

Central Penn Chapter
Pennsylvania Association of
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President's Report

We, the Board, would like to wish everyone a very Happy Holiday!

DID YOU KNOW?

Earth is actually closest to the sun during the month of January. This may seem counterintuitive, as it's often mistakenly believed that Earth's proximity to the sun is responsible for a change in seasons. Earth's closest point to the sun is called perihelion, and occurs in early January when Earth is approximately 91 million miles from the sun. Conversely, aphelion, when Earth is farthest from the sun, occurs in July, when the distance between Earth and the sun is about 94.5 million miles. This phenomenon can be explained by understanding that Earth's orbit around the sun is not a perfect circle but instead an ellipse.

If anyone has any unusual trivia information they would like to share in the newsletter, please e-mail them to me at: auntsarab@comcast.net.

Please see the flyer (in this newsletter) regarding the Christmas luncheon on December 19, 2023.

We would like to encourage any new members to the chapter to come and enjoy one of our monthly luncheons. Sue Mitchell, our program chairperson, is planning some interesting entertainment for 2024. We would like to see more new faces at our luncheons.

At of the end of October, the total membership for the Central Penn Chapter is 9,193. The total membership for the state is 34,827.

A reminder on your reservations for the luncheons. Send them in as soon as you can after receiving the information as Tom does not get his mail until late in the day. Also, please keep in mind the reservation date listed on the reservation form as the Penn Harris orders the food after we give them a count, so we cannot keep adding to the count.

Since the Chapter cannot make changes to your records, if you have any questions regarding your vision, dental or other benefits you need to contact PISI at 1-800-382-1352. If you have any questions on your membership, dues, address change, etc. contact the State PARSE office at 717-731-9522. Also, if a member passes away, the spouse, significant other, or children must notify both the PARSE office and if they had the benefits, the PISI office.

Sara E. Bender
President,
Central Penn Chapter

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Any chapter correspondence is to be sent to:

Central Penn Chapter PARSE  
264 Rutter Road • Halifax, PA 17032 | [auntsarab@comcast.net](mailto:auntsarab@comcast.net) | (717) 580-4586

[www.PARSECentralPenn.com](http://www.PARSECentralPenn.com)

Officers & Directors 2023  
[www.parsecentralpenn.com](http://www.parsecentralpenn.com)

In Memoriam  
David Garland  
Mary Goles  
Dale Mellott  
John Szivos

Please send Lisa the names of members whose deaths have come to your attention. If possible, please include an obituary or other formal notice of death. You must also notify the State PARSE Office and PISI.

Lisa Page  
[llpath@comcast.net](mailto:llpath@comcast.net)  
717-574-1213  
4607 Hamlin Lane,  
Harrisburg, PA 17110

For Inquiries on Benefits PISI  
Garrett Mowery  
800-382-1352

Events - Senators Ball Game:  
Shirley Hoffman..... 717-652-3435

Travel:  
Jan Moran..... 717-763-5515  
Karen Taylor..... 717-343-1235  
Sara Bender..... 717-580-4586  
Mary Beckey..... 717-580-4534

Calls will only be accepted by officers and directors between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

For inquiries on Membership, Dues, and Insurance notifications:

PARSE (State Office)  
5000 Ritter Road, Suite 105  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055  
717-731-9522  
[www.parseofpa.org](http://www.parseofpa.org)

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Tom Judge..... 731-9522  
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Regional Vice President  
Paul Miller ..... 717-263-7481



# PARSE Travel

TRIP FLYERS ARE AVAILABLE AT: [www.parsecentralpenn.com](http://www.parsecentralpenn.com) or call Jan or Karen to send one to you at the numbers listed on the back page of this Newsletter. Mail all reservation forms to: PARSE c/o Jan Moran at 621 Mallard Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011 Non-members welcome!

**PARSE Travel - Budget Friendly:** A full refund is provided 30 days prior to the trip unless otherwise stated. If you purchase travel insurance, you will get your money refunded.

