

Constituency Awards

Call for Nominations

NYSUT 2006 Constituency Awards

- Health Care Professionals Member of the Year
- Higher Education Member of the Year
- Retiree Member of the Year
- School-Related Professionals Member of the Year
- Sandy Feldman Outstanding Leadership Award

New York State
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May 4 – 6, 2006

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New York State United Teachers
800 Troy-Schenectady Road
Latham, New York 12110

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Rochester Riverside
Convention Center

November 2005

Dear Local/Retiree Council President:

At the 2005 Representative Assembly, NYSUT highlighted the achievements of its members by recognizing a member from each of our membership constituency groups who reflect the outstanding qualities of the members of that constituency.

Enclosed you will find an application for your use in nominating individuals from your local/retiree council for recognition at the 2006 RA. The awards to be given include NYSUT's Health Care Professionals Member of the Year, Higher Education Member of the Year, Retiree Member of the Year, and School-Related Professionals Member of the Year. Please refer to the criteria on the form.

In addition to the above, NYSUT will also recognize the New York State Teacher of the Year, Stephen Bongiovi, from United Teachers of Seaford.

An award introduced at the 2002 RA, the "Not For Ourselves Alone" Outstanding Leadership Award, has now been renamed the "Sandy Feldman Outstanding Leadership Award," in honor of the legendary union and education leader Sandra Feldman, who passed away this year. This award was designed to recognize and celebrate the contributions of NYSUT's largest constituency group—women—to NYSUT and the labor-union movement. The application for the 2006 Sandy Feldman award is also enclosed in this packet.

All nominations are due to be received in the Office of the Vice President, Program Services, NYSUT, 800 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, NY, 12110, postmarked by December 19, 2005.

NYSUT's success has been directly attributable to the outstanding commitment and excellence demonstrated by its membership. Please take time to assist us in highlighting those individuals who have made extraordinary achievement by nominating them for one of these awards.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tom Anapolis at (800) 342-9810, ext. 6310.

In Solidarity,

Richard C. Iannuzzi
President

RCI/AJB/dst

2006 NYSUT Constituency Awards Nomination Information



Categories

- Health Care Professionals Member of the Year
- Higher Education Member of the Year
- Retiree Member of the Year
- School-Related Professionals Member of the Year

About the Awards

These constituency award programs were adopted by the NYSUT Board of Directors to provide a means by which NYSUT can recognize the outstanding contributions made by our members.

The selected award recipients will be recognized at the annual Representative Assembly. All nominees will receive a certificate acknowledging the submission of their name for this honor.

Nomination Procedure

Each local, or chapter within a local, or retiree council is invited to submit one nomination for an award following the criteria given. The signature of the president of the local/council or chapter must appear on the completed form.

Nominations should be submitted using the form included. Return the completed form **postmarked by Dec. 19, 2005.**

Please comment, at least briefly, on the following page on each of the criteria listed below. Please be as specific as possible regarding accomplishments and include dates. Incomplete forms will not be considered.

Employees of NYSUT are ineligible.

Criteria

1. Nominee is a member in good standing of a NYSUT affiliate.
2. Nominee is actively involved in his/her local, chapter and/or retiree council.
3. Nominee has demonstrated excellence in his/her field.
4. Nominee promotes a positive image for constituency's goals of quality and access.
5. Nominee exhibits a continuing commitment toward the goals of NYSUT and the AFT.
6. Nominee participates regularly in union activities and displays an advocacy for union issues.
7. Nominee promotes a cooperative work environment.

**2006 NYSUT
Constituency Awards
Nomination Form**

Send all nominations, postmarked by Dec. 19, 2005, to:
Constituency Awards
Office of the Vice President – Program Services
New York State United Teachers
800 Troy-Schenectady Road
Latham, NY 12110

Check Nominee Constituency Category

- Health Care Professionals Member of the Year
- Higher Education Member of the Year
- Retiree Member of the Year
- School-Related Professionals Member of the Year

Please print or type. Photocopy form as necessary.

