



Our current LIZ officers are looking to be reelected at our September 25th meeting: Fred, Eileen, Evelyn, Alicia and Dominic. Eileen has put together an excellent program, the delegates to the 2019 Convention will receive final instructions, the resolutions and propositions to the Convention will be voted upon, and David Keefe, President of our Retirement System and a LIZ member, will be available for our annual luncheon.

We have 23 delegates signed up for the NYRSTA Convention being held in Turning Stone from October 9th through the 11th - the highest participation in a number of years. All delegates are being given a deluxe coach bus ride and \$400 to cover some of their expenses. All are asked to sign up with the reservations department at Turning Stone. The applications are in the summer edition of York State. I'm looking forward to LIZ's hosting of the 2020 Convention at Turning Stone next year. Our 2020 committee will give a report at the conclusion of this year's convention.

Please examine the calendar at left and join us in our pro-education activities.

Meanwhile, I am looking forward with great enthusiasm to leading LIZ in NYSRTA's membership and health strategies for the remainder of this year and well into 2020.

I remain yours in the interests of NYSRTA/LIZ. —Fred Conway

2019 CALENDAR

September 11@10 LIZ Board meeting,
Hauppauge Diner

September 25@11:30 LIZ Luncheon,
Annual Meeting & Elections,
Bellport Country Club
- see the last page of this
newsletter for information

October 2@10 LIZ Board meeting,
Royal Oak Diner, Bellport

October 8 WERTA Board meeting

October 9-11 NYSRTA Convention,
Turning Stone, Verona

October 16@10 EERTA Board meeting,
Riverhead Library

November 1 LIZ, WERTA & EERTA
Officers begin 2020 terms

November 5 Election Day, please VOTE!

November 6@11:30 EERTA Lunch,
Villa Paul, Hampton Bays

December 4@11:30 EERTA's Southold
Holiday Party

December 11@11:30 EERTA's Shelter
Island Christmas Party

MEMBERSHIP



Membership is the blood of any association - without members the association would cease to exist. NYSRTA membership is declining, and we must work together to bring new blood into the association. All members need to get involved and promote NYSRTA. This time of year offers the opportunity to share the opportunities that NYSRTA offers and what it stands for - at local festivals, fairs, and community events. Take the time to host a booth or table and talk with

community members about our association. Educate them in the steps we are taking to ensure that pensions and benefits will not be jeopardized, along with the social and financial benefits afforded to members. Invite recent and past retirees to join us at our luncheons. Personal interaction is the most powerful instrument we have to drum up new members, so talk NYSRTA up anywhere and everywhere you go.

In the words of Henry Ford "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." As a team, members of NYSRTA need to work together to achieve the goal of increasing our membership.

Mary Armbruster retired as Membership Chairman. If you are interested in taking this position, please contact Fred. We will assist the new chairman in the transition. Meanwhile, recruiting and retaining members is an ongoing task involving everyone. —Lois Thornberg



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& Community Service



In 2020, our Zone will present another \$1,000 NYSRTA Hudson-Kramer Memorial Grant to a deserving public school teacher or team of teachers with a unique, innovative proposal for enhancing their students' education.

Our current Community Service project is the collection of shower supplies and new socks for The INN mission. Please bring shower items or a new pair of socks to our Fall Luncheon at the Bellport Country Club. Those in need will be extremely grateful. Thank you! —Eileen Holmes

Employment Opportunity

The Fordham University Graduate School of Education is seeking field specialists who can provide support & feedback for student teachers enrolled in their online M.S.T. Program in Childhood Education and Childhood Special Education throughout the extended NYC area. The role of the field specialist includes five site visits for two hours per student teacher each semester. Contact Tracy Dopson at tdopson@2u.com or 1-904-562-8077.

Friendly Service



Join us at the LIZ Fall Luncheon where we'll be at the door to welcome you to the warm friendship of our enthusiastic group! Meanwhile, please pack up the cards you receive from charity organizations and bring them for Friendly Service use. We send birthday & get well cards to the membership and those cards cut down the cost. It will clear out a drawer for you, too - a win/win situation!

Furthermore, if you know of someone who needs a cheerful card or visit, please let us know by contacting yyyyyyz1@optonline.net or mawinowsky@gmail.com. Thank you! —Dee McKinnon & Alicia Winowsky

LIZ NEWS on your Computer



The Fall Luncheon invitation will arrive via USPS, along with instructions for the full-color LIZ NEWS at NYSRTA.org: click "Zones & Counties" at the top of the page, then "Long Island" in the middle, then "LIZ NEWS 42/2 Fall 2019" at the bottom left OR go to and "Like" our Facebook page: "Long Island Zone of the New York State Retired Teachers' Association" (you won't have to type the entire name before the page will pop up.)

Speeding up delivery of news will keep us better informed, save trees & piles of stamps. Additionally, information will be easier to share with others. —Jo Anne Powell

Spring Luncheon



Lucretia Ruppel, Candy Misner, Lucretia's guest, Evelyn Paola, and Leslie Conway listen to President Fred Conway's update



Diana & Jim Davies enjoy their WERTA friends' company at lunch



VP Eileen Holmes and Suffolk County police officers Wright, Herrera and Jones who provided valuable tips to avoid senior scams



Leigh Powell, Eileen Holmes, Ruth Doroski, Val & Ginny Stype, and their friend enjoy the food at the Irish Coffee Pub

LIZ Annual Meeting & Fall Luncheon: Bellport Country Club September 25th, 11:30

IMPORTANT: Election of Long Island Zone officers for 2019-2020 – Distinguished Service Silver Pin Award – Community Service presentation – Voting on pending NYSRTA bylaws and resolutions – Information about the upcoming 2019 NYSRTA convention – and the latest updates on plans for the 2020 Convention which OUR zone will host!

MENU: penné à la vodka; garden salad; choice of sliced steak, chicken Française or stuffed sole; brownie sundae; soft drinks, coffee, tea; cash bar

COST: \$36

Please send a check payable to Long Island Zone for \$36/pp to LIZ Treasurer Dom LiCausi, 31 Vidoni Drive, Mount Sinai, NY 11776 by September 18th to help us plan. If you expect to pay at the door, please let Dom or Eileen Holmes know in advance.

**LIZ Annual Meeting & Fall Luncheon
September 25th, 2019 at 11:30 a.m.**

**Bellport Country Club (631-286-4227)
40 South Country Road, Bellport, NY**

Member's name _____

Telephone _____

e-mail _____

Member's entrée _____

Guest's name _____

Guest's entrée _____

choice _____