

SOCIAL SERVICE MEMORIAL HONOR FUND

The main purpose of the Social Service Memorial Honor Fund is to assist members in need of comfort and/or financial assistance and to promote chapter and individual giving to the PASR Memorial Honor Fund. Chapters receive financial allocations each year from this fund to render care and service to members who are ill or aged and become confined, either in hospitals, their homes or in nursing facilities.

Unfortunately, the Fund's balance is low and a major effort is being made by our association to revitalize our Memorial Honor Fund so that we can continue to serve those in need. If you would like to support our efforts by making a contribution to the Memorial Honor Fund in memory of or in honor of someone you care about, we invite you to turn to the contribution form on page 7 of this newsletter. Fill it out and send it with your donation to PASR at the address noted on the form. Donations can also be made through the PASR website by going to the Members Only Section, clicking on Donate, then on SSMHF. Thank you for helping PASR volunteers to continue assisting members in need and for helping to maintain the Memorial Honor Fund for years to come.

During the PASR biennial House of Delegates Meeting, a basket auction raises money for the Memorial Honor Fund. Each county is asked to donate a basket with a value of at least fifty dollars. This auction generally earns an average of \$4000 for the Memorial Honor Fund. PASR-MCC donated a basket for the 2019 Meeting which was added to the eighty one other baskets on display. Eighty two baskets were auctioned off (our own John Worthington went home with three!) and around \$3500 was raised for the Memorial Honor Fund.

The SSMHF Committee co-chair, Mary Fenstermacher, sent poinsettias and cards to shut-ins and members in nursing homes during the holidays. Many, many thank you notes were received stating how beautiful the plants were and how the "generous touch" brightened their holiday.

Barbara D'Onofrio's pen has been busy addressing birthday cards for our 90 and over members whose birthdays were in January, February and March. Evie Reese will be picking up the pen to send birthday greetings to our nonagenarians - and centenarians - for the months of April, May and June. Note: If you would like to help with the mailing of birthday cards, please contact Evie Reese at ejreese1@verizon.net.



Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees - Memorial Honor Fund

A contribution of \$ _____ is being made to the Social Service Memorial Honor Fund

in honor of _____ in memory of _____

Please inform the following of this lovely tribute:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Donor Information: Chapter Individual

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

County: _____ **Date:** _____

Donate online: <https://www.pasr.org/member-donate-ssmhf/>

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