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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe that the first year of our presidency is over. As we look ahead at the coming months, we see that there is much happening and many chances for attending meetings and getting involved in DCPASR. This is **your** organization and **we need you**. We are still looking for a **co-president** to help **Margaret Auten** when she takes over the president's position next year. We also need a new president elect to follow Margaret. Won't you consider stepping up to fill that position? For the organization to continue to grow we need new leadership. If you would like to play a part in moving us forward please let me know. If you know of someone who you think would be a good leader please reach out to them or let me know so that I can extend an invitation. A husband and wife team make for great co-presidents. We speak from experience. If you are worried because you might be away for a particular month, don't be. There are enough past presidents or possibly a president elect who will gladly fill in for you.

Mark your calendars for some upcoming events. On March 26th we are having our annual Dauphin County/Lebanon County Lunch. Take note of the venue change. This year it will be held at the **Holiday Inn, Grantville, 604 Station Rd., Grantville, PA 17028.** (Exit 80 off I-81). It is easy to get to, there is plenty of parking, it is handicap accessible, and the food is good. We will have a presentation by **Jenean Speck** from the Lebanon chapter who will be doing a program on *Harriet Tubman*. Please join us for good food and good conversation.

Trips are fun but sometimes planning can be a headache. Why not let our RECREO Committee do the planning for you? Join us on **April 21** as we embark on another **Mystery Trip**. If you have ever gone on one you know that you have no idea beforehand where you will end up, but you do know that the day will be exciting, fun, and contain a good meal.

Check inside for other fun trips organized by our RECREO team. I am sure something there will catch your eye.

If you haven't checked out the PASR web site (www.pasr.org) recently make sure you do. It has been revamped to make it more user friendly. You will find loads of information there including trips planned by other chapters as well.

This is your retirement. Make the most of it!

Síncerely, Robert J. Hamera, and Kathleen A. Hamera, DCPASR Co-presídents

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DCPASR CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2020

- *Jan. 15 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith
 Immanuel Presbyterian Church (weather permitting).
- *Feb. 19 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church (weather permitting).
- *Mar. 18 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith
 Immanuel Presbyterian Church (weather permitting).
- Mar. 23-27 PASR Trip--New Orleans
- Mar. 24 Region IV Executive Meeting 9:00 AM Mechanicsburg
- Mar. 26 Dauphin/Lebanon County PASR Lunch
 Registration at Holiday Inn, Grantville
 10:30 AM
- *Apr. 15 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church
- Apr. 18 Pre Retirement Workshop 9:00 AM-12:30 PM at Mechanicsburg Middle School
- Apr. 21 DCPASR Mystery Trip Departing 7:15
- Apr. 23 Region IV Annual Spring Gen. Memb. Meeting--Fulton/Franklin Counties
- Apr. 30 PASR Region IV Spring Meeting 9:30 AM. Registration hosted by Fulton/Franklin Counties.
- May 5 DCPASR Spring Luncheon Meeting 9:30 AM Registration venue TBA
- *May 20 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church
- May 28 DCPASR trip to St. Michael's, MD Departing 8:15 AM
- June 17 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church (AS NEEDED)
- July 15 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church (AS NEEDED)

- **Aug. 19 Board Meeting 10:00 AM** at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church
- **Sept. 9 DCPASR Trip:** National Museum of African Am. History & Culture
- Sept. 15 Region IV Executive Meeting 9:00 AM Mechanicsburg
- *Sept. 16 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church
- Sept. 17-27 PASR Trip: Scotland & Ireland
- **Sept. 22 New Retirees Welcome Luncheon** venue TBA (tentative)
- *Oct. 21 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church
- Oct. 22 PASR Region IV Fall Meeting 9:30 AM Registration hosted by Juniata/Perry Counties.
- Nov. 5 DCPASR Fall Luncheon Meeting 9:30 AM registration (tentative) venue TBA
- Nov. 9-13 DCPASR Trip: Christmas in Asheville and Pigeon Forge
- *Nov.18 Board Meeting 10:00 AM at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church
- **Dec. 16 Board Meeting 10:00 AM** (AS NEEDED) at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church.

*There is a Senior Luncheon at Faith Immanuel Presbyterian Church after the board meetings which you are invited to attend. If interested, continue to let **Shirley McLaren** know, so she can give the church the count. Her phone number is (717) 526-4777.



REPORT ON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We are pleased to announce that we have a total of \$1,640.76 in our Scholarship Fund. If you are interested in making a contribution, please see the form on Page 17. Thanks so much for your interest in this project!



