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Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees
Montgomery County Chapter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Every year Mary Fenstermacher, Chair of the Educational Support Committee, does a superlative job in finding our Montgomery County PASR Scholarship Recipient. This year a student from Abington High School will be our 2019 recipient.

Many changes in the last few years have made the expense of a college education more difficult. On a personal note, my son, who attends Thomas Jefferson University and is an architecture major, needed a lap top computer beyond the over-the-counter types. The price tag: \$ 2,800. My daughter just graduated from American University. American University has several campuses overseas which offer an experience of a lifetime. The price tag, you would not believe.....which brings us to the value of our scholarship. Both of my children won scholarships, not from PASR, but both from associations like ours which care about the next generation of students. There are many reasons I am proud to be part of PASR; this is one. The thankless job of putting our scholarship together from search to our spring luncheon presentation falls again in Mary's hands and she does it with perfection.

David Korczakowski, President
Montgomery County Chapter

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

It appears that PASR will once again encourage contacts with legislators. We will require volunteers to visit and communicate with our elected officials. If anyone is interested in joining our legislative contact teams, please contact me. We are especially in need of people who have already established relationships with their senators and representatives.

I can be reached at: msbdonofrio@sdlifestyle.com.

Thank you...

Barbara D'Onofrio, Chairperson

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Our Montgomery County Chapter needs a volunteer to assemble our newsletter twice a year. Articles are written and sent by email; the newsletter editor puts together the information for our newsletter to be sent to Chapter members. This is our only means of communicating with most of our members and is an important part of our chapter's mission. Reservation forms for our two luncheons and RECREO trips are also included. The software will be provided for you. Any questions—contact Elise Pancio at 610-539-9525 or pep707@verizon.net.



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Our next scholarship recipient will be from Abington High School. Abington students are leaders in PSSA scores in the state. They have won technology-oriented awards from Dell and Microsoft. Abington is most notable for its chess team, which has won the state championship the past five years and has competed well at the national level.

There are 575 students in their current senior class and the school also has very impressive athletic alumni. Ellie Daniel, Class of 1968 won a gold, silver and bronze as an Olympic swimmer. Susan Francia, Class of 2000, is a two time gold medal winning Olympic rower. Finally, Shawn Wooden, Class of 1991, has played for the Miami Dolphins and the Chicago Bears.

RETIREMENT PLANNING

Probably most of us remember the ***PSERS Foundations for your Future*** presentations and many will remember the individual conferences we had with PSERS counselors. PSERS still holds periodic Foundations for your Future seminars in a variety of locations. Most sessions last an hour and a half to two hours. As the participants leave the seminar a representative of PASR Montgomery County hands out the After School magazine which is designed to introduce future retirees to PASR. The magazine is well done and informative.

Over the years we have had some people mention that they joined PASR as a result of that publication. It is critical to understand that this is but one recruitment approach. I am convinced that the most effective recruitment tool is the personal contact of current PASR members with their retiring friends and co-workers. When you have an opportunity to gather with these friends don't forget to "talk up" PASR Montgomery County. Remember there is strength in numbers; **you** are the most effective recruiter!!

John Worthington
Chairperson

PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL RETIREES

MONTGOMERY COUNTY CHAPTER
FALL LUNCHEON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1 2018

WILLIAM PENN INN
ROUTE 202 and SUMNEYTOWN PIKE, GWYNEDD, PA

SOCIAL TIME 11:30 am– 12 NOON; LUNCH SERVED AT 12:15 pm

Menu

House Salad with creamy tarragon dressing
Chicken Marsala served with mushrooms in a marsala wine sauce
Crispy Parmesan and Panko Crusted Lemon Sole with a lemon caper butter sauce
Buttermilk Mashed Potatoes
Julienne Vegetables Medley
Rolls and Whipped Butter
Coffee, Tea, Decaffeinated Coffee
Fresh Fruit Cobbler: Peaches and blueberries topped with a shortbread streusel
Served with whipped cream and mint sprigs

PROGRAM

“What’s It Worth” . . .Ask Mike the Appraiser?
Michael Ivanovich—Appraiser and Author
Offers expert opinion on the value of your antiques and collectibles.
Each attendee is invited to bring one item for appraisal.

