

BI-WEEKLY *FOCUS*



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UPCOMING FFT SPONSORED EVENTS:

SOCIAL Gathering

THE VILLAGER – MAIN STREET, FARMINGDALE
FRIDAY, 4/24/26 @ 2:45 – 5:00 PM

FREE APPETIZERS
DRINK SPECIALS & RAFFLES

#UNIONPRIDE

A TASTE OF FARMINGDALE UNDER THE STARS

Savor the amazing flavors of Farmingdale!
Enjoy tastings, browse craft fair vendors, and listen to live entertainment from our talented students.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2026 6:30-8:30 PM
RAIN DATE: FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2026
Howitt Middle School – Central Courtyard- 70 Van Cott Ave.

Featuring flavors from:

PURCHASE TICKETS USING THE QR CODE ABOVE OR CLICK THIS LINK:
\$20 PER PERSON- CHILDREN-\$7
AGES 6 OR UNDER ARE FREE

Logos include: Crakley's, Tap Room, Zuzu, Harley's, Library Cafe, Gino's Pizzeria, The Cow, 317, Vico, McGrath's, MP, The Nutty Irishman, Burgerology, and Argie's.

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE HOWITT MIDDLE SCHOOL GARDEN.

FFT CONTRACT CORNER

Did You Know?

Policy 4562.1 Internet Safety

- All users of the District's computer network should not expect, nor does the District guarantee privacy for any use of the District's computer network.
- The District reserves the right to access and view any material stored on District equipment or posted on media (including, but not limited to Parent Square).
- The District may monitor all use of the District's computer network and the Internet accesses through the District's computers.





YOUR ROADMAP TO RETIREMENT IS HERE

Retirement doesn't mean entering a world of unlimited tee times and champagne coolies. It's important to be properly prepared for the transition from in-service employment to retiree status.

Please note the following information if you are currently enrolled in one or more NYSUT Member Benefits-endorsed program(s) or would like to do so in retirement:

■ **If Your Local has a Retiree Chapter:**

You are encouraged to maintain membership and pay chapter dues to that local (if necessary) to continue membership in NYSUT and our national affiliates, the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) and National Education Association (NEA).

■ **If Your Local does NOT have a Retiree Chapter:**

You will continue your membership with NYSUT, AFT, and NEA through the Retiree Council in your geographic area.

Member Benefits endorses a number of programs that can be purchased through the convenience of payroll or pension deduction – offering reduced premiums or the elimination of service fees in many instances. Approximately 88% of NYSUT members have payroll or pension deduction available to them.

You must have an active NYSUT membership to participate in payroll or pension deduction. If you're currently participating in one or more of our endorsed programs, you will want to look into switching to pension deduction after you enter retirement.

LEARN MORE

Learn more about continuing Member Benefits-endorsed programs by scanning the QR code, visiting mb-nysut.org/retireemembership, or calling 800-626-8101.