REPORT ON FALL MEETING/LUNCHEON HELD AT SKYLINE FAMILY RESTAURANT ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 14, 2019

Following a brief business meeting and a memorial service remembering those of our membership we have lost since our Spring Meeting we were introduced to our speaker Susan

Paul, a retired Home Economics County Quilters Guild. Sue's topic Were quilts used to help slaves

Because records weren't kept-- there is no Underground Railroad really existed or if it is just



teacher and past president of the *Schuylkill* was "Quilts and the Underground Railroad." move to freedom? No one really knows. documentation as to whether the folklore.



Either way Sue's presentation was informative and entertaining. She shared with us different quilt blocks and their significance. For example, if someone saw a "bear paw" quilt this would tell the follower to follow the tracks of a bear to food, water, and a place to shelter. "Flying geese" pointed the direction to take. A "drunkard's path" warned the traveler not to take a straight path but to travel a circuitous route



to avoid recapture.



During the Civil War quilts were cut in half to make "cot" quilts for the soldiers. Is this one? You can see that it is cut in half so Sue likes to think it is.

I am sure we all left the luncheon with a better understanding of what slaves went through on their journey to freedom.

Later in the meeting our Co President, **Robert J. Hamera** presented *Sandy Novotni*, Past President with the <u>John J. Dillon PASR Service Award</u>. Each year Chapters are able to give the John Dillon Award to one of its members. This award began in 2004 and provides the opportunity for chapters to recognize individuals that have given service to the association. This year the Dauphin County Chapter Award went to *Sandra M. Novotni*. Anyone who knows Sandy knows the time and effort she has put into moving our Chapter forward. Congratulations Sandy!

At the luncheon we also collected \$335.00 for the <u>Lebanon Valley Veterans Hospital</u> and \$90.00 for the <u>Calvary Food Bank</u> and \$45.00 on the book sale. **Thanks everyone for your generosity!**

HAVE YOU VISITED OUR WEBSITE LATELY?

Don't Forget: If you misplace your newsletter, you can find it at our *website*: <u>dcpasr.org</u>. You are also able to print out forms for registration for chapter events and to find any other information about our chapter. It is also a good place to send potential members to learn about what we do to help our members and serve the community. You can also find helpful links to the state organization and other things of interest.



2020-2021 DCPASR CHAPTER, PASR STATE AND OTHER CHAPTER TRIPS

May you enjoy the many choices you have to choose from for the New Year and beyond. Please refer to Page 8 for the DCPASR 2020 Tour Preview. You will find the flier and reservation form for the DCPASR Mystery Trip on Page 9 and the flier and reservation form for the DCPASR St. Michael's Trip on Page 10. DCPASR's next newsletter will include the fliers and reservation forms for the National Museum of African American History & Culture and Christmas in Ashville & Pigeon Forge. Check out the 2021 DCPASR International Trip with Explorica to Barcelona, France & Italy planned by our own Barbara Blackford. The flier and contact information for this trip is on Page(s) 11 & 12.

The <u>PASR</u> state organization has two trips for the year. The first trip is to New Orleans, Louisiana on March 23-March 27, 2020. See flier on Page 21. The second trip is to Scotland & Ireland September 17-September 27, 2020. See flier on Page 22. Please contact your Boscov's Specialist for details, itinerary and travel insurance information.

The <u>Lebanon Chapter</u> has issued you a special invitation to attend their 2020 trips. You will find their trip information on the PASR website. You may also want to check out what trips are being offered by other local chapters on the PASR website.

Please SIGN UP EARLY for the bus trips to avoid cancellation. It is IMPORTANT to have 25+INDIVIDUALS for a trip to be an all go. The MORE INDIVIDUALS who sign up for a trip the LOWER THE COST. Fliers with reservation forms will be in the newsletters prior to the trips, but be sure to mark your calendars AHEAD. All DCPASR trips will leave from the parking lot next to PETSMART, 4200 DERRY STREET, HARRISBURG. For fliers or more information, please call Sandy Novotni at (717) 766-5139 or E-mail her at smnovotni@aol.com or call Ethel Dundore at (717) 533-3150 or E-mail her at edundore@verizon.net. Make checks payable to DCPASR and mail to Sandy Novotni at 6 Fetrow Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050. The subject line should name the trip. Please give your name, address and phone number, so you may acquire the needed information.



Dauphin County PA School Retirees 2020 Tour Preview*

Mystery Tríp Tuesday, Apríl 21, 2020

Come join us for a fun-filled day on another exciting Mystery Tour! This tour will keep you guessing from start to finish, which is exactly the point. It's so much fun to enjoy the scenery and the comfortable ride going from one place to another, just letting all the secrets of this day pleasantly unfold.

