



# The 3 R's: Remarks, Reminders, and Relief!

Did you miss 3rd Thursday? That's okay We're sending donuts this week—May 25th!



**Topic: Elections and Bylaw Amendment Vote!**

### Issues currently being explored:

- ◆ Monitoring transfer concerns and process.
- ◆ Monitoring posting of job openings.
- ◆ Monitoring MS scheduling.

### Issues acted upon/resolved:

- ◆ Passed proposal regarding Negotiator's pay
- ◆ Certification area concerns resolved.
- ◆ Sick day returned to member.

### Don't forget to:

- **VOTE** for WTA building reps and the WTA Bylaws amendment on Thursday, May 25th.
- Go to the LAST WTA sponsored **DISTRICT WIDE TGIF Friday,**

**June 9<sup>th</sup>**, at Ontario Golf Club.

- Buy a raffle ticket for one of the garden baskets before June 2nd!

**Rule of thumb #31:** "Words are not for hurting. Words are for helping!" Remember professionals use professional language.

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## From the State Office

United we stand! NEA-NY and NYSUT delegates both voted in favor of merger this past month! So as of September 1st, 2006 we will be a single state union known as "NYSUT NEA-AFT" NEA-NY has about 35,000 members, while NYSUT has about 525,000. Together we will be 560,000 strong! NEA-NY President Robin Raport states, "We will have a stronger more united voice on education issues in Albany and our members will have access to new resources and programs available through NYSUT."

For our 12 retiring teachers some good news: NYSUT has more than 140,000 members across the state and even a Florida regional council for NY state! Please watch for your next edition of the NEA-NY Advocate for information pertaining to new retirees. There is a window of opportunity for life time membership for \$100 through August 31st!

Regarding dues, the state and national portion of our dues will be frozen at a new level for the next 5 years until the completion of the articulated transition period between

NEA-NY and NYSUT.



WTA Delegates at the NEA Delegate Assembly: Marc Binsack, Jason Carter, Lori Sensenbach, and Erin O'Brien

Elliot Spitzer speaks (above)  
Beth Peters (below)



## Financial News You Can Use!



**Mike Kramer's** last official visits for this school year are as follows:

High School	Mon. May 22nd
Middle School	Tues. May 23rd
Freewill	Thurs. May 25th
O. E.	Wed. May 31st
O. P.	Thurs. June 1st

Mike is our registered representative for the Legend Group and can be reached at (585)272-8470. His office is located at 1425 Jefferson Road, Rochester, NY 14623 (in case you are in need of a good cookie over the summer!)

**NYSTRS** has announced its series of statewide pre-retirement planning seminars for the summer 2006. These daylong

seminars features presentations and discussions on your NYSTRS benefits and other retirement - related topics.

**ROCHESTER** dates are:

**Tues. July 25 and August 22** from 8:30am - 3:00pm @ the Radisson Hotel 175 Jefferson Road, Henrietta.

For further details please visit [nystrs.org](http://nystrs.org) or call **800-356-3128 ext 6180** to register. This is must "go to" if you are planning to retire in the next couple of years. Take advantage of free information to help plan your future!!!

**AXA's Men in Black (Dan and Dave)** are giving away money! Not only do they look great and help set up retirement,

they serve their communities and give back to the kids! Two WCS D students are winners of AXA scholarships! Blair Germain and Laura Olds have received \$2,000. Each!

Dan and Dave will be in the buildings one more time this year. Their last scheduled visits are on Wednesdays as follows:

High School	May 3rd
O.P.	May 10th
F.E.	May 17th
O.E.	May 24th

They may be reached over the summer at 175 Corporate Woods, Suite 250 in Rochester. Dan's telephone number is (585) 475-8421 and Dave's is (585) 475-8446.