

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

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President's Report

DID YOU KNOW?

April 15th was chosen as Tax Day in the United States primarily due to historical and practical reasons.

The Federal Income Tax was first introduced in 1861 to help fund the Civil War.

The modern income tax system was established with the 16th Amendment in 1913, which allowed Congress to levy taxes on income. The date provides a reasonable timeframe for taxpayers to prepare their returns after the close of the previous year on December 31st.

In 1955, the deadline was changed to April 15th, where it has remained since.

In February, the Central Penn Chapter welcomed 60 new members, building on the momentum from January when 53 individuals joined. This steady growth highlights this Chapter's ongoing appeal and the increasing interest in its initiatives.

Executive VP Report:

Your Central Penn Chapter of PARSE remains steadfast in its commitment to safeguarding health benefits for State Retirees, while vigorously advocating for a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA); especially for individuals who retired before 2001. While the latest Commonwealth budget did not include a COLA, multiple related Bills are currently being reviewed by legislative committees, and there is a possibility that both chambers will revisit this important issue in the current legislative session.

We urge all members to actively participate in PARSE's advocacy by connecting with local legislators. Your engagement plays a pivotal role in ensuring that retiree concerns are brought to the forefront and truly heard. To those who have already reached out to elected officials, please know that your actions are making a tangible difference. Your dedication and involvement continue to strengthen our collective voice and advance the interests of all State Retirees.

Please remember to send in your luncheon reservation as soon as possible so that we can give the Penn Harris a correct count. You must have a reservation---there are no walk-in.

Remember----No tickets will be sold after 11:50am so that the ladies can finish their tasks and have lunch on time.

**Reservation Table & Doors open at 11am
Lunch at 12pm**

Karen Taylor
President,
Central Penn Chapter

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

2312 New York Avenue, Camp Hill, PA 17011 | hbh11cc@gmail.com | (717) 343-1235

**www.PARSECentralPenn.com**

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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 inquires on Membership,  
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PARSE (State Office)  
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Joan Matterness .... 717-392-4906

Please send Jean 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 AMBA to:

Jean Kresge  
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# PARSE Travel

TRIP FLYERS ARE AVAILABLE AT: [www.parsecentralpenn.com](http://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 2026

(SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION)

The information on the trips have been updated on the WEB site ([www.parsecentralpenn.com](http://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.

West Shore pickup for Travel is...Penn Harris---Camp Hill Bypass.  
East Shore pickup for Travel is...At Home Store-- Jonestown Road, Harrisburg.

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>April 15, 2026</b> .....      | Colonial Annapolis...\$151...Reservations due 3/13                              |
| <b>May 20, 2026</b> .....        | Bill Haley Jr. & the Comets...\$112...Reservation due 4/17                      |
| <b>June 24, 2026</b> .....       | Ned & Nancy See America...\$135...Reservations due 5/2                          |
| <b>June 28, 2026</b> .....       | Tall Ships & Blue Angles...\$164...Reservations due 3/25                        |
| <b>July 8, 2026</b> .....        | Sight & Sound – Joshua...\$177...Reservation due 6/5                            |
| <b>July 23, 2026</b> .....       | Choptank Crab Feast Cruise...\$179...Reservation due 6/19                       |
| <b>August 5, 2026</b> .....      | Dear Solider Boy...\$135...Reservations due 7/3                                 |
| <b>August 20, 2026</b> .....     | Dutch Apple – Pretty Woman...\$133...Reservation due 7/17                       |
| <b>September 9, 2026</b> .....   | Arlington & DC Memorials...\$169...Reservation due 8/5                          |
| <b>September 24, 2026</b> .....  | Forever George & Tammy...\$125...Reservations due 8/21                          |
| <b>October 7, 2026</b> .....     | Salute America...\$249...Reservations due 9/4                                   |
| <b>October 11/15, 2026</b> ..... | I Love Lucy & Autumn Leaves..Double \$949–Single \$1,249...Reservations due 8/7 |
| <b>November 5, 2026</b> .....    | Revolutionary History.....\$174.....Reservations due 10/2                       |
| <b>December 9, 2026</b> .....    | Holly Jolly Holiday.....\$133.....Reservations due 11/6                         |

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 we do not receive all the information on your reservation form, we will cbe returning the entire package (form and checks) for you to update. A new reservation form will be included. 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. Seats are assigned two to three weeks before the trip and then the seat assignment and itinerary are mailed out. Checks are not cashed immediately upon receipt and if you don't hear about your check within a timely manner, contact Jan Moran or Karen Taylor.