Price per Person: \$112. See **Page 9** for Reservation Form.

St. Michael's, Maryland Thursday, May 28, 2020

Welcome to the Eastern Shore! We begin our day with a delicious lunch along the water, at the Crab Claw Restaurant. Afterwards, sit back and relax with a narrated cruise. We end the day with a guided tour at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. Situated on 18 waterfront acres, the Museum offers interactive exhibits and beautiful sights, including the Hooper Strait Lighthouse!

Price per Person: \$146. See Page 10 for Reservation Form.

*All trips are subject to change. Additional detailed flyers will be distributed for each trip destination.

For additional information and questions, please call: Sandra Novotni at 717-766-5139, or Ethel Dundore at 717-533-3150

National Museum of African American History and Culture Wednesday, September 9, 2020

We begin our day with lunch at District Chophouse, located in a unique turn of the century bank that has been transformed! Then, we will visit the National Museum of African American History, the only national museum devoted exclusively to the documentation of African American life, history, and culture through interactive exhibitions!

Price per Person: \$110. Additional Information to Follow.

Christmas in Asheville and Pigeon Forge November 9-13, 2020

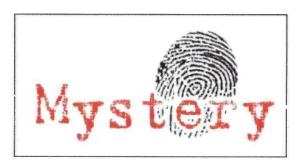
It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year! Our trip will include wonderful memories at places such as Biltmore Estate, a guided city tour, a ride on the Smoky Mountain Railroad, Smoky Mountain Opry and more! You don't want to miss out on this wonderful trip of a lifetime! **Price and Additional Information to Follow**

SEE PASR TRIPS ON PAGE 20





Dauphin County PA School Retirees Tuesday, April 21, 2020



Come join us for a fun-filled day on another exciting Mystery Tour! This tour will keep you **guessing** from start to finish, which is exactly the point. It's so much fun to enjoy the scenery and the comfortable ride going from one place to another, just letting all the secrets of this day pleasantly unfold.

Price per Person: \$112

Includes: Motorcoach Transportation, Attractions, Lunch and Driver Gratuity

Please Note: This trip contains a light amount of walking



Departing at 7:15 AM from the Parking Lot Next to PetSmart, 4200 Derry Street, Harrisburg & Returning at Approximately 8:30 PM

Dauphin County PA School Retirees Reservation form f	or – Mystery Trip –April 21, 2020
Deadline for Payment & Registration: March 10, 2020	Please Make Checks Payable to: DCPASR and Mail to: Sandra Novotni, 6 Fetrow
Name(s):	Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
Address:	Home Phone:
Cell Phone: Email:	
PLEASE MAKE MEAL SELECTIONS BELOW:	
ChiliSoup du Jour	
Grilled Chicken BreastVirgini	a Ham SteakRoast Beef



Dauphin County PA School Retirees Presents:

St. Michael's, MD

Thursday, May 28, 2020

We depart Harrisburg, with a rest stop, and head to **St. Michael's**, nestled on the peaceful **Eastern Shore** of Maryland!

Upon arrival, we will enjoy a delicious lunch at the **Crab Claw Restaurant**, which evolved from a clam chucking and crab business in the 1950s. Each guest will receive a combo lunch platter, which includes: Delmarva Fried Chicken, awardwinning crab cake, baked potato, green beans, beverage and the *sherbet of the day* for dessert!

After lunch, come aboard! Sit back, relax and enjoy the beautiful views along the Miles River on **The Patriot**. The historic narration provides information about what St. Michael's once had and what it now has to offer. While cruising along, relax on their climate-controlled main deck of enjoy the breeze on the canopied upper deck.

We end the day with a guided tour at the **Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum**. Situated on 18 waterfront acres, the
Museum offers interactive exhibits, demonstrations and the
largest fleet of historic Chesapeake Bay watercraft in existence.

Price Per Person: \$146

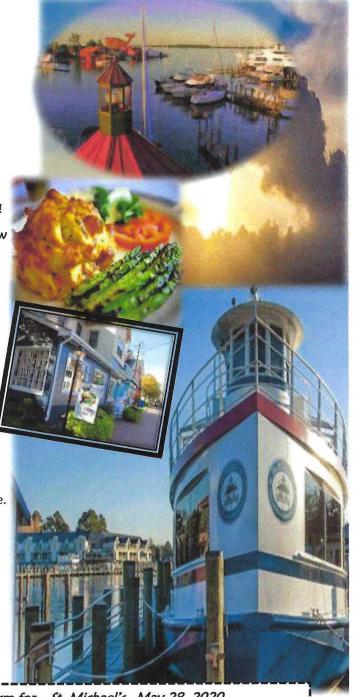
Includes: Motorcoach Transportation, Lunch, Cruise, Guided

