



# NARFE BUZZ

*National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association*  
Western Montgomery County Chapter 258 - Chartered November 10, 1953  
*The largest NARFE Chapter in the country!*

May 2022

## Our Next Chapter Meeting – And Upcoming Events

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL ATTENDEES AT CHAPTER 258 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SHOW PROOF OF FULL VACCINATION AGAINST COVID-19. PLEASE BRING WITH YOU EITHER YOUR CDC VACCINATION CARD, OR HAVE A PICTURE OF YOUR VACCINATION CARD ON YOUR SMARTPHONE. THANK YOU.**

**The Friday, May 13th Chapter meeting** will be at Alfio's La Trattoria Restaurant, 4515 Willard Ave., Chevy Chase, MD. Members who wish to come for lunch may arrive at 11:30 a.m. with the meal served at noon. The cost is \$25.00 per person, in cash or check made out to NARFE Chapter 258 (please, no credit cards). Those who do not wish to come for lunch may arrive at 1:00 p.m. There is free valet parking; Alfio's is located two blocks from the Friendship Heights Metro station.



**State Senator Susan Lee and State Delegate Marc Korman will discuss the 2022 legislative session of Maryland's General Assembly, which ran from January 12th to April 11th.**

We wish all our Chapter 258 members a pleasant, safe summer!

The next BUZZ will be the September, 2022 issue. Our speaker at that meeting will be Congressman Jaime Raskin, who represents Maryland's 8th Congressional District.

**PLEASE!!** If you have an interim change of your local address, a change to your E-mail address, or haven't provided us with your E-mail address – please advise the NARFE Headquarters Member Records at 1-800-456-8410. Thanks very much!!

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Lois Ann Beaver, President

Although virus-related cases in Montgomery County are fewer than before, we stay careful and hopeful that this nuisance will be diminished. Please protect yourself. Chapter meeting attendees are vaccinated or have a recent negative Covid test. As before, we will meet only in a room with special air sanitization.

At our Chapter 258 meeting on May 13th we are hoping for a clear understanding about taxation of retirees and other issues of interest to us when we are informed about Maryland State legislation. We look forward to presentations by District 16 Senator Susan C. Lee and House Delegate Marc Korman, Esq.

The NARFE Maryland Federation held a Mini-Conference/Annual Meeting in Bowie, MD on May 2nd and 3rd. You can find a report on that meeting and related events in this BUZZ.

At our last Chapter meeting we were well informed by Ms. Krista O'Neill, Legislative Director for Congressman David Trone. The Congressman who represents Maryland's 6th District had to be out of town for an unexpected event.

Ms. O'Neill presented information on efforts and accomplishments such as funding agreements that will positively impact our community and responded to questions from an interested audience.

## RECENT STATISTICS FOR OUR CHAPTER 258 FROM NATIONAL NARFE'S DATA BASE

Larry Lange, Chapter 258 Treasurer

For the month of April, two new members have joined our Chapter 258: Ms. Susan Bowley of Germantown, and

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Mr. Robert Handleton of Poolesville.

We were sorry to learn that two Chapter 258 members passed away: Howard Hood of Potomac, and Robert Quick of Silver Spring.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Larry Lange, Chapter 258 Treasurer

My last Treasurer's Report appeared in the April 2022 issue of The BUZZ. This report will be a synopsis of our Chapter's funds from April 8, 2022 to May 12, 2022:

#### **Chapter 258, Funds Summary**

Checking account balance, 4/8/2022	\$ 11,880.61
Receipts, 4/8/22 - 5/12/2022	\$ 802.80
Expenses, 4/8/22 - 5/12/2022	\$ 1,783.61
Checking account balance, 5/12/2022	\$ 10,899.80
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Working Capital/Total Chapter Assets	\$ 10,899.80

**The receipts** for this period were the direct deposit into our Chapter's checking account, by National NARFE, of the March, 2022 members' dues (\$302.80), and the payments of the attendees' meals at Alfio's for our April 8, 2022 Chapter membership meeting (\$500.00), for a total of \$802.80.

