



Social with the Local at Bonesaw Brewing: Jon Foglein, Julie Mallory, Dilip Mirchandani, Joe Basso, Seth Bergmann.



Some Retirees Chapter members after 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 courtesy of Toni Libro and Julie Mallory

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
- Participation the regular membership meetings, either in-person or virtually
- Timely communications regarding the proceedings of meetings
- Spring and Fall copies of *AFTERwords*, the award-winning newsletter of the Chapter
- Announcements and invitations to informative programs and social gatherings
- Advocacy for the rights and privileges due to retirees

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 retireeschapter2373@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

- Julie Mallory, Vice President for Political Affairs
- Seth Bergmann, Treasurer
- Esther Mummert, Recording Secretary
- Larry DePasquale, Corresponding Secretary
- Joy Wiltenburg, Communications
- Ron Czocho, Program Coordinator
- Harold Sahm, Ex Officio
- Toni Libro, Ex Officio
- Jay Chaskes, Ex Officio
- Jon Foglein, AFT Local 2373 Liaison

The AFT Retirees Chapter

Local 2373
Rowan University

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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, serving through 2025. 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 for the membership and selected members of the Local and larger Rowan community.
- **To disseminate** information regarding the times and proceedings of meetings, such as letters, emails, minutes, and notes.
- **To reach out** to retirees who experience health issues through 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.
- **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 by email at: retireeschapter2373@gmail.com.