



## Winter Luncheon

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**Postponed**

**Due to the  
Covid Surge**

**The luncheon will be  
rescheduled once it is safe  
to resume large group  
activities.**

**Members who paid will be refunded.**

Dear Colleagues,

Happy Holidays! Enjoy and celebrate! We made it through a very difficult year! Take heart and endure. We look forward to 2022 with hope and anticipation, and we offer best wishes to you and your families for a healthy and prosperous New Year. We look forward to a year of more opportunities to gather, chat, laugh and share good memories of our years together in the Northport-East Northport School District. Oh... the stories we can tell and enjoy!



Let us know what you look forward to in this New Year. Send a brief message to our webpage to share your hopes, expectations and plans for 2022. We want to hear from you and stay connected. Be well, and stay safe.

The Executive Board

## IN MEMORIAM

*Please see our website for more details*

**CAROLE GANDY, retired Ocean Avenue teacher,** passed away on November 6. Carole is survived by her daughter, Northport High School guidance counselor Amanda Cuiffo and her husband Matt, and two grandsons Joseph and Christopher.

**MARITA HICKEY, R-UTN member and former district Math Chairperson,** passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, November 16th at the age of 77. She is survived by her husband Steve, daughters Allison Schmidt and Becky Hickey, two grandsons and a sister Sr. Lorraine McGrew.

**EVE PALEY-TERRY, retired Northport Junior High School home economics teacher,** died suddenly on Monday, September 6th. Eve was very involved with theater, and at Northport High School taught Theater Works and Troupe students about costumes, props and set design

**GRETA PERLEE, retired Norwood Avenue, Middleville, and high school teacher,** passed away at the age of 94 on December 22. There will be a celebration of Greta's life at a later date.



Chris was a fixture in the Northport schools during the 28 years he lived with ALS. The ***Ride for Life*** always rode past the Northport schools and was greeted by all of the students in each school standing outside cheering them on.

## ***The Ride Keeps Rollin' Along..***

*ALS Ride For Life will be celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2022 with the return of an in-person gathering at The Larkfield in East Northport on April 27!*

Chris Pendergast, the organization's founder, President Emeritus, and our colleague, was the driving force behind its success and sadly passed away in October 2020 after living with ALS for twenty-eight years. The Ride hopes to carry on his legacy, and continue to serve patients, raise awareness of the disease, support research, and educate the public. Among its services are a Care for Life Grant (respite care), a Caregiver Support Group, a Mobility Program (wheelchair and accessible vans, and loans of medical equipment), a College Scholarship Program, and Communication Assistance. The special evening next April is the organization's largest fundraiser and will help to continue to do all the above!

More information on how we can support this endeavor will be forthcoming. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Sloan, the Director, at **[RFLDirector@aol.com](mailto:RFLDirector@aol.com)**, or Jane Flood at [jcpflood@hotmail.com](mailto:jcpflood@hotmail.com)



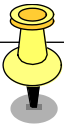


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**TO**



**CONTACT EMAIL CHANGE**

We have changed the email address to use when submitting member news and memorial tributes.

The new email address is:

**[retiredutn@gmail.com](mailto:retiredutn@gmail.com)**

We ask members who have recently submitted **Memorial Tributes** for Marita Hickey or Carole Gandy to please resubmit them to the new email address