Tour and Driver Gratuity

Departing: 8:15 AM from the parking lot next to PetSmart,

4200 Derry Street, Harrisburg

Returning: at Approximately 9:00 PM



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CHECK OUT THIS TRIP



Barcelona, France,



and Italy



Dear DCPASR member:

I will be leading a group of adults to Barcelona, France, and Italy on an 11 day private tour operated by Explorica Travel, one of the nation's leading sponsors of educational trips. I am a newly retired French teacher of 35 years and have traveled extensively in France and parts of Europe. Two summers ago I took part in a 2 week tour of Europe as a group leader for Explorica. It was a memorable trip and I enjoyed learning about the culture and history of the many towns and regions we visited.

This new trip will be departing on June 21, 2021 from Baltimore Washington airport to Barcelona, Spain. Upon arrival in Spain we will have an 11 day bus excursion through Spain, southern France, and Italy. The trip will include plenty of fun activities as we take our adventure to 10 different cities in Europe. There will be plenty of walking as this is the best way to explore new places. Our end departure is from Rome, Italy on July 2, 2021. This complete excursion includes round trip airfare, 11 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms, full European breakfasts, dinner daily, guided sightseeing tours/city walks, and full service of a professional multilingual tour director (please see attachment for details on this trip).

Since we will be departing to BWI airport, limousine service to and from the airport will be provided by Premiere 1 Limousine (www.premiere1limousine.com) at an extra cost if you so choose. I have used this service in the past and they are very professional and reliable. Once our trip is set up, individual cost will be determined by the total number of participants. Each traveler will need Premiere One directly. contact and them Since this is considered a private tour, we will need a total of 15 travelers to register for the trip. Applicants can sign up on the Explorica website. Each applicant may choose their own payment plan as there are different options. No money is paid to me at any time since you pay Explorica directly. You can also choose from 2 different types of travel insurance if you wish. Those of you who want to enroll can sign up at: www.explorica.com/Blackford-7645. If you sign up by December 15, 2019 you can receive an early bird discount on the trip (see attachment).

Once we have 15 participants, I will be scheduling a few meetings for our group in preparation for the trip. If you are unable to attend, information will be forwarded to you.

Please find the attached flyer explaining all costs and the itinerary of this trip. If you have any questions, please contact me at bblackford37@comcast.net or by phone at 717 623-8017. I hope that many of you will take part in this great opportunity for travel abroad. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Barbara Blackford, PASR member Explorica Group Leader

See Page 12 for more information



Barcelona, France & Italy

June 21 - July 02, 2021

Day 1 Start tour Day 2 Hola Barcelona

Meet your tour director and check into hotel

Barcelona city walk: Mercat de la Boquería visit, Las Ramblas, Columbus

Monument Tapas dinner

Day 3 Barcelona landmarks

Barcelona guided sightseeing tour: Gaudí's Sagrada Família, Montjuïc

Hill, Park Güell visit Paella dinner

Day 4 Barcelona--Provence

Travel to Provence

Pont du Gard visit

Nîmes amphitheater visit

Day 5 Provence--Côte d'Azur

Avignon

Les Baux de Provence

Travel to Côte d'Azur

Nice tour director-led sightseeing: Vieux Nice, Promenade des Anglais

Day 6 Côte d'Azur--Florence

Monaco & Èze tour director-led sightseeing: Prince's Palace, Parfumerie visit in Èze

Travel to Florence

Traditional Italian pizza dinner

Day 7 Florence landmarks

Florence guided walking sightseeing tour with Whisper headsets: Palazzo Vecchio, Piazza della Signoria, Chiesa di Santa Croce, Ponte Vecchio, Duomo visit, leather workshop, Gates of Paradise, Giotto's Bell Tower, Dante's House

Pisa guided excursion : Baptistery visit, Leaning Tower

Day 8 Florence--Rome

Travel to Rome

St. Francis of Assisi Basilica visit

Rome city walk: Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Piazza

Navona

Day 9 Rome landmarks

Rome guided walking sightseeing tour with Whisper headsets: Vatican Museums & Sistine Chapel visit, St. Peter's Basilica visit, Colosseum visit, Piazza Venezia, Forum Romanum visit

Authentic trattoria dinner

Day 10 Start extension to Sorrento

Travel to Sorrento

Cameo workshop

Pompeii guided excursion

Day 11 Sorrento--Rome

Travel to Rome

Capri & Blue Grotto excursion

Day 12 End tour

Reserve your Spot!

