

YESTERDAY I RECEIVED A SACHEM COMMUNITY WATCH LETTER ON MY DOORSTEP.

This notice misinforms the community on many levels.

- The difference between a passed budget and an austerity budget is - \$67 per taxpayer, not \$607!
- Our teacher and administrator salaries are high *because* a large percentage of our teachers are approaching retirement age. ALL school districts go through such a flux every 20 years or so. In a few years Sachem will be below average for salary scale compared to other LI districts because we will have more young, less experienced teachers.
- The Board did not extort \$10 million dollars by "overcharging" the taxpayers. The district came in under budget from their projected expenses.
Isn't that considered a positive?
- The Board did not increase the teachers' benefits by 39%. New York State increased &e rates for teachers' retirement and for their Empire health insurance, forcing the school districts to carry this burden, resulting in a budget impact of 39%. This is state wide and not part of this "crazy spending" spree by the Sachem School Board.

**BY NOT FULLY INFORMING THE COMMUNITY,
YOU MISINFORM THE COMMUNITY**

Regardless of how you vote on May 18,
be informed !

If you would like additional information call
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