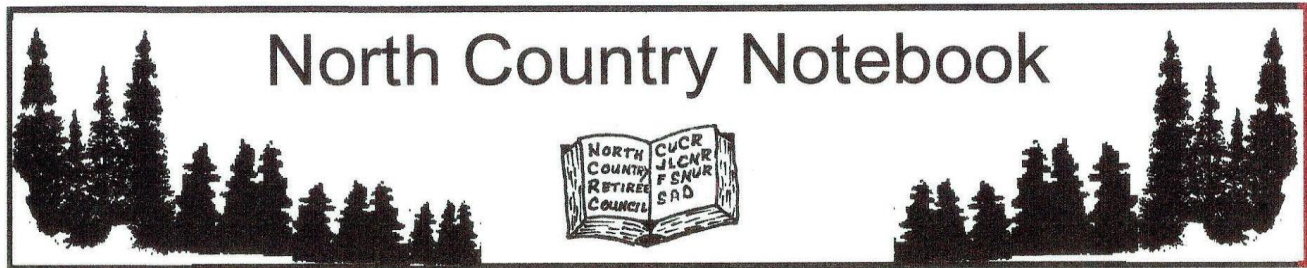


## The North Country Retiree Council (RC) 9 & Sub-Councils

Champlain Valley Council of Retirees, Franklin-St. Lawrence NYSUT United Retirees, Jefferson-Lewis Council of NYSUT Retirees, & Southern Adirondack District



**Which Sub-council do you belong to?** These are based upon where the district you retired from was located. The JLCNR area is Jefferson-Lewis retirees, the FSNUR is Franklin-St. Lawrence, CVCR is Champlain Valley, and SAD indicates Southern Adirondack District.

A retiree may join a sub-council where they now live if more convenient. (And if you like an activity in another sub-council, sign up!)



### RETIREE COUNCIL (RC) 9 [NYSUTRC9@GMAIL.COM](mailto:NYSUTRC9@GMAIL.COM)

<http://rc9.ny.aft.org/>

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## CONGRATULATIONS on being a retiree of NYSUT!!!!

Whether you are one of the newly minted retirees or one that has been retired 20 or more years, the efforts of you and your union sisters and brothers at NYSUT and your local union secured for you the benefits that you now enjoy: your *pension*, your *health insurance*, *lobbying to maintaining Social Security and Medicaid/Medicare* along with other benefits in retirement.

As retirees, we know that we need to maintain our efforts to protect these benefits and help the in-service union to ensure we all benefit: the union movement. NYSUT recognizes how important retirees are in our union. In 1991, a Retiree Services Program was created to be dedicated to retirees: our goals, our needs and our rights. Retiree services works to keep us connected, providing opportunities for us to remain vital.

Retiree Council 9 (RC 9) is the regional organization indicated on the map above. We are divided into 4 sub-councils due to our geography. Please make sure you complete this year's membership form (if you have not already) and send it in with your participation fee. This helps the RC to bring you various activities: fun, social, educational, and informative. This form helps the RC to stay in touch with you on the local level.

*There are other retiree groups around the state but only NYSUT has been here to help your local to negotiate and support you while you were working and now in retirement.*

We hope you continue to support these efforts by sending in your 2022-2023 membership form and participation fee.

***Here's to a happy, productive retirement as part of NYSUT and RC 9!***

Did you know that there is a dedicated section of NYSUT.org just for retirees? Please visit and see the information available to you. Follow this link:

<https://www.nysut.org/members/retirees>



Wondering about the issues that NYSUT is working on? Go to <https://mac.nysut.org/> to find ways to make phone calls, text and write our law makers to help influence policy on education and workers' rights. You can also install the MAC app on your device.

## FALL CONFERENCE: "PUBLIC SCHOOLS UNITE US"

Retiree Council 9 is excited to announce that we will be holding an in-person conference on Tuesday, October 11, 2022. We will be in the heart of the Adirondacks in the historic Hotel Saranac in Saranac Lake, NY. If you would like to extend the day, please see the information under the conference schedule and registration form about discounted hotel rates.

PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION FORM AND CHECK MADE OUT TO: NYSUT FOR \$27.00 BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 TO JODI KELLEY C/O NYSUT WATERTOWN OFFICE

513 Washington Street # 3 Watertown, NY 13601

### Conference Schedule: October 11, 2022

9:30 Registration and continental breakfast buffet

10:00 Welcome: RC 9 President Lynn Hunneyman, NYSUT Director Jeannette Stapley, RSC Ruth Shippee, Regional Director Don Carlisto, NYSUT 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ronald Gross

11:00 Legislative & Political Update

Pete Savage, Deputy Director of Legislation, and Peter Kim, Regional Political Action Coordinator for the North Country & Capital Region, will discuss issues NYSUT worked on during the last legislative session, this year's coming election season and what the policy and political outlook for 2023 could look like.

Noon Lake Flower BBQ Buffet

1:00 Frania Monarski Director, Group Sales Road Scholar, Karen Maher- Road Scholar Traveler

Since 1975 here at not-for-profit Road Scholar, we have been developing learning adventures for those who want a depth of perspective not found on standard travel excursions. Working with expert faculty, we create one-of-a-kind experiences – rich, multifaceted investigations into every topic and destination. On a Road Scholar trip, you get privileged access to places and experts that we have developed through our extensive global network, a network built over four decades of research and experience.

We have guided generations of lifelong learners on transformative learning adventures from New York to Nepal, and nearly everywhere in between. Over the past 40+ years, Road Scholar grew to offer learning adventures in all 50 states and 150 countries around the world, serving more than 100,000 participants annually. As a not-for-profit organization, our programs are all inclusive.

1:50 Break

2:00 The Power of Retirees in Supporting "Public Schools Unite Us" (Get ready to participate!) Swinka Richards, Assistant in Program Services – Retiree Services and Ruth Shippee, NYSUT Retiree Services Consultant

2:20 Evaluation

Hope to see you at this event and beautiful location!

Detach this section and send in by September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Local from which you retired: \_\_\_\_\_

*If you need an accommodation to fully participate in this program, please contact Ruth Shippee- NYSUT Retiree Services Consultant [ruth.shippee@nysut.org](mailto:ruth.shippee@nysut.org) or 518-321-8676.*

**Please send your check of \$27/person made out to NYSUT to: NYSUT RC 9 Conference c/o Jodi Kelley 513 Washington Street Watertown, NY 13601**



Interested in staying at Hotel Saranac before or after our conference to enjoy the scenery? Call the Hotel Saranac directly at 518-891-6900 BEFORE September 16 and tell them you are with NYSUT, and you will receive discounted rate of \$316/night.

## SUB-COUNCIL EVENTS:

*Please make note of these events and meetings. Make sure to note the RSVP dates and methods. If you are interested in an event that is "not in your sub-council" you are welcome to join, just RSVP as indicated. Events will also be listed at <http://rc9.ny.aft.org/>*

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### CVCR- Champlain Valley Council of Retirees

CVCR meets monthly on the following dates at **MHAB FRESH** 14 Dormitory Drive on the former PAFB (new base) in Plattsburgh. We hold a short meeting then enjoy lunch which is priced at \$17/person. Following lunch, we have a short presentation on various topics of interest.

RSVP to: Candi Besaw (518-825-0730/800-464-7227) or ([candi.besaw@nysut.org](mailto:candi.besaw@nysut.org)) at the Plattsburgh NYSUT office the Thursday before each luncheon.

2022-2023 School year dates are:

September 12, 2022 (RSVP by 9/8/22)	October 10, 2022 (RSVP by 10/6/22)	November 14, 2022 (RSVP by 11/10/22)
December 12, 2022 (RSVP by 12/0/22)	January 9, 2023 (RSVP by 1/5/23)	February 13, 2023 (RSVP by 2/9/23)
March 13, 2023 (RSVP by 3/9/23)	April 10, 2023 (RSVP by 3/6/23)	May 8, 2023 (RSVP by 5/4/23)
June 12, 2023 (RSVP by 6/8/23)		

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### FSNUR-Franklin St. Lawrence NYSUT UUP Retirees

Meet ups have been arranged so we can get together and see what everyone has been up to. We will be meeting at the Lobster House in Norwood on the *last Tuesday of the month at 11:30 am.*

*September 27 (RSVP by 9/22)      October 25 (RSVP by 10/20)      November 29 (RSVP by 11/23)*

#### Museum Visits:

**Monday, September 19 at 10 am Wild Center** (Tupper Lake) 45 Museum Drive Tupper Lake, NY 12986

<https://www.wildcenter.org/>

Join us for a special rate of \$15/person- paid at museum.

