

Bits & Pieces

Your Winter, Spring, and Fall Newsletter from the
DPS Supplemental Benefits Program

ASSISTANCE FUND OF THE DENVER TEACHERS' CLUB / VOLUNTARY PAYROLL PROTECTION PLAN
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The Supplemental Benefits Program:

ASSISTANCE FUND:

Free use of durable medical equipment for all current DPS employees, DPS retirees, and immediate family members. No membership fee. Funded by donations and yearly fundraisers.

VOLUNTARY PAYROLL PROTECTION PLAN:

Supplemental sick pay of \$60 per days missed from work for employees of DPS due to personal illness or injury. This benefit is funded by active employees' monthly payroll deduction of \$10 per month.

LABOR DAY – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2020 – The Denver Teachers' Club office will be closed.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS 2020 - We are closed Wednesday November 25, Thursday November 26, and Friday November 27. Monday and Tuesday of that week, November 23 and 24th, we are open from 8:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT - Please call ahead to reserve or return your medical equipment. All entrances to the Acoma Campus are locked. As with most school districts throughout the nation, the Denver Public Schools now requires that all outside doors be locked during school hours. This requirement includes the entrance to the Denver Teachers' Club offices. You will need to call our office at 303-377-0222 prior to visiting for any reason. If you stop by without calling ahead, you may be denied access. Open times may vary in compliance with DPS restrictions regarding Covid-19.

To continue to borrow medical equipment free of charge from the Denver Teachers Club Assistance Fund in retirement, call us to be on our DPS retiree database and keep us informed of any changes to your contact information.

PAYROLL PROTECTION PLAN for 2020–2021 – additional sick pay of \$60 per day is provided for active DPS employees through our employee-funded plan. Claim forms are available on our website or by contacting our office. If not a member, check out this benefit when enrolling in your other employee benefits offered to you during your Open Enrollment period, or call the Denver Teachers Club to ask about enrollment during the school year.

**HONORARIUMS AND TRIBUTES WERE RECEIVED BY THE ASSISTANCE FUND
BETWEEN MAY 9 AND SEPTEMBER 7, 2020 AS FOLLOWS:**

Tribute to **Ray Humphrey** – John Huston
 Tribute to **Thelda Gene Bishop** on her 100th Birthday by her family – Family of Gene Bishop
 Tribute to **Emily Vilkus** on her retirement – Steve & Nan Campbell
 Tribute to **Judith Crider** for evaluation and leadership skills – Rose Arvin
 In honor of **USMA – West Point Graduates 2020**, we salute you and thank you for your service as patriotic Americans, and appreciate your willingness to serve our country – Rose Arvin & Family

**DONATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE ASSISTANCE FUND BETWEEN
MAY 9 AND SEPTEMBER 7, 2020 AS FOLLOWS:**

Annie Ash	Elizabeth Hernandez	Robert Mantooth	Guadalupe Parrish
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**MEMORIALS WERE RECEIVED BY THE ASSISTANCE FUND BETWEEN
MAY 9 AND SEPTEMBER 7, 2020 AS FOLLOWS:**

(In Memory of:
Name of Donor)

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Delores Knight

Nan Raybuck

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TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE ASSISTANCE FUND OF THE DENVER TEACHERS' CLUB CONTACT OUR OFFICE, OR USE OUR FORM PROVIDED.

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that."

— Martin Luther King, Jr.

IN MEMORY

Aguilar, Elizabeth A.	12/11/19	Johnson, Deacon Paul	12/24/19
Bartz, Lloyd V.	06/23/18	Leonard, Virginia T.	05/18/20
Boehm, Mary	03/07/17	Lillehaug-Collins, Yvonne	05/24/20
Bowles, Norma J.	06/23/20	Metz, Janet H.	04/21/19
Brown, Norma	04/03/20	Oppenheim, Ruth S.	01/24/19
Brune, Mary D.	06/16/11	Padilla, Harold W.	04/22/20
Carosella, Sharron L.	10/20/17	Padilla, Anthony	01/05/19
Carrera, Linda D.	09/02/18	Perkins, Eugenia A.	10/05/16
Casey, Mary Theresa	04/07/20	Peter, Dorthy F.	10/05/19
Clark, Earl W.	10/13/11	Prunk, Edward.	08/03/10
Coffey, Mary Beth.	09/25/14	Sanderson, Janet Mcdonald	04/18/20
Dohe, Joann K.	04/29/20	Selman, Vilosa J	11/25/19
Gass, Sally R.	07/21/20	Shank, Sam L.	04/18/20
Godwin, Sara J.	08/29/20	Smith, Mary Louise	01/26/20
Grove, Jr William F.	02/23/17	Ware, Jr Alton	02/27/14
Halloran-Kelly, Margaret A.	05/01/20	Weil, Susan E.	08/16/20
Hedges, Gerald W.	05/07/20	Wilson, Sandra S.	12/20/18
Horvat, Mary L.	05/11/20	Yates, Betty Irene.	01/29/20

Denver Teachers' Club Assistance Fund Donation Form

1617 S. Acoma Street, Denver, CO 80223

Phone: 303-377-0222

Thank you for your contribution to Denver Teachers' Club Assistance Fund. Your support helps to ensure our ability to continue providing the services you and your family members are accustomed to receiving. Ever vigilant in our efforts to provide you with the latest, most innovative medical equipment, your contributions will also help us to expand our services as appropriate in the expensive and ever-changing arena of medical care provision. Please complete this form to your specifications, and mail it along with your contribution to the address above.

