



# The Pioneer's Club Newsletter

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## Black Friday Spanish Style

As you may or may not know, there were the first layoffs in RG&E's 150 year history on Friday, January 29, 2010. Approximately 40 individuals were "walked" out. The news reported that 140 total lost their jobs across RG&E, NYSEG, and Energix.

Even in the great depression, RG&E managed to tighten it's belt and avoided any layoffs. But I guess in this recession things must be a lot tougher.

To all those individuals affected, I offer my heart felt sympathy on behalf of the Pioneer's Club.

I have a friend who has a friend living in Spain. His friend commented that Iberdrola was a good company to do business with. I guess we should have asked how they were to work for.

## Retirement Party

I received a poster advertising Rich Sperduto's Retirement Party.

It will be held on Friday, February 19, 2010  
at 4:30 PM

in Shadow Lake Golf & Racquetball Club,  
1850 Five Mile Line Road, Penfield, NY.

The \$18.00 tickets can be obtained by calling Jeff Fiske at 585-724-8542 or Karen VanDepas at 585-771-2191.

The ticket deadline is February 12.

The entire poster can be seen on our web site be [clicking here](#).



## Important Dates

OK here are the "Important" dates according to my new calendar.

February 2nd—Groundhogs Day.

February 6th—Waitangi Day, New Zealand (a chance to improve your 'google' skills finding out what this is.)

February 12—Abraham Lincoln's Birthday

February 14— Valentine's Day / Chinese New Year (Guess which one is more important to your better half?)

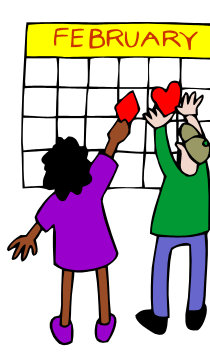
February 15— Presidents Day/Flag Day (Canada)

February 16— Mardi Gras Day (Now that's a party!)

February 17— Ash Wednesday (If you celebrated 2/16, you'd better do this one too)

February 22—George Washington's Birthday.

February 27— Purim begins at Sundown



## Obituary Page

In December we had no one depart our rooster. Unfortunately the same was not true for January. The following individuals will be missed by all.

(Editor's Note: I may have missed someone, because in January my brother lost his battle with cancer and I was busy saying goodbye.)

**Betty J. Astio** - Webster, NY, January 2, 2010. Betty was a retiree of the Telephone Center. Her complete obituary may be read by [clicking here](#).

**Melvin John (Jack) Corson** - January 1, 2010. Jack was a retiree of Engineering after 45 years of service. He also served in the Coast Guard during WWII. His complete obituary may be read by [clicking here](#).

**Fred Bergmeyer Jr.** - Irondequoit, NY, January 14, 2010 at age 81. Fred was a retiree from the "Photo" Department. His complete obituary may be read by [clicking here](#).

**Robert A. Lemmon** - Palmyra/Newark, NY, January 16, 2010 at age 72. A retiree from Ginna. His complete obituary may be read by [clicking here](#).

## Short Month

I'm sorry I don't have a lot to report this month, but it's been cold and snowy up here! I'll do better next month.



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