### 2026 Membership Luncheon Meeting/Program

MONDAY, APRIL 20TH  
MONDAY, MAY 18TH  
MONDAY, JUNE 15TH

#### Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, April 7, 2026  
Host: John Collins  
717-456-0609  
Country Meadows  
4905 Trindle Road  
Mechanicsburg, Pa. 17050

#### Board of Directors Meetings 2026

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| 04/07/2026 | 07/07/2026 | 10/06/2026 |
| 05/05/2026 | 08/04/2026 | 11/03/2026 |
| 06/02/2026 | 09/01/2026 | 12/01/2026 |

## Monthly Chapter Meeting

**Monday, April 20, 2026**

Doors and Registration Table Open at 11:00 AM  
Lunch at 12:00 Noon

Reservation for Lunch at Chapter Meeting ~ The Penn Harris Hotel  
**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED- NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of others on your check payment:

2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

**MENU – Herb Roasted Pork Loin, Roasted Red Potatoes, Glazed Carrots and Boston Cream Pie**

(On reservation form choose one (1) meat for each diner)

Plain Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ (Alternate Meat Choice), Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_, Gluten Free \_\_\_\_\_

Number of reservations: \$15.00 \_\_\_\_ Members and \_\_\_\_ \$25.00 for Guests with a Member Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Program:** LaftRx – A group of comedians committed to promoting well-being that comes from joy and laughter.

**Deadlines:** Reservations - Received by April 10, 2026

**Cancellations:** by NOON April 10, 2026

**You must make out separate checks for your luncheon to PARSE and the donation to Central PA Food Bank.**

Central PA Food Bank Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

JOSE ALICEA  
KATHLEEN CAREY  
STARR DRIVER  
CALVIN DUTTON  
SAMUEL FICARRA  
STEPHEN FLAHERTY  
LISA FRESCATORE  
SHARON GRAY  
DOUGLAS HEFFRON  
LEAH HERBERLIG  
STEVEN LONG  
JOSEPH MARTIN  
THOMAS MCCLOSKEY  
GAIL MINNICH  
DANIEL PETRUZZI  
RONALD RAWA  
JENNY RHOADS  
LYNDA ROBERT  
KIM RUSSO  
BETH SANDERS  
SHERRY SARIANO  
CORNELIUS SINCLAIR  
JOSEPH SOLARCZYK  
ERIC VORODI  
EVERETT ADAMS  
MILAGROS ALICEA  
DEIRDRE BECKER  
DOUGLAS BRENNAN  
CHARLES CAREY  
ROBERT DRIVER  
SHARON DUTTON  
KRISTIN ECKERT  
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AMY FLAHERTY  
BYRON FRESCATORE

RONALD GRAY  
ERIC HEBERLIG  
DEBRA HEFFRON  
JANENE HOLTER  
TAMMY HUGHES  
ANN JOHNSTON  
CHRISTINA KEFFER  
TERESA KUHN  
EDWARD LEWIS  
ROBERT LEWIS  
PAULINE MARTIN  
DIANA MCCLOSKEY  
THERESA MILLER  
MARTIN MINNICH  
CHERYL PEOPLES  
KAREN PRICE  
PATRICIA RAWA  
DAVID RHOADS  
RICHARD SARIANO  
KATHLEEN SHRAWDER  
LETTITIA SINCLAIR  
DONALD SMITH  
MARK SUDA  
BEVERLY TOMOCHIK  
CHRISTINA VORODI

**JOIN PARSE  
AT THE BALLPARK**



**HARRISBURG SENATORS VS ERIE SEAWOLVES**

**Sunday, June 21, 2026 (Father's Day)**

**PICNIC 12:00-2:00 GAME TIME: 1:00 PM**

Tickets are \$36.50 teen/adults and \$25 children (ages 4-12); (ages 1-3 Free) and includes a picnic meal!

Giant Picnic Pavilion includes all you can eat buffet from 12:00-2:00 PM

- ❖ Pregame (12:05 Dads & Kids play catch ball on the field. (Bring your own equipment
- ❖ Hawaiian Shirt to 1<sup>st</sup> 1200 fans
- ❖ Kids can run the bases post-game

- ★ On City Island **parking** is \$5 CASH per car on game days. This will be \$5.50 if using credit card. **Handicapped Parking** is available **only with a placard**.
- ★ **Tickets and informational letter** will be mailed to you approximately 14 days in advance of the game.

**Reservation Form: Harrisburg Senators Baseball Game**

**Harrisburg Senators versus Erie SeaWolves**

Teens/Adults: \$36.50 Child (ages 4-12) \$25

Name(s) of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Mail check and form:** PARSE c/o Jean Chilson, 143 Country Hill Drive, Millersburg, PA 17061  
Phone: (717) 692-2975

**Total # Adults:** \_\_\_\_\_ **+ Total # Children:** \_\_\_\_\_ **= Total amount enclosed: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline: Reservations are due by Thursday, May 28**

