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**ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND NARFE SUPPORT**

**Dr. Howard Waterworth, 1st Vice President and Legislative Chair**

One of the most debilitating and deadly diseases in America is Alzheimer's, which affects primarily older people. More than 5.2 million Americans are living with this disease, most of whom are over 65. It is the 6<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in the U.S. One in 3 seniors dies with Alzheimer's, some not even aware they had this disease. And this disease is spreading so that by 2025 some 7.1 million will have it and by 2050 some 13.8 million are projected to have Alzheimer's unless research leads to a way to control it. It is the only cause of death among the top 10 diseases without a way to prevent or cure it. This disease increased by 68% from 2000 to 2010 while deaths from other major diseases have decreased. While the causes of death make it difficult to determine how many people die from Alzheimer's, there are no survivors.

Alzheimer's disease is an irreversible brain disease that slowly destroys memory and thinking skills, and even the ability to carry out the simplest tasks. Furthermore, this disease causes great toll upon the 15.4 million family and friend caregivers who rate their emotional stress as high or very high combined with depression, and additional \$9.1 million health care costs of their own. Nearly 30% of people with Alzheimer's or other dementia are on Medicare or Medicaid compared with 11% without these conditions. There are medications now available that help reduce progression of the disease, but none that cure it.

NARFE has been among the major and longest supporters for the control of this disease. Since 1985 NARFE and Alzheimer's Association have partnered to attain a world without it. Supportive NARFE members to the Alzheimer's International Research Grant Program are making progress toward finding a treatment, prevention and eventual cure for it. NARFE is one of a select number of organizations to belong to the Zenith Society, an elite group of donors who have pledged \$1 million or more to this Association.

It began in 1985 when the New Mexico Federation was the first contributor to Alzheimer's research. In 1985-86 the NARFE National Executive Board approved funding the research through contributions from chapters. The initial goal was \$500,000 for research grants. At the same time each Federation appointed a State coordinator and each chapter appointed an Alzheimer's Chair.

In 1987-88 the first National Alzheimer's/ NARFE Control Committee was appointed and the first check for \$500,000 was presented to the Association in 1988 as a research grant. By 1991 \$1 million had been raised. NARFE was committed to solving this disease and began setting goals to attain more dollars for research.

In 1991 NARFE signed on with the distinguished Zenith Fellows Program and a pledge was made to raise \$1 million more in 10 years, a goal that was met in less than 5 years. The research grants elected by NARFE continue to grow each year as new goals are set. In 1998 another goal of \$5 million by 2005 was established and attained in 2003. AND in 2003 a new goal of \$7 million was established by the National Committee which was met in 2007, another new goal in 2007 of \$8 million was approved and fulfilled by February 2009. The current goal is for \$11 million for 2014. As of October 2013 NARFE has already funded a total of 60 researchers since it began in 1985.

There is considerably more information about this program at [NARFE.org](http://NARFE.org) and clicking on "About NARFE and Alzheimer's Fund." If you would like to contribute to this activity you may send your tax deductible donation to our chapter Alzheimer's Chair Creavery Lloyd at 6725 Lamont Drive, Lanham, MD 20706. Please make check payable to: NARFE Alzheimer's Research - note on check Chapter 1122.

**PAST CHAPTER PRESIDENTS**

**Chapter 1122**

Robert Doyle  
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**Chapter 2146**

Irwin Neveleff  
Marty Eiband  
Emma E. Barnett

**Chapter 264**

Tom LoJacono

**Total Chapter Membership**

**May  
732**



**Chapter Corner**

Chapter 1122 welcomes the following new, reinstated, and prospective members for June:

<b>New Member:</b> Jullian Biggers	<b>Reinstated Member:</b> Beverly Arnette Vivian McKinney William Shelton
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**Prospective Members:**

Edwin Anderson	Martin Ezeagu
M.C. Hunt	Brenda Kibler
Yvonne Putney-Mathieu	

New, reinstated, transferred or prospective members: your attendance would be greatly appreciated at the monthly meetings. Come hear interesting speakers, and meet and socialize with fellow chapter members.

