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Top: Queensbury FA member Elizabeth Daley with NYSUT Vice President Paul Pecorale at the Strides walk in Warren County.

Above: Walkers remain enthusiastic despite the rainy start to the Strides walk in Buffalo.

Above, from left: NYSUT Executive Vice President Andy Pallotta, Vice President Catalina Fortino and Secretary-Treasurer Martin Messner join hundreds of NYSUT members at the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk at Washington Park in Albany.

Top: Teacher Diane Cotton, left, and Maggie Wesolowski get ready to join "Team Diane" at the Strides walk in Utica.

Above, from left: Yonkers FT's Deborah Collier and White Plains TA President Kerry Broderick with NYSUT President Karen E. Magee at the Strides walk at Manhattanville College.



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Breast Cancer Awareness

Walking to raise awareness about breast cancer is a rite of autumn for NYSUT members. Thousands take part in 20 walks held throughout the state during October — Breast Cancer Awareness month — to support colleagues, family members and friends who have been affected by the disease. Many NYSUT members are breast cancer survivors or are themselves combatting the disease.

Every year, more than 15,000 women in New York state are diagnosed with the disease.

The generosity of NYSUT members during these fund-raising events has, since 2002, netted more than \$10.5 million for the American Cancer Society's ongoing campaign to fight the disease with research and awareness.



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Top: Staff at NYSUT headquarters proudly wear pink to mark Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Above, from left: Bay Shore TA President Darlene Darch and member Jennifer Maher at the Jones Beach Strides walk.

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Below: Cheektowaga Central TA members gather before the start of the Making Strides walk in Buffalo.



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