

# National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association

## Olympic Peninsula Chapter 1006

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We have opportunities for new officers  
and committee chairs.

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**SPRING 2024**

**MEETING. Wed. May 1** at the Big Elk Restaurant 707 E Washington St, Sequim, WA 98382. The "no host" lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting will start at noon. You do not have to have lunch to attend the meeting.

**AGENDA: Open Discussion**

### **WORKING TOGETHER TODAY TO PROTECT OUR EARNED BENEFITS TOMORROW**

The Association, since July 1970, has been classified by the IRS as a 501c (5) 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:**

I am still concerned by the lack of participation at our meetings. While we have several loyal attendees, it is difficult to justify inviting speakers for small groups. I would like to have the estate planning lawyers, financial planning, and senior living reps, back but need to have some confidence they will not be wasting their valuable time. Anyone one interested to these or other topics, please email me. When I have enough response, I will invite them.

As of 5 Feb, we now have 320 Representatives signed on for the H.R.82 and 55 Senators for S 597 the 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 to not cosponsored this legislation. Note that the House bill was sponsored by a Republican and Senate bill by a Democrat. It currently has enough votes to pass.

#### **Washington State Federation (WSF) Meeting**

The chapter will sponsor some members to attend the October 24-26 in Kennewick, WA. Let me know if with you would like to apply of be a representative.

Bea Bull is officially the District VP for all of the chapters west of the Cascades.

Steve Roy will not run for the 2025-2026 term as Region IX VP so there is an opening for anyone interested in running.

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Senator Patty Murray-----206-553-5545  
Senator Maria Cantwell-----206-220-6400  
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NARFE Service Officer - www.narfe.org/sobb  
WA State Federation - www.narfewa.org

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**Financial:** First Federal Checking  
Balance as of 2/29/2023 was \$ 4,229.89

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**Meeting Notice**



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