The current Chapter officers were reelected by unanimous vote to a second term and will be sworn in at the June luncheon. They are:

**Richard Bennof**, President  
**Howard Waterworth**, 1st Vice President  
**Elaine Cameron**, 2nd Vice President  
**Delores Green**, Secretary  
**Warren Wilcox**, Treasurer

The chapter is still in need of volunteers to fill the vacant positions of Program Chair, NARFE-PAC Chair and Historian. Please contact one of the Executive Board Members listed on the front of the newsletter by phone or email if you would like to volunteer for any of these positions.

Our chapter was represented at the Region II Training Symposium in Gettysburg, PA on March 31-April 1 by **Richard Bennof** and **Melinda Scott**.

We were also represented at the Federation Mini Convention in Bowie, MD on May 5-6 by **Richard Bennof**, **Melinda Scott**, **Pat Wright-Gaines** and **Ruth Fisher**

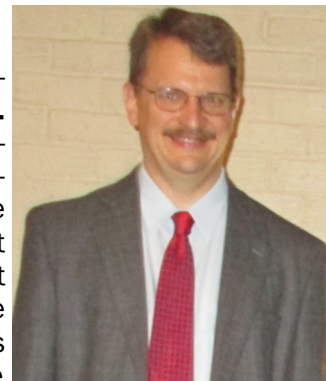
The 50/50 winner at the May meeting was **Bob Haas**.

We wish all sick and shut-in members a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing you soon at the monthly meetings.

To all June Birthday Members  
"Happy Birthday" from all of us!

**A BIG THANK YOU !**

Our May meeting speaker was **Dr. Jonathan P. Gardner** of NASA Goddard Space Flight Center. He discussed some of the most important discoveries of the last 20 years and the role that space telescopes have played in those discoveries. His presentation on the cosmos and comparison of the Hubbell Telescope to the James Webb Telescope was awesome. The Webb Telescope, because of its size, will be able to transmit more information to the cosmologists working on future space exploration. It is due to launch in 2018. Many questions were asked after the presentation that showed our fascination with outer space. Dr. Gardner enlightened us with his vast knowledge of the cosmos and its continuous changes. He closed with a quote by Carl Sagan: "Somewhere, something incredible is waiting to be known."



**Jonathan P. Gardner, PhD**

*Spring Luncheon Reservation*  
*Thursday, June 12, 2014*  
*Sir Walter Raleigh Inn*

*Reservations must be made by June 9th*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Number attending \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

*Choice of Entrée:*

*Prime Rib Au Jus* \_\_\_\_\_  
*BBQ Chicken Breast* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Beer Battered Shrimp* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Jumbo Crab Cake* \_\_\_\_\_  
*Served with: Baked Potato* \_\_\_\_\_ *or Rice* \_\_\_\_\_

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**GATEWAY TO RESOURCES ON NARFE's WEBSITE OR BY TELEPHONE**

The updated and modular Protect America's Heartbeat Toolkit should be a regular destination for NARFE advocates. A national summary of the Federal Family Counts and the gateway to state-specific details are found there. Key NARFE votes for your senators and representative can be displayed by merely inserting your ZIP code on our Legislative Action Center. The Candidates and Elections module is the gateway to finding incumbents, challengers and open-seat candidates from this map. Interactive maps showing congressional districts in contrasting colors are available on GovTract.us.

The weekly legislative Hotline message is available to telephone callers (703-838-7780 and toll-free at 1-877-217-8234); posted on the NARFE website, www.narfe.org; made available to requesting NARFE leaders; and sent to 86,000 NARFE member email addresses. Each delivery channel is a service of NARFE, the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association. Should you have any questions regarding the information provided in the Hotline, please email NARFE's Legislative Department at leg@narfe.org or call 703-838-7760.

**eCHAPTER WEBSITE**

Currently, eNARFE members can access the www.narfe.org website to get frequent updates from Capitol Hill, action alerts and weekly legislative hotlines, plus a virtual gathering place for discussion groups and interaction with their peers. Access to the latest news coverage related to Feds benefit information and FERS-related information is also provided. Once on line one can click on Legislation, Press Room, and Donate to NARFE Programs, Member Perks, and Membership Renewal for details under the Daily News Feed. eNARFE members can attend local chapter meetings as desired.