**The expenses** for this period were the printing and mailing of the March 2022 BUZZ (\$453.53); the printing and mailing of the April 2022 BUZZ (\$420.80); the postage for mailing the April BUZZ (\$93.78); from National NARFE, one year's liability insurance for our Chapter 258 (\$100.00); purchase of books from Judy Welles to give to future speakers (\$54.00); and the bill for the attendees' meals at Alfio's for our April 8, 2022 Chapter membership meeting lunches (\$661.50), for a total of \$1,783.61.

### **DR. GARY ROUNDTREE WILL BE OUR GUEST AT THE MAY CHAPTER 258 MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

We were pleased to learn that Dr. Gary Roundtree, currently NARFE's Region II Vice President, and who is a candidate for the office of National NARFE's President, will join us for our May 13th Chapter 258 membership meeting.

### **NARFE'S MARYLAND FEDERATION'S MINI-CONFERENCE WAS HELD MAY 2ND AND 3RD AT THE COMFORT INN, BOWIE MARYLAND**

This was mentioned in last month's April BUZZ. We have four persons from our Chapter 258 who are registered to attend this Mini-Conference: Chapter President Lois Ann Beaver, Chapter Treasurer Larry Lange, Chapter Board member Charlie Garfinkel, and Chapter member Kathy Schwab. We look forward to meeting in person again, and will report in a future BUZZ on the details of this Mini-Conference.

### **REMINDER OF INFORMATION AND EVENTS ON THE NATIONAL NARFE HOMEPAGE, [www.narfe.org](http://www.narfe.org)**

FEDCon22 will be held August 21st - 23rd at the Westin Resort and Spa in Scottsdale, Arizona. Kevin Brown, best selling author, will be the first day's keynote speaker. Early bird registration (which ends May 13th) is \$190 for members and \$290 for non-members. Check out the FEDCon22 link on the NARFE homepage for more details.

FEDHub is National NARFE's new online member community, allowing NARFE members across the country to connect with and share ideas with other NARFE members.

On the toolbar at the top of the NARFE homepage, clicking on "Federal Benefits" will drop-down a menu of links to current and archived webinars; clicking on "News and Events" will drop-down a menu of links to the NARFE Magazine. The "Federal Benefits" tab has a great deal of helpful, informative information, among which is the NARFE White Paper, "Affairs in Order: Benefits Guidance for Survivors of Federal Annuitants."

### **NARFE WILL PARTICIPATE IN –**

The MD/DC Alliance for Retired Americans will sponsor a "DC Rally GPO – WEP Day of Action," on Wednesday, May 18th, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Their website at <https://SSfairness.org/gpo-wep-faq/> discusses frequently asked questions about GPO (Government Pension



Offset) and WEP (Windfall Elimination Provision). Inquiries about this Rally may be directed to Ed Holland, NARFE MD Federation 2nd VP, at hollandnmd@aol.com

**MARYLAND NARFE'S  
"PROFILES IN CIVIL SERVICE"**

Larry Lange, Chapter 258 Treasurer

The NARFE Maryland Federation has posted on its website, [www.mdNARFE.org](http://www.mdNARFE.org), in the upper right hand corner of its home page, the document, "Profiles in Civil Service," which is compiled of brief summaries of Maryland Federation members' careers with the Federal Government of those members who wished to submit such a summary. The Federation's Federal Legislative Committee has taken a printed copy of this document with them for appointments on Capitol Hill with Senators and Congressmen. This document has been so successful that at least one or two other NARFE Federations in the country have compiled such a document. The agencies for which our Maryland NARFE members worked are listed alphabetically; the members who submitted a profile are listed under each respective agency.

**All pictures were taken by Judy Mazza**



At our April 8th Chap. 258 meeting (L to R) Judith Welles, chapter member; Lois Ann Beaver, President, and accepting author Judith Welles' book, Potomac, Krista O'Neill, speaker



Krista O'Neill, Legislative Director for Cong. David Trone, was the speaker at our April 8th Chap. 258 meeting



At our April 8th Chap. 258 meeting (Front row, L to R) Larry Lange, Treasurer, Connie Price, 2nd VP (Back row, L to R) Allan Kam, 1st VP, Lois Ann Beaver, President

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**Our May 13th Chapter meeting will have a discussion of  
the 2022 legislative session of Maryland's General  
Assembly by State Senator Susan Lee and  
State Delegate Marc Korman.**

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