



NEWSLETTER

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NATIONAL ACTIVE AND RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

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OUR AUGUST 20, 2010 MEETING WILL BE HELD JACKSON PARK, SHELTER #1

[Meeting/Program/lunch/entertainment/raffle 11:00 -]

July 16, 2010 Program:

Susan Ledford from AAA. Topics are "Traffic Safety and Driver Behavior"

August 20, 2010 Program:

Area I Joint Picnic, Hosted by 214 to be held at Jackson Park, Shelter #1, Hendersonville.

September 17, 2010 Program

Chapter meeting / business discussion.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Ray Carter

First I would like to say THANK YOU to the members for covering the chapter shortfall for 2010. We appreciate the support shown by your response.

After months of discussions and attempts to reduce one of our big cost factors the Executive Board will need to go forward with an amendment to change the Members dues. We will be making a motion to increase dues by \$5.00 per member per

year. To my knowledge no increase has been made since 1996. Our cost has gone up in all areas of our Chapter. We believe that an additional \$200.00 a year savings on the Newsletter can be accomplished through the use of E-Mail distribution. However, the need for financial stability still is a problem. In addition to the above amendment change we need to change Article 1 Section 3 to read as follows--A quorum shall consist of 12 Voting Members , but less than a quorum will adjourn to meet on a future date of which due notice shall be given.

This newsletter will serve as a notice to all voting Members. The actual vote will take place at the September 17, 2010 Meeting in accordance with Article 8 of the By-Laws.

I would also like to encourage EVERYONE to attend the NARFE PICNIC. This is a good time to meet people and enjoy having the Area 1 Chapters together.

Ray

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

By Paul Boudreaux, VP

On June 25th, President Obama signed into law legislation to temporarily arrest a twenty-one percent cut in the rate of Medicare reimbursements to health care providers, particularly doctors. This will ensure that physicians receive current Medicare payments and help to keep them enrolled in the "Preferred Provider" list of FEHBP insurers.

The National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform held its third meeting on June 30. NARFE members should pay attention to the actions of this commission. The Commission's mandate is to scrutinize federal tax policy and all federal spending – including federal retirement. You can access their activity by logging onto their internet site. The Fiscal Commission's web site provides a full video of the Commission meetings: <http://www.fiscalcommission.gov/>. NARFE continues to make its Toll Free number, 1-866-220-0044, available for reaching the Capitol switchboard to contact congress. Ask for your Representative or Senators by name. (Continued page 2)

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Our Area I Legislative Affairs Group of WNC NARFE Chapters will meet on Tuesday, August 17, 2010 from 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM at the fellowship hall at Clyde Central United Methodist Church in Clyde, NC, to discuss issues of mutual interest. I will attend, but any additional chapter members are also welcome.

**AREA I JOINT PICNIC –
FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 2010
JACKSON PARK, 801 GLOVER
ST., HENDERSONVILLE, NC**

(PLAN TO ARRIVE BY 11:00 A.M. FOR SIGNING IN AND GETTING RAFFLE TICKETS FOR THE QUILT RAFFLE (plus other raffle items) AND GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER. THERE WILL BE PICNIC TABLES / BENCHES BUT FEEL FREE TO BRING A LAWN CHAIR IF YOU LIKE)

**HENDERSONVILLE EXIT IS 49B
- INTO FOUR SEASONS
BOULEVARD OFF I-26**
(TRAVELING FROM EITHER THE WEST OR FROM THE EAST)

**FOLLOW FOUR SEASONS
BOULEVARD TO THE 7TH**
(seventh) TRAFFIC LIGHT
(TOWARD HENDERSONVILLE -
APPROXIMATELY 1 & ½ MILES)
TURN LEFT INTO “HARRIS
STREET” (NARFE SIGN).

**HARRIS STREET IS ONLY TWO
BLOCKS AND DEADENDS AT E.
4th Ave (NARFE SIGN) WHERE
YOU TURN LEFT.**

**ENTER JACKSON PARK AND
CONTINUE ON UNTIL YOU
COME TO SHELTER #1 (NARFE
SIGN) WHICH WILL BE ON YOUR
“RIGHT.”**

FRIED CHICKEN ~ BAKED
BEANS ~ MAC & CHEESE ~
COLE SLAW ~ FRESH FRUIT
~ ROLLS
~ DESSERT: BANANA
PUDDING
BEVERAGES: WATER ~
TEA (SWEET & UNSWEET)
~ LEMONADE

RESERVATIONS need to be made by Friday, August 13, 2010. Check to be made out to NARFE Chapter 214 in the amount of \$13.50 and mailed to our Treasurer: Joyce Armstrong, 915 Toxaway Dr, , Hendersonville, NC 28791-1842. (Phone: 702-6718). Thanks – let’s have a good time and a good get-together. Looking forward to the picnic!

AGENDA

SIGN IN & RAFFLE TICKET
PURCHASE 11:00 am:
(tickets are 1 for \$2 or 3 for \$5)

(food will arrive 11:30 am)

SPEAKERS: 12:15 pm
Ron Miller
National Legislative Officer
Freida Terrell
Area I Vice President

ENTERTAINMENT: 1:00 pm
Sammy Williams Sr. Center
Jim Gilleran & Troupe
(Tap & Pantomime)

RAFFLE RESULTS: 1:30 PM

JOIN NARFE
Contact Frank Coperich
(692-4566)
Vice President Membership

**EDITOR'S NOTE
TO ALL MEMBERS**

Members, as you have already noted in the President's message, we are attempting a cut-down on chapter expenses. One way we can all assist (this note is for all members who have a computer with e-mail capabilities) is to be able to receive the chapter's monthly newsletter via e-mail. If you have an e-mail address and are not currently receiving the chapter newsletter via e-mail, would gratefully appreciate your sending me your e-mail address. FYI: Each mailing of a newsletter comes to about 66 cents each.
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**CALLERS: Pls note below info
and add to or change your calling
list numbers. THANKS.**

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).

New Members
Claudia Gondolf 172 Highlands Square Dr #351, H'ville 28792-5852 (697-8729)

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New Membership Incentive
(1 year special)

Hazel E. Stanback, 113 Derbyshire Dr, H'ville 28792-2964 (698-4537)

Membership Transfer

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