

### From Natalie Winsor, Second Vice President (508) 230-6771

Thanks to everyone who attended the Fall Social at the Fireside on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. The "regulars" enjoyed appetizers, raffles, good company. Raffle winners were Kathy Post, Deb Collins, Matt Santos, Debbie Waterman, Meghan Cleary, Chris Slater, Kara Kuntupis, Wayne Horton, Linda Biela, Christine Madden, and Stephanie Dangoia. Please consider attending

the next BREA function; support the BREA, meet BREA members from other schools, and have some fun!

Members of the newly formed Social Committee include Pat Anania, Ashley Rodrigues, Mary Dooley, Lorna Hickey, Barbara Murdoch, Lisa White, Susanne Gibbs, Jalene Phaneuf, Julie Mitchell, Sarah Castro, Christine Madden, Priscilla, McRae, Debbie Moura, Grace Burstein, Kate Dickman, Nicole Boulay, Dina Danielson, and Linda Biela. The first meeting of the Social Committee was held on Monday, October 30. Thank you to everyone who attended! Thanks, too, if you were unable to attend but responded with offers of support for future involvement.

One important issue discussed was our major social event, the upcoming Mitchell Benefit. If you haven't attended this wonderful and worthwhile event before, consider getting involved this March, 2007.

If your name is listed as part of the social committee, but you are unable to be a member of the committee for any reason, please give Natalie a call and she will delete your name from the committee and future correspondence. Again, thank you to everyone for your support!

### Member News

Condolences were sent to Kathi Voller (RMS) on the death of her husband

Congratulations to Heidi Slavsky (WMS) on the birth of her boy.

Ron Scarborough (BRRHS) is proud to welcome a baby boy. He and his wife Lisa had the baby on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

THE BREA SUNSHINE CHAIRPERSON IS JULIE MITCHELL OF LALIBERTE. SHE MAY BE REACHED AT SCHOOL OR bridgeraynea@aol.com

Sunshine guidelines can be found in the October issue of BREAD or at http://www.bridgewater-raynham.massteacher.org/

Congratulations to Chuck Bender (WMS) for reaching his 1000 mile goal. His canal walking has resulted in a significant but healthy weight loss, while resulting in the deterioration of several sneakersinsuring the increased likelihood of many memorable moments with his newborn granddaughter.

The following members had weddings in their families: The daughter of Anne Neviackas (WMS)

The daughter of Paula Moriarty (WMS) on October 21 The son of Bev Saccocia on September 30.

# Retirement News

On Oct. 25 members of the BREA retired group enjoyed a luncheon at The Grand China Buffet. There was lots of great conversation and "catching up". Kathryn Clarkin, Helen White, Barbara LaFlamme, Yvonne Steere, and Kathleen Traficanti won door prizes. Everyone else left with a colorful gourd. The group is planning another luncheon in the spring. Yvonne Steere( retired from RMS )is enjoying her many sewing projects . She'll be exhibiting and selling her beautiful original design jackets at the 25th Annual Foundry Artists Holiday Sale to be held in early December in Pawtucket Rhode Island. For further information www. foundryshow.com

# Retirement/Insurance News

Anyone planning to begin collecting alternative longevity (Lexington plan) in August, 2007 should contact Frank Daniels at the Williams Middle School (508-697-6968 x6324) or at home (508-477-8514). It has come to our attention that this money will not count toward retirement.

Life Insurance

- 1. Buy the BR system life insurance
- Do it when open enrollment time is announced.
- Contact central office
- Be sure correct beneficiary is listed (circumstances do change)
- Plan is for active and retired employees

2. Massachusetts Employees' Retirement Plan Survivor Benefits

• Contact Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System

One Charles Park Cambridge, MA 02142-1206 (617) 679-6877 phone (617) 679-1661 fax http://mass.gov/mtrs

• Be sure correct beneficiary is listed (circumstances do change)

### Member Benefits

Our Verizon Wireless representative plans to make another visit to the district this December. Watch your teachers' rooms and BREA website for days and locations.

Entertainment books can be purchased from your building rep or contact Dee Weeks at Williams Middle School. The cost is only \$25.

MTA New Teachers Conference December 1 in Marlborough, MA More info at www.massteacher.org

Enrollment for memberships at BJ's and Costco is now over.

• Plan is for active and retired employees Select type of benefit to be paid if death occurs before retirement: lump sum payment or monthly member survivor allowance (option D)

- 3. NEA Dues-Tab insurance (800-637-4636)
- You are automatically covered if you are a member of NEA.
- Be sure correct beneficiary is listed (circumstances do change)
  - Plan is Conta

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