



NYSUT RC 13

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Retirees

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Tentative Agenda

8:45-9:15 Continental Breakfast & Sign-in

9:15-10:15 Introductions:

NYSUT Update: Ron Gross, NYSUT Vice President

NYSUT Member Benefits: Yessenia Raposo

Retiree Update: Florence McCue, NYSUT At-Large Retiree Director

RC #13 A Year in Review 2023: Patrick McCarthy, RC #13 President,

& Sheryl Baker Delano, NYSUT RC #13 Retiree Services Consultant

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30-11:15 Alzheimer's Association Presentation

11:15-12:00 Retiree Legal Update: Steven Kramer, ESQ, NYSUT Endorsed Elder Law Attorney

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-1:45 Many Threads One Fabric Presentation: Wayne White, NYSUT Director of Social Justice

1:45-2:00 Political Action: Emiljana Ulaj, NYSUT Political Organizer

2:00-2:15 Union For Life: Sheryl Baker Delano, NYSUT Retiree Services Consultant

2:15-2:30 Raffles and Evaluations

Use this link to register: <https://nysut.cc/rc13-2023>

Deadline October 9th

If you cannot access this link, please make your check payable to:

NYSUT for \$30 and mail this form to:

Sheryl Baker Delano/ RC 13 Regional Conference

NYSUT Mid-Hudson Regional Office

201 Stockade Drive Kingston NY 12401

Scan Me for Registration



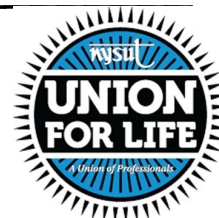
Name (s): _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone Number _____

_____ Recent/New Retiree



Newly Retired? Fantastic!

You are cordially invited to our annual NYSUT Retiree Council #13 New Retiree Reception! Join us for our in-person event, Tuesday, September 19, 2023, 10:00am-12:00 noon at the: NYSUT Mid-Hudson Regional Office
201 Stockade Drive Kingston, NY 12401 (845) 339-4450

- Meet other new retirees from across the Mid-Hudson Region.
- Learn about NYSUT Retiree Council #13, what programs/activities they and NYSUT have available for you in retirement.
- Please **RSVP** - Patrick McCarthy via email or text at rc13president@retireecouncil13.com or (845)701-1825.

We look forward to seeing you & welcoming you to **RETIREMENT!**

NOTE: Coffee & light refreshments available as you arrive; pizza & salad for lunch.

SAVE THE DATES!

Full details & cancellation policy - (www.retireecouncil13.com) and click on **EVENTS**

THURSDAY, Sept. 21ST - 10:00A.M., Multi-Site Tour of **Art Omi Fields Sculpture Park /Martin Van Buren National Historic Site:** Art Omi, 1405 County Route 22, Ghent, NY; 1:00P.M., Martin Van Buren National Historic Site 1013 Old Post Rd, Kinderhook, NY 12106. To RSVP call 518) 330-0321 or email Sandy Myers sandmyers14@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY, October 4TH, 10:30 A.M., **Fall Walk With Me: Walkway Over the Hudson**, 61 Parker Ave, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. To RSVP call 845-706-6986 or email Sheryl Baker Delano - sheryl.delano@nysut.org

2023 SPRING LUNCHEON by Patricia Wharton

Have you ever been to the Beekman Arms in Rhinebeck, NY? This year the RC#13 Spring Luncheon, which filled to capacity, was held there. We listened to: folk songs of the Hudson Valley performed by Storm King Skyline, & various NYSUT speakers. **Jen Kaseman**- Retiree Services explained the importance of the **Peer Support Helpline**, which can provide help to find resources such as: Elder Care Services or Mental Health help for not only retirees, but also family members. **Florence McCue**-Retiree Board of Directors, encouraged us to keep in touch with active locals -(volunteer to help with small jobs, even clerical work to keep in touch with locals, & to check all of our paperwork to make sure everything is in order re: final expenses, POA, etc. **Yessenia Raposo**- Member Benefits, and **Emiljana Ulaj** - NYSUT Regional Political Organizer, gave us updates. Finally, Laurie Silver, spoke about upcoming social events for RC-13.



Retiree Council #13

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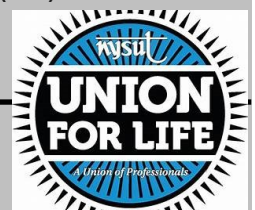
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**From The Desk of
the President
Patrick McCarthy**

Welcome Class of 2023!



