

# Venango Chapter

# President's Message

Welcome to one of the warmest summers in a while. I am so glad someone invented central air conditioning.

This newsletter has information on the Summer meeting on August 14 and the Picnic on September 5. Hope you can make at least one event this year. We will be having Trooper Magee talk at the Summer meeting about the latest scams hitting the area and how senior citizens can protect themselves and report these scams before real monetary damage is done. The picnic is a relaxed gettogether with no program but we always have such a great time just visiting and catching up while enjoying great tureens, fried chicken, and coffee, ice tea, and water.

I was so happy that many members came to the Spring Meeting at Hoss's. If you missed it and would like to see the minutes, they are on our website at vpasr.org. Take some time to visit the website and look around. The program for the Spring meeting was about the services that the Venango County Agency on Services for Older Adults provides. Our speakers left extra booklets, pamphlets, and handouts for anyone who could not attend.

The Venango PASR budget for 2018-2019 was passed and financial reports for the previous year were reviewed. If you would like any of the Spring meeting materials, just call and I will try to deliver or mail them to you.

I hope to see members at the coffee hours from 9AM to 10AM on July 24th at Oil City McDonalds, where Senior coffee is \$1, and on July 25th at Franklin McDonalds from 9AM to 10AM. No meeting at these coffee hours, but we do share information and a great cup of coffee.

Diana Fesenmyer, Venango PASR President

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## Social Service

The committee will be holding a memorial service in honor of members who died in the past year (July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018) at the August Meeting. Please remember them in your thoughts and prayers.

Helen Black, Helen Cookson Myers, Francis A. Lauer, Bruce McFall, Lawanda Baker, Florence S. Albright, Doris Wrenshall, Ruth Walker Daniels, and Martha Joanne McDowell.

Memorial Honor Fund Please consider making a donation in memory or honor of a member.				
I wish to donate \$ by check made payable to the MEMORIAL HONOR FUND in honor, or inmemory of				
Name				
Address	City			
Phone				
Date//	PASR Venango Member			
Mail form to PASR, 878 Century Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055				



There will be a drawing, at the August meeting, to support the PASR state Memorial Honor Fund.

Please support our efforts by buying a ticket.

The Social Service Committee needs your help. If you know of a PASR member who is ill, hospitalized, had an accident, or is suffering from a long term illness, please let one of our members know so we can provide flowers, a card or a personal visit.

Cranberry SSMHF: Diana Fesenmyer 676-6442

Franklin SSMHF: Sandra Homer 758-1143

Oil City SSMHF: Sandra Kellner 677-4953

Valley Grove SSMHF: Gloria Stevens 676-9372

#### **Turning 90 in 2019!**

**Eleanor Hrinya** 

**Howard Lehman** 

Patricia Melat

Our Current Nonagerians make us proud!

The following list shows us that those in school live great lives.

Mary Kaufman, Olive Miller, Edith Bell, Ida Cardamone, Florence Heyison Raymond Goodwill, Jean Ballard, Robert English, James Albright, Josephine McCoy, Kenneth Maurer, and Barbara Romanchak.

"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth." — Muhammad Ali

# **Educational Support**

We need an Educational Support Chair. The job is easy. You contact a local school superintendent. School District is determined by a four year rotating schedule. Let them know that we have two grants available to active local teachers. They will put the word out. Then you present the check at a school board meeting and have your picture taken with the winners. Not very hard!

The second part of the job involves contacting a local school superintendent and asking them to select two paraprofessionals for the Loretta Woodson Award. You attend a school board meeting and present checks and have you picture again.

Educational Support Grants and Awards are only partially funded by state PASR. We need additional funding of about \$220 per year to provide grants and awards at the current level. At each luncheon we collect some money for the Education Fund but more is needed. If you can help please complete the form below.

ED Support Donations				
I wish to donate \$ by check made payable to Venango Chapter PASR for the Educational Support Fund in Venango County. I know the money will be used for grants and scholarships for Venango County educators and support staff from Cranberry SD (2019), and Franklin SD (2020) Oil City SD (2021) and Valley Grove (2022) on a yearly rotational basis to ensure all school districts are represented.				
Name				
Address	City			
Zip				
Phone	Date/			
mail to Venango Chapter PASR, John Kolojejchick, 1238 Shaffer Run Rd., Oil City, PA 16301				

#### Calendar

- July 23: New retiree brunch Log Cabin 9 11 AM
- July 24: Coffee Hour McDonalds, Oil City 9-10 AM
- July 25: Coffee Hour McDonalds, Franklin 9-10 AM
- July 26: Newsletter mailing Oil City School District office 9:30 AM
- August 14: Summer Meeting Hoss's 11:30 AM Honor our 90+ members
- August: School Backpack Project
- September 5: Summer Picnic tureen dinner Morrison Park 4:30 to 6 PM
- September 11: Executive Committee Meeting Log Cabin 10:30 AM
- September 18-19: RECREO trip to Lancaster to "Jesus" contact 827-9171 \$360/person dbl occupancy
- September 18: Newsletter mailing Oil City School District office 9:30 AM
- · October 16: Fall Meeting Hoss's 11:30 AM
- October 30: Winter Executive Committee meeting Log Cabin 10:30 AM
- · November: Educational Grants awarded
- December: SSMHF Month of Remembering Gifts to 90+, Homebound, and Nursing Home members

## **Community Service**

The community service committee will meet August 8<sup>th</sup> at WalMart to buy school supplies for the Crisis Center. Each year we build packets of necessary school supplies for children displaced as a result of domestic violence. You can help by contacting Pat Raph (676-5500), or Sandra Kellner (676-9372). Your help will be appreciated.