Members can also click on links dealing with a wide variety of current issues such:

- \* Change in inflation measure would affect retired feds,
- \* Group fears fed Pensions are at Risk in Budget Talks,
- \* Best buys during open seasons,
- \* Federal and Social Security pensioners beware,
- \* Obama Health Insurance updates and
- \* Federal compensation cuts could save billions.

**Presidential Quote In Celebration Of Flag Day**

"We identify the flag with almost everything we hold dear on earth, peace, security, liberty, our family, our friends, our home. ... But when we look at our flag and behold it emblazoned with all our rights we must remember that it is equally a symbol of our duties. Every glory that we associate with it is the result of duty done."

**Calvin Coolidge  
U.S. President  
1923 - 1929**



NARFE Chapter 1122 Treasurer's Report for April 2014	
Balance as of 3/31/2014	\$3,441.14
<u>Income:</u>	
None	
<u>Expenses:</u>	
R. Bennof (Apr Refreshments)	8.32
R. Bennof (Gettysburg Training)	65.49
M. Scott (Gettysburg Training)	143.79
W. Wilcox (\$25 Gift Card for NARFE)	28.95
US Postal Service (May Newsletter Mailing)	<u>60.95</u>
Total Expenses	307.50
Balance as of 4/30/2014	\$3,133.64
Submitted: Warren C. Wilcox, Treasurer	

**DID YOU KNOW????**  
Any website (url) or email address shown in the newsletter may be clicked on to take you directly to the site. Or you can copy it and paste it in your browser.

**What's Your E-Mail Address?**

If you are not currently receiving the newsletter monthly by e-mail and you would like to -- we probably don't have your correct e-mail address. Please update your e-mail address by notifying Membership Chairperson Elaine Cameron: elainecameron@aol.com



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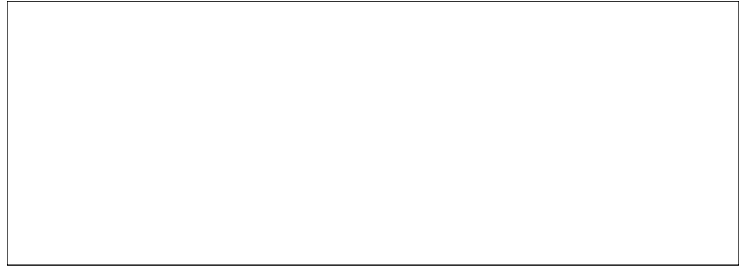
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NARFE National Website  
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**Upcoming Events**

- June 12  
Spring Luncheon Meeting
- June 14  
Flag Day
- June 21  
First Day of Summer
- July 4  
Independence Day
- August 24 - 28  
NARFE National Convention  
Orlando, FL

# Spring Luncheon

Thursday, June 12, 2014

At 12 Noon

Sir Walter Raleigh Inn  
6323 Greenbelt Road  
Berwyn Heights MD  
301-474-6500



*Guest Speaker*

*Emmett Jordan  
Mayor  
City of Greenbelt*

*"An update on senior  
services and other  
activities in the  
Greenbelt area"*

*Reservations must be  
made by June 9th*

*\$25 per person  
Includes  
tax & gratuity*

*Reservation Form on  
Page 2*

*Officers will be sworn in  
at Luncheon*

*Entrée Choice*

*Prime Rib Au Jus  
BBQ Chicken Breast  
Beer Battered Shrimp  
Jumbo Lump Crab Cake*

*Served with:  
Baked Potato or Rice*

*Open Soup and  
Salad Bar*

*Chocolate Mousse  
Dessert*

*Coffee, Hot Tea  
Cold Tea & Soft Drink*

*(Alcoholic Beverages  
Not Included)*

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1-800-811-8336  
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[www.gov.state.md.us/mail](http://www.gov.state.md.us/mail)

Inclement Weather Notice! When Prince George's County Schools are closed or opening late, the NARFE Chapter 1122 meeting will not be held.