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Federal & State Tax Withholding Changes, OPM: 1-888-767-6738 or 1-202-606-1234		Medicare Part B Dayton: 1-800-282-0530
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Legal Aid Line of Western Ohio 1-888-534-1432		Social Security-Dayton: 937-886-0687
		Social Security-National: 1-800-772-1213
		Federal Retiree Hotline: 1-888-767-6738
Greene County Council on Aging: 937-376-5486 Area Agency on Aging: 937-341-3000		Beavercreek Senior Adult Ctr.: 937-426-6166 Greene County VA Benefits: 937-562-6020 Dept. of Veterans Affairs: 800-827-1000



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-#### 1st Vice Pres. & Legislative Chair: Michael Jacobs 937-479-####, 2nd Vice Pres. & Newsletter Editor: Tom Valdes 937-####, 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.

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Receiving this mail by Parcel Post does not mean you're dropped from our Email List. A bulk mailing requires at least 200 copies to be sent, close to our current membership. If you should have received an Email copy and did not, please let Jim Mills know so our lists can be updated.

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.

*******July Chapter Meeting Canceled*******

The July 13, 2023 Chapter 2217 meeting has been canceled by Chapter Board action.

*******September Chapter Meeting*******

The 14 Sept 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 for this meeting will be Jason Tincu, Director of Greene County Engineering Department (GCSED). He will discuss Greene County water supply Projects with emphasis on softening the water with a process that does not add sodium to the water. The change over will take place in 2024..

Miami Valley Chapter 1927 Will Have Their Regular Scheduled Chapter Meeting Friday, 4 Aug 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 is still in works. Go to www.narfe.net/site/chapter1927 for more recent information.

NARFE Bill Tracker for the Current Congressional Session (118) Now available: See pages 13 & 14 of the June/July 2023 NARFE Magazine. Fifteen 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.

WEP/GPO Repeal Bill Secures Majority Support in House, Introduced in Senate: See page 12 of the June/July NARFE Magazine. Be a voice for Federal retirees; Send messages to your legislatures. Go to <https://www.narfe.org/action> .

Another WEP Reform Bill Recently Reintroduced in the House: Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) Reform Bill, "Public Servants Protection and Fairness Act", H.R. 4260 would grant relief to current WEP-affected individuals by providing them with an extra \$150 a month and instituting a new WEP formula for future retirees. The above paragraph Bill would be preferred.

Several Bills Need Immediate Attention: Bills included in the Bill Tracker which could gain more Cosponsors with our communications with our Congressmen and Senators. Legislatures pay more attention near election time. These are as follows:

Legislation to Protect Merit System Reintroduced, H.R. 1002/ S. 399. See page 13 of the June/July NARFE Magazine.

Legislation to Expand Paid Leave, H.R. 856/ S. 274. See page 14 of the June/July NARFE Magazine.

Equal COLA Act Reintroduced, H.R. 866. See page 14 of the June/July NARFE Magazine.

Fair COLA for Seniors Reintroduced, H.R. 716. See page 14 of the June/July NARFE Magazine.

Go to the Legislative Action Center at www.narfe.org to send a letter to your congressman.

Minutes of the 11 May 2023 Chapter Meeting: The 11 May 2023 meeting was held in the Lofino Plaza (adjacent to the Beavercreek Senior Center) Meeting Room at 1:00 PM. There were 2 members in attendance plus the speaker. The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$3973.94. The speaker at about 1:30 PM, was 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 gave a review of how these can be optimized in retirement and he answered 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.

Countdown to COLA for 2024: The Consumer Price Index used to determine COLA increases has reached 2.2% as of the end of May 2023.

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NARFE's Online Member Community FEDhub Available: Go to 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 \$15,692,263.94 as of 30 Apr 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 47 of the June/July 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 information on reducing risk of Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease on page 44 of the June/July NARFE Magazine.