



**NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES**  
**MARYLAND FEDERATION OF CHAPTERS**

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4 September 2015

TO: Federation Officers and Chairmen  
Federation Board Members [Chapter Presidents]

FROM: Dan McGrath, President, 410-641-5570, mcgrathsop@aol.com

SUBJECT: Call to Federation Board Meeting. 6 October 2015

1. The next meeting of the Maryland Federation Board has been scheduled as follows:

**Day/Date/Time:** Tuesday, 6 October 2015 / 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Place:** Comfort Inn, Bowie - Directions attached

**Tentative Agenda:**

8:30 a.m.	Registration Coffee, Danish	Marty Stombotne, Registrar
9:30 a.m.	Call to Order Invocation Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call Welcome, Announcements / Swearing In of New Board Members	Dan McGrath, President Larry Lange, Chaplain TBA Pat Farmer, Secretary Dan McGrath, President
	Secretary's Report Treasurer's Report Region II Report Scholarship Program	Pat Farmer, Secretary Dick Strombotne, Treasurer Evelyn Kirby, RVP Region II Eleanor Kaul, Chair
11:25 a.m.	SLC Report	Paul Schwartz, Chair

11:45 a.m.	Break for Lunch	
12:45 p.m.	Luncheon Speaker	Peter Franchot, Maryland Comptroller
1:00 p.m.	Planning/Site Selection for 2017 State Convention	Arlene Page, Chair
	Membership Reports	Jo Anne Groves, Membership Director
	Retention Committee	Dick Strombotne, Chair
	Legislative Reports	
	Legislative Director	Gary Roundtree Sr.
	FLC	Sudha Haley, Chair
	NARFE-PAC	Gary Roundtree Sr.
	MD/PAC	Ed Bice, Coordinator Dave Roseman, Treasurer
	New Business	
	Good of the Federation	
3:25 p.m.	Benediction	Larry Lange, Chaplain
3:30 p.m.	Adjournment	

2. All addressees are urged to attend this important meeting. Important items on the agenda include: 1) A briefing on the Federation's new approach to our State Legislative Program, including a more aggressive approach to having our retirement income excluded from Maryland State Income Tax; 2) Peter Franchot, Maryland Comptroller, will be our Luncheon Speaker, and 3) We will have an update on the Federation's plans for Forums leading up to the 2016 elections and the role that is envisioned for the chapters. *Interested members, guests and past Chapter Presidents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Guests can pay at the door, but must have reservations.*

3. The cost of lunch, and travel at 45c per mile, will be borne by the Federation for Federation Officers and Chairmen, and Board Members [or an Alternate Board Member when attending in lieu of the Board Member]. Per person costs to the Federation now exceed \$26. The below-cost registration fee of \$20, in effect, is an incentive from the Federation to increase attendance at the Board meeting and inform more members about Federation operations.

**All chapter attendees are encouraged to carpool.** Because of the distance involved, 125 miles or more, the *Federation will reimburse Chapters 410 West-Mar, and 2274 Ocean Area for one night at the hotel* so they can come the day before, on 5 October 2015. Registration, including lunch, will be \$20 for each guest, payable at registration. ***Chapters will be billed for payment of no shows.***

4. Since we have to advise the Comfort Inn of the number of lunch reservations, *please make your reservations on the form included below and mail it to Marty Strombotne, as soon as possible, or email the information below, but it should reach Marty Strombotne no later than Saturday, 26 September 2015. Cancellation without penalty is noon Saturday, 26 September 2015. If you need to cancel please do Marty the courtesy of letting her know ASAP. Call 240-632-9881 or send email to martystrom@comcast.net. Be sure to note the name of the driver you will ride with, as Treasurer Dick Strombotne plans to have mileage checks available that day.*

5. According to Federation Bylaws, F-7s are needed **immediately** from **any** chapter that has made **any** changes, not already reported, *in officers, chairmen, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses, location, dues, etc.*, so the Secretary can update the Directory in time for this Board meeting. *The Secretary also needs the name, telephone number and email address for the Chapter Alternate to Federation Board meetings. Please check the previous Directory for errors.* If you are not using the NARFE electronic F-7, type and send by email or type and send by the post office, to each of the following, plus one for your chapter files:

Patricia Farmer, Secretary  
13304 Briarwood Drive  
Laurel, MD 20708

NARFE -7 Unit  
606 N Washington Street  
Alexandria VA 22314-1914

#### **6. Directions to Comfort Inn**

**4500 Crain Highway, Bowie, MD 20716 — 301-464-0089**

##### **From Route 95 N or S**

Take Route 50 East to Exit 13 (about six miles from Washington Beltway).

Take US 301 South.

Stay in right-hand lane.

Make first right at intersection with Harbour Way and immediate right onto access road to hotel.

##### **From Route 50 W**

Take US 301 South (Exit 13).

Stay in right-hand lane.

Make first right at intersection with Harbour Way and immediate right onto access road to hotel.

##### **From US 301 N, south of US 50**

Go north past intersection with MD 197, staying in left-hand lane. Rips Restaurant is on the right.

Hotel is ahead about one mile on left. Turn left at light at Harbour Way.

Make an immediate right onto access road to hotel.

**7. Reservations:**

The *form/information below must be received by postal mail or email no later than 26 September 2015* by: Marty Strombotne

310 High Gables Drive #205, Gaithersburg 20878

240-632-9881 / martystrom@comcast.net

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**Registration Form for Federation Board Meeting – October 6, 2015**

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Name of Preparer

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Chapter No.

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Phone

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Email address

Federation Officer [  ]

Federation Committee Chairman [  ]

Federation Board Member [  ]

Federation Alternate Board Member [In Lieu of Board Member] [  ]

Guest(s) - \$20, payable at Registration [  ]

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**List Guests**

Name (Print)	Phone

**List Car Pool Driver and Passengers**

Driver's Name (Print)	Phone
Passengers' Names (Print)	

**\*Copy form as needed.**