



The Newsletter of the Pennsylvania Association of Retired State Employees

Philadelphia-Bucks Chapter

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Fall 2020

Message from the President

Dear Fellow State Retiree,

Autumn has arrived and the leaves are turning reddish brown; the days are getting shorter; the Philadelphia Eagles are back on the field but our PARSE Fall Luncheon is **NOT** right around the corner. The luncheon is another casualty of Covid-19. Our annual holiday party is also cancelled for 2020 and any planning for future events for 2021 has been put on hold. With the cancellation of our fall business luncheon, our current officers and Board members will remain intact until the opportunity arises for a suitable election.

Although the specter of Covid-19 hovers over all aspects of life, our PARSE membership has not been derailed. By mid October, our Philadelphia-Bucks membership reached an all time high of 1,725, up by over 8% from 2019. Statewide, we are nearing 28,000 members. This represents nearly a 40% jump in the last four years.

Although social events are not taking place, our PARSE state officials continue to be active. They maintain contacts with members of the governor's office, the State legislators and our insurance agent, PISI. There have been no adverse changes to our pensions or medical benefits. Furthermore, there are ongoing negotiations with PISI to improve our dental plan.

Now let's talk about dues. This newsletter will act as a renewal notice for your 2021 dues. Please complete and forward your renewal application in the enclosed envelope addressed to our treasurer, Mr. Edward Finfer.

The executive board wishes you a safe and healthy holiday season. Remember to follow the CDC guidelines such as frequent hand washing, social distancing and wearing a mask. Let's look forward to new beginnings during 2021.

Sincerely,

Leon Cerullo
PARSE Philadelphia-Bucks Chapter President

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SHOW STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

2021 Membership Dues!!!

\$20.00

NOW DUE

Please complete the enclosed membership application and include a check for your **2021 dues** of

\$20.00 per person, made out to:

"PARSE PHILA-BUCKS CHAPTER"

Mail to our chapter treasurer

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