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Valley Central Teachers' Association

VC ECHOES

Editor: Meghan Riley

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Solidarity Awards

Arlington Teachers' Association

THE EDUCATOR

Author: Sam Falk

Editors: Sam Falk and Robert McHugh

President: Bob Maier

and

Beacon Teachers Association

Between Assignments

Special solidarity issue

Author: Dawn Clemens

Editor: Dawn Clemens

President: Kim Atwell

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Best Opinion Writing

Central Islip Retired Teachers' Association

the CIRTation

Headline: The true cost of war

Author: Charles Corcoran

Editor: Charles Corcoran

President: Irene Spero

Co-President: Lucy Bonilla

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AWARD OF MERIT

Best Profile

Islip Retired Teachers Association

IRTA Newsletter

Headline: IRTA recognition honorees

Author: Carolyn Caamano

Editor: Carolyn Caamano

President: Marilyn Gutierrez

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Islip Retired Teachers Association

IRTA Newsletter

Editor: Carolyn Caamano

President: Marilyn Gutierrez

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Best Profile

Malverne Teachers' Association Retiree Chapter

The Retiree ReView

Headline: Novella Harris reports on her foreign mission trip to Haiti

Author: Novella Harris

Editor: Emily Schreiber

President: Emily Schreiber

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Malverne Teachers' Association Retiree Chapter

The Retiree ReView

Editor: Emily Schreiber

President: Emily Schreiber

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Best Opinion Writing

Walkkill Retired Teachers Association

WRTA Connections

Headline: Our view

Authors: Bill Rule and Lowell Sanders

Editors: Cheryl Leopold and Richard Leopold

President: Bill Rule

Co-President: Lowell Sanders

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Best Union News Story

Walkill Retired Teachers Association

WRTA Connections

Headline: Retired but not reticent

Author: Cheryl Leopold

Editors: Cheryl Leopold and Richard Leopold

President: Bill Rule

Co-President: Lowell Sanders

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Best Profile

Wantagh Schools United Retirees

WSUR

Headline: Co-presidents attend Committee of 100

Author: Carole Barris

Editor: Carole Barris

President: Elizabeth Segerdahl

Co-President: Madeline Ross

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Best Union News Story

Wantagh Schools United Retirees

WSUR

Headline: Ulric's warning – complacency is the enemy

Author: Susan Wilkes

Editors: Carole Barris and Susan Wilkes

President: Elizabeth Segerdahl

Co-President: Madeline Ross

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FIRST PLACE

Best Publication

Farmingdale Federation of Teachers/Retiree Chapter

FARMINGDALE FOCUS

Editor: Leah Yauger

President: Margarita Tomko

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Best Opinion Writing

Pittsford District Retired Teachers Association

Retired Times

Headline: Informed choices

Author: Daniel Sanfratello

Editor: Joyce Montanaro

President: Nanette Sorrentino

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Best Opinion Writing

Port Jefferson Station Retired Teachers Association

A Portal Through Time

Headline: The view from here

Author: Patricia Morahan

Editor: Patricia Morahan

President: Carol Pesek

Co-President: Jewell Reingold

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Best Profile

Port Washington Teachers Association Retired Educators

Chapter

PORT OF CALL

Headline: Toni Salerno – An active member of PWTA/A founding member of PWRE

Author: Mary Anne Cariello

Editor: Jean Sellers

President: Elaine Berman

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Best Publication

Port Washington Teachers Association Retired Educators

Chapter

PORT OF CALL

Editor: Jean Sellers

President: Elaine Berman

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Best Union News Story

Port Washington Teachers Association Retired Educators

Chapter

PORT OF CALL

Headline: "Triborough" under attack!

