

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association

Olympic Peninsula Chapter 1006

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**We have opportunities for new officers
and committee chairs.**

Fall 2023

MEETING. Wed. Nov 22 at The Big Elk Restaurant 707 E Washington St, Sequim, WA 98382. The "no host" lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. and meeting start at noon. You do not have to have lunch to attend the meeting.

AGENDA: This is our Health Fair meeting and we will have some providers available to discuss the changes in plans and provide brochures. This is also our annual election meeting. Anyone interested in being an officer, please feel free to speak up.

Here is the link to join the meeting using Zoom – note this will depend on our WIFI signal.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85424574597?pwd=ZU45V0l3S0JJJa294OFFWb0lPNmpTQT09>

If requested: Meeting ID: **8542457 4597** Passcode: **905277**

I will email the link to the members who have an email address on file with NARFE

WORKING TOGETHER TODAY TO PROTECT OUR EARNED BENEFITS TOMORROW

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From President Bob:

As we come up on Thanksgiving, I want to note how thankful I am to have the many benefits I earned as a Federal employee and to those who work to help me keep them.

As of 1 Nov, we now have 298 cosponsors for the H.R. 82 Social Security Fairness Act of 2023. If passed, this legislation would eliminate the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and Government Pension Offset (GPO).

Representatives Kristina Marie Gluesenkamp Pérez and Adam Smith are the only two from our state not to cosponsor this legislation. If you live in Congressional District 3 or 9, please urge them to

cosponsor H.R. 82. Also S.597, the Senate bill, has 46 cosponsors but Senator Marie Cantwell has not joined the cosponsors. All members should urge her to sign on too.

FEHB Season is from 13 Nov to 11 Dec. Be sure to review the plans for changes. This both to see if there is a reason to change plans and to see if you have some new benefits. There are currently several new webinars on choosing the best plan for you. Also you may want to see how the introduction of Medicare Advantage plans affects you.

USEFUL INFORMATION for CHAPTER 1006

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Senator Maria Cantwell-----206-220-6400
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NARFE Service Officer - www.narfe.org/sobb
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NARFE's mission is two fold. We fight to protect our earned benefits. We are also the best source of information about benefits. Most current employees would greatly benefit having access to advice and the webinars while working

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Meeting Notice

RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS FOR NARFE

Membership: Currently we have 88 chapter members. We want to welcome Dean Massey as a new member. Also, following 15 members were reported as passed away since the last meeting. They will be missed. Gerald Purdy, Janis Detterman, Howard Yanish, Helen Mccammon, Kelly Turbyfill, David Rubin, Lavaughn Snel, Pete Zamboni, Pamela Godsey, William Homan, Larry Kilmer, David Johnson, Kathryn Spilker, Roberr Sorenson, and Edward Porter.

Financial: First Federal Checking
Balance as of 09/30/2023 is \$ 4,282.73

NARFE Webinars are a great source of information on your benefits. It is easy to log on www.NARFE.org and not only take in the current lectures but also review past lectures. Webinars cover everything from selecting the best health plan to choosing a retirement date and planning for the future. If you know any current employees let them know about this resource. It is a wonderful recruitment tool and you will be doing them a service.

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