I am pleased to have an opportunity to share with you information about **more member benefits**! If you have plenty of extra money and need no income protection or breaks on auto insurance and homeowners insurance skip this article. Most of us have these needs. I suggest you read the information posted on your WTA bulletin board or see your representative. Samples of savings available exclusively to NEA/NY members include:

**Auto:**
- $310.00 average savings on auto insurance (AIG policy)
- Claim-free discount offer. The longer you stay loss-free the larger the discount
- Up to 28% discount on more than-one-car insurance plan
- Discounts for students with a “B” average, driver training graduates…
- No deduction for vandalism on school property!
- If the local is on strike, premiums deferred

**Homeowners:**
- NEA/NY discount
- Deductibles are decreased by $250. when loss free for three years
- Condo./Apartment coverage available
- No deductible for theft of contents from a wallet or purse while on school premises
- Liability coverage is provided for children performing odd jobs like babysitting
- No deductible for loss to personal property used in educational or non-profit activities

**NEA income protection:**
- Offers a disability insurance program that protects members against the dangers of lost income while on disability (including normal pregnancy).

Much more information can be gained by accessing the [www.neamb.com](http://www.neamb.com) website or by calling 1-800-666-3269. Our association tries to provide benefits, job security and safe working conditions. Take advantage!!!

Pat

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**Ontario Village Days**

Mark your calendars for Saturday and Sunday, June 19th and 20th! While you are out at the festival, enjoying the chicken barbeque, parade, 3 on 3 basketball tourney, crafts booths, classic car show and more, why not give a positive face to WTA! We will be hosting a booth again this year and your help is needed. This is a chance to PR the good things we do everyday for kids and the community. Here’s what we need form each of the buildings:

- A display board with current pictures.
- Handouts for parents regarding your programs or tips.
- People to volunteer to man the booth.
- People to set up or tear down.
- Volunteers for the PR committee to coordinate a fundraiser or other positive PR ideas.

Let’s show people what success is the Wayne Way!

**Inside this issue:**
The 3 R’s: Remarks, Reminders, and Relief

**OP**
Stephanie Mordacie gave birth to a beautiful baby boy, John (Jack).

**FW**
Elizabeth Jordan Sara Borowiak, daughter of Jen Borowiak, was born 3/18/04!

**MS**
Joan Prevost gave birth to a healthy baby girl, Caroline on 3/29/04

**HS**
District Wide
Happy 50th Birthday on 04/03/04 to Michael Havens!

**Ontario Village Days**
Special thanks goes to Michael Havens, Pat Yates, Lori Sensenbach, Beth Peters, and Jeff Trout for their organizing efforts to form a coalition aimed at helping to retain the Wayne County Sales Tax Revenue.
3rd Thursday – 10 minute Meeting April 22nd.

Topic: FAQ’s regarding Targeted Instruction. We are here for you!

NEA/NY Delegate Assembly - Friday April 23rd through Sunday 25th! Representing WTA will be: Pat Yates, Beth Peters, Joanne Hurley, Amy Sullivan, and Marc Binsack. Cathy Contino will represent retiree interests.

Issues acted upon/discussed:
♦ Moved to a grievance on 3/30/04
♦ Pay interpretation inequity for counselors resulted in resolution through a Memo of Understanding (MoU).
♦ Speech issue resulted in resolution through a MoU.
♦ A reading academy issue was resolved.

Issues currently being explored:
♦ Fair compensation for part time employees for full day attendance at Professional Development days.
♦ Continuation of “Town” meetings with Michael Havens.
♦ New Teacher orientation/summer induction will result in a certificate of completion after 3 years of attendance.

Rule of thumb #14: Always read your NEA/NY Advocate you never know when your picture will be in there! (March issue front cover—Pat Yates, Lori Sassenach, and Beth Peters)

Legend Group—Change of Dates!
Mike Cramer has changed two of his upcoming appearances in our schools.

He will be at OP on Monday April 26th (not the 27th) and the HS on Thursday, April 29th (not the 28th). Reminders will be placed in your mail boxes.

Teacher Recognition Week May 3rd—9th. Watch for a special something in the April 29th issue of the Wayne County Mail!

WTA Officer Elections—This Friday, April 23rd.

WTA Building Representatives and Negotiators will be elected on May 21st!
Every Vote Counts!

NEA Online Benefits For You!

NEA serves up regular helpings of online support, and it’s all at your fingertips! Here is a brief summary of many of the websites and list serves available for you:

NEA Focus – A website that highlights from the NEA Web site. Subscribe by sending an e-mail to lyris@list.nea.org with ‘subscribe www.nea-announce’ in the subject line.

NEA Member Benefits Newsletter—this is periodic update about the NEA Member Benefits Program, including financial information, special officers, and giveaways on the NEA MB website. Subscribe at www.neamb.com or e-mail Ask-Us@neamb.com?

Education Insider—Get weekly reviews of national public education legislation. Register at edinsider@nea.org

Works4Me—This community discussion provides weekly tips and lesson ideas. Subscribe by sending an e-mail with the words” subscribe works4Me in the message box to lyris@list.nea.org.

Higher Ed list—this mailing list alerts members to new information and updates to the NEA Higher Education Web Site. Subscribe by sending an e-mail with the text “subscribe-signup” in the subject box to lyris@list.nea.org.

Higher Ed Research Extracts—This monthly newsletter features published studies, higher ed –s statistics, and more. Subscribe at join-he-research-extracts@list.nea.org.

NEA Idea Activist—This list serves provides Congressional action updates on the reauthorization of IDEA and resources. Subscribe at pralabete@nea.org

IAQ-Schools—This is an active discussion forum, updates, tips and resources regarding indoor air quality and asthma issues in schools. Subscribe at join-iaq-schoools@list.nea.org

CAREShare—this monthly newsletter informs on the impact of culture, abilities, resilience, and effort on student achievement. Subscribe at mgreen@nea.org