

Chapter President Harold Sahm conducts a meeting of the Executive Committee during the Summer of 2021 on campus in James Hall.



A few of the Retirees Chapter members following the popular annual Welcome Back Reception held each September.



After 28 years, former president Rose Glassberg hands the Retirees Chapter over to Harold Sahm, the new president, at a special luncheon in her honor during the summer of 2021.

Photos by Toni Libro

Join the Retirees Chapter Now!

As a Retiree Chapter member you will enjoy these many Benefits and more:

- An invitation to the annual Welcome Back/Recent Retirees Chapter Reception in September
- Attendance at the regular membership meetings, either in-person or virtually
- Timely communications from the president regarding the proceedings of meetings
- Spring and Fall copies of AFTerwords, the award-winning newsletter of the Chapter
- The informative Membership Directory, Crossing Bridges
- The Chapter's online presence on the AFT Local 2373 Website, https://rowanaft.org/aft-retirees-chapter

Simply Fill Out the New Membership Form included with this Brochure and mail it with your First-Year Dues of \$20 to the AFT Office. After your introductory first-year dues of \$20, a courtesy extended to you as a new member by the Chapter, your Regular Yearly Dues will be \$45. If you have any questions, contact the Chapter at aftretirees2373@gmail.com or the AFT Office, Suite 3013, James Hall, at 856-256-4511 or 4510.

So Don't Hesitate, Join Today!



Your AFT Retirees Executive Committee

- Harold Sahm, President
- Julie Mallory Vice President for Political Issues
- Michael Miller, Treasurer
- Cindy Mullens, Recording Secretary
- Larry DePasquale, Corresponding Secretary
- Jay Chaskes, Programs Coordinator
- Toni Libro, Communications/Newsletter Editor
- Rose Glassberg, Ex Officio
- Nick DiObilda, Ex Officio, Liaison to Local 2373

The AFT Retirees Chapter

Local 2373 Rowan University

JOIN TODAY!

Retirees Have Rights!

Do You Know What They Are?

Become a Member of this Dedicated and Dynamic AFT Retirees Chapter

Rowan University
Glassboro, New Jersey 08028



Our Mission Statement

To provide a pleasant social network for the community of Rowan University AFT Retirees by holding regular meetings throughout the academic year, by creating a variety of outreach activities, and by establishing educational incentives, such as scholarships for deserving students.

Why Join this Group

You have much in common with this group, from the colleagues of your own College to those across the University, you will meet old friends and make new ones. You will have a connection with the professional life from which you have retired, plus find a support group with whom to share your thoughts, questions and concerns. And have a good time!

What we have Accomplished

One of the most admirable of our accomplishments are the multiple scholarships we award each year to deserving students. At our meetings our programs are both entertaining and informative, touching on topics of interest to us. Our group provides answers and suggestions to resolve issues such as our pensions and our rights as retirees, such as using the library.

Our Goals for the Future

We will continue to meet with our retirees on a regular basis, to award scholarships and other forms of assistance for deserving students, and distribute an informative newsletter to help keep us connected. See our Key Objectives elsewhere in this brochure for additional details.

• Visit our online presence at the AFT Local Website at https://rowanaft.org/aft-retirees-chapter.

A Brief History of the Chapter

The Retirees Chapter was founded in 1987 after seeking permission from AFT Local 2373. Al Taylor was elected first president and served until 1991. Kay Queeney was the second president and served until 1993.

The third president, Rose Glassberg, was elected in 1993 and served until 2021. A reception in honor of her 25th year as president was held on September 5, 2018, with campus-wide attendance, accolades and dignitaries.

During Dr. Glassberg's tenure spanning 28 years, the Chapter expanded its vision from primarily a social club to a proactive organization, with rights of retirees and needs of students foremost in mind. She also initiated the Chapter's newsletter AFTerwords and the Members Directory: Crossing Bridges, both of which became award-winning publications.

Serving on the Executive Committee for many years with Rose Glassberg were Ed Wolfe, Vice President, John Gallagher, Treasurer, Fran Mitchell, Secretary, Bill Garrabrant, Recording Secretary, Mel Moyer, Officer at Large, and Toni Libro, Communications.

Harold Sahm was first elected as Executive Vice President and then took the helm as president in 2021, with the newly elected Executive Committee. Now meetings are held not only in-person on campus, but also virtually, via Zoom, so that all members can attend, whether they live near or far. In Unity!

We Mark Milestones! Retirement is One of Them!



Key Objectives

- To celebrate our professional lives as college/university educators and professional staff.
- To share current and common interests with one another in formal and informal venues.
- To support and award a variety of scholarships to deserving Rowan students each year, and be responsive to various student needs.
- To publish a newsletter on a regular basis throughout the year for the membership and selected members of the Local and larger Rowan community.
- To disseminate information regarding the holding of and proceedings of meetings, such as letters, emails, minutes, and notes, along with other material deemed relevant, by the President.
- To reach out to retirees who experience health issues though our Good and Welfare Committee and acknowledge our departed.
- To publish a Membership Directory at appropriate intervals with updated information about the membership, the history of the Chapter, and In Memoriam.
- To secure revenue through annual dues and contributions, and fundraisers, such as the annual Holiday Bazaar.
- To seek and welcome new members into the Chapter and assist in their transition to retirement, by offering Retirement Workshops and the Recent Retirees Reception each fall.
- To hold elections every two years for the AFT Retirees Executive Committee.
- You may contact the Retirees Chapter at the email address: aftretirees2373@gmail.com.