

**Central Penn Chapter
Pennsylvania Association of
Retired State Employees**

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President's Report

DID YOU KNOW?

The origin of the abbreviation "O.K." has a fascinating history rooted in American linguistic wordplay. Back in 1839, perceptive readers of the "Boston Morning Post" likely noticed two small, obscure letters at the bottom of paper's second column: "o.k." These unassuming letters were used by the fact-checking team to indicate "all correct." Over time, "O.K." underwent a simplification of its spelling to "OK" and eventually evolved into the universally recognized term for expressing agreement or acceptance, firmly establishing its position in our linguistic lexicon.

For those who attended the Christmas luncheon, we received information from the entertainment. The reason for his not showing was that his young son had developed a 104-degree temperature and they were worried about him. He mentioned that he was not thinking of any entertainment jobs at the moment (only his son) and therefore did not call. He also missed another job that same day. We told him family comes first, wished his son well and will keep him in mind for the future.

We would like to encourage any new members to the chapter to come and enjoy one of our monthly luncheons. Sue Mitchell, our program chairperson, is planning some interesting entertainment for 2024. We would like to see more new faces at our luncheons.

At the end of December 2023, the total membership for the Central Penn Chapter is 9,421. The total membership for the state is 35,661. For the year 2024, the total for Central Penn is 7,452 and the State is 28,165.

Per the State Office, when you submit your dues checks, you must also enclose the card you received as they use the bar code on it to update your membership.

A reminder on your reservations for the luncheons. Send them in as soon as you can after receiving the information as Tom does not get his mail until late in the day. Also, please keep in mind the reservation date listed on the reservation form as the Penn Harris orders the food after we give them a count, so we cannot keep adding to the count.

Since the Chapter cannot make changes to your records, if you have any questions regarding your vision, dental address change, etc. contact the State PARSE office at 717-731-9522. Also, if a member passes away, the spouse, significant other, or children must notify both the PARSE office and if they had the benefits, the PISI office.

Sara E. Bender
President,
Central Penn Chapter

Any chapter correspondence is to be sent to:
Central Penn Chapter PARSE

264 Rutter Road • Halifax, PA 17032 | auntsarab@comcast.net | (717) 580-4586

www.PARSECentralPenn.com

Officers & Directors 2024
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- In Memoriam**
- Ann Baum
 - Paul Baum
 - Earl Brown
 - Michael Dill
 - Joyce Haskins
 - Leroy Roberts
 - Charles Sheaffer

Please send Lisa the names of members whose deaths have come to your attention. If possible, please include an obituary or other formal notice of death. You must also notify the State PARSE Office and PISI.

Lisa Page
lpath@comcast.net
717-574-1215
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Harrisburg, PA 17110

For Inquiries on Benefits PISI
Garrett Mowery
800-382-1352

Officers & Directors 2024
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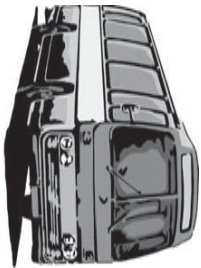
Calls will only be accepted by officers and directors between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

For inquiries on Membership, Dues, and Insurance notifications:

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PARSE Travel

TRIP FLYERS ARE AVAILABLE AT: www.parsecentralpenn.com or call Jan or Karen to send one to you at the numbers listed on the back page of this Newsletter. Mail all reservation forms to: PARSE c/o Jan Moran at 621 Mallard Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011 Non-members welcome!

PARSE Travel - Budget Friendly: A full refund is provided 30 days prior to the trip unless otherwise stated. If you purchase travel insurance, you will get your money refunded.

TRIPS FOR 2024 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION)

The information on the trips have been updated on the WEB site (www.parsecentralpenn.com) as the Newsletter will only show the trip, date and price. You need to go to the WEB Site to see the full information on the trip, print the flyer, and make your reservation with the form at the bottom of the flyer. You must click on the trip to print the flyer. If you cannot print the flyer, contact Karen at 717-343-1235 for a copy of the flyer you want. Keep checking the WEB site as the flyers will appear there sooner than in the Newsletter.

- March 14, 2024**..... Hunterdon Hills, The Irish Cabaret...\$145
- April 3, 2024**..... Sight & Sound – Daniel...\$159
- May 15, 2024**..... Brothers of the Heart at American Music Theater...\$138 (flyer pending)
- May 20-25, 2024**..... Taste of Kentucky Bourbon Trail...\$1,725 Double, \$2,059 Single
- June 13, 2024**..... Wine & Roses...\$159
- July 18-21, 2024**..... Virginia Wine & Polo...\$1,175 Double, \$1,425 Single
- August 13, 2024**..... Roots and More, Manheim, PA...\$95
- August 22, 2024**..... Honor & Valor...\$195
- September 24, 2024**..... Jim Thorpe Adventure...\$179
- October 9-10, 2024**..... Corning & Canyons Fall Foliage...\$489 Double, \$559 Single
- October 23, 2024**..... Penns Peak, The Jersey Beach Boys...\$121 (flyer pending)
- December 11, 2024**..... American Music Theater – 2024 Christmas Show...\$116

When submitting a reservation for a PARSE trip, you need to use the reservation form at the bottom of the flyer. Using this form makes it easier to keep track of who is going on the trip, where they want to be picked up, your telephone number, and it also helps us keep track of any special needs or requests. When just sending a note with your payment it does not always give us all the information we need. If you don't have access to the internet or printer, call Karen at 717-343-1235 and she will send you a flyer.