Tour Center ID: Blackford-7645

Registration deadline: December 15, 2019

What's included

We provide everything you need for a remarkable trip:

Round-trip airfare

8 overnight stays (10 with extension) in hotels with private bathrooms

Full European breakfast daily Dinner daily

Full-time services of a professional tour



Guided sightseeing tours and city walks as per itinerary Visits to select attractions as per itinerary

Tour Diary™

Note: On arrival day only dinner is provided; on departure day,

only breakfast is provided

Note: Tour cost does not include airline-imposed baggage fees, or

fees for any required passport or visa. Please visit our Fees FAO

page for a full list of items that may not be included in the cost of

your tour.

Tour investment

Students (travelers under the age of 23): \$5,164

Adults (age 23 and over): \$5,164

Price reflects savings of \$200 scholarship. Sign up by 12/15/2019 and

enter code 2021earlybird in order to take advantage of this limited-time

offer!

Automatic monthly payment plan

Pay just \$50 upon enrollment and the balance will be divided into equal

monthly payments, charged automatically to your credit card or

checking account. As of November 11, 2019, your monthly payment

would be just \$300.82.

Manual plan also available; learn more on explorica.com/paymentplans.

Travel protection

Most Explorica travelers protect their investment with one of our

trusted plans, starting from just \$12 per day. To learn more, visit

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Download and complete a paper application on explorica.com/resources
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Boston, MA 02110



REPORT ON NEW RETIREES LUNCHEON

On Tuesday, October 1, 2019 we

held our New Retirees Luncheon at Armstrong Valley Winery in Halifax. It was an enjoyable day all around. There was good conversation, interesting vineyard facts, informative speakers, good food, and of course good wine.



As one group departed on a wine tour a small group stayed behind to listen to Sheldon Schwartz, a volunteer with C.A.R.I.E., speak about Medicare fraud. Mr. Schwartz reminded all of us to check our statements carefully. Make sure that the procedures, tests, and Dr. visits are ones that you did have. Protect. Detect. Report.



When the vineyard touring group returned, we switched events. One of the vineyards owners took us out to the vineyards and gave us some facts about growing grapes and

what goes into wine making. Some vines grow up. The leaves protect the grapes as they grow. No grapes were on these vines because they had recently been picked.

The red grapes, on hand, aren't ready so they had lots of had to look netting to see netting protects the birds.



the other to be picked grapes. We through the them. The

It takes three years for a vine to establish itself before it produces grapes. Roots go extremely deep so that even in drought conditions the vines find water.

After the tour we came hear from Mark Krempa Kristen Holjes who spoke PASR. Mark told the group what is available to them member of PASR.



back to and about about as a

By the time Mark and Kristen finished we were



hungry. Bring on the food! The food was as good as it looked. The meal was prepared by Devin Witmer of Bricco, Harrisburg. People lined up to eat.

After lunch it was on to wine

tasting. There was a nice selection of flavors and sweetness. Hard to pick a favorite. Lots of happy faces as the event came



to a close. A good time was had by all!



DCPASR FINANCIAL REPORT

AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2019

Centric Bank Checking Account:

DCPASR General Fund \$2,335.30 Social Ser./Memorial Honor 1,852.25 **Total Checking Acct.** \$4,187.55

Scholarship Fund \$ 1,640.76

Certificate of Deposit:

Life Escrow (due 3/10/20) \$ 5,117.08

(Interest accumulates)

TOTAL EQUITY \$10,945.39

John Decker Treasurer



LEGISLATIVE REPORT

2020 VOTER INFORMATION

A NEW YEAR is upon us, 2020 is here! Changes will be coming as to the way we vote in 2020. The Pennsylvania State Legislature and Governor TOM WOLF have put together legislation that will bring major changes in our election law. The Dauphin County Office of Elections has indicated that new voting machines and a paper trail process will be in place for our 2020 elections. Straight party ticket voting will no longer exist. Mail in ballots will exist for everybody in the voting process. Absentee ballots will be accepted at the polls until 8 pm election night. Mail in ballots will be available 50 days prior to an election instead of the regular 30 day period. Will these changes encourage people to vote? Poll workers will be busy and more jobs may be created as a result of these changes in our election law. Pennsylvania State Government will make \$90,000,000 available County Governments to help them purchase new voting machines.

In closing, I would like to remind school retirees that you will receive a 1.6% COLA in your social security in January. The average check will show about a \$25 a month increase. MEDICARE costs will increase as well. PASR continues to work with our State Legislators on a COLA for school retirees. School Retirees must get out and vote on APRIL 28, 2020.

