

NARFE NOTES

NEWSLETTER OF CHAPTER 1260 OF THE NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION SOUTHERN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

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THE NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (NARFE) Southern Prince George's County, Chapter 1260 will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at 6907 Oxon Hill Road, Oxon Hill, Maryland (Oxon Hill Jaycees), starting at 1 PM. Our next scheduled board meeting will also be on Thursday, May 16, 2019 at the Oxon Hill Jaycees location, starting at 11 AM.

President's Corner

William Guthrie

As we approach our summer vacation months I'd like to thank those who took the challenge of stepping up for various volunteer assignments within the chapter. Brenda Hill-Johnson has taken on the Vice President's duties and also has volunteered to coordinate all guest speakers; Janice Washington stepped up as Treasurer to replace Kandy Neary; Felice Gant, our Membership Chair, has mounted significant efforts to bring in new members, and aided me tremendously in my ability to communicate by e-mail with our chapter members; Faye Bland, our newsletter editor, helps keep us informed of chapter events; Diane Hostetler has accepted the challenge of coordinating our summer picnic at the Elks Lodge which in the past has proven to be a big hit with our membership; Barbara Duffitt, who makes the goodies available, and to her husband, Bob, and Fred Hostetler who helps her set up. Fred Hostetler, although not a member of the Executive Committee, has been very helpful by purchasing our sound equipment and digital recorder for recording our minutes. Mary Scruggs has volunteered to gather information to compare prices, times, and benefits of switching our Christmas Banquet from the Jaycees in Waldorf to the Elks Lodge in Temple Hills (where our summer picnics are held). Please send in your money quickly for the picnic to ensure we meet our quota. Bob Duffitt has been instrumental in performing several audits, and Rebecca Wiley has offered to be the digital transcriber of our minutes. Kudos to all, named, and unnamed, for the help you give. Volunteers make the difference in making this chapter a great success, and able to continue its mission in support of NARFE. According to *Dr. Gary Roundtree and *Dr. Sudha Haley, who were the guest speakers at our March meeting, several chapters have disbanded or had to combine with other chapters for lack of leadership and volunteer support from chapter members. Please don't let this happen to YOUR chapter. Volunteer to help where/when help is needed. We are presently in need of a Recording Secretary, Entertainment/Travel Secretary, Chaplain, and Correspondence Secretary. ARE YOU READY FOR THE CHALLENGE? (*Dr. Roundtree and Dr. Haley are President and 1st Vice President of the NARFE Maryland Federation of Chapters). Our guest speaker for April was Ms. Sheila Creek. Ms. Cheek is a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones Brokerage Firm. She has over 21 years of experience in the investment industry. She enlightened the membership on investment strategies and how to manage your investment dollars. Our guest speakers for May will be Cpl. Stephen Rannacher and Cpl. Victoria Black, from the Prince George's County police department. They will provide Senior Safety Tips to our membership. We will also have Memorial Services for our departed members in 2018. Please bring some flowers so we may use them in our service. Remember, we break for vacation during the months of June, July, and August. Our picnic is scheduled for June 20th at the Elks Lodge (see picnic info for details). As always when we have these affairs we need your support in signing up to make our quota. See you back here on September 19th. Be safe, and have fun.

Chapter Calendar of Events

April is Chapter 1260's Anniversary, Chartered April 23, 1973.

May 16, 2019 – Cpl. Stephen Rannacher and Cpl. Victoria Black, from the Prince George's County police department. They will provide Senior Safety Tips to our membership.

June 20, 2019 – Our annual picnic at Temple Hills Elk Lodge.

Obtaining the NARFE Hotline

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Vice President

Brenda Hill-Johnson

On April 18, 2019 Ms Sheila Cheeks of Edward Jones Investment Company spoke to the needs of NARFE members. She discussed her companies CD's higher than normal returns on your money than standard practices was one of her many topics. Chapter 1260 enjoyed the interactive presentation with visual hands-on demonstration(s) of how to plan for your future financial security as we move forward through our retirement years! It was a well-planned out presentation and many signed up for follow-up for individual one-on-one consultation from Ms Cheeks!

NARFE Chapter 1260 Officers and Committee Chairs

Entertainment/Travel, Vacant

President, William L. Guthrie, 301-249-3580 Past President, Bettie J. Hill, 301-203-7079 Vice President, Brenda Hill-Johnson, 301-742-1431

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HOSPITALITY CHAIR Barbara J. Duffitt

Thanks to all who have donated goodies and sweets or money. We still need people to sign up for future meetings. See me at the hospitality table for monetary and/or sweet donations.

ALZHEIMER Diane Hostetler

The Alzheimer's basket will be on the table where you sign in at the next meeting. You can write a check or put in cash in whatever way you choose. If you wish to write a check please make it out as follows: TO LINE: Alzheimer Research/NARFE, and on the MEMO LINE: NARFE Chapter 1260. In the state of Maryland there are over 100,000 persons with Alzheimer. This disease is the only disease in the top 10 killers without a way to prevent it, cure it or even slow its progression. Please consider donating.

For the Good of the Chapter

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IS YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS ON FILE AT NARFE? We presently have a lot of members who do not have e-mail address on file at NARFE and with me. You should submit your e-mail address to avoid missing out on a lot of pertinent information that will only be sent out by e-mail. You can send your e-mail address to NARFE by following the steps above to access the NARFE Web site. Also send your e-mail address to me, William Guthrie, at wguthrie@aol.com. (excerpts from Wheaton-Glenmont Area Chapter 1887, Feb 2019)

Sick and Vigil Diane Hostetler

Sympathy card was sent to Charles Pate on the death of his brother.

Our chapter donated \$126.50 in 2018 to Alzheimer's research.

Entertainment

Diane Hostetler (Volunteer)

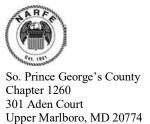
Join us for our annual Elk Luncheon on June 20, 2019 from 11:00am to 2pm at 7350 Temple Hill Road, Temple Hills Maryland. Menu: hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, fish, corn on cob, salad, beans, Cole slaw; ice cream and cake; coffee, ice tea and lemonade. The cost is \$20.00 per person, due by June 10, 2019.

INVITE FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO CELEBRATE WITH US!!

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Annual Elk Lu	ncheon Celebration	June 20, 2019	Temple Hills Elk Lodge	11am to 2pm
Name:	Phone #:			
	Cost: \$20.00 per pers	on Amount	enclosed @ \$20.00 each:	
Guest Name(s):				

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