

# COMMUNIQUÉ

Pennsylvania Association Of School Retirees

Lancaster County School Retirees

Spring 2025

*Mission: "To continue to support education, to serve others in need and to help one another enjoy retirement."*

## President's Message



Spring is in the air and LCSR is looking forward to some great opportunities for you to interact with friends and former colleagues. On March 30 we are hosting Monte Carlo at Millersville University, on April 7 we will hold our spring General Membership Meeting/Luncheon at the Eden Resort and on April 10 we join Lebanon County chapter in hosting the Region 4 Membership Meeting at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Millersville. It is a busy time for our chapter. I hope you will take advantage of these opportunities.

On a more serious note, our chapter is in need of an infusion of volunteers, willing to share their time and talents in leadership positions. Currently we are seeking nominees for President, Vice President, and chairs of the Educational Support, Member Benefits, Retirement Planning, L/PEC, and Social Services committees. These committee positions involve duties specific to their goals as well as attending 6 Executive Board meetings per year and 2 Region Committee meetings per year (generally on Zoom). President and Vice President involve presiding at local meetings, preparing programs, attending region Board meetings and communicating with PASR. President and VP each have a two year term and committee chairs serve at the pleasure of the Board. None of the positions requires a major time commitment.

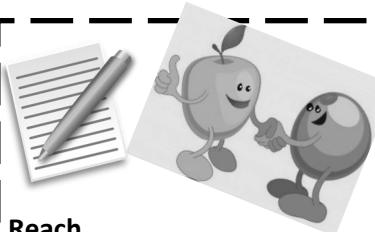
A Nominating Committee has been formed to generate names of those interested in serving our LCSR. More information about each of these positions can be found in the member section of PASR.org where you will find a Handbook for each committee and office. Current Board members are also willing to share their experiences and knowledge of open positions. Personally, I find that serving LCSR is very rewarding and has resulted in my forming many new friendships. It is a pleasure to work with like-minded individuals "To continue to support education, to serve others in need and to help one another enjoy retirement."

Lauren Buchmann, President

## MEMBERSHIP

3/1/2025

Annual	203
Associate	2
Emeritus	2
Life	397



Reach out to a friend or former colleague today. Your gesture is sure to brighten their day!



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Monte Carlo	Sunday, March 30, 2025
General Membership Meeting	Monday, April 7, 2025
Region 4 Membership Meeting	Thursday, April 10, 2025
Executive Board Meeting	Monday, May 5, 2025
Playin' Hookey Picnic	Wednesday, September 10, 2025
Trivia Contest	Sunday, November 16, 2025

Visit our website: <https://thepasr.wixsite.com/lancasterpasr>

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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## *In Memoriam*

Kay Dimeler

Carol Kurl

Edward McKeague

Virginia Mullin

Esther Watt

## Welcome!

Susanne Brubaker

Patricia Dick

#### Luncheon Speakers

#### General Membership Meeting

#### Eden Resort—April 7

Speakers for our General membership Meeting/Luncheon will be staff from **Lancaster County Office of Aging**. Sheri Snyder, Ombudsman and Unit Supervisor of Care Management Team, will present an overview of the agency. Emerson Gambler, Volunteer Coordinator, will discuss the assistance available for individuals selecting Medicare programs. The information they will be sharing with us can be valuable to you as well as your friends and relatives who may be in need of elder assistance.

The goal of the Office of Aging is to provide needed assistance to older persons and their families in the most appropriate and least restrictive manner, enabling them to maintain dignity and independence. Individuals may be asked to share in the cost of services, depending upon their financial resources.

## MONTE CARLO 2025

Don't miss out on all the fun at our 11th Monte Carlo event! It will be held in Lehr Room, Bolger Conference Center, Gordinier Hall, Millersville University on Sunday, March 30, 2025, 5:00—8:00 pm.

