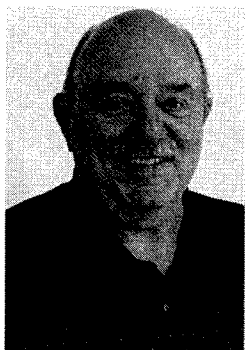


CCCPASR

Cumberland County Chapter
Pennsylvania Association of
School Retirees

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President's Message



All of the Executive Committee who keep the Cumberland County Chapter of PASR operating hope you stayed warm and healthy this winter. Spring is around the corner, and it is time for all of us

to enjoy the warmer weather and do some volunteer work.

Our chapter is in need of **VOLUNTEERS**. We need a **Public Relations** Committee chairperson. If you like to take pictures, this is the position for you. John Edwards held this position for many years and did an excellent job.

Members Benefits and Services

Committee chairperson is also vacant. As the chairperson of this committee, you will keep the members up to date on any new benefits or services that PASR has to offer. Dale Hess held this position and kept the members well informed for many years.

Ron and Kate Conard have also decided

to step down from the **Scholarship** Committee. Ron has just celebrated his 88th birthday, and he and Kate have been chairpersons of this committee for the past 20 years. They have seen many young men and women enter into the teaching profession with the help of our scholarships. If you would like to volunteer for this committee, Ron and Kate will be happy to help you get started.

Finally, if you would like to lead our group of school retirees, the position of **President Elect** is also vacant. My term will be up in 3 years and we need someone to fill this position.

If you or you and a friend would like to chair/co-chair one of these positions, please see me or any member of the Executive Committee.

Eric and Sue Wible, chairpersons of Recreational/Travel, have planned many fun-filled trips for this year. Please see the list in this newsletter.

I would like to thank all of our volunteers on the Executive Committee. Their outstanding volunteer work is invaluable in keeping CCCPASR operating smoothly.

Please join us on Tuesday, April 12, at

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Luncheon/Meeting:

Tuesday, April 12, 2022, Shippensburg University

CCCPASR Executive Committee Meeting:

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

Newsletter Folding:

Wednesday, September 7, 2022

Fall Luncheon/ Meeting:

Tuesday, October 11, 2022, Susquehanna Club, New Cumberland

CCCPASR Executive Committee Meeting:

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Newsletter Folding:

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

Shippensburg University for our next luncheon. Our guest speaker is Mr. John Miller, Executive Director of the Shippensburg Historical Society. I am sure you will enjoy our program.

Sincerely,

Harold

Harold Statler, CCCPASR President

Tuesday, APRIL 12, 2022 - Luncheon Meeting Cost for Members \$20 - Cost for Guests \$25

Shippensburg University, Tuscarora Room in Reisner Hall - for directions see page 4.

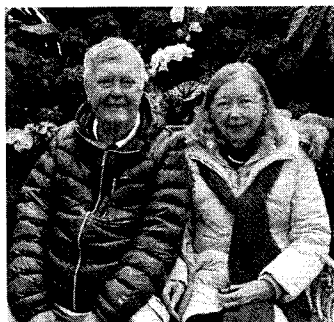
AGENDA

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| 9:00-9:30 | Registration - Coffee/Tea |
| 9:30 | Business Meeting |
| 11:00 | Program - John Miller, "Role of Cumberland County during the Civil War" |
| 12:00 | Luncheon |

LUNCH BUFFET MENU

- Baby Spinach Salad
- Grilled Lemon Rosemary Chicken
- Roasted New Potatoes
- Fresh Herbed Vegetables
- Rolls with Butter
- Coffee/Tea/Water
- Oreo Blondie

Please make check payable to CCCPASR and mail so it is **POSTMARKED** by the **DEADLINE** of Tuesday, March 22. Shippensburg University requires the total count two weeks prior to the luncheon. **MANY THANKS!** Please realize, reservations postmarked after that date **CANNOT** be honored. Mail the form with your payment to Cathy Kunkle, 202 Pennsylvania Ave., Camp Hill, PA 17011.



Sue & Eric Wible
Recreo/Travel
Chairpersons
938-3516 (H)
991-7058 (C)

TRAVEL TALK with SUE and ERIC

You go; We go!

Dear Fellow Travelers, Members & Friends,

We trust your winter was awesome, full of fun, fellowship and good health. We know that our travelers on the Dec. trips picked up some holiday cheer and great memories! We are hoping that Spring is just around the corner. This is a great time to go on new adventures, see great places and meet interesting people. COVID seems to be waning, so we encourage you to travel with us.

