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Fall 2026

Message from the President

Dear PARSE Member,

Autumn has arrived; daylight is waning; the Phillies are promising and we look forward to another winning season with the Eagles. Meanwhile, our PARSE Fall Luncheon is right around the corner. We will meet at noon on Wednesday, October 21st at The Felt Factory, 1523 E Wingohocking Street, Philadelphia, PA 19124. The cost for members will be \$30.00 per person; non-members will pay the full cost of \$38.00 per person.

This meeting is especial important as it involves the election of officers and board members for the next two years. Any PARSE member can be nominated and elected.

Our guest speaker will be Carrie Nace from NOVAK Advisors, our government relations liaison. She will discuss governmental issues pertaining to PARSE, highlighting the likelihood of receiving a cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) in the upcoming year.

In the social sphere, our casino trip, as usual, was successful and was well attended. Another casino trip is being planned for next year. The June Magic Show was also successful and everyone seemed to enjoy the illusions. We are looking forward to our upcoming trip to Longwood Gardens on October 14th.

Membership continues to be positive. By mid-August, we totaled 2,037 members or 96% of last year's level. By year's end, membership should surpass the 2025 total of 2,123. Statewide, our membership is reaching an all-time high of 40,000 members.

We should always look to recruit new members because there is ----- "**Strength in Numbers**"

Sincerely,

Dan Loftus
PARSE Philadelphia-Bucks Chapter President

Executive Board:

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Vice President
Secretary
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Ozie Washington-Ivey

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2026 Membership Dues!!!

\$20.00

Notification will come from State Office

Please go to the PARSE website www.parseofpa.org and select the "Pay Dues Online!" tab at the top right of the home screen and follow the prompts

or

Write a check made out to "PARSE" and mail to:
Pennsylvania Association of Retired
State Employees

5000 Ritter Road, Suite 105
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055



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TOP SENIOR SCAMS



Mail

- Don't send any personal information through the mail to anyone who you don't know, no matter what they've offered or promised.
- Never respond to a sweepstakes letter by sending a check to claim a prize.
- Only send checks to charities with which you are familiar.
- Don't leave bill payment envelopes in your unsecured mailbox for pickup.
- If merchandise that a senior didn't order arrives COD (cash on delivery), do not open it, but send it back.



Telephone

- Don't give any personal information on the phone.
- Don't trust the people who say they are. Good guys will not ask for sensitive information.
- Beware of statements like: "You must act 'now' or the offer won't be good." "You've won a 'free' gift, vacation, or prize."
- Don't buy over the phone from an unfamiliar company.



Computer

- Make sure your computer has all the security it needs and a security update system.
- Don't respond to emails from people you don't know or to emails you haven't expected to receive.
- When making online purchases, don't give out your credit card number online unless the website is secure and reputable.
- Make sure you are purchasing merchandise from a reputable source.

The Felt Factory, 1523 E Wingohocking Street Philadelphia, PA 19124, 215-289-2020

From I 76 East and West

Take exit 340B to merge onto Roosevelt Blvd/US-1 N, slight right at Adams Ave, turn right at E Wingohocking Street

From I 95 North and South

Take exit 26 for State Route 90/Betsy Ross Bridge/Aramingo Ave, keep left at the fork to continue toward Aramingo Ave, turn right at Aramingo Ave, take the 2nd right onto E Butler St, turn right at Frankford Ave, turn left at E Hunting Park Ave, turn right at Castor Ave, take the 3rd right onto E Wingohocking Street

Roosevelt Blvd South/US-1 S Head south on Roosevelt Blvd toward Pratt St, turn left at Pratt St, turn right at Castor Ave, turn left at Adams Ave, turn right at E Wingohocking Street

Roosevelt Blvd North/US-1 N

Head north on Roosevelt Blvd toward Adams Ave, slight right at Adams Ave, turn right at E. Wingohocking Street