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April 2025

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# Herricks Connection

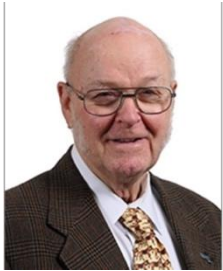
Herricks Retired Educators Chapter (HREC)

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**Our Next HREC Meeting will be April 15, 2025 at 10:30 AM in Room 114 at the Herricks Community Center**

Our guest speaker for this meeting will be David Keefe, who is TRS Retired Teacher Board Member who is available to speak on TRS matters with the local chapters. Mr. Keefe is the retired teacher representative on the Board, elected to his position by NYSTRS retirees. He has served as Board president since 2016. Mr. Keefe spent more than three decades teaching in Hempstead Public Schools before retiring in 2004. For most of his career, he was president of the Hempstead Classroom Teachers' Association, and he also served on numerous other education and community-related committees. An active member of New York State United Teachers (NYSUT), he earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Long Island University.



For our April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, for those members who live out of state go to the [mxnv-taq](#) . Please Note - This FREE link is limited to one hour from 10:30 – 11:30 whether for future meetings we want to pay for longer access time.

## Update for Excess Major Medical Coverage

On March 19<sup>th</sup>, the HREC co-presidents met for an hour with Heather Evers, HTA president, to discuss the status of excess major medical insurance for retirees. Extensive research has been done to examine options available. No insurance company, licensed in New York, will duplicate the prior excess major medical policy. The HTA and Herricks BOE are committed in good faith to finding a solution for active and retired employees. The HREC will continue to keep members informed.



Please sign up for Electronic Delivery of the Newsletter to save HREC \$\$\$.

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## Message From The Editor

**If you have news to share with our members please send to me by e-mail to [BYoungfert@aol.com](mailto:BYoungfert@aol.com) or by snail mail to the address on this newsletter.**

**Bill Youngfert**

## Sad News

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Dolores Gollin, 94, of Champaign, IL passed away Friday, May 5, 2023. Dolores earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Brooklyn and Queens College, taught English in New York City and suburban schools, and eventually moved into administration as an assistant principal at Herricks Junior High and High School. She retired in 1986.

Lucy DeRose, passed away peacefully on November 7, 2024 in HealthPark Medical Center, Fort Myers FL with her immediate family at her bedside; husband, Louis (of 62 years), daughters Lisa, Debra, Marie and, son Louis. Lucy has a long-time connection with the Herricks School District; all 4 children were schooled in the Herricks District and Lucy had a long and proud working history in the Adult Education Programs at Herricks Community Center and retired in 2006.

Dorothy Lind passed away on March 15, 2024 in Denville, NJ at age 94. She worked in Herricks for 30 years as a teacher and special educator at Center Street School and retired from Herricks in 1988.

## March Membership Meeting

We had a very interesting meeting on March 18 where we had representatives from JOVIA Credit Union talk to members present in person and on-line about phishing scams and ID theft that we need to be ever vigilant as we look at emails and take phone



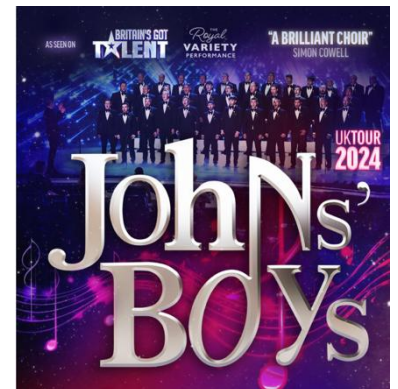
numbers from scammers. Jovia speakers were Allison DeLauzon (Information Technology) and Robert Vasilescu (New Hyde Park Branch Customer Service). We had 15 members present at the meeting and nine members on-line.

We discussed the need to increase our membership dues for next year, since our finances

are real tight this year. The number of our members turning 80 are increasing and therefore they no longer are required to pay dues although many do and also make contributions to our scholarship fund. There was a motion to increase the next years dues from \$30 to \$35. There was a second to the motion and it passed unanimously. Membership renewals will be sent out in our June mailing to all members.

The following members were online for part of the meeting before the system cut the on-line access after one hour. Thank you – Edward Dermon, Elizabeth Nugent, Fred Haslett, Gail Stein (Naples, FL), Josephine Zaroni, Kathy H., Mary Stein, Ricki Miller, Susan Arluck and Susan Posner. We are sorry that the on-line connection only lasted for 60 minutes. We will consider other ways to extend our on-line access for future meetings.

Bill gave a brief description of his two week trip to Wales last July and how he saw the John's Boy Choir who were runner ups on the Britain's Got Talent Show. For more info on the group visit: <https://www.facebook.com/johnsboysmalechorus>



## HREC on the Web!

Thanks to our HTA partners, we are on the web! on the HTA website at: <https://herricksta.ny.aft.org/retirees> . Take a look at it when you have a chance.

### Museum Guided Tour on April 9th

HREC members are invited to join docent Ricki Miller for a guided tour of the current featured exhibition, "Deco at !00," at the Nassau County Museum of Art in Roslyn Harbor, on Wednesday, April 9th, from noon to 1 p.m. Admission is \$20, payable at the entrance. HREC members may bring a guest. If you have not yet done so, please let Paul Wolski know of your plans to attend by texting or calling 516-776-3756 or email to [paulwolski@hotmail.com](mailto:paulwolski@hotmail.com).

### Anyone Know How To Contact

Does anyone have current contact info for Victoria Hingston or Richard Craig? Our Newsletters got returned "Unable to Forward" and phone numbers on file no longer connect with them.

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**Our HREC Spring Luncheon will be at  
Jonathan's**

**3000 Jericho Turnpike, Garden City Park on  
May 13<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 3 PM!**



Please return the form below with your check. Thank You!

Cost of May 13<sup>th</sup> Luncheon at Jonathan's is \$48.00 each person.

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Names of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed send a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please send check and this form to:

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Any questions call Paul at: 516-746-0147

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### **Calendar of Upcoming HREC Events:**

**April 15 – Tuesday – Last HREC Membership Meeting**

**Spring Luncheon Info – May 13th – Noon - Jonathan's**