This is our major event to raise funds for Educational Support (Grants and Scholarships) and Community Service. Monte Carlo events since 2012 have generated over \$65,000.00 allowing LCSR to award numerous scholarships and educational grants, support Lancaster Food Hub and other community service projects.

Millersville University Catering prepares and serves an array of hot and cold appetizers and decadent desserts. Complimentary beer, wine and soda are included in the ticket price. A Basket Raffle features items donated by individuals and businesses; these may include local wares, food or beverage assortments, gift cards for supermarkets, restaurants, and local attractions as well as jewelry and works of art. Raffle tickets may be purchased with cash or check.

Monte Carlo concludes with an exciting draw-down for the \$3000.00 cash prize!

It is a fun event featuring great food and drink plus the chance to socialize with friends and former colleagues. Only 120 tickets are sold for the event, order yours today!

### TICKET ORDER FORM

**Monte Carlo 2025**

**March 30, 2025**

**Lehr Room, Bolger Conference Center, Millersville University**

Please send me the following tickets:

Full Ticket (Food & Drinks plus entry into cash drawing) \$85.00 # \_\_\_\_\_

Guest (Food & Drinks only—one paid guest per ticket holder) \$45.00 # \_\_\_\_\_

Non-attending (Cash drawing only—with designated proxy) \$50.00 # \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Names of ticket holders: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Send check payable to LCSR/PASR and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

**John Bratton  
49 High Street  
Christiana, PA 17509**

*Questions—Call John Bratton 717-371-8794 or Lauren Buchmann 717-413-5865*

**Dear Fellow PASR Member,**

Welcome to another year of happy retirement and time for yourself and others! I am Jean Young, your Region 4 Director and I do other jobs for our PASR team when asked. I am former President of Lancaster's Chapter. In the six years I have served as your Region Director, I have met many of you at your luncheons, dinners and picnics. (Apparently, we have a food connection!)

The PASR House of Delegates (HoD) meeting will be held in State College this year. In addition to attending your local chapter's events, which I really hope you are making the time to do, you are also eligible to attend this year's conference as a delegate from your local chapter with members from across the entire state of PA. The dates for the House of Delegates will be October 5-7, 2025 (go check your calendars now!). It will be held at the Penn Stater Hotel in State College. This opportunity to meet people from the 60+ chapters across the state will give you valuable ideas to bring back with you to make your chapter even stronger!! LCSR has some funding to help defray conference and meeting costs and PASR helps fund your attendance at the HoD as well. Talk to me or your President soon! Please consider this opportunity for leadership or delegate participation seriously! Remember: **YOU** signed up to be a member of this organization so...

**LET'S BE MEMBERS TOGETHER!**

I want you to consider offering to not only attend the House of Delegates, but also to volunteer to serve as a chapter chairperson or co-chair this year... or even serving as an officer. It's a great chance to go out for lunch and there's no better time to meet old and new friends! I look forward to seeing you celebrating PASR in 2025! **And bring a friend!**

Jean Young

Region 4 Director



**Eastland Alpaca Farm**

Activity: Opportunity to visit farm and get to feed, hold, and groom alpacas.

Address: 2089 Risser Mill Rd., Mt. Joy

Date: April 9, 2025      Time: 10:00-12:00      Cost: \$10.00

Lunch: Mick's (not included)

**Wright's Ferry Mansion**

Activity: Tour one of the hidden gems of Columbia

Address: 38 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Columbia

Date: May 9, 2025      Time: 10:00 & 11:00      Cost: \$5.00

Lunch: John Wright's Tavern (not included)

**For trip availability: Email at: [lcsrtravel@gmail.com](mailto:lcsrtravel@gmail.com)**

*Filled- Waitlist Open*

**Chesapeake City Dine-Around**

Activity: Bus Trip to Chesapeake City Maryland with First Course, soup and Salad served at Schaefers Canal House, Main Course at the Waterfront on the C&D Canal, followed by time to browse shops along Main Street before embarking on a 45 minute cruise down the Canal. Dessert will be at the Canal Creamery followed by a guided tour of the area.

