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## February Chapter Meeting

**Southern Pines Senior Center, Lusby**  
**Thursday February 15<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM**

### League of Women Voters

**Lunch 11:30 AM**  
**Salsa's, Lusby**

**Members and guests are welcome.**

## Executive Board Meeting

**Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> Noon**  
**Dream Weaver Café**  
**Prince Frederick**

## April Chapter Meeting:

**Thursday April 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**Calvert Pines**  
**Prince Frederick**

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## New Member

**Robin Drury**



## December Meeting Details Recap

The December Chapter meeting was **Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>** at the Gateway Restaurant, 5455 Broomes Island Road, Port Republic. Members enjoyed a delicious lunch choosing items from the menu. After lunch, Greg Bowen Exe Director of the American Land Trust, spoke on behalf of Keep Calvert Country on current happenings and proposals that could affect quality of life in the county.



Photos by Ada Marinelli December 21, 2023.

## December Food Drive

A food drive was held as part of the December lunch/meeting. Thirty-four (34) cans and a jar were collected along with \$290 in cash and checks. The collection was delivered to **Chesapeake Cares Food Pantry** in early January. (The pantry was closed

for about two weeks during the end of year holidays.) The donation was converted to an equivalent number of food pounds for both the cans and jar, checks, and cash. The total was representative of approximately 228 lbs of food. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the food drive.

## February Meeting Speakers

At the February 15 meeting, Co-Presidents Sandra Raviv and Gladys White of the League of Women Voters of Calvert County will discuss election security in Calvert County and the State of Maryland.

## Chapter Bylaw Changes

Attached is the final revised Chapter Bylaws. It incorporates changes (dues reduction, meeting only every other month and elimination of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President position) that have been recently implemented.

A vote on the revised **Bylaws** will be held at the February **Chapter Meeting**.

## Kick the Can Down the Road One More Time

The potential middle of January and early February government shutdowns were averted when Congress passed a new continuing resolution. The two dates have been moved to March 1<sup>st</sup> and March 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Legislative News

by VP Shelly Ziman

A wide variety of current legislative topics can be found on the web at [News – NARFE](#). Examples are: Choosing FEHB **Prescription Drug Plans**; the Impact of the Windfall Elimination Provision (**WEP**) and

Government Pension Offset (**GPO**) on public servants; Safeguarding **Civil Service Protections** and Merit System Principles; status of the latest **Continuing Resolution**; and findings of the 2023 Federal Employee **Viewpoint Survey**.

### Announcements

The Executive Board has selected Mary Klausner to fill the vacant Chapter President position. She will be sworn in on February 6th at the Federation meeting in Bowie.

Join us for lunch at Salsa's before the February Chapter meeting or at Dream Weaver Café for the March Executive board meeting. All are welcome.

A Local Black History Heritage Trail presentation will be given at the Calvert Library, Prince Frederick (6:00 - 7:30PM on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>)

LWVCC and the Calvert County Board of Elections are offering Voter Registration training (virtually) on February 6<sup>th</sup>. For details go to: [www.lwvcalvert.org/upcoming\\_events](http://www.lwvcalvert.org/upcoming_events)

Have a suggestion for an upcoming presentation or extra time with a desire to participate? Send us an email with your ideas or drop by any Chapter or Executive Board meeting. The Chapter could use your ideas and help.

Mark your calendar. The NARFE Chapter picnic will be on Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, at Noon in Cove Point Park, Lusby.



### Treasurer's Report

Bob Oszajca

	Treasury	Alzheimer
Nov 30 Bal	\$4058.47	\$39.00
NARFE Dues	84.76	
Newsletter		
Checks	(241.89)	(82.00)
50/50		43.00
Jan 31 Bal	\$3944.34	\$0.00

Membership 77

**Note: On January 24<sup>th</sup> \$2000 was deposited in an 8-month CD earning 4.7%**

**Alzheimer's** Make a check payable to **NARFE-Alzheimer's Research**, note "from NARFE Chapter 1466" on the check, and mail to: Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., 17<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chicago, IL 60601-7633 (**or come to our LIVE meetings for the 50/50 Alzheimer's drawing**).

**PRINCE FREDERICK COALITION** Here is the link for the Armory Square site plan: [FAQs • Calvert County, MD • Civic Engage \(calvertcountymd.gov\)](#).

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