Good news! We're filling our trips so remember to send in your reservations! We added "Up, Up and Away!" to our theme to remind you of the awesome trip we have planned to "The Albuquerque International Balloon Festival" Oct. 2-6.

This is a once in a lifetime experience that is on a lot of travelers' "bucket list."



Christmas in the Rockies!

Below is a list of 2022 trips:

April 27 - Annapolis; Cravings by Land & Sea~ \$189. Progressive meal with High Tea at the Naval Academy, Cruise, Guide Service. **MUST HAVE VALID ID** for Naval Academy.

May 18 - Chesterton ~ Cruise, Alpaca Farm, Wine Tasting, Crabcake lunch at Kitty Knight (non-seafood item available) ~ \$162.

June 21 - "Sound of Music" at Totem Pole Playhouse plus family style feast at beautiful Hickory Bridge Bed & Breakfast ~ \$95.

Aug. 21 - Sept.1- Nova Scotia: Two Nation Adventure. Numerous inclusions, beautiful scenery, memorable trip. \$2,999. Dbl, \$3,745. Single.

Sept. 15 - Chocolate Lovers' Tour ~ Visit Puritan Candy Co., gourmet lunch at Le Jeune Chef, chocolate soup as dessert, chocolate martini (or non-alcoholic drink) while cruising on the Hiawatha Paddle-wheeler and stop at local winery~\$117.

Oct 2-6 - Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta. Spectacular scenery and experiences. Includes hometown airport transfers, air fare, 4 nights lodging, 2 visits to Balloon Fiesta, Old Town Albuquerque, Indian Pueblo Culture Center, Rt 66. Turquoise Trail, Santa Fe Tour, Sandi Peak Ariel Tram, 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners, escort, taxes & meal gratuities. \$1,999. Dbl, \$2,499 Single.

Dec.1-3 - Cape May Holiday. Details to follow.

For more detailed information, please call 717-938-3516 or 717-991-7058.
 For 2022 trips, there is a 3% fee charged for payments made via credit card.

***Call Sue and Eric Wible to reserve your seat for a trip! 938-3516 (H), 991-7058 (C)**
662 Diane Drive, Etters, PA 17319

Thank you for your continued support of our Recreo program.

REMEMBER...TRIPS FILL QUICKLY, SO REGISTER EARLY

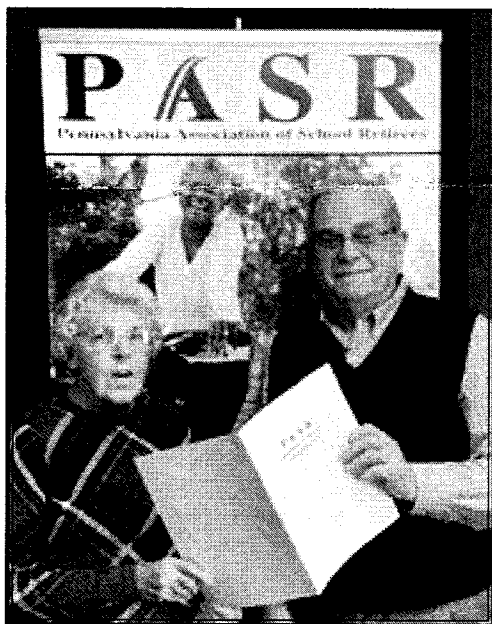
Social Service/Memorial Honor Fund

Throughout the pandemic our Cumberland County Chapter Social Service/Memorial Honor Fund has continued to support our members. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who generously support us with your donations at our association luncheons. All of the money is spent on our local chapter members.

Recently, floral arrangements were sent to Sue Morrow (WS), Louise Timbrell (Mech) who celebrated her 100th birthday and Ron Kerr (Ship). Cards expressing our support and encouraging thoughts were sent to Dale Hess (Ship), Joan Suders (CV) and Richard Nickle (CV). Thank you notes were received from Sue Morrow (WS), Lois Lloyd (WS), Jacquelin Bishop (Ship), Linda and Larry Stoner (WS), the family of Arthur Shaffer (Associate) and Ron and Kathy Kerr (Ship).

Our chapter also made a contribution to the state PASR Memorial Honor Fund in memory of each of our recently deceased members noted in this newsletter. Thank you for continuing to provide me with pertinent information about our members.

Barbara Lee ~ Chair



John Dillon Award

Each PASR chapter presents the John Dillon award annually to a member of its chapter who has been a major contributor to its success. The 2021 recipient was M. Joann Handshaw. Joann has been a member since her retirement from Carlisle School District in 1991. She quickly stepped into a leadership position as membership chair in 1992. She has remained as chair or co-chair for the next 29 years.