This election year the U.S. CONGRESS and the PRESIDENT and our STATE LEGISLATORS are up for election. Vote for candidates who will work for you.

DON STEINMEIER, LEGISLATIVE CHAIRPERSON

LOCAL LEGISLATIVE TELEPHONE NUMBERS

HELM, Susan C. (R) District 104 Dauphin County Lebanon County (717) 787-1230

HICKERNELL, David S. (R) District 98 Lancaster County Dauphin County (717) 783-2076

KIM, Patty (D) District 103 Dauphin County (717) 783-9342

LEWIS, Andrew (R) District 105 Dauphin County (717) 783-2014

MEHAFFIE, Thomas L., III (R) District 106 Dauphin County (717) 787-2684

TOBASH, Mike (R) District 125 Schuylkill County (717) 260-6148



SOCIAL SERVICE/MEMORIAL HONOR REPORT

During this past year ninety-five members were serviced in one way or another. At a recent board meeting I announced I needed more help with this committee and I am happy to say that *Maryann Coffman* will help with cards and visitations and *Jean Hynicker* will also help with sending out cards. As you can see from the number of members serviced this year I sure did need more help. THANKS GALS FOR STEPPING UP AND VOLUNTEERING!

Janet Lee Oxenford, Chairperson Social Services/Memorial Honor Committee

COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT



Community Services has continued to support **The Food Pantry at Calvary Cupboard**through monetary contributions

collected at our luncheons. At the fall luncheon **\$90.00** was collected for the Pantry.



We also continued to support our Veterans at the Lebanon VA Hospital. At the fall luncheon \$335.00 was collected along with

many calendars. We also collect white diabetic socks, pump soap dispensers, and stamps.

Your generous donations exemplify the giving nature of our organization

Book Sale Success

We held another book sale at our Fall Luncheon. It was a good time to stock up on books for winter reading. At \$1.00 per book it is a good sale. This time we made \$45.00 on the sale. Thanks to Bill Minsker for taking the unsold books and donating them for placement in the community.

We will continue to have book sales at our luncheons. Please continue to save your read books and bring them to our *May 5, 2020 Spring Luncheon*. It is a good way to recycle read books and help our organization.

We also want to remind you to <u>please</u> start keeping record of your volunteer hours for this year. The **Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees Community Services Survey** will be in the next issue of our newsletter.

Community Service Committee Janice Culton and Mary Ickes— Co-Chairpersons

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL DAUPHIN-LEBANON COUNTY PASR LUNCH

HOLIDAY INN, GRANTVILLE RESTAURANT

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2020 10:30A.M.

Before we know it Winter will be over and Spring will be here. What better way to Celebrate the change of seasons than by joining us at the Fourteenth Annual Dauphin/Lebanon County PASR Brunch. There are a few changes for this year. Instead of a brunch we will be having a Lunch at the Holiday Inn, Grantville, 604 Station Rd., Grantville, PA 17028 located at Exit 80 off of I-81.

Registration begins at 10:30. Relax with friends before the program which begins promptly at 11:00--See the Registration Form at the bottom of this page for the full menu.

Shirley Folmer, Lebanon County's vice-president, has arranged great entertainment for us this year. Jenean Speck, a member of Lebanon County's chapter, will present a program on <u>Harriet Tubman</u>. When asked why Harriet Tubman she replied that she simply finds the life of Harriet Tubman to be an inspiration to us all as a courageous woman who is truly an American hero who spent her life fighting for freedom and for the rights of people who had none. Let's see what more we can learn on March 26 about Harriet Tubman.

The MENU for the lunch includes...Soup or salad, stuffed chicken breast or vegetarian pasta, a starch and vegetable, chef's dessert choice, and beverage.

The COST for this wonderful lunch is \$18.00 which INCLUDES GRATUITY AND TAX.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020. No refunds or cancellations after Thursday, March 19, 2020.

FILL OUT AND RETURN THIS BOTTOM PORTION ONLY TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT Please make checks payable to DCPASR.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL DAUPHIN/LEBANON COUNTY PASR BRUNCH

NAME	T	EL.#
Number of Stuffed cl	\$	
Number of Vegetaria	\$	
TOTAL	ENCLOSED	\$
Send reservation form to: John Decker, Treasurer DCPASR		
	2307 Valley Road	
	Harrisburg, PA 17104	







DCPASR GENERAL DONATION FORM

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

Please make your check payable to <u>DCPASR</u>, with a notation on the <u>Memo line</u> stating what the check is for. All payments can be made with one check. Mail this form along with your check to:

John Decker 2307 Valley Road Harrisburg, PA 17104-1433

Thank you for your generosity!