"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." - Winston Churchill

"Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile." - Albert Einstein

"I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I do know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve." - Albert Schweitzer

## Welcome to the 2018 Venango County Retirees

## **Cranberry School District**

Cynthia Clayton, Deborah Crisman, Susan Holt, Michelle Stiglitz, Sharon Johns, Brenda O'Neil, David Guth, Carol Wilson

#### Franklin School District

Shawn Eicholtz, Wendy Eicholtz, Tammy Dahl, Diane Woods, Peter Greene, Maureen Hager, Janet Kiser, Bradford Stallard

## Oil City School District

Carol Weaver, Kathleen Lindsey, Mardellle Rishel, Molly Scannell, Suzanne Park

#### Valley Grove School District

Susan Martin, Randy Lepley, Donna Burgard, Kathleen Allio, Althea Wheeling, Martin Aylesworth

If you know them, please call and personally invite them to our functions! July 23 Brunch at the Log Cabin, 9-11. August 14 Summer Meeting at Hoss's 11:30

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Our Mission is to help school retirees enjoy their Retirement.

# Membership

Our 2018-2019 membership campaign is in full swing. If we have your current email address you should have received an email letting you know that your dues of \$10.00 are due. For those without email post cards were sent out. You can pay your local dues by making a check to Venango Chapter PASR and sending it to John Kolojejchick, 1238 Shaffer Run Rd. Oil City, PA 16301

For those who paid dues and have an email address on file, you should have gotten an email indicating that you dues payment was received.

Those without email who paid dues will receive a membership card later.

If you have any questions about your dues please call John Kolojejchick at 676-6435.

#### August 14, 2018

Summer Meeting At Hoss's Steakhouse in Cranberry PA 11:30 A.M.

Program: Our new 90 plus members are welcomed. Memorial Service for Deceased Members and PA State Police Trooper Magee on Area Scams and Protections for Seniors.

## September 5, 2018

Picnic at Morrison Park in Seneca PA 4:30PM to 6PM

Bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert to share. Provided will be Fried Chicken, Ice-Tea, coffee, water, table covers, paper plates and plastic silverware. Bring a serving utensil. Bring a guest. Program is just social time at the pavilion by the pond.

# Pat Ralph presenting Volunteer of the Year Award to Diana Jackson





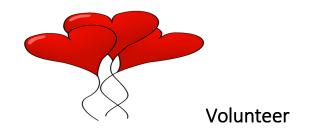


June meeting at Hoss's



Kate Stevens and Michelle Tarr from the Venango County Older Adult services presenting at the Venango PASR Spring Meeting

"Our generation has the ability and the responsibility to make our evermore connected world a more hopeful, stable and peaceful place." — Natalie Portman



"The purpose of life is not to be happy, but to matter—to be productive, to be useful, to have it make some difference that you have lived at all." — Leo Rosten



The Venango Chapter need the following:

President

Vice President

Secretary

**Educational Support Chair** 

**Newsletter Editor** 

**RECREO Chair** 

Training is available for all positions. Most positions only require a few hours per year.

Visit our website at vpasr.org and see what we are doing

#### P.A.S.R. Community Service Survey

TO ALL PASR Members - Thank you for being a volunteer in our community! PASR Chapters are interested in documenting the hours of service that volunteer retirees contribute to their local communities. In doing this, our volunteers show to the community at large a positive picture of the activities of public school retirees. Please take a moment to complete this form, filling in the appropriate number of hours PER YEAR that you volunteer. A summary of this information will be shared with AARP, NRTA, and PSAR Headquarters.

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Library		Party Affiliation	on Activities		
School					
Other Boards and Committee	es				
TOTAL		TOTAL			
SOCIAL SERVICES	HRS PER YR	RELIGIOUS	HRS PER YR		
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Parks and Recreation		Committees .	Committees		
Boards/Committees .	······	Sunday School	Sunday School Teacher		
Cancer Society		Choir/Music.	Choir/Music		
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Yes, I want my hours counted, but I <u>DO NOT</u> want to be considered for the Volunteer of the Year					
Return this form to: Patricia Ralph, 4178 State Route 417, Cooperstown ,PA 16317					
Please attach another page to this form to clarify or to provide a more detailed info not listed.					