## TRIPS FOR 2023 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION)

The information on the trips have been updated on the WEB site ([www.parsecentralpenn.com](http://www.parsecentralpenn.com)) as the Newsletter will only show the trip, date and price. You need to go to the WEB Site to see the full information on the trip, print the flyer, and make your reservation with the form at the bottom of the flyer. You must click on the trip to print the flyer. If you cannot print the flyer, contact Karen or Jan for a copy of the flyer you want. Keep checking the WEB site as the flyers will appear there sooner than in the Newsletter.

- December 29, 2023-January 1, 2024.....Ocean City, MD – New Year Celebration
- January 14, 2024.....America's Got Talent – Puppy Pals
- March 14, 2024.....Hunterdon Hills, The Irish Cabaret
- April 3, 2024.....Sight & Sound – Daniel
- May 20-25, 2024.....Taste of Kentucky Bourbon Trail
- July 18-21, 2024.....Virginia Wine & Polo
- August 13, 2024.....Roots and More, Manheim, PA
- December 11, 2024.....American Music Theater – 2024 Christmas Show

When submitting a reservation for a PARSE trip, you need to use the reservation form at the bottom of the flyer. Using this form makes it easier to keep track of who is going on the trip, where they want to be picked up, your telephone number, and it also helps us keep track of any special needs or requests. When just sending a note with your payment it does not always give us all the information we need. If you don't have access to the internet or printer, call Karen or Jan and they will send you a flyer.

**PLEASE NOTE: Since the seating on the bus is based on when you submit your money/deposit, and you are traveling with other people, everyone needs to submit their reservation form at the same time in order to be seated together. Please make a note on your reservation forms the names of those who you are traveling with.**

2023/2024 Membership

Luncheon Meeting/Program

12/19,

1/16, 2/19, 3/18, 4/15, 5/20, 6/19

MOST ARE SCHEDULED ON

TUESDAY, BUT NOT ALWAYS.

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, December 5, 2023

Hostess: Sara Bender

717-580-4586

Dodge City, Paxton Street,

Harrisburg, PA

Board of Directors Meetings 2023/2024

12/5,

1/2, 2/6, 3/5, 4/2, 5/7, 6/4

## Monthly Chapter Meeting

Reservation for Lunch at Chapter Meeting ~ The Penn Harris Hotel **Monday, December 19, 2023**  
**RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED- NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED** Doors Open at 11:00 AM – Lunch at 12:00 Noon

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Names of others on your check payment:  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

**MENU – Tomato Basil Bisque Soup, Roast Turkey with Stuffing or Ham with Chef's Choice Sauce (must choose), Whipped Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Cranberry Sauce and Dessert Station**

Plain Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ (Alternate Meat Choice), Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_, Gluten Free \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of reservations: \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Members and \_\_\_\_\_ \$20.00 for Guests with a Member Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Program: Jeffrey Krick, Jr. an Elvis Impersonator**

**Deadlines: Reservations - Received by December 11, 2023**

**Cancellations - by NOON December 11, 2023**

Central PA Food Bank Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**You must make out separate checks for your luncheon to PARSE and the donation to Central PA Food Bank.**  
*Payment is requested by personal check only. Please make checks payable to PARSE*

Mail to: PARSE c/o Tom Hoffman, 7855 Skyline Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17112 Phone: (717) 652-3435  
Lunch tickets are not issued, but there must be a reservation verifiable at the desk.

