

## Upcoming Dates:

- **Nov 17th**– School Related Professional (SRP) Recognition Day
- **January 15th** Winter Issue of the Pipeline

## Right To Know

You are required to attend one of these sessions. Check your Email for the notice from Greg Nolte

11/3– 8:30– ESC

11/18– 8:30– HS

12/2– 12:45–  
Glenmont

12/9– 3:45– Eagle

12/15– 1:15–  
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12/16– 3:45–  
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## A Letter from your President

HELLO,  
BCUEA MEMBERS,  
Well, two months into this school year already, and things are moving forward very well. We had a great opening day speech from Dr. Tebbano and a good General Meeting. I have met with the BOD and the Building Reps, with some good round table talks. We held the first General Meeting on Oct 21. Things on the agenda that night were, Sick Bank and how it works, Dental Member Ship, 211 member, a Grievance Hearing held on Sept 16 with a follow up to be held on Nov 6. The Transportation Process Committee met for the first time on Oct 20 and the Ancillary Insurance Money we received from the district went for a Legal Service for all BCUEA Members. Watch for this to

show up in your mail box soon! Also, the second BCUEA Social picnic was held on Sept 16 at the Town Park and a great time and good food was had by the 85 or so members who came. That's all for now!!  
**HAVE A SAFE AND HEALTHY UPCOMING HOLIDAY SEASON!!**

YOUR BCUEA  
PRESIDENT,  
BOB WAGNER.

## Information for New Employees

If you have not yet filled out your NYSUT paperwork and payroll card, please see your building rep as soon as possible for the forms. Complete them, sign them, and send them to Marge Deveneau, BCUEA Membership Chair c/o the High School.

# New Benefit for BCUEA Employees



Happy Halloween!! We hope you all have a safe and happy Halloween with your family and friends.

The new BCUEA website is up and running. Go to [bcuea.org](http://bcuea.org) and take a look. Easy to access and easy to navigate. If you have any suggestions for materials you would like to see posted to the site, contact one of the BCUEA officers.



## New Benefit for BCUEA Members

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As you are aware, as part of our last round of negotiations with the District, beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, the BCUEA will be receiving money over the next three years which is to be used by the Association for ancillary insurance. The Board of Directors of the BCUEA formed a committee headed by Sue McNally back in January to explore the possible ways in which we could use it. Due to the large number of members in our unit and the amount of money involved, we were limited to what we could do with it. We wanted to pick a benefit that would be available to ALL members

whether part time or full time. We are pleased to announce that we now have the Legal Service Plan added to our BCUEA benefit package.

**Legal Service Plan** - This Plan offers legal assistance for personal matters. One of the most widely used aspects of the legal plan is toll-free legal advice. If your matter can't be resolved over the phone or with a legal letter written on your behalf, you will be referred to a participating referral attorney in your area. These attorneys have agreed to charge reduced rates for NYSUT members. The plan also offers coupons for two free, hour-long office consultations, a Legal Security Package that includes forms for a simple will, health care proxy, liv-

ing will and durable power of attorney; guaranteed maximum fees for a number of personal legal matters and more. With the plan, you can get advice on identity theft prevention and for identity theft victims, and assistance with debt consolidation and mortgage foreclosure. Optional riders for Business Protection and Elder Law services can be purchased to provide additional legal coverage.

A lawyer from NYSUT was on hand at the October 21<sup>st</sup> General Meeting to present information about this new benefit. If you missed the meeting, information will be sent out to each building soon. The plan will become active on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Congratulations!!

**Kim Burke**, custodian at Slingerlands. Kim had a healthy baby girl on October 14th. Little Savanna came into the world at 7lbs and 15oz. Welcome!

**Pat Biche**, lunch aide at Hamagrael. Pat's son, Gregg and his wife, Kerri had twin girls on October 12th. The beautiful duo are named Chelsea and Meghan.

**Mike Bruno**, Head Custodian at Eagle. Mike just recently completed the long and arduous process of purchasing a new home.... And THEN moving in! Your friends are soooo happy for you!



## A Big Thank-You!

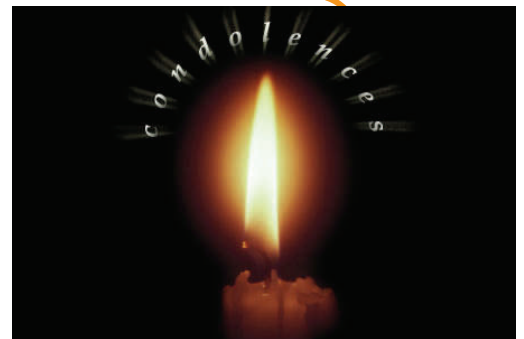


Kathi Gill, Slingerlands Secretary, would like to thank all of those who donated to the first annual Epilepsy Stroll held in Saratoga on Sept. 27th. Her granddaughter's team, "Charli's Angels" handed in more than \$4,000, thanks to the generosity of family, friends and co-workers. This year's theme was "Not Another Moment Lost to Seizures." Thanks to the Angels in Charli's life. Perhaps her future and the future of others with epilepsy will be a little brighter.

## In Memoriam

*In remembrance of Mary Ann Hurd*

*It is with great sadness that we heard of Mary Ann's passing in October. Mary Ann was an aide with the school district since 1987, both at the Middle School and High School. She was a pleasure to work with, always ready to help out and never looked for recognition. Mary Ann will certainly be missed by all of us!*



## Send your News!



Don't forget... if you have news that you would like to share with your union co-workers, send it to your building rep so they can send it on to me!! The next deadline for news is January 8th right after we get back from break! I am sure there will be a lot of great stories and pictures to share!

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