



**Dauphin County Chapter**  
**Pennsylvania Association of**  
**School Retirees**



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***PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE***

Dear Members:

Happy Spring! It is time to get involved in DCPASR by attending our Spring Luncheon, May 21, and the region 4 Spring Luncheon that we are co-sponsoring with Cumberland County on April 30<sup>th</sup> in New Cumberland.

After this grueling winter, which included one zoom board meeting, our chapter continues to search for a president of our organization (term to begin January 2027). Without a president we will be forced to join another chapter or cease to exist. With 500 members, certainly one individual should be willing to commit to serving as president. As I said in previous communications, the time commitment is 24 hours per year. Our board is outstanding and very supportive of the presidency, arranging events, speakers, and assisting with every project. I am willing to serve as co-president for one year. Please consider this request and contact me.

The Lebanon Veterans Hospital has reached out to us requesting specific items for their patients. Please consider donating items or making a monetary contribution to help us meet one of our community service goals.

I hope to see many of you at our Spring Luncheon!

*Sincerely yours,*  
*Margaret Auten, President*



## DCPASR CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2026

- March 18 Ex. Board Meeting 10 AM at  
Faith Immanuel Presby.  
Church
- April 30 Region IV Spring Meeting
- May 21 DCPASR Spring  
Luncheon/Meeting.
- Sept. 16 Ex. Board Meeting 10 AM at  
Faith Immanuel Presby.  
Church
- Oct. 21 Ex. Board Meeting 10 AM at  
Faith Immanuel Presby.  
Church



## DCPASR FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 1, 2026

<b>Centric Bank Checking Account:</b>	
DCPASR General Fund	\$ 7,339.90
Social Ser/Memorial Honor	\$ 1,466.47
Recreo. Fund	\$ 2,370.91
<b>Scholarship Fund</b>	<b>\$ <u>2,542.20</u></b>
<b>Total Checking Acct.</b>	<b>\$13,718.90</b>
<b>Certificate of Deposit:</b>	
F&M Trust Matures 3/2/26	\$ 5,000.00
Interest Rate 5.180%	
Annual % yield 5.250%	
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>\$18,718.90</b>

*John Decker, Treasurer*



### PASR BENEFITS

For a list of all benefits provided by PASR, please refer to their web page [PASR.org](http://PASR.org).

### PASR MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please visit PASR web site for membership form—[pasr.org](http://pasr.org).



### REPORT ON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We are pleased to announce that there is a total of \$2,542.20 in our Scholarship Fund. If you are interested in contributing toward this endeavor, please see **Page 17** for the contribution form.



# REGIONAL IV SPRING MEETING



**Where: Susquehanna Club at New Cumberland Army Depot**  
**April 30, 2026**

DCPASR will be co-hosting this meeting with Cumberland Valley. The Susquehanna Club is such a beautiful place to hold this meeting. The view of the Susquehanna river out the large windows will add a special touch of class to this event. We are told the food is excellent and the service is second to none. Speaking of food our menu is as follows: Tossed Salad; Top Round of Beef; Stuffed Shells Mariana; Vgetables Du Jour; Whipped Potatoes; Rolls with Butter; Coffee/Hot Tea/Iced Tea/Water and Cup Cakes for dessert. The cost of the buffet is \$26.40 which includes 20% gratuity. Our speaker will be from the Attorney General’s office who will speak about Senior Fraud. If you are planning to attend please send name and check made out to PASR for \$26.40 to John Decker by April 1<sup>st</sup>. His address is: 2307 Valley Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17104.

Registration begins at 9:30 AM to 10:00 AM. We hope you will plan to attend and please bring a friend. What a wonderful way to spend an afternoon! A chance like this doesn’t come along often.

**Directions:** Exit 41A off of Interstate 83. Go east on Lowther Street, turn right onto South 3<sup>rd</sup> (becomes Bridge Street). Go through New Cumberland. Cross the bridge over the Yellow Breeches. Take the first left onto Miramar Street. Turn right onto Ross Avenue. The Susquehanna Club will be on your left at the end of the street. **Do Not follow GPS directions**. They will take you to the Main Entrance of the base. You cannot get to the Susquehanna Club from there.