Name of individual being nominated: _____
 Local/Retiree Council: _____
 Years of service: _____
 Inservice or retired: _____
 Occupation/job title: _____
 Union position (member, building rep., officer, etc.): _____
 Phone (home): _____ Phone (work): _____
 Address: _____

Reasons why this nominee should be recognized: *(Please include information that addresses each of the criteria previously listed, and give specific examples, such as: accomplishments, special attributes, service to local/council, service to NYSUT, committee involvement, outstanding qualities and achievements. Additional pages may be used.) Typewritten preferred.*

Name of person submitting nomination: _____
 Address: _____

 Local/Council name: _____
 Union position/office held: _____
 Phone (home): _____ Phone (daytime): _____

Nomination Approval

This nomination was approved for submission by the _____
 (Name of governing body)

on _____ Signed: _____
 (Date) (President's name)

2006 Sandy Feldman Outstanding Leadership Award Nomination Information



About the Award

The “Not for Ourselves Alone” Outstanding Leadership Award has been renamed for 2006 in honor of former AFT and UFT President Sandy Feldman. Feldman succumbed to breast cancer in September 2005. In the spirit of Sandy Feldman and all those female pioneers within NYSUT who have been recognized with the award since it was first presented in 2002, the award will continue to celebrate the contributions of NYSUT’s largest constituency group — women.

A lifetime achievement award, it honors those women who have provided throughout their careers significant service and leadership to their local and state affiliates, as well as to the labor movement. In making a selection, the NYSUT Women’s History Committee will consider length, breadth and depth of service. The selected honoree(s) will be recognized at the annual Representative Assembly. All nominees will receive a certificate acknowledging the submission of their name for this honor.

Nomination Procedure

Nominations may be submitted by a local president, a retiree council president or members of the NYSUT Board of Directors.

We encourage you to limit nominations to one per year per local or per chapter in the case of an umbrella local. Nominations should be submitted using the form included. Return the completed form in the enclosed pink envelope **postmarked by December 19, 2005.**

Please comment, at least briefly, on the following page on each of the criteria listed below. Incomplete forms will not be considered.

Criteria

1. She must be a member in good standing of a NYSUT affiliate.
2. She must have at least 30 years of union involvement.
3. She must have demonstrated outstanding length, depth and breadth of service.
4. She must have held leadership positions within the local and state affiliates.
5. She must have acted as a mentor, coach or role model for other women.

**2006 NYSUT
Sandy Feldman
Outstanding Leadership Award
Nomination Form**

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Constituency Awards
Office of the President
New York State United Teachers
800 Troy-Schenectady Road
Latham, NY 12110

Please print or type. Photocopy form as necessary.

Name of individual being nominated: _____
Local/Retiree Council: _____
Years of service: _____
Inservice or retired: _____
Occupation/job title: _____
Union position (member, building rep., officer, etc.): _____
Phone (home): _____ Phone (work): _____
Address: _____

Reasons why this nominee should be recognized: *(Please include information that addresses each of the criteria previously listed, and give specific examples, such as: accomplishments, special attributes, service to local/council, service to NYSUT, committee involvement, outstanding qualities and achievements.) Typewritten preferred.*

Name of person submitting nomination: _____
Address: _____

Local/Council name: _____
Union position/office held: _____
Phone (home): _____ Phone (daytime): _____

Nomination Approval

This nomination was approved for submission by the _____
(Name of governing body)

on _____ Signed: _____
(Date) (President's name)

Most Recent NYSUT Award Recipients



“Not for Ourselves Alone” Outstanding Leadership Award

** Renamed the Sandy Feldman
Outstanding Leadership Award for 2006*

M. Jane Kauffman
Williamsville Teachers
Association

Ann Kessler
United Federation
of Teachers

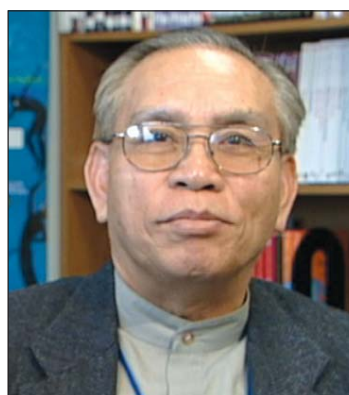


Health Care Professionals Member of the Year

Anne Goldman, RN
United Federation of Teachers

School-Related Professionals Member of the Year

Oupekha “Sam” Keomuongchanh
Rochester Association
of Paraprofessionals



Retiree Member of the Year

George Altomare
United Federation
of Teachers

Sheila R. Goldberg
Retiree Council 17,
Plainedge Federation of Teachers



Higher Education Member of the Year

Lorna Arrington
United University Professions



New York State United Teachers

Richard C. Iannuzzi
President

Alan B. Lubin
Executive Vice President

Maria Neira
First Vice President

Kathleen Donahue
Second Vice President

Ivan Tiger
Secretary-Treasurer