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President's Message:

Congratulations to the following people on their recent or pending retirement. May you all enjoy many exciting, productive, and healthy years in the future.

Janelle Brady	30 years	Diane Lapworth Jones	36 years
Regina Sullivan	11 years	Larry Kramer	35 years
Joan Walker	35 years	Jan E. Cochrane	14+ years
Elaine Marcell	11+ years	Mary Jane McDermott	30+ years
Janet Murphy	32+ years	Elaine Rooney	43 years
Kathleen Byrnes	18 years	Charles Dillingham	35 years
Linda Dingee	20+ years	Heather Welch	36+ years
Maureen Giacobbe	13 years	Marie Curley	18 years
Joanne Sturm	22 years		

It has been my pleasure and honor to serve as BEA President for 17 of the past 21 years. The Braintree Public Schools are what they are because of the incredible teachers and support personnel that work here. Never stop fighting for what's fair. You all deserve no less.

Yours truly,



Larry Kramer



Congratulations to the recipients of this year's four \$1000 BEA Scholarships:

Mr. Matthew Sheehan – Wentworth Institute of Technology
Ms. Stephanie Nigrelli – Plymouth State University
Ms. Abigail Wells – University of Massachusetts at Amherst
Ms. Sarah Kelly – University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth (12th Annual Frank Garufi Award)



BEA Annual Meeting Reminder: **Tuesday June 14th, 2011, BHS Auditorium, 3:45 PM**
Important BEA business will take place. This includes the election of BEA officers.
So far the candidates running for officers are,

Christine Giacamozi-President
Holly Belmonto- Vice President
Rhonda Terrill-Treasurer
Lisa Pacino and Ann Antonelli are both running for Vice President of Membership

All six members of the Grievance Committee from Unit A need to be elected. That means we need two Unit A members from the elementary, middle, and high school level. Please consider getting involved. Any BEA member can put their name forward to run as an officer or as a grievance committee member from the floor of the Annual Meeting.

Nasty Letters, Most Likely From a Para-Educator or Two:

This message is directed to the individual or individuals who in the past and most recently one month ago, has or have written me the repugnant, virulent, nasty, hateful, cowardly, AND ANONYMOUS letters.

- I wish you healthy grandchildren without learning disabilities.
- I hope that you have a healthy life.
- May this life never find you growing violently ill; not now, not in your years close to retirement, nor in your golden years.
- May you never need the assistance of a nurse's aid.

Yours truly,
Larry Kramer, BEA President
(soon to retire-though I can easily be reached)

**Political Action Alert: Very Important!
BEA Members Take Action Now!**

MTA members are encouraged to let the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education know how they feel about the new educator evaluation regulations. **Public comment is due by 5 p.m. on Friday, June 10**, and the BESE is expected to vote on June 28. A link to send a message to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, with suggested comments and the option of adding your own, can be found at:

www.massteacher.org/evaluationregulations.

Members are also encouraged to learn more about the proposal and speak out at regional DESE forums. Each will be from 4 to 6 p.m. The dates and locations are:

- Monday, June 6, Mill Pond Middle School, Westborough
- Tuesday, June 7, Agawam Junior High School, Agawam
- Thursday, June 9, Middleborough High School, Middleborough
- Monday, June 13, North Quincy High School, Quincy
- Tuesday, June 14, Taconic High School, Pittsfield

For more information and to register to attend a forum, go here:

<http://www.doe.mass.edu/news/news.aspx?id=6214>

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