## PLEASE CONSIDER RECEIVING YOUR NEWSLETTER ELECTRONICALLY



**YES, I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE MY NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL ONLY**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this form to: **Karen Holtzman, 125 Peach Street, Harrisburg, PA 17112**  
**(OR) Email: [katybee@comcast.net](mailto:katybee@comcast.net)**



**COME ONE, COME ALL!**



**DCPASR SPRING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP  
LUNCHEON/ MEETING**

**May 21, 2026**

<b>Where:</b>	<b>The Wharf Bar &amp; Grill</b>	<b>Registration:</b>	<b>10:00-10:30 AM</b>
	<b>6852 Derry Street</b>	<b>Business Meeting:</b>	<b>10:30-11:00 AM</b>
	<b>Harrisburg, PA 17111</b>	<b>Entertainment:</b>	<b>11:00-12:00 noon</b>
<b>Price:</b>	<b>\$32.00 (includes tip and tax)</b>	<b>Break:</b>	<b>12:00-12:15 PM</b>
		<b>Lunch:</b>	<b>12:15-1:15 PM</b>

**SPEAKER**

Our speaker will be **Dorene Wilbur, Director of Employee Community Engagement, Pennsylvania Office of the Attorney General.** The topic will be **AI (artificial intelligence).** We have heard they do an amazing job with this topic.

**MENU**

The meal includes **rolls and side salad** on the table; **Baked Potato** with either **Pork Chop** or **Haddock**; **Chicken Parmesan** comes with **Spaghetti**; **coffee, tea, water, or soft drink.** **Cake** will be provided. **Reservation forms must be in by Friday, May 8, 2026. No cancellations after this date.**

**(See Reservation Form on Pg. 5)**

**If you need transportation, please contact an officer and we will try to find you a ride. Also, please feel free to bring a guest.**

**Hope to see you there!**

**(We will be having a book sale at this luncheon)**



**RESERVATION FORM FOR DCPASR  
SPRING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP  
MEETING/LUNCHEON**



**May 21, 2026**

**THE WHARF RESTAURANT**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **School Dist.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Tele.#** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Enclosed \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**MENU:**

The meal includes rolls and side salad on the table; **Baked Potato** with either **Pork Chop** or **Haddock**; **Chicken Parmesan** comes with **Spaghetti**; coffee, tea, water, or soft drink. **Cake** will be provided. Make sure you have shown the number of meals beside each choice.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Large Pork Chop** \_\_\_\_\_ **Haddock** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chicken Parmesan**

**NUMBER OF MEALS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **@\$32.00 = \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Send this **form** along with a check made payable to **DCPASR** and *write* **SPRING LUNCHEON** on the memo line. **Send check to John Decker, 2307 Valley Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17104.**

Deadline for returning the reservation form: **Friday, May 8, 2026.** **NO REFUNDS AFTER THIS DATE.**

Please consider making a donation at the luncheon to one or more of the following organizations: Lebanon Veterans Hospital, The Caring Cupboard at Calvary, and Caitlin's Smiles.

**PLEASE CONSIDER BRINGING A FRIEND**



## 2026 FREE “In-Person” Pre-retirement Workshop

Do you know anyone planning to retire  
with PSERS benefits this year or in 1-4 years?

If so, DCPASR will offer a FREE “In-Person” Pre-retirement Workshop to be held **Saturday, May 9, 2026, from 9:00 am to 12 pm, at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 1801 Colonial Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17112.**

**This workshop is for any Dauphin County Public School Employee who is eligible to receive PSERS Benefits and planning to retire this year or in 1-4 years.** This includes teachers, librarians, counselors, nurses, administrators, aides, paraprofessionals, office staff, transportation, cafeteria, maintenance workers, and bus drivers. If you know someone who is presently employed in Dauphin County Public Schools and could benefit from this type of workshop, please let them know about it. It is also for PSERS annuitants who have served in any public school and are no longer employed there, yet are eligible to retire with PSERS benefits.

Our speakers include:

**DCPASR President, *Margaret Auten*,** will be our Moderator, and share what our chapter does for our Dauphin County school districts and communities.

**PASR State Administrator** will discuss PASR benefits, membership options/costs, and Vision & Dental Insurance coverages.

**PSERS Administrator, *John Tucker*,** will explain eligibility, retirement options & checklist for what to do for their exit counseling.

**HOP Representative, *Doug Bonsall*,** will cover Healthcare insurance options, Drug Coverages and MetLife Dental & Eye Med Vision Insurance.