**Date:** June 18, 2025 Departure 9:30 am Return 6:45 pm

**For the full brochure contact Nancy Pruskowski at [LCSRtravel@gmail.com](mailto:LCSRtravel@gmail.com) or find it on the LCSR website.**

## LCSR General Membership Meeting

November 4, 2024

**Welcome:** Jean Young, Region 4 Director

**Entertainment:** Warwick graduates Bailey Fulginiti and Tom Hrr (Hickory Town) performed old and contemporary music in a simple style that highlighted the story behind each song. Members were entertained by a wide variety of genres .

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes of the spring 2024 General Membership Meeting were published in the Communique. Phil Loht moved to accept the minutes and Don Rineer seconded. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** The following is the checking account balance for the period September 1, 2024 to October 1, 2024. Opening Balance of \$6,253.23. income of \$1,660.10 and expenses of \$2,218.81 resulting in a balance of \$5,694.52.

**Honoring our Military Veterans:** Veterans were recognized and thanked for their service.

**Memorial Service:** Names of those members who passed away in the last year were read and their service to education was recognized.

**Educational Support:** John Bratton announced that seven grants were awarded for 2024. One recipient, Scott Cantrell CV class of '99, addressed the group. He expressed gratitude for the grant and shared information about his laser cutting computer tool grant that enables students to create a drawing, then a digital image of their artwork is automatically cut into the wood block. All attendees were gifted a copy of his students' work.

**RECREO:** Nancy Pruskowski shared information about planned local trips to Wheatland (3/7), Alpaca Farm (4/9) and Wright's Mansion (5/9).

**Old Business:**

- John Bratton presented the updated By-laws for approval of the membership. Becky Peifer moved to accept the changes, Don Rineer seconded. The changes were approved; the updated By-laws will be filed with PASR.
- Marge Rineer and Ruth Havercamp, Community Service, reported that the Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to Carol Kurl. Carol (Manheim Township retiree) was chosen for making her community a better place and supporting LCSR tirelessly.
- Members were encouraged to take an active role in the organization by serving on a committee or considering a leadership position in the chapter.

**New Business:**

- Marijane Ember announced that a Trivia Event will be held on November 17 at Lititz Springs Restaurant. Admission is \$25.00 per person . There will be a optional bar menu available. Door prizes will be awarded; a grand prize provided by Lititz Springs is a 5 course dinner for the winning team.
- MONTE Carlo will be Sunday, March 30 at Millersville University. Tickets are available (\$85.00) which includes dinner, dessert, coffee bar, beer and wine plus entry in the final cash drawing for \$3000.00.
- PASR House of Delegates will be held October 5, 6, and 7, 2025. Our chapter should send seven members. It will be held in State College.
- Lauren Buchmann will be retiring for the President's position at the end of 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellyn Miller, Secretary

### Members Honored 2024

**Carol Kurl** was awarded the **Volunteer of the Year** award for her service not only to LCSR but also to her community. Carol was a tireless volunteer always willing to lend a hand to any project. Unfortunately we lost Carol on October 23. On September 30, Lauren Buchmann, LCSR President, and Jean Young, Region 4 Director, went to United Zion Home and presented Carol with her certificate and pin. In typical Carol fashion, she said she didn't deserve an award for doing what she loved.

**Carol Tangert** received the **John J. Dillon Award** for selfless service and dedication to promoting the interests and serving the needs of our members. Carol served as our RECREO chair for many years shepherding groups of happy travelers on day trips, domestic multi-day trips and international adventures. Also unable to attend the November meeting, Carol was presented with her certificate and pin at her home on November 1, during a visit by Jean Young and Lauren Buchmann.

