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OATA Newsletter

<u>May/June 2018</u>



Updates and Reminders:

- Check out our OATA website regularly for updates and upcoming events at http://oakfieldalabamata.weebly.com/
- Email us at: <u>oakfieldalabamata@gmail.com</u>
- Congratulations to our new OATA team members (listed on the left)!
- Farewell to our retirees Karen Ortz, Liz Nevin-Brown, Lorna Klotzbach, and Tom Walter! Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication here at OACS!

Congratulations to our scholarship winners!

- ★ Lauren Redding \$1,000
- ★ Kylie Schlagenhauf \$1,000
- ★ Abigail Klos \$500

Summer 2018

- Check your e-mail over the summer for any updated information!
- > Thinking about retiring? Click here for more information.

NYSTRS Summer Hours

- Please be aware NYSTRS' operating hours will change for the summer.
- Beginning Thursday, June 28 our office hours will be 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday. These hours will remain in effect through Wednesday, Sept. 5.
- We will return to our regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning Thursday, Sept. 6.
- Also note NYSTRS will be closed on Independence Day (Wednesday, July 4) and Labor Day (Monday, Sept. 3).

Financial advice shouldn't be a one-size-fits-all approach!

Stacey Braun Associates, Inc. -- the program provider of the NYSUT Member Benefits Corporation-endorsed Financial Counseling Program -- understands the unique benefits and retirement options of NYSUT members and how to address your specific financial needs.

There are two types of services available: a Full-Service Program and a 403(b) Advisor Option.

Financial Planning Center

Member Benefits also offers NYSUT members access at no charge to an online Financial Planning Center. Choose from more than 100 modules on a variety of financial topics.

NEW! -- Student Loan & Debt Consolidation Services

The NYSUT Member Benefits Corporation is pleased to announce the endorsement of Cambridge Credit Counseling as a provider to assist NYSUT members and their loved ones with better understanding their student loan re-payment options and/or debt consolidation. Learn more about this new endorsed program by visiting memberbenefits.nysut.org/cambridge.



△ Expert legal assistance for NYSUT members



The program offers:

- Low annual cost of just \$85 (\$55 for retirees)
- Unlimited toll-free legal advice
- Includes Simple Will, Power of Attorney, Health Care Proxy & Living Will
- Two, free, hour-long consultations with a plan attorney

Did you know NYSUT members have access to expert legal assistance for everything from preparing crucial estate planning documents to dealing with traffic violations?

Provided by Feldman, Kramer & Monaco, P.C., the NYSUT Member Benefits Trust-endorsed Legal Service Plan offers access to a national network of attorneys that deal with personal legal matters.

For an additional fee, Plan participants can add an Elder Law Rider and/or Business Protection Rider that provides access to attorneys who specialize in these areas.



Learn more by visiting *memberbenefits.nysut.org* or calling **800-626-8101**.

For information about contractual endorsement arrangements with providers of endorsed programs, please contact NYSUT Member Benefits. Agency fee payers to NYSUT are eligible to participate in NYSUT Member Benefits-endorsed programs.