**Registration is required & begins on Friday, April 10 and ends Friday, May 1.**

**For the flyer & registration, go to [www.dcpasr.org](http://www.dcpasr.org) to sign up. We are unable to accept a school address & school email for your registration, as retirement is personal rather than school related!** A free membership will be given to you at the event, if you are retiring this year, in 2026. For more specific details, information or questions, contact Donna at [dplum733@gmail.com](mailto:dplum733@gmail.com) or call (717) 545-8833.

*Submitted by Donna Plummer, DCPASR Workshop Coordinator*



**Our Volunteers for the Food Bank on November 19<sup>th</sup> were Cindy & Jerry Anderson, Brenda & Cliff Pogue, Richard Fowler, Ed Marshas, Bill Minsker, Geneva Reeder, Milly Kefer, Dee Jenkins and Rich Espenshade.**

**Our next volunteer time is Thursday, April 9 from 1-4 PM.** We only need to supply eight people this time. If you are interested, please sign up. If you are available and interested, please contact **Nadine Espenshade** at [narich5@aol.com](mailto:narich5@aol.com) to get your name on the list. About 2 weeks prior to working, you will get a response with all the pertinent information and a link for the Food Bank sign-up. Help us to help others with this worthwhile community service and do not forget to add your work time to your PASR Community Service Survey!





# DCPASR Award 2025-2026 Education Grant



On February 10, 2026 *Bob and Kathy Hamera* attended the Halifax Area School District Board Meeting to present the DCPASR 2025 – 2026 Education Grant Award. This year’s recipient was **Jordyn Moyer**. **Jordyn** is a Middle School Principal in the district. The grant money will be used for the *Halifax Middle School* PBIS Project.

**Jordyn** explains:

“Over the past two years, the middle school teachers and I have been working to implement and expand our PBIS system (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports). The purpose of PBIS is to promote positive behaviors in our students through teaching, consistency, and rewards while also providing necessary support for students who need more explicit training and help in particular areas.

The funds from this grant would allow us to continue broadening our rewards and opportunities for our students. During Quarter 3, we will host a students who have met or exceeded year we came up with low-cost great to be able to offer some more student interest. During Quarter 4, and these funds would allow us to cards available to win.



school-wide BINGO game for behavioral expectations. Last prizes in-house, but it would be exciting prize options based on we will hold a gift card raffle, increase the value of the gift

As an extension related to improving school culture, I am working this year to create more parent and family engagement within the middle school by hosting breakfast events where students can bring a special guest with them to eat in the cafeteria before the school day begins. These funds would help to cover the cost of providing breakfast for the parents and guests at these events.

The grant would support our entire middle school student body and their parents and guardians.”

Congratulations to **Jordyn Moyer**, our 2025-2026 Education Grant Winner.





## DCPASR Award 2025-2026 Lauretta Woodson Award



This award was given to **Nicole Englar**, an instructional aide. **Mrs. Englar** was nominated by her principal, **Amelia Bellis**.

**Mrs. Englar** was recognized because she is an instructional aide who consistently goes above and beyond to make a positive impact on the lives of students. Each morning, she can be found warmly greeting students during bus duty, helping them start their day feeling welcomed and valued. During lunch duty, she takes time to connect with students through conversation and encouragement, and throughout the day she supports learning by running small groups under the guidance of her lead teacher.

In addition to her assigned volunteers whenever she has a helping to cover classes. She is plays an active role in supporting and deliver incentives.



responsibilities, **Mrs. Englar** willingly free moment, whether assisting in the office or also a dedicated member of our PBIS team and monthly student rewards by helping distribute

**Mrs. Nicole Englar**, Lauretta Woodson Award winner and **Bob Hamera**, DCPASR Education Grant Chairperson



**PASR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM CAN BE FOUND ON THE  
WEB PAGE: [www.pasr.org](http://www.pasr.org)**



# REPORT ON DCPASR FALL MEETING /LUNCHEON



*November 6, 2025--The Wharf, Harrisburg, PA*

**President Margaret Auten** called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m. and welcomed members and guests. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, **Dot Fisher** presented an inspirational reading about giving thanks. **The following reports were given: Secretary's Report; Treasurer's Report.** By way of a reminder, **Margaret** announced that the PASR Social Services Memorial Honors Fund still has funds available for any member needing financial assistance for heat, food, or medical expenses. One-time grants are available in the amount of **\$500**. During the prior calendar year there was only one applicant for a grant.