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING REGISTRATION**  
**Monday, April 7, 2025**  
**Eden Resort & Suites / Regency Ballroom, 222 Eden Road, Lancaster, PA 17601**

**Agenda**

9:45 Registration/Social Time with  
Cheese, Cracker and Fruit Bar  
10:30 Program—Lancaster County Office of Aging  
11:30 Business Meeting  
12:00 Lunch  
12:45 Business Meeting Continued if necessary

**Menu**

Tomato Bisque  
Assorted Rolls & Butter  
**Lunch Choices**  
Chicken Salad Croissant with Tortellini Salad  
OR  
Chicken Bruschetta  
Chef's Choice of Potato & Vegetable  
  
Dessert: Carrot Cake  
Regular or Decaf Coffee, Herbal Tea, Iced Tea

**DEADLINE for return of registration form: Monday, March 24, 2025**

Please return the form below with a check payable to LCSR/PASR to: **Mrs. Becky Peifer**  
**5163 Oak Leaf Drive**  
**Mount Joy, PA 17552**

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NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Menu Choices: # \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Salad Croissant # \_\_\_\_\_ Bruschetta Chicken

\_\_\_\_\_ I will attend the meeting only.

\*\*\*\*\*Please note below any special dietary needs for your reservation\*\*\*\*\*

Year you retired \_\_\_\_\_ District from which you retired \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Cost of luncheon: \$23.00 per person \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (includes tax and gratuity)

Contribution to General Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contribution to Scholarship Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contribution to Social Services \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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*Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees*  
*Legislative/Political Education Committee*

**CONTRIBUTION FORM**

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

Did you know that a campaign to urge passage of a single piece of legislation can cost the association over \$200,000?

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

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Thank you for your support!*

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Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO L/PEC. MAIL TO**  
**878 CETURY DRIVE, MECHANICSBURG, PA 17055 –8406**

## **Application for Local Membership**

### **Lancaster County School Retirees**

Please use this form to join as a new member or to renew your membership.

Send a check payable to LCSR/PASR and enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

**Lauren Buchmann, Membership Chairman**

**134 Creekgate Ct.**

**Millersville, PA 17551**

Please Check Membership Category:

Life (\$250.00)     Annual (\$15.00)     3 Year (\$40.00)     Associate (\$15.00)

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Phone\_\_\_\_\_ DOB\_\_\_\_\_

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

Year Retired\_\_\_\_\_ District\_\_\_\_\_ Position\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address\_\_\_\_\_

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## **Application for State Membership**

### **Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees**

Please use this form as a new member or to renew your membership.

Make checks payable to PASR and send the application and check to:

**PASR**

**878 Century Lane**

**Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-4375**

Select your membership option:

Annual Membership (\$60.00)     Associate Membership (\$60.00)     Life (\$700.00)

3-Year (\$150)     Half Life (2 payments of \$350.00)

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Phone\_\_\_\_\_ DOB\_\_\_\_\_

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

District\_\_\_\_\_ Retirement Date\_\_\_\_\_ Years of Service\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address\_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of a local PASR Chapter?\_\_\_\_\_ If so, which one\_\_\_\_\_

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

Visit our website at [www.pasr.org](http://www.pasr.org)

**LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL RETIREES**

**Mrs. Lauren Buchmann**

**134 Creekgate Ct.**

**Millersville, PA 17551**

**CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED**

**PLEASE CHECK ABOVE FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION AND EXPIRATION DATE**

**USE THE FORM ON PAGE 7 TO RENEW LAPSED MEMBERSHIPS**

**LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL RETIREES**

**SPRING NEWSLETTER**

**General Membership Meeting**

**Monday, April 7, 2025**

**Eden Resort**

**Speakers: Office of Aging**

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**MONTE CARLO**

**March 30, 2025**

**Lehr Room, Millersville University**

**ORDER YOUR TICKETS TODAY**

**See page 3 for an order form.**

**Food, Drinks, Friends**

**Basket Raffles**

**Grand Prize \$3,000.00**

**Personal connections are the best way to spread the word and recruit new members. Invite a friend to attend a meeting or event!**