DCPASR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please print the following information:



City			 Zip	
School Distri	ct retired from		Year retired	_
E-mail Addre	ess			
What comm	ittee would you be ir	nterested in joining? _		
Check the ap		() New membersh	ip () Renewal	

Please make your check payable to **DCPASR** and mail this application and check to:

Brenda Pogue, 4330 Crestview Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17112. You will receive your DCPASR membership card from the Membership Chairperson. The **membership year runs from July 1 to June 30** each year.

Note: Membership dues payments may not be deducted for federal income tax.



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:	
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City	StateZip
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Address	
City	StateZip
County	Date//20

Mail To:

Make checks payable to PASR With notation: Memorial Honor Fund 878 Century Drive Mechanicsburg, PA 17055



JOIN YOUR ASSOCIATION Membership Application Form

Annual Membership (school retiree) Associate Membership (non-school retiree Life Membership Total Enclosed	e) \$	60.00 60.00 700.00	\$ \$ \$ \$
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Name	Telephone #		
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City			Zip
E-Mail Address			
Date of birth			
Retirement date	ears of Service		
School District retired from			
Are you a member of a local PASR cha	pter? If yes, which	one?	
THREE WAYS TO PAY Y By Check: Please make your check payable to PAS PASR 878 Century Drive Mechanicsburg, PA 1705 Phone: (717) 697-7077 Online Visit www.PASR.org and join too By Credit Card: Last Name	SR and mail this ap	plication a	and check to:
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To save money PASR is no longer sending PASR membership cards.

Signature _____

Note: Membership dues payments may not be deductible for federal income tax



IN LOVING MEMORY

A contribution has been made to the Memorial Honor Fund in memory of the following deceased members:

Donald E. Beam Lower Dauphin (Sorry, listed in last newsletter as Donald E. Bean)

Nancy Bomboy Central Dauphin William R. Herigan, Sr. Central Dauphin

Faith Reigle ??

Nellie Jean H. Smith Central Dauphin

Edna (Trudy) R. Spangler Derry Twp.

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

PASR TRIPS -- Boscov's Travel

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Monday, March 23 - Fríday March 27, 2020



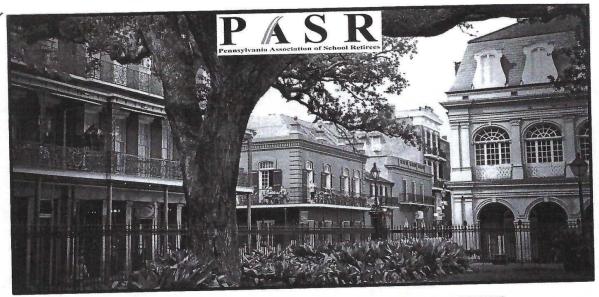
Payment Information: A deposit of \$500 per person, along with the reservation coupon, is required to confirm a reservation. Deadline for final payment is January 13, 2020. See further information on this trip and reservation form on **Page 21** of this newsletter.

PASR GROUP ON THE TASTE OF SCOTLAND & IRELAND TOUR --Thursday, September 17-Sunday, September 27, 2020



Payment Information: A NON-REFUNDABLE deposit of \$350 per person is due along with the reservation coupon in order to confirm your land and air reservation. Final payment and full legal names of all persons traveling are due on or before FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2020.

See further information on this trip and reservation form on Page 22 of this newsletter.



PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL RETIREES NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Monday, March 23 - Friday, March 27, 2020

YOUR NEW ORLEANS TOUR INCLUDES

- Round trip air transportation between Harrisburg or Pittsburgh, PA to New Orleans, LA (including air taxes, government fees and current fuel surcharges – subject to change without notice at the discretion of the airline).
- Private deluxe motorcoach transportation in New Orleans & Lafayette, LA.
- Four (4) nights' hotel accommodations: Two (2) nights at the Wyndham Hotel French Quarter, New Orleans and two (2) nights at the Drury Inn, Lafayette.
- Eight (8) included meals: four (4) hotel breakfasts, one (1) lunch, three (3) dinners.
- Guided tours of New Orleans, Lafayette, St. Martinville and Avery Island.
- Visit to the National WWII Museum, New Orleans.
- Dinner Jazz Cruise aboard the Steamboat Natchez.
- Free time to enjoy the French Quarter Market.
- Guided boat tour of Louisiana's Atchafalaya Basin Swamp.
- Tour of the Tabasco® Factory and Visitor's Center, Avery Island.
- Visit to the Avery Island Jungle Gardens.
- Tour of the Rip Van Winkle Gardens and Joseph Jefferson Mansion, New Iberia, Louisiana.
- Luggage handling for one (1) suitcase per person.
- Services of a Boscov's Travel Tour Escort.
- All taxes and gratuities for included features.
- Gratuities for your tour escort, motorcoach driver and local guides.

