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**2008-2009 LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST  
SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2009**

**8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. - Registration/Buffer Breakfast**  
**8:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. - Meeting with Legislators**

*The Club 86 – Geneva, NY*

**Presiding:** Anne Morgan, Legislative Committee Chair, Romulus CSD  
**Presenting:** Nancy Zimar, Superintendent Dundee CSD



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**President's Message**



Through your membership in Four County School Boards Association, school boards gain access to and have a credible voice in the ongoing debates about education. That representation was quite evident once again when over 350 local school leaders converged on Albany March 1 – March 3 to engage in active discussions with state legislators.

Our Four County area had excellent representation with the following school board members attending: **Donna Cotter** and **Tarry Shipley** (Canandaigua), **Dawn Santiago – Marullo** (Superintendent, Victor Central) and **Tim DeLucia** (Victor), **Jeanne Durfee** and **Lynn Gay** (Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES), **Dr. Joseph Marinelli** (Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES District Superintendent), **Mike Renne** (School Business Official, Phelps-Clifton Springs) and **Mike Ford** (Superintendent, Phelps-Clifton Springs), **Patrick Wright** (Williamson) and **Maria Ehresman** (Superintendent, Williamson), **Joyce Lyke** (Wayne Central), **Jim Koehler** (Dundee), **Tom Ledbetter** (Newark), **Anne Morgan** (Romulus), **Susan Salvaggio** (Superintendent, Sodus), **Philip Rose** and **Patricia Paprocki** (Sodus), **Tom Scherer** (Geneva) and **Sharon Sweeney** (Executive Director, Four County School Boards Association). A special thank you to each of our superintendents who were able to make the trip to Albany and for sharing your expertise and depth of knowledge in discussing these important issues. Your support is deeply appreciated!

At the forefront of these issues was, of course, aid that school districts will be receiving through the federal stimulus package. Much has been written and discussed about this assistance, but it was made clear by state Budget Director **Laura Anglin** that it is impossible to know the exact numbers for each district until negotiations are complete and the state budget is in place. Your representatives also engaged in discussions relating to the need for reform of 3020a, the creation of a new of Tier V, the burden placed on districts by shifting Pre-K Special Education costs to local districts, burdensome mandates, a repeal of the Wicks Law, the need for a progress on the Paper Reduction Act and providing districts the flexibility to access to the Accrued Employees Benefits Reserve funds.

Thank you also to Assemblymen **Joe Errigo**, 130<sup>th</sup> District, **Jim Baccales**, 136<sup>th</sup> District, **Bob Oaks**, 128<sup>th</sup> District, **Brian Kolb**, 129<sup>th</sup> District and Senators **Michael Nozzolio**, 54<sup>th</sup> District, **George Winner**, 53<sup>rd</sup> District and **Dale Volker**, 59<sup>th</sup> District for taking time from their busy schedules to meet with us and for their support on these important educational issues.

Four County School Boards Association is honored to serve all of its member districts in this important work. Rest assured that your voice is being heard at the Federal and State levels in our efforts to support and serve our local boards and all of our students!

**One of the many valued services provided through membership  
In your Four County School Boards Association!**

We look forward to seeing you at our Legislative Breakfast at Club 86 in Geneva on March 21st to share in the discussion on relevant state and local issues!

*Tom*

