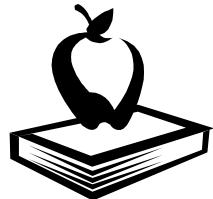


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## Negotiations Survey

For those not on the BREA e-mail list, type in the web address below to take a survey regarding contract negotiations. The personal information asked at the end of the survey is private. That information goes into a separate data file from the information gathered from the survey questions. This will help me to update my records. Thanks for your cooperation. -John

[\(the address is all one word with no spaces\)](http://www.mtasurveys.org/se.ashx?s=0B87CA7D6C34FB75)

Free resources in a variety of subject areas from over 30 federal agencies. Check out [www.free.ed.gov](http://www.free.ed.gov)

Central Office went in and removed a day from each Paraprofessional in February or March. Central Office assumed that your contract was the same as the teachers. However, your contract states that you can join the Sick Leave Bank if you "wish", so it is optional. Paras can decide whether or not you wish to be in the bank or get the day back, but must let Central Office know. A notice has been sent that doesn't seem to give a choice. If you do not wish to be in the bank, you need to write your wishes on that notice. Please make sure that you ask to have your sick day returned to you and let Bev Saccoccia or Anita Newman know you opted out so that we can make sure the day is returned to you. Initial deposit is 2 sick days for the sick bank.

Congratulations to this year's class of 2010 retirees

*Robert Kostka*

*Patricia Anania*

*Alan Coughlin*

*Susan Brougham*

*Kathleen Kerrigan*

*Judith Bottomley*

*Deborah Dower*

*Susan Leddy*

*Nancy Buono*

*Charles Bender*

*Paul Peterson*

*Judy Guasconi*

## Sunshine news

- ⇒ The father of Katie Driscoll (BRRHS) passed away.
- ⇒ Karen Woronicz, sister-in-law of Nancy Buono (WIS) passed away.
- ⇒ Renee Lucia (MES) had a baby boy, Benjamin
- ⇒ Wendy Lucia (MES) became a grandmother.
- ⇒ Cards for Ellie Cucinatto may be sent to 130 Forest Drive, Bridgewater 02324

Sunshine news can be sent to [bridgerayne@comcast.net](mailto:bridgerayne@comcast.net)



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## BREA Semi-Annual Meeting and Elections

There were no contested positions this year.

President: Anita Newman (MES)

1st Vice President: Natalie Winsor (BRRHS)

2nd VP: Sarah Castro (WIS)

3rd VP: Lee Batjiaka (BMS)

Recording Secretary: Shawna Chabot (LaLiberte)

Corresponding Secretary: John Souto (WIS)

Treasurer: Robin Murray (BMS)

On June 19th, Bridgewater will be having a 2.8 million dollar override vote. If this override fails, here is how the town will be affected:

\*Public Library will close

\*Senior Center will close

\*Recreation Department will close

\*Police – Reduction of 13 officers

\*Fire – Reduction of 20 of firefighters

Although this vote does not affect the schools directly, as teachers, we need to stand united with all town departments to ensure this vote passes. It is time to show all residents that we are NOT a town divided - it is NOT town vs. school - we are all in this together.

Any teacher who is a Bridgewater resident and is willing to have a "Vote Yes" sign placed on their lawn, please email me [lbatiaka@aol.com](mailto:lbatiaka@aol.com) with your name, address, and phone number. We will have a sign delivered to you.

There will also be sign-holding rallies held at the common on the following Fridays: June 4th, June 11th, and June 18th from 4-6pm, as well as on Saturday, June 12th from 9am - 12pm. We are looking for as many BREA members as possible to volunteer to hold a sign for a few hours on those dates.

Please email me with the dates you are available.

Let's all work together to get Bridgewater back in shape!

Thanks for your support. —Lee Batjiaka