After initial meeting, you will be able to take the tour of the museum at your pace. There is a café on site so you can break up your visit with lunch/snacks. Allow around 4 hours for visit. RSVP by September 12

**Tuesday November 1, 10 am Akwesasne Cultural Center:** \$20/person paid at museum. After the tour, the group will be able to go to the Bear Den restaurant for lunch. Please RSVP by October 17

\*\*RSVP's are to Charmaine Calhoun 315-265-2160 or email at [charmaine.calhoun@nysut.org](mailto:charmaine.calhoun@nysut.org) for FSNUR events\*\*

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### JLCNR- Jefferson Lewis Council of NYSUT Retirees

The fall luncheon will be Wednesday, October 12 at the Tug Hill Vineyards. Tentative schedule is 12-12:45social hour, 12:45-1:15. We hope to have candidates running for offices in our area attend. RSVP to Linda Lepper- JLCNR c/o NYSUT 513 Washington Street Watertown, NY 13601 by 9/9 Along with payment to JLCNR of \$25/member, \$30/non-member due with reservation.\*\*

### Southern Adirondack District (SAD)

Come meet-up and see what other area NYSUT retirees are up to- 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month.

**AMBROSIA DINER** at Northway Exit 19 at 11 am

September 26 (RSVP by 9/23)      October 24 (RSVP by 10/21)      November 28 (RSVP by 11/23)

**NETTLE MEADOW CAFÉ** Thursday, October 6 at noon

Come join us at this unique café that focuses on their cheese making and local products. View their cheese room and many local and Adirondack products after our lunch. *RSVP by 9/22*

*To RSVP for SAD events, Call NYSUT CDRO office and let Christina Gasner or Chakerra Arrington know which event(s) you are referring to. 518-783-7977*



### FLORIDA SNOWBIRDS (OR TRANSPLANTS)

Did you know that there is a NYSUT Retiree Council #43? It consists of 10 units throughout the state that will "Welcome You" to be a participant while in the Sunshine State.

For information contact: RC President Felicia Bruce or visit <http://rc43.aft.org>

**Election 2022:**

The Local Presidents of our locals have just concluded their endorsement conferences. When they are looking at candidates, as members of the educational community, a candidate's policies and actions regarding educational policies are front and center. What a candidate has done and plans to do to support policies that impact our schools. Also, in what ways has/does the candidate support our benefits: health care, medicine, prescription, protecting our pensions, etc. (VERY IMPORTANT for us retirees) is also evaluated. For the list of endorsed candidates, follow this link <https://www.nysut.org/news/2022/august/primary>

Not registered to vote? You have until October 14, 2022 to register for the November elections. Forms can be found at your Board of Electors, or you can print from this site. <https://www.elections.ny.gov/NYSBOE/download/voting/voteregform-eng-fillable.pdf>

Check for events, registration materials, and Membership forms at <http://rc9.ny.aft.org/>

**RETIREE COUNCIL (RC) 9 2022-2023 MEMBERSHIP FORM:**

**Sept. 2022 Newsletter**

If you have not completed and sent in your participation fee for the year for your RC and Sub-council complete this and mail to Jodi Kelley c/o RC 9 Membership 513 Washington Street Suite #3 Watertown, NY 13601

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone**, include area code: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Street Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
*Email used strictly for Union communication for RC and our affiliates.*  
**School district retired from:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year Retired:** \_\_\_\_\_

Check your sub-council (*unsure- look at map on first page*) and pay the participation fee indicated for it.

Make check out to RC 9

\_\_\_ CVCR \$15      \_\_\_ FSNUR \$20      \_\_\_ JLCNR \$20      \$\_\_\_ SAD \$20

Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Check: \_\_\_\_\_

Members over 80 do not need to pay a participation fee *if have contributed participation fee previously* but need to complete annual form to be of Sub-councils and RC 9.

Mail form and check made out to RC 9 to: Jodi Kelley c/o RC 9 Membership  
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