Please participate in our PASR Community Service Project
Bring a can or packaged food item to the luncheon!

DETACH HERE AND MAIL WITH CHECK FOR \$31.00 BY MONDAY. OCTOBER 26, 2018

NAME (S) _____ PHONE # _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

MENU CHOICE: CHICKEN _____ LEMON SOLE _____

SEND CHECK MADE OUT TO **PASR-MCC** FOR **\$31.00 per person** TO:

TONY STRAKA - 712 LAWRENCE LANE, AMBLER, PA 19002

WHAT'S IT WORTH?

Do you have jewelry that's been in your family for years? How about a coin collection or a lamp that your grandmother swore was Tiffany? If you have family heirlooms or other unique items that you think might be of value you will want to attend our fall luncheon meeting to be held at the William Penn Inn on Thursday, November 1 where our speaker will be Michael Ivankovich, author, auctioneer, appraiser and home downsizing consultant.



Michael has been involved in some phase of the auction, antiques and collectibles business for more than 35 years. He is a frequent lecturer and has spoken before groups too numerous to list. He has authored more than 20 books and eBooks in his areas of specialty, has written articles and columns for most major national trade papers, has appeared on various radio and television programs, is frequently consulted by antique columnists from throughout the country, and has served as a contributing advisor within his specialty areas to all major Antiques & Collectibles Price Guides. He even has his own weekly "What's It Worth? Ask Mike the Appraiser" radio show on WBCB 1490 AM every Friday morning.

Michael will first introduce you to the concept of "value" and share some of the tricks of the trade he has learned during his many years in the business. Then, in an "Antiques Roadshow"-style event he will answer questions, offer advice and estimate the value of items belonging to the attendees as well as recommend which selling methods will likely fetch the most money. Here's how it works:

- Each attendee is asked to bring in 1 item for Michael to appraise
- Michael will explain how today's "value" is determined . . .
- And then reveal what your antiques, collectibles and personal treasures are really worth today

Please plan to join us for this informative and entertaining program. We think you'll be glad that you did.



PASR MONTGOMERY COUNTY CHAPTER NEW MEMBERS



*Theresa Desmond
Susan Scofield*

*John Hiller
Anna Mary Wiater*

*Dennis M. Rozarto
Mary Wolfe*

L/PEC CONTRIBUTION FORM

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Send to PASR L/PEC, 878 Century Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

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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 _____ to help less fortunate members.

Please inform the following of this loving tribute:

Name: _____ Address: _____ Zip: _____

Donor Information: _____ Chapter _____ Individual

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County _____ Date: ____/____/____

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

With sadness, we note that we have recently been notified of the passing of our colleagues from PASR, Montgomery County Chapter:

Yvette B. Arian
Dorothea C. Ball
Lee D. Basore
Ruth F. Clatterbuck
Carolyn B. Croll
Alfred G. Grams
Jane B. Guest
Louise C. Guthrie
Lois H. Hall
Carl B. Hoffman
John R. Holland
Leroy Kent

Jane H. Kesson
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DATES TO REMEMBER

PASR—MONTGOMERY COUNTY—2018—2019

October 10	Executive Board Meeting, MCIU, 9:30 AM
November 1	Fall Luncheon, William Penn Inn
December 12	Executive Board Meeting, MCIU, 9:30 AM
January 9	Executive Board Meeting, MCIU, 9:30 AM
February 13	Executive Board Meeting, MCIU, 9:30 AM
March 13	Executive Board Meeting, MCIU, 9:30 AM
April 10	Executive Board Meeting, MCIU, 9:30 AM
May 2	Spring Luncheon, William Penn Inn
June 12	Executive Board Meeting, MCIU, 9:30 AM

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend any or all of the above events.
Contact our President, David Korczakowski at (215-680-9361; pocono19072@gmail.com), for more information.