**Margaret** mentioned that the **Honorable Patty Kim** was present at the most recent Board meeting, and she is looking for those personal stories about individuals struggling to survive with no **COLA**. It is her belief that these stories will help the cause of moving legislation forward. Please share them with her directly at [Patty.kim@pasenate.gov](mailto:Patty.kim@pasenate.gov).

**Committee Reports were given** followed by **Dot Fisher**, reading a poem entitled "To Those I Love" and read the names of the chapter members who have passed away since the spring meeting:

Following the Business Meeting the following awards were presented:

## *VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2025*

**Nadine Espenshade**



## *2025 JOHN DILLON SERVICE AWARD*

This prestigious service who has given outstanding This year the award was to be presented passed away October 13, 2025 before **Hommus** received the award for her. sweet and kind soul.



award is presented to a chapter member volunteer service to our association. to **Mary Ikes** but unfortunately, she our Fall Luncheon. Her sister **Ruby** We will miss Mary—she was such a

*(More Pictures on Next Page)*



The entertainment was a presentation by the **Central Dauphin High School Jazz Orchestra**. They did a great job of entertaining us.



At 12 noon we had a wonderful luncheon. The food was excellent and we hope many more of you will plan to attend our Spring meeting/luncheons in the future.

The following amounts of money were collected for **Caring Cupboard at Calvary United Methodist Church \$75; Lebanon VA Hospital \$40; Caitlin's Smiles \$25; and Linglestown Kiwanis \$26.**

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!***



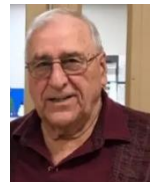
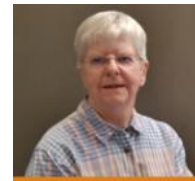
## DONALD L. STEINMEIER OBITUARY

**Donald L. Steinmeier**, 87, of West November 30, 2025 at Country accomplishments he was a member *School Retirees*. He was also our Don always kept us abreast on what He will be missed!



Hanover Township, passed away on Sunday, Meadows of Hershey. Among his many and held active positions within the *PA Association of Legislative Chairperson for DCPASR* for 32 years. was happening at the State Legislature.

In Loving Memory



**WE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP IN HONOR OF DON STEINMEIER AND MARY IKES AND WE NEED YOUR HELP TO DO THIS**

The Board feels it is only befitting that we, as a chapter, should honor two of our **beloved** members of the **board** who passed away recently, **Don Steinmeier and Mary Ikes**, both from **Central Dauphin High School** by giving an additional **\$1,000 Scholarship** in their honor to a student from their school. Both **Don** and **Mary** dedicated so much of their time to our chapter of DCPASR and we feel this would be a nice way to honor them. Therefore, we are asking our membership if they would kindly donate towards this memorial. **If so, please make your check payable to DCPASR and send it to John Decker, 2307 Valley Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17104 and write CD Memorial Fund on the memo line.**



## REPORT

The Community Service Committee will continue to support three projects at our **Spring Meeting/Luncheon at The Wharf**.



Monetary donations or canned products will be collected for the **Caring Cupboard at Calvary United Methodist Church**.



Recently we were given a list by the **VA hospital** of most needed items. They are: male deodorant; male lavender body lotion--this is used with Hospice patients because of the calming properties; male body wash; alcohol free mouthwash; large nail clippers; denture brushes; white socks; stamps; unused greeting cards; 2026 calendars; and/or monetary donations. If you cannot attend the Spring or Fall Meeting/Luncheons and would like to make a financial donation to any of the above, please send a check to **John Decker, 2307 Valley Road, Harrisburg, PA 17104**. Please make your **check payable to DCPASR** (please mark Memo Line with the name of the particular charity the check is for).



We will accept monetary donations for **Caitlin's Smiles**, which is a nonprofit organization in Dauphin County that is dedicated to putting smiles on the faces of children with chronic or life-threatening diseases.

The **2025-2026 Volunteer of the Year Award** form is included in this newsletter on **Page 18** and is due by **June 30, 2026**. We hope you will continue to count your volunteer hours and send your form to **Margaret Auten 1146 Market Street, Sunbury, PA 17801**. We thank all of our members for your continued support of our Community Service projects and your volunteer service in our county.

