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**National Active and Retired Federal Employees "Protecting Our Future" Chapter 2217, Beavercreek OH** Meetings held at the Lofino Plaza (adjacent to the Beavercreek Senior Center), 3868 Dayton Xenia Road (see map above), on the second Thursday of odd numbered months i.e., Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, and Nov @1:00PM. Current officers are shown below.

FEDERAL BENEFITS EXPERTS

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President: James Mills 937-426-####, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Pres. & Legislative Chair: Michael Jacobs 937-479-####, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres. & Newsletter Editor: Tom Valdes 937-671-####, Secretary/Treasurer Patricia Mills, Newsletter Publisher: James Mills. NARFE is the only association dedicated solely to protecting and enhancing the health care and retirement benefits of federal employees and survivors.

## MAY 2023 Issue

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**Note: If you are a NARFE member but not receiving the National Magazine; also, please let Jim Mills know so the HQ address list can be updated.**

### \*\*\*\*\*Next Chapter Meeting\*\*\*\*\*

The 11 May 2023 meeting will be held in the Lofino Plaza (adjacent to the Beavercreek Senior Center) Meeting Room at 1:00 PM. The speaker at about 1:30 PM, will be Ryan LA Vielle, from CUSO Financial Services, L.P. working at Wright- Patt Credit Union, Inc., 1810 Woodman Center Dr. Kettering, OH. Ryan is a Licensed Financial Advisor offering a variety of services designed with your retirement in mind. These include: Retirement Planning, Pension Rollovers, IRA's, Mutual Funds, Market-Linked CD's, Stocked and Bonds, Annuities, and Tax & Estate Planning. He will give a review of how these can be useful in retirement and be available to answer questions. I attended an hour seminar on these subjects 20 April at the Credit Union and found the information very interesting and helpful. Financial Advisors are available at the Credit Union by appointment who can review your situation and advise. The first such review is free of charge to Wright-Patt CU members. Such a review can help you determine if you are on track to have what you need for retirement up to passing on. Please plan to attend this chapter meeting.

### \*\*\*\*\*Following Chapter Meeting\*\*\*\*\*

The 13 July 2023 meeting will be held in the Lofino Plaza (adjacent to the Beavercreek Senior Center) Meeting Room at 1:00 PM. The speaker for this meeting is still in planning.

**Miami Valley Chapter 1927 Will Have Their Regular Scheduled Chapter Meeting Friday, 2 June 2023:** The lunch will start at 11:00 AM in the MCL cafeteria in Kettering. Our chapter members have been invited. The speaker for this meeting will be Scott Royal from the Washington-Centerville Public library. He will talk on the Xenia F-5 Tornado that occurred 3 April 1974 and the super outbreak of 148 twisters that struck the Midwest, leaving Xenia the hardest hit. This will be the story of that tragic day and its aftermath.

**NARFE Bill Tracker for the Current Congressional Session (118) Now available:** See pages 14 & 16 of the May 2023 NARFE Magazine. Twelve Bills have been introduced all of which NARFE approves. Please review this Tracker before communicating with Congressmen and Senators. Numbers of Cosponsors are shown for each Bill.

**Four Bills Need Immediate Attention:** Four Bills have been written about in the May NARFE Magazine which could gain more Cosponsors with our communications with our Congressmen and Senators. These are as follows:

Legislation to Protect Merit System Reintroduced, H.R 1002/ S. 399. See page 9 of the May NARFE Magazine.

Legislation to Expand Paid Leave, H.R. 856/ S. 274. See page 11 of the May NARFE Magazine.

Equal COLA Act Reintroduced, H.R. 866. See page 11 of the May NARFE Magazine.

Fair COLA for Seniors Reintroduced, H.R 716. See pages 11-12 of the NARFE Magazine.

Go to the Legislative Action Center at [www.narfe.org](http://www.narfe.org) to send a letter to your congressman.

**NARFE To Have 2023 Legislative Training Conference in Alexandria VA, 20-23 June:** See pages 10 & 25 of the May Magazine for more details. Please let Jim Mills know if you could possibly attend.

**Minutes of the 9 Mar 2023 Chapter Meeting:** The 9 Mar 2023 meeting was held in the Lofino Plaza (adjacent to the Beavercreek Senior Center) Meeting Room at 1:00 PM. There were 6 members in attendance plus the speaker. The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$4203.01. The speaker at about 1:30 PM, was James K Klein, a member of the Volunteer Tax Assistance (VITA) organization. He was with us in-person for this meeting and his material appeared on a large screen; also, he answered several questions. He presented 2022 Income Tax information helpful in filing federal and state Income Tax returns including recent revisions. Please contact Jim Mills if you need a copy some of the screen presented material. Mr. Klein's presentation was appreciated by all in attendance.

**Countdown to COLA for 2024:** The Consumer Price Index used to determine COLA increases has reached 1.4% as of the end of March 2023.

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**NARFE's Online Member Community FEDhub Available:** Go to [www.narfe.net/](http://www.narfe.net/) to sign up. Here you can share advice, solve challenges, and develop new approaches. Join in discussions with fellow Feds to get the most out of our federal benefits.

**Support for Alzheimer's Research Needed:** The contributions by NARFE Members reached \$15,676,019.99 of 28 Feb 2023; however, more is needed to defeat this disease. A new goal of \$16 million has been set. Please make a donation to this fund if you can. You can make donations using instructions on page 41 of the May NARFE Magazine; please show your Chapter number on the form and on your check. 100 percent of all contributions to this fund go to Alzheimer's research. There is an update on Grants Awarded for Alzheimer's Research on pages 40-41 of the Mar Magazine.