During those years, she has also held committee chair positions for the region and the state organizations. We are pleased to recognize Joann's contributions to our organization with this award.

OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER OF 2022

The Cumberland County Chapter of PASR honored Fred Seltzer with our outstanding volunteer award for the year 2022 at our January luncheon meeting.

Fred was recognized for his years of service to our members by serving as L/PEC liaison since 2002. His informative presentations at our luncheons, and his newsletter articles are always intently listened to or read by our members. We count on Fred to give us updates especially about COLA possibilities.

Fred retired from Carlisle School District in 2002 after serving as a mathematics teacher for 37 years. During his teaching years, he sponsored the Chess Club and a club that teaches about finance. Fred is an advocate of educating our legislatures about PASR, encouraging a positive attitude toward a COLA for retired teachers.

In his spare time, Fred is a train enthusiast. He not only enjoys riding on trains, but also enjoys learning the history of trains. We are indebted to Fred's service to our members, his dedication to promoting PASR and his dedication in promoting a COLA. He continues to strive for us.

Thanks, Fred, for your service to our members and all retired teachers.

Community Service

Joanne Benedict

LUNCHEON ENTERTAINMENT

At our April luncheon at Shippensburg University, John Miller, the Executive Director of the Shippensburg Historical Society, will be our speaker. John has served the National Park Service at Gettysburg, Monterey Pass and other locations in the area. He is well versed on the invasion of Pennsylvania during the Civil War, especially the invasion of Cumberland County. His presentation will focus on the communities surrounding the Confederate Invasion of 1863. We look forward to his expertise and to his Power-Point presentation.

Please contact Barbara Lee at (717) 774-0998 if you know of any members who are hospitalized, in recovery, or confined to a home or nursing facility, so she can send cards and flowers for moral support. She would also appreciate notification of any member's obituary. Thanks for your help.

Barbara Lee ~ Social Service Chair

Education Support

Once again, we are looking for someone in a supporting role in our schools to recognize with our Woodson Award. Secretaries, teacher assistants, custodians or any other person who has gone above the norm to make a better school community is eligible for nomination. If you know someone whom you believe deserves recognition, please let us know.

Craig Kunkle

►►► Check out the website for updates and information!

www.pasr.org

You can print a copy of your state membership via this website, so you have it to take advantage of the available discounts. Enter your username and password. This will take you to the "members only" section. As you scroll down, you will see your membership card. Click on the "print" under the card and follow the instructions. While you're in the website, take some time to look at the other information available.

Directions to Luncheon:

Take I-81 to exit 29 (King St.). Turn onto 174 toward Shippensburg. Travel two miles. Turn left onto King St. At third traffic light turn right onto Prince St. This will take you to the main campus. Turn right onto Adams Dr. Turn left onto Cumberland Dr. Follow signs to Reisner Hall. Park as directed. Limited parking is available adjacent to Tuscarora Room. Other parking available down the hill at V4 Lot.

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 Luncheon Reservation

Shippensburg University

PLEASE
RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP

Name (Member) _____ \$20.00
 Guest _____ \$25.00
 *I also wish to make a donation to the Scholarship Fund. \$ _____
 Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____
 Phone Number: _____
 This is my first PASR luncheon _____
 Email address: (only if new member) _____

TO:

Please make check payable to CCCPASR,
and mail so it is **POSTMARKED** by **DEADLINE**
of **TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022**

Cathy Kunkle
202 Pennsylvania Ave.
Camp Hill, PA 17011



Old Sailing Days

At our January meeting,
Matthew Dodd regaled us with
songs and stories of sea life
during earlier sailing days.

Scholarship Fund

The Executive Council wants to continue giving
scholarships to deserving high school seniors who
plan to pursue a career in education. You may
send a donation along with your luncheon cost/
reservation form (see tear-off above) noting it is for
"Scholarship Fund." Thanks.

Legislative Report:

PSERS – In the News

By Mark A. McKillop, Executive Director

PASR Statement on PSERS

For the year 2022, meetings of the State Legislative/Political Education Committee (L/PEC) are being scheduled five times throughout the year rather than monthly. Highlights of its 1st meeting, held on Jan. 13, are as follows:

Reports from PASR's lobbyist, Triad Strategies, indicated that:

1. Representative Frank Ryan, Vice Chairman of the PSERS Board of Directors, is advocating for changes in investment strategies of PSERS, changes in the composition of the PSERS Board of Directors, and increased financial literacy training for PSERS Board members.

