



NEWSLETTER

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NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

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**OUR FEBRUARY 15, 2008 MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE VILLAGE CENTER OF FLAT ROCK
{Meeting/Program 10:00 AM – Coffee }**

January 18, 2008 Program:

SQUIRREL WARS (and how to win them). PBS Video-cassette Summary: Scenes of foolish battles people wage on the pests are followed by practical, safe and easy solutions for both people and squirrels. Running time: 40 Mins

February 15, 2008 Program:

Speaker: Ms. Suzanne Lengel, Operational Supervisor, Social Security Administration. Topics will cover Government Pension Offset, Windfall Elimination Provision and Survivors Benefits.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Over the Holidays, I had an opportunity to read some of the NARFE literature that is sent to chapters. It occurred to me that there was a lot of talk about the activities of the various elected NARFE officials and what they were doing to further NARFE goals. One of the issues raised was membership. Membership is not about just attending a monthly meeting. Membership is about furthering the goals of NARFE.

Each and every one of us, as members, has the responsibility to make sure that every active or retired federal employee and spousal dependent keeps and safeguards their earned benefits. It is that simple. This is our core belief and that is why we are members. To this end, it is incumbent upon us to make sure that those federal employees and dependent spouses, both retired and active, be made aware that NARFE is there to help. You, as members, probably come in contact on a daily basis with many federal employees – your postal person. Have you asked them if they know about NARFE? If not, why not?

I was fortunate enough to find out about NARFE before my retirement because my Agency prepared a series of seminars on retirement to help us through this transition. Many other retirees from other government agencies were never given the

opportunity to hear about NARFE and its mission. Your contact may be the only time they can hear about the existence of NARFE. You count as a recruiter. This newsletter and your monthly NARFE Magazine (when you are through reading it) make good reference material for those who may be interested in learning more about NARFE and its mission. Our Vice President for Membership, Frank Coperich, has additional material if you need it.

Finally, I would like to leave you with this thought from the English Novelist, William Makepeace Thackeray (1811-1863): *"The world is a looking glass, and gives back to every man the reflection of his own face. Frown at it, and it in turn will look sourly upon you; laugh at it and with it, and it is a jolly, kind companion."*

!!ATTENTION!!

Class-Action Lawsuits on Unused
Annual Leave

All members need to read Page 18,
January 2008 NARFE BUT especially
those retiring between years Nov 1993
and first week of 1999. Those affected
may be entitled to back pay & interest.
Agencies involved listed below:

Department of Education
Appalachian Regional Commission
Broadcasting Board of Governors
Central Intelligence Agency
Commodity Futures Trading
Commission
Export-Import Bank
Federal Communications Commission
(FCC)
Federal Reserve Board
Farm Credit System Investment
Corporation
Federal Energy Regulatory
Commission
Federal Labor Relations Authority
(FLRA)
Merit Systems Protection Board
(MSPB)
Mine Safety and Health Review
Commission
National Archives and Records
Administration
National Science Foundation
Office of Management and Budget
(OMB)
Office of Special Counsel
Office of Thrift Supervision
Overseas Private Investment
Corporation
Peace Corps
Railroad Retirement Board
Securities and Exchange Commission
(SEC)
Small Business Administration
(SBA)
Smithsonian Institution
St. Lawrence Seaway Development
Corporation
Surface Transportation Board
Tennessee Valley Authority

FYI: Anyone with change of address
or telephone, please call
1-800-456-8410 and let NARFE/Hqs
know. Also please inform Lenelle
Perry (696-9490).

CALLERS: Please note below changes
on your caller lists.

New Member:

Paulette Grills, 485 Rollins Rd, Forest
City, NC 28043 (245-5596)

New Prospective Members:

Paul F. Bertelli, 103 Bollers Knob Ln,
H'ville 28739-8810 (694-1255)
Thomas Carpenter, 1090 Ransier Dr,
H'ville 28739-3889 (697-1756 possible)
Archie A. Pearson, 615 Laurel Lake Dr
Unit A306, Columbus 28722-7427 (685-
71111 possible)
Leo J. Reuther, 332 Dawnbrook Dr, Flat
Rock 28731-8578 (698-9380)
John J. Simmons, 104 Rilandwell Dr,
Fletcher 28732-7493 (no luck)
Charles B. Wagner, 629 Paisley Ct,
H'ville 28739-3201 (891-3314)
Jeanette Harris, 142 Trails Peak Ln,
H'ville 28739-6514 (692-7335)

Address/Phone Change:

Mary P. Byrne, 333 Thompson St, Apt
377, H'ville 28792-4807 (891-3110)
Vincent J. Colan, 104 1st Ave E, Ste C,
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Marjorie Hill, 333 Thompson St, Apt 116,
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NOTICE

re **Inclement weather**

If school is closed,
on a third Friday, for
bad weather then
there will be no
NARFE meeting.

I BELIEVE

-That it's taking me a
long time to become the
person I want to be.
-That you can keep
going long after you
think you can't.
-That we are responsible
for what we do, no
matter how we feel.
-That either you control
your attitude or it
controls you.
-That our background
and circumstances may
have influenced who we
are, but we are
responsible for whom
we become.
-That the people you
care about most in life
are taken from you too
soon.

What lies behind us and
who lies before us are
tiny matters compared
to what lies with us.

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