Dear Colleagues,

Retiree Council #13 CONGRATULATES All Our NEW RETIREES!

The officers & Board of Directors of RC13 give a hearty **THANK YOU** for your many years of service to students in the Mid-Hudson region. It is our wish that this next phase of your life be as rewarding as was your career in education. Never, underestimate the impact you have had on your students as they will carry and utilize much of what you impressed upon them!

As you begin to consider groups & organizations to become involved in, I would strongly urge you to make RC #13 a priority. We are your voice in retirement, and participate in many of the same activities as our in-service Union brothers

& sisters. Go to: **(retireecouncil13.com)** and check out what we have to offer. There are opportunities to engage with peers in a wide variety of social events, webinars, & political action. I am sure you will find something that is of interest. (I urge everyone, not just members of the Class of 2023, to do this!). Events & information are constantly being added & updated.

The Board of Directors of RC #13 has made the goal of increasing the variety of engagement opportunities for all our members a top priority. Many of you have skills and ideas that can enhance RC#13 and the opportunities that can be offered to all of our retirees. Please consider supporting our retirees by sharing your ideas with a Board member listed in this newsletter. Or join us at one of the Board's meetings.

Also of importance, if you have not yet signed up for the NYSUT Member Action Center, please do so now! Go to **www.nysut.org** click on the **MAC** & follow the prompts to register. This is your way of staying informed about important issues.

In solidarity,
Patrick McCarthy
(no relation whatsoever to Kevin!)

**WE ARE MEMBERS
FOR LIFE!**



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OUR VOICE, OUR VALUES



PROTECT YOUR PENSION

If you are not currently contributing to VOTE-COPE, our Union's voluntary Political Action Fund, please consider doing so. To request a pension deduction form or direct contribution form for VOTE-COPE email Patrick McCarthy @ rc13president@retireecouncil13.com or call 845-701-1825 and provide your name, mailing address & the local you retired from.

**2023 Calendar
SEPT - DEC
IN PERSON**



The RC#13 Board of Directors meet monthly, every second Wednesday (except July & August). If you would like to be a **GUEST** contact Patrick McCarthy (**rc13president@retireecouncil13.com**).

PLEASE CHECK CORRECTED DATES!

**September
13 Wed. - Board/Liaisons, (10:15 am-12 noon)**

**September
19 Tues. - New Retiree Reception (10:00-12:00 am) Kingston Regional Office**

**October
11 Wed. - Board/Liaisons, (10:15 am-12 noon)
19 Thurs. NYSUT Regional FALL CONFERENCE**

**November
7 Election Day
8 Wed. - Board/Liaisons, (10:15 am-12 noon)**

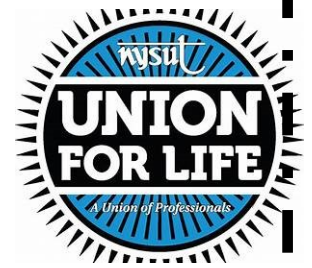
**December
13 Wed. - Board/Liaisons, (10:15 am-12 noon)**



MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTION FORM NYSUT RETIREE COUNCIL #13

Representing: Columbia, Greene, Dutchess, Sullivan, and Ulster Counties

January 1 – December 31, 2023



Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Email _____

(E-mail addresses are for RC13/NYSUT use only)

Retired from _____ School District _____

\$10.00 yearly recommended contribution Checks should be made out to **NYSUT RC # 13** and sent to:
TREASURER RC #13 NYSUT

201 Stockade Drive, Kingston, NY 12401

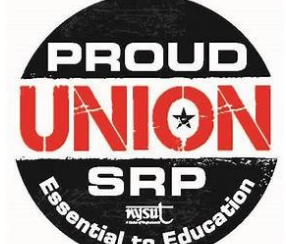
I would be willing to work in the areas of: **Newsletter (Bridges)** _____ **Travel/Social Events** _____

RC# 13 meetings are open to all NYSUT retirees & are held at the above address. The meeting calendar is in **MID-HUDSON BRIDGES**.



Strong Union Active Retirees!

About Retiree Council #13



Mid-Hudson Bridges, is a quarterly publication of the Mid-Hudson Retiree Council 13, serving: Columbia, Greene, Dutchess, Ulster, & Sullivan Counties.

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