COST PER PERSON

Air Transportation From	Double Occupancy	Triple Occupancy	Single Occupancy
Harrisburg*	\$2,091	\$1,976	\$2,551
Pittsburgh*	\$2,071	\$1,956	\$2,531

For air transportation from other cities, please contact your Boscov's Travel Specialist.

Round trip transportation to the Harrisburg or Pittsburgh Airports may be added at an additional cost. Please contact your Boscov's Travel Specialist for details.



OPTIONAL: GROUP DELUXE TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN

Extensive plans to help protect your trip. We encourage all travelers to purchase a plan at the time of initial trip deposit.

\$145 per person, double occupancy \$115 per person, triple occupancy \$172 per person, single occupancy

Rates are based on the air cities and occupancy categories as listed. Travel Protection Plan rates may change with air transportation from other cities. Please contact your Boscov's Travel Specialist for details

Should anything additional be added to this trip, your Travel Protection Plan rates may increase. Travel Protection Plan becomes NON-REFUNDABLE 14 days from date of purchase.

Please ask your Boscov's Travel Specialist about our Boscov's Charge – 12 Month No Interest Offer



PLEASE JOIN THE

PASR GROUP ON THE TASTE OF SCOTLAND & IRELAND TOUR

Thursday, September 17 - Sunday, September 27, 2020

YOUR TOUR INCLUSIONS

- Round trip air transportation from Philadelphia to Glasgow, Scotland and from Shannon, Ireland to Philadelphia (*including current air taxes, government fees & current fuel surcharges. Rates are ESTIMATED based on September 2019 air rates and are subject to change once September 2020 air rates are confirmed) – OTHER AIR CITIES ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY.
- Roundtrip airport to hotel transfers in Scotland & Ireland
- Sightseeing by luxury coach throughout your tour of Scotland & Ireland
- Services of a Professional Irish driver/guide throughout your tour (gratuity for your driver is <u>NOT</u> included)
- Nine (9) nights' hotel accommodations
- Nine (9) Full Scottish & Irish breakfasts except on arrival day in Glasgow
- Two (2) lunches including lunch on board a ferry to Belfast and a lunch in Sneem
- Six (6) dinners including a Traditional Scottish Evening Dinner Show in Edinburgh, a Canal Dinner Cruise in Dublin and a Festive Medieval Castle Banquet in Bunratty
- VISITS & ADMISSIONS
 - Introductory Tour of Glasgow including George Square and a visit to Provand's Lordship
 - o Loch Ness Cruise
 - o Visit to Blair Athol Distillery and St. Andrews
 - City Tour of Edinburgh and a visit to Edinburgh Castle
 - o Ferry Ride to Belfast and a visit to Titanic Belfast
 - Sightseeing Tour of Dublin including Grafton & Nassau Streets, the General Post Office and Christ Church Cathedral
 - o Photo Stop at Rock of Cashel
 - Visit to Blarney Castle to Kiss the "Stone of Eloquence"
 - Visit to Blarney Woollen Mills
 - Drive through the Ring of Kerry and visit the Skellig Experience
 - Visit the Cliffs of Moher
- All local taxes, hotel service charges & porterage for one (1) bag per person

BOOK BY DECEMBER 15, 2019 AND
RECEIVE \$165 OFF OF THE PUBLISHED RATES!

TRANSPORTATION TO THE AIRPORT CAN BE ADDED FOR AN ADDITIONAL COST. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR BOSCOV'S TRAVEL SPECIALIST FOR DETAILS.

Please ask your Boscov's Travel Specialist about our Boscov's Charge – 12 Month No Interest Offer.

RATE PER PERSON*

Single Occupancy
\$4,296
Single Occupancy
\$4,996

*Rates are subject to availability at time of booking and based on a minimum of 32 full paying passengers. Land Rates are <u>GUARANTEED</u> FOR September 2020 travel; Air Rates are <u>ESTIMATED</u> based on 2020 projected rates and are subject to increase once 2020 rates are confirmed.



OPTIONAL: GROUP DELUXE TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN

We encourage all travelers to purchase a plan at the time of initial trip deposit.

\$276 per person, double occupancy \$319 per person, single occupancy

Should anything additional be added to this trip, your travel protection plan rates may increase. Travel Protection Plan becomes NON-REFUNDABLE 14 days from date of purchase.





YOUR ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD WISHES EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU A HEALTHY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Dauphin County Chapter Of The Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees

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