



TRI-CITIES CHAPTER 1192 NEWSLETTER

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association
Advocates for Active and Former Federal Employees

NARFE Chapter 1192 www.narfe1192.org

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LEADERSHIP NEWS

Chapter President – Nancy Crosby

Greetings and welcome back to another exciting year for our Chapter. I hope you had a wonderful summer. We are planning a year of interesting seven nine nine two programs, starting with our September meeting. Parliamentarian Mable Rutt, a knowledgeable advocate for senior health issues, will give an informative program on living with diabetes.

Chapter members Sig Preston and Johanna Caylor will be our representatives at NARFE's National Convention, Louisville, Ky., Sept. 7-11. They'll provide us convention highlights at the Chapter's Oct. 1 meeting.

October is Federal Employee Recognition Month, so invite a Federal friend or co-worker to attend our October meeting.

Looking to November – our local and national elections will have impact on our benefits, so ensure you vote!

Finally, as Chapter members, we all need to take responsibility for:

- Inviting Federal friends to attend a meeting
- Greeting guests and new members
- Suggesting ideas for programs
- Helping on committees

Together, we can make this a great Chapter for all members!

District V Vice President – Carl Gallion

Wow, the summer has flown by and now it's time to regain momentum for our NARFE objectives. Jumpstarting the momentum will be NARFE's National Convention. Some top issues:

- FERS sick leave credit
- NARFE's dues structure
- NARFE's national-level leadership structure
- Honorary membership
- Convention sites

As your District VP, I am planning to visit all the district's chapters – Tri-Cities, Yakima, Wenatchee and Ephrata – in the weeks ahead. Look for reports in future newsletters.

Chapter 1192 will be looking for members to serve in leadership positions. Please consider what area you might be comfortable with, then stepping forward and volunteering. It will be most appreciated and is a most rewarding experience!

Feel free to contact me at cbgallion@aol.com or at 509-539-9179.

NARFE-PAC News – Bill Darke

As of June 30, we have completed six quarters of our two-year NARFE-PAC fundraising cycle. Nationwide, 39,686 NARFE members had contributed \$923,831 for supporting our political issues. In Washington State, 1,261 members had contributed \$33,226. Contributions help us gain access to

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CHAPTER MEETINGS/EVENTS

1st Wednesdays, except July/August

11:30 a.m., Kennewick Red Lion

Exec Board meets after Chapter meetings

Chapter Meetings:

Sept. 3 – Living Successfully with Diabetes

Oct. 1 – National Meeting Month

Nov. 5 – Nominating Committee Report

Other Events:

Sept. 7-11 – National Convention, Louisville, Ky.

Oct. 15 – 2009 FEHBP Health Fair – Federal Bldg-Richland

SERVICE CENTER

Open Tuesdays, 9:30 - 11 a.m.,

Federal Bldg., Room 137, phone: 509-373-9536



TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance Forward	\$ 7,614.56
Total income	\$ 672.71
Total expenditures	\$ 1,523.75
Total obligations *	\$ 2,543.29
Balance on hand	\$ 4,220.23

*As of June 30, 2008

members of Congress to seven one five eight gain support for maintaining and improving our earned benefits. As you consider your political contributions, consider NARFE-PAC!

Legislation - Don and Mary Binder

Are you registered to vote? Sure hopeso! Are you planning to vote? Sure hope so! As challenges continue for all of us these days, including our elected officials, reading, listening and letting our voices be heard are now more important than ever. Stay or become involved and committed to helping NARFE help you maintain your hard-earned benefits. Continue to check our Chapter's website for legislative and other pertinent updates. For example: Two recent *Washington Post* articles have been added to the web site dealing with our presidential candidates and their views of Federal employees. As your legislative chairs, we will continue to monitor issues that may pertain to federal employees and retirees. Feel free to contact us, 509-585-1393, if you have questions. And, please vote – each vote counts and can make a difference!

Alzheimer's Fund – Johanna Caylor

An email was recently received by Dale Brighton from Barbara Pretzer, NARFE Alzheimer's National Committee Chair which said, "Just as a matter of information for your Federation Alzheimer's Coordinator, The WSFC came SO CLOSE this year to being the #1 contributor to NARFE Alzheimer's Research out of all 54 federations! You ALMOST put the Virginia Federation out of their long-time-held 1st place award with only \$172 difference!!! Their total was \$61,017 and yours was \$60,845 for the Alzheimer's Association fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. I was so pulling for you! What a year you just had! Thank you and all your members for all you do for NARFE and Alzheimer's. You are really appreciated."

Let's make 2009 an even better nine seven three zero year. Make checks payable to "NARFE Alzheimer's" and put "Chapter 1192" on the memo line and mail to me.

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CHAPTER WEBSITE

www.narfe1192.org
has current information,
meeting minutes, forms,
newsletters and
announcements

Sunshine News – Anne Ross

Sympathy and condolences to these NARFE family members and/or co-workers: Woodward Hiller (H); Eleanor Golden (Granddaughter); Albert Schuster; and Al Waterhouse. It is sad to lose friends, but what memories we retain. Please call me, 509-586-3355, if you know anyone needing a card.

Membership – Johanna Caylor

Welcome to our sixteen (16) new members: Laura Burge; Joanne K. Clark; John R. Dale, III; Linda M. Dillard; Douglas L. Gray; Mavis E. Hafer; Kathy M. Hamilton; Julie A. Heimgartner; Ramona J. Hoffman; Vicki G. McCoy; Jonathan H. Sheldahl; and Susan M. Thompson – all attendees at the July NAPUS Convention in Pasco. Welcome also: Louis Arguello; Barbara Carpenter; Tony Lorenz, and Stanley Merritt.

Dropped members - If you are a retiree and have misplaced your renewal slip, you can mail your \$39 check, payable to NARFE, to me at: 514 Stagecoach Court, Richland, WA 99354. I will transmit it to the National Office. If you are an Active Federal Employee, please call me. Phone: 509-375-0739.

Hidden Numbers – There are three hidden numbers in this issue! The numbers are the last four digits of your member ID #. If you find your number, call 509-375-0739 and a \$5 check will come your way! Numbers in Issue #2: R. D. Hudson (3554); Irene Ono (2705); and A. W. Fenstermacher (8031). Sorry folks, no one called!

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