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**CHAPTER LUNCHEON MEETING**

**DATE: FRIDAY, 2 JUNE, 2023**

**PLACE: MCL CAFETERIA  
4485 FAR HILLS `AVE  
KETTERING, OHIO**

**TIME: SOCIAL LUNCHEON STARTS AT 11:00**

MCL provides the private dining room for free since most members buy lunch. After paying for lunch, proceed to the private dining room. Cafeteria personnel will help those needing assistance. **The business meeting will start at 11:30.**

**XENIA 1974 TORNADO**

Mr. Scott Royal, from the Washington-Centerville Public Library, is featured speaker at the Friday, June 2, meeting. Mr. Royal will present an overview of the disastrous 1974 F-5 Tornado that tore through the heart of Xenia destroying half of the city and killing 32 people.

**AREA CHAPTER MEETINGS**

This newsletter is mailed to all Huber Heights Chapter 2238 members to keep them informed about area chapter meetings. The Huber Heights Chapter holds Chapter meetings at noon on the third Friday of every month except for June, July and August at the Studebaker's Country Restaurant in the party room at 416 N. Main Street New Carlisle, Ohio. Contact

Huber Heights Chapter President Gordan Quinn at 937-813-####, or at #####@aol.com for more information.

Greene County Chapter 2217 holds its Chapter Meetings at the Lofino Plaza meeting Room, next to the Beaver creek Senior Center, 3368 Dayton Xenia Road, the 2nd Thursday of odd numbered months beginning in January. No meeting is held in July. The meeting schedule will resume in September. All area NARFE members and guests are welcome to attend.

**ALZHEIMER'S LONGEST DAY CAMPAIGN**

Give to the NARFE Alzheimer's Research Fund this June. You can donate using the donation form in the May NARFE Magazine. Please show your Chapter number on the form and on your check. You can also donate on-line at

[www.alz.org/narfe](http://www.alz.org/narfe). Select Chapter 1927 from the drop-down menu, or give you donation at the June 2nd meeting. Make checks payable to NARFE Alzheimer's Research. 100 percent of donations to the Fund are allocated to research and is tax-deductible.

### **FEDERATION CONFERENCE**

The NARFE Ohio Federation Conference was held at the Der Dutchman Restaurant in Bellville, Ohio on Saturday, April 22nd. Our Miami Valley Chapter was well represented. Attending was Chapter President, Michael Webb; Legislative Chair Al Griggs; Membership Chair, Mike Madges and Chapter Treasurer, Scott Graham. Conferees received information on the use of various NARFE on-line reports as well as a presentation on FedHub given by our Chapter President Michael Webb. A comprehensive legislative report was provided via Zoom by Mr. John Hatton, NARFE Staff Vice President, Policy and Programs. He discussed legislation to protect earned retirement and health benefits covered in the following article. A Memorial Service was conducted with the reading of names of all who have passed since the last Federation meeting. Ohio Federation meetings are held biennially.

### **ADVOCACY UPDATE**

By Albert Griggs, Jr., 10th District, Congressional District Leader: I met with Congressman Turner's Local Office Chief of Staff on Tuesday, April 25, 2023. We had a very good discussion on issues supported by NARFE and how NARFE can work to get the Congressman's support. I gave her a copy of NARFE's last advocacy update. She was very pleased with it. She explained how people come to her asking for support, but they have nothing to support their request. She loved the advocacy update laid out. She said, she was traveling to DC later in the week to meet with the Congressman and the DC staff, and she planned to discuss the advocacy update with them. I told her, at some time in the future I will have to travel to DC to meet with our Ohio Senators and Congressmen/women, and their staffs. She asked me to let her know when I plan to travel to meet Mr. Turner's DC staff, and she will make the meeting arrangements.

I am preparing letters of introduction for our Ohio Senators. The plan is to engage them and start a dialog with them and their staffs. Meantime, I need your support! We must let our federal legislators know we strongly support NARFE's efforts to secure our benefits, and strengthen the federal civil service for our members who are still active members of the federal civil service.

The following bills benefiting federal employees and retirees have been introduced in the 118th Congress. Please urge your legislators to support these bills through NARFE's legislative Action Center at [www.NARFE.org](http://www.NARFE.org). Go to the advocacy link and click on Take Action to send a pre-written letter. You can add your stories to the letters. Social Security Fairness Act, H.R. 82/S597: repeal the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and Government Pension Offset (GPO) provisions; Saving the Civil Service Act (H.R. 1002/S. 399): This legislation marks the latest attempt by lawmakers to prevent the return of Schedule F (effort to bypass merit system protection); Equal COLA Act, H.R. 866: Would provide Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) retirees with full cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs); Fair COLA for Seniors Act, H.R. 716: The bill will provide more accurate COLAs for federal retirees by calculating COLAs using the Consumer Price Index for the Elderly (CPI-E); Federal Adjustment of Income Rates (FAIR) Act, H.R. 536/S. 124: Would provide a 2024 pay raise for federal workers.

### **APRIL MEETING MINUTES**

1. Vice President Mike Madges called the meeting to order. A crowd of 20 was present. A moment of silence was observed for our troops, followed by The Pledge of Allegiance. Mike also mentioned on April 7, 1788, the first settlement in Ohio, Marietta, was founded.

2. Announcements: See FEDERATION CONFERENCE this page. Several Chapter 1927 members attended.

The February Chapter meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

3. Officer Reports: Treasurer's Report – Scott Graham reported receipts of \$346.36 and disbursements of \$507.54 since December 31, leaving a balance of \$3,042.36.

Legislative Chair Report – See above article

4. Other Business: Mike Madges reminded all that our chapter conducts both Board and Chapter meetings. Chapter meetings are conducted on the first Friday of even-numbered months and Board meetings on the third Thursday of odd-numbered months at the MCL Cafeteria. Every year the October NARFE magazine provides a scorecard on how each Senator and Representative has voted on issues of concern to NARFE.

Meeting adjourned

**Upcoming Meetings – Chapter Meeting 11:00 a.m. Friday, 2 June 2023; Board Meeting 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 20 July 2023**

**Chapter meetings are open to everyone. Board meetings are open to all Chapter members.**

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