilma Fosgate, Phyllis Goodwin, Jean Icart, Dorothy Janin, John Leeman, Vicki Lipkowitz, Josephine Macarle, Madeline Moger, Mary Saikin, Joyce Shapiro, Christopher Shea, John Sherin, Marion Sidito, Elizabeth Stosuy, Joan Turano, Peter Wohnsigl, Dot Zuckerman, Jack Zuckerman.

September: Gloria Alabaster, George Barnes, Joan Byrnes, Marguerite DelBene, Marilou Gee, Ann Hutnick, Valerie Kujawski, Eleanor Love, Harriet Pepine, Bernice Raperto, Robert Tagner, Barbara Sergei, Peter Vercillo, Leatrice Wiley

