40 years! What a long and wonderful history assisting administrators with their work leading Catholic schools. This year we are taking the Gathering to new heights by honoring those that have dedicated themselves to Catholic education. We will start the celebration by hearing some wise words from Brother Peter Pontolillo, SM, the first CSAANYS Executive Director. Brother Peter was our Executive Director from 1972-1976. In addition to honoring Brother Peter, we have been tracking down the founding Executive Board members, hopefully a few will be able to join us. We are excited to be honoring individuals from each diocese that have spent 40 years (or more!) in Catholic Education. We hope you will join us in honoring the 2012 Lighting the Fire for Catholic Education Awardees:

**Buffalo:** Sr. Ellen O'Keefe, SSJ, Principal, Our Lady of Victory School, Lackawanna

**Rochester:** Sr. Katherine Ann Rapp, RSM, Principal of St. Rita School, Webster

**Syracuse:** Mr. Thomas DeSantis, Principal, Bishop Grimes, Syracuse

**Albany:** Sr. Rosalie Kelly, CSJ, Principal of St. Francis DeSales School, Herkimer

**Ogdensburg:** Rev. Msgr. Robert H. Aucoin, Vicar for Education

**Brooklyn:** Mrs. Linda Dougherty, Principal Our Lady of Mercy School

**Archdiocese of NY:** Sr. Mary Stephen Healy, RDC, Principal of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Elmsford

**Rockville Centre:** Mr. Biagio Arpino, Assistant Superintendent

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**CSAANYS Gathering**

Gathering 2012  
Sunday, October 28, 2012  
Albany Marriott Hotel  
Wolf Road, Albany  
$65.00  
$68.00 with credit card

**Keynote Speaker:** Dr. Patricia Weitzel-O'Neill, she is one of the architects of the Catholic Schools Standards Project  

Registration attached or online at  
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Hotel information is on the website.

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**Thoughts on Catholic Education**

Brother Peter Pontolillo, SM the first CSAANYS Executive Director (1972-1976), will be joining us this year in celebration of our 40th anniversary. Brother Peter will open our Gathering with reflections on his immeasurable experience in Catholic education. Where we have been and where we are going.
Section 1399-o of the public health law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

Smoking shall not be permitted and no person shall smoke within one hundred feet of the entrances, exits or outdoor areas of any public or private elementary or secondary schools; provided, however, that the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to smoking in a residence, or within the real property boundary lines of such residential real property. The provisions of section thirteen hundred ninety-nine-p of this article shall not apply to this subdivision.

Subdivision 2 of section 409 of the education law, as amended by chapter 13 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, rule or regulation, tobacco use shall not be permitted and no person shall use tobacco on school grounds. "School grounds" means any building, structure and surrounding outdoor grounds, including entrances or exits, contained within a public or private pre-school, nursery school, elementary or secondary school's legally defined property boundaries as registered in a county clerk's office. This act shall take effect immediately.