Author: Elaine Berman

Editor: Jean Sellers

President: Elaine Berman

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Best Website

Port Washington Teachers Association Retired Educators

Chapter

Port Washington Teachers Association Retired Educators

Chapter Website

Webmaster: Barbara Mayer

President: Elaine Berman

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Best Union News Story

Retired Educators Chapter – Syosset Teachers' Association

SYOSSET RECORD

Headline: Rally at Hofstra

Authors: Pat Galaskas and Matty Wolfson

Editor: Marcia Gould

President: Matty Wolfson

Co-President: Fritz Weinrich

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Best Website

Retirees of the Brentwood Schools

Retirees of the Brentwood Schools Website

Webmaster: Gloria Hannemann

President: Nick Siciliano

Co-President: Kathy Guleksen

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Best Opinion Writing

Great Neck Teachers Association – Retired Educators Chapter

Great Neck Ties

Headline: President's view

Author: William Toto

Editor: Maureen Newman

President: William Toto

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AWARD OF MERIT

Best Publication

Great Neck Teachers Association – Retired Educators Chapter

Great Neck Ties

Editor: Maureen Newman

President: William Toto

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Best Opinion Writing

**Half Hollow Hills Active Retired Teachers Association
*The HHHART BEAT***

Headline: Reflections ... Addictions

Author: Elaine Hoffspiegel

Editors: Sandra Glickman, Norma Smith and Barbara Arbuss

President: Joan Petroske

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Best Website

**Half Hollow Hills Active Retired Teachers Association
*Half Hollow Hills Active Retired Teachers Website***

Webmaster: Betty Jayne Volpe

President: Joan Petroske

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**Best Community Outreach Using Electronic Media
Retiree Council 43**

New York State United Teacher Retirees In Florida – Facebook

Webmaster: Maxine Knisley

President: Deb Peterson

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Best Profile

**Wappingers Congress of Retired Teachers
*PostScript***

Headline: Salenger retires from NYSTRS Board

Author: Sheila Salenger

Editor: Bill Dourdis

President: Susan Roger

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FIRST PLACE

Best Publication

**Wappingers Congress of Retired Teachers
*PostScript***

Editor: Bill Dourdis

President: Susan Roger

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FIRST PLACE

Best Union News Story

**Wappingers Congress of Retired Teachers
*PostScript***

Headline: RC 13 informative, fun, political

Author: Bill Dourdis

Editor: Bill Dourdis

President: Susan Roger

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Best Opinion Writing

Retiree Council 10

RC 10 SKYLINE NEWS

Headline: From your president

Author: David Golden

Editor: Ernie Reis

President: David Golden

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Best Profile

Retiree Council 10

RC 10 SKYLINE NEWS

Headline: From your president

Author: David Golden

Editor: Ernie Reis

President: David Golden

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Best Website

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Retiree Council 10 Website

Webmaster: Jon Whitney

President: David Golden

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Spotlight 21

Headline: NYSUT Community Service Award Granted to B.S.'s Marion Skirbe

Author: Diana Baranec

Editors: Diana Baranec and Betty Siegel

President: Joan Perrini

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Best Union News Story

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The Central New Yorker

Headline: Social Security celebrates its 75th anniversary

Author: Jeanette Pietrantonio

Editor: Jeanette Pietrantonio

President: Margo Buckingham

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Best Publication

United Federation of Teachers – Retiree Chapter #2

UFT RTC Retiree

Editor: Lynn Lospenuso

President: Michael Mulgrew

Class R-IV

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Best Website

United Federation of Teachers – Retiree Chapter #2

Website

United Federation of Teachers – Retiree Chapter #2

Website

Webmaster: Pat Rojas

President: Tom Murphy

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AWARD OF MERIT

Best Opinion Writing

United University Professions – Retirees

The Active Retiree

Headline: What's happening to us isn't right

Author: Judy Wishnia

Editor: Judy Wishnia

President: Philip Smith

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FIRST PLACE

Best Publication

United University Professions – Retirees

The Active Retiree

Editor: Judy Wishnia

President: Philip Smith

Class R-IV

FIRST PLACE

Best Union News Story

United University Professions – Retirees

The Active Retiree

Headline: Retirees get down to business

Author: Judy Wishnia

Editor: Judy Wishnia

President: Philip Smith

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