2. Triad Strategies PASR will help guide PASR's testimony regarding the need for a COLA to the appropriate political entity. Such testimony would be timed to take advantage of foreseen and/or unforeseen political events so that maximum impact and acceptance would be achieved.

3. Triad spoke with the Governor's team and the Governor's Office is open to a consideration of a COLA.

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LEGISLATIVE *Continued from Page 5***PASR's Executive Director, Mark McKillop reported that:**

1. Regarding PSERS, he will be submitting questions posed by L/PEC State Committee members to a particular PSERS Board member and he will ask for a written response.

2. Regarding PA Congressional Redistricting, he felt that such a plan would likely be decided by a state court and he took the L/PEC Committee through the various state courts that would be involved if appeals were filed against lower court decisions. The US Supreme Court could even be involved if it agreed to hear such an appeal. Just as a reminder, PASR's two main priorities for 2022 is a COLA for all retired PA public school employees and monitoring the activities of PSERS. Also, please understand that the timeliness of these written reports are affected by the meeting dates of the State L/PEC Committee and the mailing dates of the chapter newsletter. The feeling is that this particular difficulty should not preclude reports about State L/PEC Committee meetings.

Fred Seltzer Legislative Chair

CCPASR L/PEC Information February, 2022

L/PEC is making every effort to find the combination to the "legislative vault" so that a COLA is enacted during the current session of the Legislature. On a personal note, it is extremely important that ALL PASR members contact their state representative and senator insisting that the above action take place.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Hockersmith L/PEC

L/PEC

Your contribution to L/PEC enables PASR volunteers and members to effectively advocate for benefit improvements and fight to protect the benefits they are currently receiving. Please be sure to contribute to this worthwhile committee. Thank you.


Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees
Legislative/Political Education Committee
PASR
Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees
CONTRIBUTION FORM

Member Number (if known) _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Please donate to the L/PEC Fund since it is the only fund in Pennsylvania dedicated exclusively to advocate for the interests of retired PA school employees.

Contribution Amount:

\$5 _____ Other _____

Please make checks payable to L/PEC and mail to 878 Century Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-8406

Note: L/PEC contributions are not deductible for federal income taxes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Susquehanna Valley FCU:

Checking:	\$5,559.64
Certificate:	\$5,000.00
	\$10,559.64

Belco Community CU:

Savings:	\$6,736.56
24 Month Bump Up	\$3,504.42
Share Certificates:	\$2,000.00
	\$12,240.98
Total Assets:	\$22,800.62

as of February 8, 2022

Sandra M. Thomas, CCCPASR Treasurer

PLEASE
RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP

NEW MEMBERS

Cumberland Valley

Linda Albinson
Patricia Hilburn
Deborah Stum

South Middleton

Ann Tailor

West Shore

Deborah King
Margaret Panko

Associate

Richard King
Dennis Stum

Other

Patricia Grzybowski
Sharon Young

In Memory of Our Chapter Friends

Big Spring

Naomi K. Helman

11/09/21

Cumberland Valley

Dr. Orr N. Brenneman 01/23/22

Richard K. Nickle 11/13/22

East Pennsboro

William J. Fry 1/02/22

Margaret Garrison

11/07/21

West Shore

David L. Danner

01/30/22



MEMBERSHIP

Life	240
Annual	218
Associate	11
Honorary	3
Complimentary	125
Total	597
State - PASR membership	717

Joann Handshaw
Membership Chairman

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues can be paid anytime. Local (CCCPASR) dues are \$20. State (PASR) dues are \$60 yearly or 3 years for \$150 and LIFE is \$700. These may be paid at a luncheon or by mail using the form in this newsletter. Call Joann with any questions at 717-477-2173.

Joann Handshaw
Membership Chairman

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Reminder: Each year we lose members due to their lack of membership renewal. Please use the membership application to renew now.

COUNTY

CCCPASR Membership Application or Renewal

CHECK PAYABLE TO CCCPASR

Annual \$20

Associate \$20

Name _____

Phone (____) _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

If you are a new member, please complete the following:

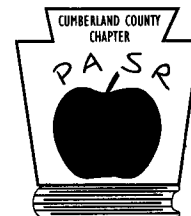
Year _____

District from which you retired _____

Total enclosed _____

Email address: _____

(initial) _____ Permission granted for CCCPASR to use my photo in any publication for the duration of my membership.



Please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope and mail BOTH to M. Joann Handshaw, 110 Lurgan Avenue, Shippensburg, PA 17257

STATE

PASR Membership or Renewal

Check Payable to PASR

\$60.00/year ~ \$150 for three years ~ Life Member \$700

Name _____

Phone (____) _____

Address _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

County of Last Service _____

Email address: _____

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