



# NARFE

NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

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*Newsletter*  
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**The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) is the only association dedicated to safeguarding and enhancing the benefits of America's active and retired federal employees, and their survivors.**

**EVENT: NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION AREA 1 PICNIC  
WHEN: SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2009  
WHERE: LAKE JULIAN PARK, SHELTER #2  
TIME: 12 NOON**

### **NARFE AREA 1 AUGUST PICNIC**

Our Chapter will be hosting the annual Area 1 picnic this year at Lake Julian.

When: Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> – Gather at 12 noon.

Location: Shelter #2 at Lake Julian Park

Menu:

- Pork Barbeque
- Chicken
- Baked Beans
- Cole Slaw
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Hush Puppies & Rolls
- Tea (Sweetened & Unsweetened)
- Dessert – Banana Pudding

Cost: \$12.00 per person

Caterer will serve at no extra charge.

Details: Call Dan Louderback at 828-645-9350 for reservations and send a check payable to NARFE Chapter 156 to Dan Louderback at 534 Bluebird Ridge, Asheville, NC 28804 not later than August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Note: In addition to our annual time of fun and fellowship around a delicious BBQ meal we are planning on a special guest to be present and lots of support for our Alzheimer project. This year we will not hold our traditional auction. In its place we will hold a theme basket raffle as we did two years ago. You can purchase tickets for the baskets of your choice and a drawing will be held for each basket. Plan to attend and have a good time. Hope to see you there!

### **NARFE PICNIC BASKETS**

For our picnic this year at Julian Park, we would again like to raffle off several baskets of various themes to raise funds for the Alzheimer Association. The themes could include the following:

1. coffees and/or teas
2. games, such as puzzles, Sudoku, cards, etc.
3. bird feeder items: handbook, suet, seeds, etc.
4. desk items: paper clips, white out, masking tape, stationery, scotch tape, pens, etc.
5. snacks - not too large packages, please
6. gardening: gloves, small spades, books, seeds, etc.
7. gift wrapping items: scotch tape, cards, bows, stamps, stickers, pens, etc.

Sabine Dieringer, Donna Habermann, Pat Kendall and Sandy Rumsey will coordinate these baskets. Once we get the baskets together, there will be a list of what each basket holds and a bag which will hold the raffle tickets that you will purchase to receive that basket. Now for the fun stuff! We would like to solicit any of the items mentioned above or anything else that you may have in your possession that could be used given the themes or one of your own that is practical and please make sure these items are new and not too big. Once we find out how much we have, we will purchase the rest to fill the baskets using NARFE funds which of course will be replenished after the raffle. Soooo, please check your supplies and let Sabine (236-0080) or Sandy (658-2131) or Donna (667-5705) know where these items could be picked up or bring a full basket to the picnic. Thank you and I know this will be a successful way to raise funds for a very worthwhile cause. Sabine Dieringer

### **CAR POOL TO THE PICNIC**

We would like to see as many as want to attend the Area 1 picnic but realize some may not have access to transportation to Lake Julian Park. Therefore, we would like to organize a car pool activity. Please contact Frank Quinlan (253-4552) if you would like to be included in a car pool for the picnic at Lake Julian on August 15.

### **WANTED: PROGRAM IDEAS**

We want your suggestions for future programs, so let us know if you or someone you know of might be interested in presenting a program. Please contact Neva Carlson at 252-1661 or [nevacarlson@charter.net](mailto:nevacarlson@charter.net).

### **COFFEE CLUSTER (NORTH)**

Our Coffee Cluster for the northern area of Asheville will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month. Our next cluster will be at Home Folks Café on July 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. This is a good time to chat with fellow chapter members or to bring a prospective member and introduce them to fellow retirees. Drop in and stay in touch over a cup of coffee or maybe breakfast. We would be delighted to see you. Theron Rumsey (828-658-2131).