Donor Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

My check no. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

My gift is strictly a donation My gift is in memory of: _____

My gift is a tribute to: _____

Please send acknowledgment of this gift to (amount will not be disclosed):

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

TAX DEDUCTIBLE UNDER SECTION 501(c)3 of the I. R. S. CODE

In order to comply with IRS Code Section 170(f)(8), we will provide you with a receipt mailed to the address you have supplied above, which affirms that the Denver Teachers' Club provided no goods or services in consideration, in whole or in part, for your contribution.

CURRENT EMPLOYEES OF DPS

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT: \$60.00 PER DAY IN ADDITIONAL SICK PAY THROUGH THE “PAYROLL PROTECTION PLAN”

Offered through the DPS Supplemental Benefits Program to current full-time, DPS employees.

The Voluntary Payroll Protection Plan (VPPP) is set up as a **supplemental sick pay benefit** available after the 10 or 12 days of standard sick pay provided to you by the District each year. Your accumulated sick days in the Sick Leave Bank do not affect your eligibility for VPPP benefits. You must enroll for this benefit by filling out an application - available online, from your Teachers' Club school/site representative, or by calling our office. This benefit is funded by and for employees of DPS through payroll deductions of \$10 per month, or \$120 once per year.

Additional sick pay available-benefit vesting schedule is as follows:

1st Year member	5 days' pay	\$300
2nd Year member	10 days	\$600
3rd Year member	15 days	\$900
4th Year member	20 days	\$1,200
5th Year member	25 days	\$1,500
6th Year (Vested)	100 days	\$6,000

Once you are in your 6th year of continuous membership, you are eligible to collect up to 100 days of benefits per year, not to exceed 200 days in any five-year period.

The membership and claim year is July 1 through June 30 of each school year. Claims require the signature of your doctor and HR paid sick leave approval.

To request brochures and further information on this employee-funded benefit, call our DPSSBP office at 303-377-0222, or visit our website at www.DPSSBP.org

We are always in need of employee site representatives at schools and administration sites. If you would like to volunteer to be a Payroll Protection Plan Representative or a contact for a site currently in need of one, please call us at 303-377-0222 or email us at teresa@dpssbp.org. We could not provide the quality services you have come to expect without our volunteers' help. Please be sure to thank the representative at your work site.

ARE YOU RETIRING FROM DPS THIS YEAR?

Congratulations and **thank you** for your many years of service to the children of Denver. As a retiree from DPS, you maintain your privileges with the **ASSISTANCE FUND**. You may continue to borrow durable, non-personal medical equipment from us for yourself or any person in your immediate family for as long as you need it, **free of charge**. **The equipment is available to all active and retired employees of the DPS.**

To be added to our retiree list and to ensure your continued eligibility to borrow equipment, you must complete the **DPS Retiree Continuation Data Form** below and mail it to our office at 1617 S. Acoma St., Denver, CO 80223 – 3624. The form is also available in PDF format for you to download from our website – www.dpssbp.org.

*****PLEASE READ – Retirees, if you receive this newsletter at your home email or by US Mail you are already in our database and do not need to complete the form!! If your contact information changes, be sure to email or call us and let us know.**

ASSISTANCE FUND OF THE DENVER TEACHERS CLUB DPS Retiree Continuation Data Form

As a retiree of the Denver Public Schools, I understand that I remain eligible to use the non-personal, durable medical equipment made available to retirees and their immediate family members by the **Assistance Fund of the Denver Teachers' Club**. My signature below, along with the data I have provided, affirms my request to continue receiving periodic correspondence. In an effort to contribute to the cost savings of the organization, if I have supplied my email address below, I prefer to receive correspondence electronically.

I have the assurance that the data herein provided will be used only for the purposes of verifying my identity and communicating with me and my family. Furthermore, I understand that none of my personal data will be shared with any outside person or organization and that it is my responsibility to provide updated information whenever changes occur.

Name*: _____ Birth Date*: _____

Address*: _____

City*: _____ St*: _____ Zip (5+4)*: _____

Phone*: _____ DPS ID No.*: _____

Email address to receive correspondence electronically: _____

The effective date of my retirement is*: _____ 20____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

* Required Information

LINKS: Our web site: www.dpssbp.org

Please see our new website for all of our forms, including:

Assistance Fund Donation Form

Payroll Protection Plan Application / Payroll Protection Plan Rules & Regulations

Retiree Continuation Data Form and Changes in Contact Information

DPSREA: All DPS retirees are invited to join the Denver Public Schools Retired Employees Association, recognized by the DPS Board of Education. The DPSREA also lends support to the Scholarship Program of the DPS Retired Employee Foundation for the benefit of DPS students. Contact Barb Forsyth, Membership Chairperson, 720-289-5058, barbforsyth2757@gmail.com.

Simple Comforts

Mom's Meatloaf

1 lb ground beef
Onion (half chopped)
3/4 cup oatmeal
3/4 cup catsup
1 tsp salt
1/4 tsp pepper
1 egg

Bake 350 degrees for 45 minutes
