

Officers

President, Mary Klausner
Vice Pres., Shelly Ziman
Sec.-Treas., Bob Oszajca

Program Committee

Darlene Harrod
Mary Klausner
Thomas Wrublewski

Newsletter Committee

Roger Cronshey
Darlene Harrod
Bob Oszajca
Shelly Ziman

June Annual Picnic

Thursday, June 20th
Cove Point Park, Lusby
Noon

Members and guests
are welcome.

Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday,
September 24th
Dream Weaver Cafe

October Chapter Meeting

Thursday October 17th
Calvert Pines
Senior Center
Prince Frederick

Federal Employees
Health Benefits
Open Season

Contact Chapter

NARFE14665@gmail.com

or

NARFE

PO Box 202
Port Republic, MD
20676-0202



April Meeting Recap

The meeting was held at the Calvert Pines Senior Center in Prince Frederick at 1pm. Mary Klausner, the Chapter President introduced the speaker, Brian Ritter Jr. esq. Brian gave a presentation on "Pros/Cons of a Will or a Trust." He spoke first about wills, then about estate planning and the documents we should have available. This includes a power of attorney. A will only covers the assets in your sole name. A health care Power of Attorney is also a required document. Trusts are a complex subject with 24/7 home care. In addition, he spoke briefly about Medicaid and tax implications of assisted living. Most Federal retirees won't qualify for Medicaid. He entertained questions after the presentation.



Photo by Ada Marinelli April 18th, 2024

The liability insurance was brought up for a vote. There was a motion to not renew liability insurance. The motion passed unanimously.

Ada Marinelli won the 50/50 raffle. She donated her \$26 winnings to the Alzheimer's fund for a total of \$52.

Maryland Federation Mini Conference

On May 7th & 8th, the Maryland NARFE Federation held the semiannual Mini conference. During the Conference, candidates for the US Senate and House each made a presentation. The Federation made time for a meet and greet with each candidate.



Senate candidate Larry Hogan, Chapter President Mary Klausner and Bob Oszajca



Senate candidate Angela Alsobrooks and Bob Oszajca

June Meeting/Annual Picnic

The June meeting will be our annual Chapter picnic. The picnic will be at Cove Point Park in Lusby. The Chapter will supply: the setups tablecloths, plastic ware, plates, as well as bottled water and ice and entrees (fried and roasted chicken).

Planning to Attend?

The picnic will begin at noon on Thursday, June 20th. Members and guests are welcome. **Members are requested to bring a side dish to share.** Finally, for us to have enough chicken **please RSVP** by June 17th to

NARFE14665@gmail.com

Chapter Bylaw Changes

The final copy was forwarded to National headquarters for approval.

Federal Benefits Attacked

by Shelly Ziman, VP

HOW NARFE CAN SUPPORT GOVERNMENT GRASSROOTS CAUSES

- 1. Effort to Prevent the Return of Schedule F** – Schedule F positions deemed “policy advisory” would have essentially become political appointees, removing job protections for upwards of 50,000 federal employees.
- 2. Fair Act** -- provides for an average 7.4 % pay raise for the federal workforce in 2025.
- 3. Federal Retirement Fairness Act** – allows FERS employees to buy back years served as temporary employees toward credit for their retirement.
- 4. GPO/WEP Repeal** – The effort to repeal the Government Pension Offset and Windfall Elimination Provision has made extraordinary progress.
- 5. Bipartisan Hiring** – reduces unnecessary burdens to job hiring and would make hiring more efficient and effective.

Announcements

The chapter will have a table at the Juneteenth Event, June 15 at Jefferson Patterson Park. Stop by and say hi.

Treasurer's Report

Bob Oszajca

	Treasury	Alzheimer's
Mar 31 Bal	\$2035.26	\$32.00
NARFE Dues	77.92	
Newsletter	(10.57)	
Checks	(60.00)	
50/50		52.00
CD	2031.27	
May 31 Bal	\$4073.88	\$84.00
Membership 77		
Associate 1		

Note: NARFE dues are for April and May 2024.

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., 17th 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 \(calvertcountymd.gov\)](#).

Calvert County Delegates: 1-800-492-7122
Jeffrie Long Jr. (27B) ext. 3103
Mark Fisher (27C) ext. 3231
Todd Morgan (29C) ext. 3314

Calvert County Senators:
Michael Jackson (27-northern Calvert) ext. 3700
Jack Bailey (29-southern Calvert) ext. 3673

About NARFE

Since 1921, the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association is the only organization exclusively devoted to protecting the earned benefits of active and retired Civil Service employees and their annuitants and survivors.

Membership is open to civilians in any agency of the Federal government, including retirees, current employees, spouses of current employees or retirees, and survivors of those eligible to join NARFE.

www.NARFE.org and www.mdnarfe.org