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VERY URGENT: For the chapter to survive we need at least a President and a Treasurer. With quarterly meeting, the Treasurer's duties does not take much time. It would also be great to have other officers. The bottom line is I cannot do this all by myself.

MEETING: Seattle has still not opened the library meeting rooms so our November meeting needs to be cancelled. With any luck, we will be back together after the first of the year.

WORKING TOGETHER TODAY TO PROTECT OUR EARNED BENEFITS TOMORROW

The Association, since July 1970, has been classified by the IRS as a tax exempt labor organization [not a union]; however, dues, gifts, or contributions to the Association are not tax deductible as charitable contributions.

From President Bob:

It is very frustrating to continue to cancel meetings but the City of Seattle apparently feels it is still unsafe. I am open to try a zoom type meeting if there is any interest. Just email me and we can work on it. Also let me know if any of you know of another venue for us.

When we do get back together, I plan on have a Senior Living Fair. This would involve server Senior Living facility providers providing information on what is available in today's market. Hopefully, either for yourself or planning for others.

In the meantime, we are currently in open season and many providers have on-line information. There is also a webinar available at www.NARFE.org for choosing a plan that best fits you, I hope all of you are aware of the

added benefit some plans have for those with both FEHB and Medicare part B.

Be sure to review the bills in Congress regarding benefits. We need to be familiar with them. Also, we need to let our representatives know how we feel.

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. 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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*****RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS FOR NARFE*****

With limited Health Fairs this year, our primary recruitment method is cancelled. It is necessary for all to emphasis individual recruitment. If you are in contact with a Federal employee, at the post office, social security office, etc. be sure to tell them about NARFE. I can provide you with blank applications. Just email me at robert-rust@hotmail.com

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*****CHAPTER 43 MEMBERSHIP *****

The membership news since the last 3 months has us at 209 Chapter members. We are happy to welcome Stephen Miller as a new chapter member.

NARFE PAC is an important part of our efforts to influence Congress and protect our benefits. Legally only money given directly to the PAC can be used for PAC purposes. This is a non-patrician effort and is based strictly on the candidate's support of NARFE issues and benefit. In this election year, it is very important to exert our influence where we can. Therefore please give generously. You can use the form in the magazine to contribute