*Community Service Committee*



**A CONTRIBUTION HAS BEEN MADE TO THE MEMORIAL HONOR FUND  
IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING DECEASED MEMBERS:**

Craft, Louise G.	<i>Middletown</i>
Herr, Grover A.	<i>Central Dauphin East</i>
Ickes, Mary	<i>Central Dauphin</i>
Kohlstruk, Nancy Lou	<i>Hbg. District</i>
Machamer, Elaine C.	<i>Hbg. District</i>
Steinmeier, Don	<i>Central Dauphin</i>

If you know of a deceased member who is not listed, please send the information including next of kin to:

Dorothy Fisher  
109 Levan Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17109  
Telephone # 545-1842  
E-Mail: [daf2nd@msn.com](mailto:daf2nd@msn.com)

If you would personally like to make a donation in memory of one or more of those listed above, please see **Page 17** for the necessary form.



**SOCIAL SERVICE/MEMORIAL HONOR REPORT**

We continue to service our members in one way or another. We send flower arrangements, sympathy cards, thinking of you cards and get-well cards. If you know of a member eighty-five or older **OR** a shut in at any age, please call (717) 234-2098 and let me know. **We are here to serve YOU!**

**FYI** PASR makes funds available to our Chapter. Our work on this committee depends upon these funds and in turn the State SSMHF is dependent upon the contributions of all PASR members. We do make contributions to the state SSMHF in memory of deceased members. If you would like to make an individual contribution to the **PASR SSMH Fund**, please contact **Janet Lee Oxenford** at (717) 234-2098 or see the form on **Page 17**.

*Janet Lee Oxenford, Chairperson Social Svc. /Memorial Honor Committee*

# We need people to fill these positions

## Executive Board

### School District Representatives

We value our SD Reps who act as a liaison between our organization and their schools.

- CAIU - **VACANT**
- Central Dauphin - Kimberly Grundon
- DCTS - **VACANT**
- Derry Township - Carol Cranford
- Halifax - **VACANT**
- Harrisburg - **VACANT**
- Lower Dauphin - Jean Hynicker
- Middletown - Dr. Lori Suski
- Millersburg - **VACANT**
- Steelton Highspire - **VACANT**
- Susquehanna Township - **VACANT**
- Upper Dauphin - Eloise Laskowski + **need an extra person to assist**



## PLEASE STEP UP and “GET INVOLVED.”

A School District Representative is such an important role, acting as a liaison between our organization and the school you represent. By taking on this role, it helps DCPASR to thrive by enhancing our membership. These vacancies exist because older members (who have done this job well for a long time) have decided to hand over the reins to another.

It only takes 1 hour of your time monthly to do this job. You will be asked to find newly approved retirees from your chosen school district’s board minutes, give us the date of the board meeting, along with their name, their position, & their retirement date. Then do an online search for their addresses so that we can send them an invitation to join DCPASR for FREE in their 1<sup>st</sup> year. This information is sent to the Retirement Chairperson, once a month. We also publish their names in our Newsletter to congratulate them on their service. We are looking for someone in our membership who enjoys doing this type of work and can do it consistently each month. **Please consider getting involved!!**

Check out the vacancies above and let us know if you are interested in signing up as School District Representative on [www.dcpasr.org](http://www.dcpasr.org) for the School District of your choice where a vacancy exists, preferably from where you retired. **Thank you in advance for considering taking one of these positions.**



# 2025 NEW RETIREES THAT WERE MISSED IN THE LAST NEWSLETTER



Recently you were sent a letter of introduction to DCPASR and PASR as well as a **one-year free membership** in DCPASR. We hope you will enjoy your one-year membership and our newsletter and hope that you will want to become an **active** participant in our organization. We invite all members, new and old, who are not members of the **State** organization to join at that level. An application form to join PASR can be found on their web page **www.pasr.org**.

We will be looking forward to meeting our newest members in the future.