PLEASE NOTE: Since the seating on the bus is based on when you submit your money/deposit, and you are traveling with other people, everyone needs to submit their reservation form at the same time in order to be seated together. Please make a note on your reservation forms the names of those who you are traveling with.

2024 Membership

Luncheon Meeting/Program

- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH,
- MONDAY, MARCH 18TH,
- MONDAY, APRIL 15TH,
- MONDAY – MAY 20TH,
- WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19TH

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, February 6, 2024
Hostess: Jan Moran
717-763-5515
Yankee Doodle Family Restaurant, Front Street,
Wormleysburg, PA

Board of Directors Meetings 2024

- 2/6, 3/5,
- 4/2, 5/7, 6/4

Monthly Chapter Meeting

Reservation for Lunch at Chapter Meeting ~ The Penn Harris Hotel
RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED- NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED
Monday, February 19, 2024
Doors Open at 11:00 AM – Lunch at 12:00 Noon

Name: _____ Address: _____ Phone: _____
Names of others on your check payment: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

MENU – Garden Salad, Chicken Cordon Bleu, (Plain Chicken), Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Honey Glazed Carrots, Cherry Pie.

Plain Chicken _____ (Alternate Meat Choice), Vegetarian _____, Gluten Free _____
Number of reservations: \$15.00 _____ Members and \$20.00 for Guests with a Member Total enclosed \$ _____

Program: Valerie Pritchett, ABC27, Black History Month

Deadlines: Reservations - Received by February 9, 2024

Cancellations - by NOON February 9, 2024

Central PA Food Bank Donation \$ _____
You must make out separate checks for your luncheon to PARSE and the donation to Central PA Food Bank.

Payment is requested by personal check only. Please make checks payable to PARSE

Mail to: PARSE c/o Tom Hoffman, 7855 Skyline Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112 Phone: (717) 652-3435
Lunch tickets are not issued, but there must be a reservation verifiable at the desk.

Welcome New Members

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:	SUSAN SEEDS	KITTY FISHER	CYNTHIA ROMBERGER	TREAS
CVNTHIA ALLEN FUSS	SANDRA SHEAFFER	DANI FROWNFELTER	TIMOTHY ROTH	PEMA
DAVID ATWOOD	JANICE STONER	JAMES FUSS	LAURA RUSS	LCB
DONNA BAYER	CONNIE STOSIUS	SUSAN GABEL	WILLIAM SEEDS	DGS
LYNNE BEDFORD-WULF	TERESA STROHM	WILLIAM GAZAN	LARRY SHEAFFER	DEP
SHERYL BLOSSER	BLAKE TOMFORDE	SANDRA GENSLER	WILHELMINE STAHL	L&I
CATHERINE BYERLY	SHERRIE TRIMMER	KIMBERLY GREENWAY	CHRISTINE STOCKTON	DOT
ANGELA CHAMBERLIN	BRENDA WAHL	BETH HAGER	JOHN STONER	PSP
LINDA COBB	VICTORIA WEAKLEY	GREGORY HARHIGH	ERIC STOSIUS	FISH&BOAT
FREDERICK DEPALMA	ELLEN WIEKRYKAS	KARL HOFFMAN	GEORGIA TAYLOR SHIP	PBB
ALLENA DIX	FAY WILLIAMS	DONNA HOLLOWAN	JACQUELINE TOKACH	PBB
DOUGLAS EKDAHL	JOANNE WOLOWICZ	DOUGLAS HOOVER	SHARON TOMFORDE	DHS
WILLIAM FROWNFELTER	DEBRA WOODWARD	RONALD HOOVER	WANDA TRIGGS	DHS
CHERYL GAZAN	STEPHEN YODER	LARRY JOHNSON	KEVIN TRIMMER	DOT
BRIAN GREENWAY	WARREN YOHE	TAMMY KELSO	ELENA WAGNER	PHEAA
CHRISTINE HARHIGH	PATRICIA ZIEGLER	JOHN KEMP	CAROL WANTZ	EXEC OFF
JAMES HECKMAN		MICHELLE KINARD	DENIS WELKER	CIVIL SER
KATHLEEN HOOVER		BETTY KINGSBOROUGH	WILLIAM WIEKRYKAS	DPW
CATHERINE HOOVER		DAVID KROBCHAK	DENNIS WILLIAMS HERSHY	DGS
GAIL HROBUCHAK		LEA LEWIS	JAMES WOLOWICZ	MED
RAYMOND KELSO		RICHARD MILLER	JEFFREY WOODWARD	REV
JANE KEMP		JAIME MILLS	LAVENI WULF	POOD
ROY KITZER		TERESA WINGABELL	KIM YODER	DGS
LOUANN MILLER		EDWARD MUZIC	WENDY YOHE	DOT
WILLIAM WINGARELL		KELLY BROWN	DAVID ZAMISA	SERS
STEFANIE MUZIC		GEORGE BYERLY	JOHN ZIEGLER	
ANSON MYERS		WICKIE CERULLO		
SUSAN NEARHOOF		DAVID CHAMBERLIN		
JAMES NOEL		PATRICIA CHAPMAN		
LEE NORRIS		TYRAN COBB		
MICHAEL PECK		BRIAN COONS		
SCOTT PLANK		BARBARA CROUT		
PATRICIA RAUDABAUGH		MELANIE DEPALMA		
TYRONE RAUENEL		JULIE DARBROW		
RODMAN ROMBERGER		MELANIE DEPALMA		
BARBARA ROTH		GEANIE DX		
		THOMAS DOUGHERTY		
		MELANIE EKDAHL		