## Welcome New Members

|                           |                      |                   |                       |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:</b> |                      |                   |                       |
| COLLEEN ALLEMAN           | KENNETH PERRY        | DEEDIE DEEDS      | JEANETTE MAGARO       |
| STEVE BARNDT              | MICHAEL RAFFENBERGER | BERNDINE DEHOF    | DOUGLAS MANEVAL       |
| ROBERT BIRCH              | AMY RICHARD          | MICHAEL DIEHL     | STEVEN MARTIN         |
| CONNIE BOYLE              | SANTOS SANCHEZ       | ROBERT DIEHL      | TIMOTHY MCCALLEY      |
| DAVID BROSIUS             | CANDICE SHAFFER      | SONYA DOCK        | DEBORAH MCINTOSH      |
| ANTHONY CHIARELLA         | PATRICIA SHANK       | MICHAEL DUDRICH   | KEITH MILLER          |
| BARBARA CIMINO            | HELEN SHOPE          | CAROLYN ELLISON   | DAVID MITTNER         |
| SANDRA CORBO              | MALORIE SIRB         | BARBARA SROGONCIC | MARCELLA MORTON LEWIS |
| CHARLES CUAZ              | DOVALD STIMELY       | DOVALD STIMELY    | MELODY FISCHER        |
| GALEN DEHOFF              | CINDY SUNDERLAND     | JAMES TRUCCO      | DANIEL FRANK          |
| JOHN DERNBACH             | JAMES WALKER         | RANDY WALKER      | KARLA FREEMAN         |
| BARBARA DIEHL             | RALPH WEIK           | MICHELE WHAPELES  | MICHAEL GARMAN        |
| JOHN ELLISON              | CYNTHIA WHITE        | JOANNE WILKES     | GARY GOODLING         |
| MEACIE FAIRFAX            | JOYCE WONG           | DEBRA YOCCA       | GARY GRAYBILL         |
| MARIE FRANK               | MARK ZODY            | DAVID ZWIFKA      | SCOTT GROB            |
| LEE FREEMAN               |                      |                   | JAMES GROSSMAN        |
| JO GARMAN                 |                      |                   | ALAN HARDENSTINE      |
| RUSSELL GOHEEN            |                      |                   | STEVEN HARRINGTON     |
| SANDRA GRAH               |                      |                   | STEPHYN HAYS          |
| BRENDA GRAYBILL           |                      |                   | EARL HOCH             |
| LYNN GROSSMAN             |                      |                   | DEBORAH HOOK          |
| DEBRA HARRINGTON          |                      |                   | PATRICIA HUNSBERGER   |
| EUGENE HAYS               |                      |                   | RENE JOHNSON          |
| PATTI HELMAN WHITE        |                      |                   | CRAIG JORDAN          |
| DEAN JOHNSON              |                      |                   | ANGELA KELLY          |
| MICHAEL KELLY             |                      |                   | LEONARD KNEP          |
| CRISTI KREIGER            |                      |                   | TAMMI KOHLER          |
| MARGARET LOVE             |                      |                   | EUGENE KREIGER        |
| MARI MACKAREVICH          |                      |                   | JOSEPH WILKES         |
| CANDICE MANEVAL           |                      |                   | ESTHER WITMER         |
| KUN SUN MARTIN            |                      |                   | MARILYN WRIGHT        |
| REGINA MCCAULEY           |                      |                   | GARY YOCCA            |
| LISA MILLER               |                      |                   | KATHRYN YORKEVITZ     |
| ERNEST PEEK               |                      |                   | PAMELA ZODY           |





Central Penn Chapter PARSE

Holiday Party Luncheon Tuesday  
December 19, 2023 Lunch at 12:00 noon

Where: Penn Harris Conference Center, 1150 Camp Hill Bypass- Camp Hill  
Time: Door opens at: 11:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Lunch at 12:00 Noon

Cost: \$15.00 for Members and \$20.00 for Guests Attending With a Member

DOOR PRIZES!! Cash door prizes and one-half of the 50/50 kitty!!

Reception

Cheeses—Fruit Tray

Entrée

Tomato Basil Soup, Ham or Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Whipped Mashed Potatoes,  
Peas and Carrots, Cranberry Sauce  
(On reservation form, choose one (1) meat for each diner)

Dessert Station / Beverages

Assorted Holiday Desserts/ Coffee, Decaf, Hot Tea, Iced Tea

Entertainment

Jeffrey Krick, Jr., Elvis Impersonator

Reservations Due: Wednesday, DECEMBER 11, 2023

Deadline for Cancellations is December 11, 2023

Pick up your tickets at the door. ~ They will not be mailed.~

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of others you are paying for: \_\_\_\_\_

(2.) \_\_\_\_\_ (3.) \_\_\_\_\_ (4.) \_\_\_\_\_

Meat choice and how many Turkey \_\_\_\_\_ # Ham \_\_\_\_\_ #

Plain Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ # Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_ # Gluten Free \_\_\_\_\_ #

Number of Member Reservations \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 / Guests with Member \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ Total

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