*Brenda Pogue, Membership Chairperson*

## Capital Area Intermediate Unit

Harrisburg  
Robbins, Christine 7/1/24  
Young, Kami 12/19/25

## Upper Dauphin

Central Dauphin  
Curtis, James 12/01/25  
Sinopoli, Matthew 11/13/25

Lower Dauphin  
Bastian, Shannon 6/30/25

## Dauphin County Tech.

Middletown  
Judy, Cathy 11/5/25

Derry Township  
Bechtel, Jolene 12/5/25  
Demmy, William 12/31/25  
\*Schlupp, Craig 11/28/25  
\*Waybright, Patricia 7/8/25

Millersburg  
  
Steelton-Highspire

## Halifax

Susquehanna  
Baseggio, Janis 12/31/25  
Boughter, Robert 9/22/25

We have made every effort to include all Dauphin County school retirees on the list above. **Names with an asterisk** have not received their **free membership** because we do not have their address. If you can **help** supply an address or know of a retiree that was missed, please advise me as soon as possible:  
**[bbpogue@comcast.net](mailto:bbpogue@comcast.net)** OR call  
**(717) 856-7454**



# DCPASR Miscellaneous Donation Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tele. \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Contribution to:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DCPASR Scholarship	\$ _____
Educational Grants	\$ _____
Lauretta Woodson Award	\$ _____
Newsletter	\$ _____

Please make your **check payable to DCPASR** (please mark **Memo Line** with either Scholarship Fund/Grants/ Lauretta Woodson Award or Newsletter--one check can be used as long as you mention the purposes) and mail it with this form to:

**John Decker**  
2307 Valley Road  
Harrisburg, PA 17104-1433

**Thank you for your generosity!**



## PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL RETIREES MEMORIAL HONOR FUND FORM



A contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is being made to the Memorial Honor Fund to:

Honor: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please inform the following of this loving tribute)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Donor is a/an: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Individual

Senders Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / 2021

**Make checks payable to PASR with notation: Memorial Honor Fund and send to:**

**PASR**  
878 Century Drive  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055



## PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL RETIREES COMMUNITY SERVICES SURVEY—2025-26

TO ALL PASR MEMBERS: Thank you for being a volunteer in our community!

PASR CHAPTERS are interested in documenting the hours of service that volunteer retirees contribute to their local communities. In doing this, our volunteers show the community at large a positive picture of the activities of public-school retirees. Please take a moment to complete the chart below, filling in the appropriate number of hours PER YEAR which you volunteer. A summary of this information will be shared with AARP, NRTA and the state PASR.

**EDUCATIONAL** **HRS/YR**

Historical Association..... \_\_\_\_\_

Library..... \_\_\_\_\_

School Board..... \_\_\_\_\_

Other..... \_\_\_\_\_

Total..... \_\_\_\_\_

**POLITICAL** **HRS/YR**

Advocacy..... \_\_\_\_\_

Elections..... \_\_\_\_\_

Government..... \_\_\_\_\_

Other..... \_\_\_\_\_

Total..... \_\_\_\_\_

**SOCIAL SERVICES**

Boards/Committees..... \_\_\_\_\_

Cancer Society..... \_\_\_\_\_

Drug/Alcohol..... \_\_\_\_\_

Fire/Ambulance..... \_\_\_\_\_

Fraternal Groups..... \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital/Nursing Home..... \_\_\_\_\_

Meals on Wheels..... \_\_\_\_\_

Office of the Aging..... \_\_\_\_\_

Red Cross..... \_\_\_\_\_

Salvation Army..... \_\_\_\_\_

Service Organization..... \_\_\_\_\_

Soup Kitchen/Food Bank..... \_\_\_\_\_

Visitation/Nurturing..... \_\_\_\_\_

Other..... \_\_\_\_\_

Total..... \_\_\_\_\_

**RELIGIOUS**

Adult Instruction..... \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Instruction..... \_\_\_\_\_

Organization..... \_\_\_\_\_

Visitation..... \_\_\_\_\_

Other..... \_\_\_\_\_

Total..... \_\_\_\_\_

**SERVICES TO YOUTH**

Alliance with Youth..... \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom Volunteer..... \_\_\_\_\_

Head Start..... \_\_\_\_\_

Latchkey Program..... \_\_\_\_\_

Literacy..... \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarships..... \_\_\_\_\_

School Volunteer..... \_\_\_\_\_

Sports..... \_\_\_\_\_

Tutoring..... \_\_\_\_\_

YM/YWCA..... \_\_\_\_\_

Other..... \_\_\_\_\_

Total..... \_\_\_\_\_

I HAVE SERVED IN SPECIAL LEADERSHIP ROLES AS FOLLOWS:

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**TOTAL HRS/YEAR/ALL CATEGORIES:** \_\_\_\_\_ **CHAPTER: DCPASR** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please use an additional clean sheet for your activities with youth that are not listed.  
Return this form by June 30, 2026, to Margaret Auten, 1146 Market St., Sunbury, PA 17801**



## TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES WITH LEBCO

For further information or for a flier on any of the trips please call **Lorraine Royer** at (717) 867-1021 or cell # (717) 992-9181 (day of tour only). All checks should be made out to LEBCO PASR Travel and sent to **Lorraine Royer: 895 Royer Lane, Lebanon, PA 17042**

**June 15-16, 2026**

### **Money, Memorials, & Mysteries in D.C.**

Step into a journey where secrets, history, and flavor collide Watch money come to life at the US Bureau of Engraving and Printing, then grab lunch on your own at L'Enfant Plaza's bustling food court. Decode the world of espionage at the international Spy Museum before unwinding at a hotel in charming Alexandria, VA. Savor fresh seafood at the Fish Market Restaurant in Old Town Alexandria, see Christ Church, where George Washington once worshipped and reflect at the WWII Memorial. Lunch comes with waterfront views at Tony and Joe's. Before heading home, explore President Lincoln's Cottage, where ideas that changed a nation were born. **Price per person: Double \$481; Triple: \$439; Quad: \$416; Single: \$611. Departing Lebanon 6:16 AM; Departing Palmyra 6:45 AM. Deadline for registration & payment: April 27, 2026.**

**August 11, 2026**

### **Star, Stripes & Sea Life**

Drive into a day of discovery in **Baltimore**. Meet your guide and kick things off with tales of triumph at the **Washington Monument**, then step into the birthplace of America's anthem at **the Star-Spangled Banner House**. Savor a classic coastal lunch at Phillips Seafood, where crab cakes reign supreme, before plunging into the underwater magic of the **National Aquarium**. One city, one day, countless memories—do not miss the splash! **Price per person: \$200. Departing Lebanon 7:15 AM; Departing Palmyra 8:00 AM; Returning Approx. 6:30 PM. Deadline for registration & payment: June 26, 2026.**

**October 7, 2026**

### **PA Grand Canyon**

Roll out from Lebanon, PA Lowes and Walmart in Palmyra, PA, where the road hums with promise and the grill sizzle at the Ole Covered Wagon's Pavillion. Climb aboard a horse-drawn wagon for a timeless tour, and chase autumn's fiery glow at Leonard Harrison State Park's Grand Canyon overlook. Wrap it all up with a windshield full of memories and a sunset ride home. **Price per person: \$185. Departing Lebanon 6:45 AM; Departing Palmyra 7:30 AM; Deadline for registration & payment: August 18, 2026.**

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# IMPORTANT NOTE!

## "Make a Difference and Get Involved".

Getting Involved in DCPASR, not only helps our organization, but it benefits all of us. It also helps us to continue our mission of giving back to our schools, our communities, and provides a way for our members to thrive, live comfortably, and enjoy their retirement years.

Many vacancies exist not just with School Districts Representatives, but also with President and Legislative Chairperson which are important roles in our organization. If these vacancies do not get filled, our organization will move into a distressed chapter status, be taken over by PASR.... and eventually will cease to exist. **Please DO NOT let that happen.** Many of you have talents and skills that can easily be put to good use by taking an active role in our chapter so that we can continue. If we fold, there will be no more newsletters or website informing you of important happenings that DCPASR Chapter is doing. No more representative sitting at the state meetings to obtain valuable information to disseminate to all of you, like encouraging our members to send letters to their state legislators to secure a Cost-of-Living-Adjustment (COLA) for our "Pre-Act 9" members. No more volunteer efforts in our community, such as the Food Bank. No more social events that provide camaraderie with other members, no more outreach to many of our members who are homebound or in nursing homes, no more pre-retirement workshops for our PA school personnel, which is their only exposure to our organization, no more luncheons with great food and interesting speakers and presenters, as well as delightful entertainment.

**By serving our organization in some capacity, it can give you a sense of value and purpose that a lot of people feel is rewarding. By filling these vacancies, we will continue to thrive as an organization.**

**....so please consider getting involved!**