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CHAPTER LUNCHEON MEETING

DATE: FRIDAY, 6 FEBRUARY 2026

SPEAKER'S TOPIC: A Dayton Libraries speaker will describe the features of MyChart used by Dayton area medical facilities to capture essential elements of a patient's health and treatments.

PLACE: MCL CAFETERIA

4485 FAR HILLS `AVE

KETTERING, OHIO

TIME: SOCIAL LUNCHEON STARTS AT 11:00

MCL provides a 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.**

Health Care App MY CHART Explained

By Sue Garcia, Secretary

Our speaker at the February 6, 2026 Chapter meeting will be an Information Services Assistant from the Dayton Metro Library (speaker name

TBD) who will speak to us about how to maximize all the features of using the online healthcare tool My Chart. This platform is very versatile and easy to use and contains a variety of health care information for each user. The speaker will show us how to navigate the features of the platform, and how to utilize all the different types of healthcare

information available. Thousands of Miami Valley area patients are enrolled in My Chart.

Tax Time

By Brian Normile, Benefits Officer

It's the time of year to contemplate taxes. This year, 1099-R tax forms will not be routinely mailed to annuitants. When they become available, you will receive an email notification with options to securely access your 1099-R online. OPM Services Online (<https://www.servicesonline.opm.gov>) can be signed into through Login.gov. This login can be accomplished on the OPM Services Online homepage. If you want to receive the paper 1099-R through the mail, click on the box for postal mail under 1099-R preference in your profile. There is also a secure tool on the OPM Services Online homepage to get your 1099-R tax form which does not require login. Click [here](#) on the OPM Services Online homepage to get your 1099-R tax form which does not require login.

If you want to make a change to withholding for federal tax, you can adjust your federal tax withholding on Form W-4P which can be accessed on the OPM Services Online site. State tax withholding can also be adjusted on the OPM Services Online site. Incidentally, for those with Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) accounts, the 1099-R tax forms associated with those accounts will be sent out in paper form by 31 January.

NARFE Advocacy: A PRIORITY

By Mike Madges, Chapter 1927 Vice President

The One Big Beautiful Bill is now the law of the land. **What you may not know** is that at the inception of Congressional consideration of this legislation several adverse proposals were included affecting the federal population. They included a 3.6% increase in FERS contributions toward retirement (no increase in benefits); elimination of the FERS annuity supplement; High-3 to High-5; the option for new employees to either become an at-will employee or pay an additional 5% in retirement contributions and a fee for filing a

Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB) appeal. Other adverse ideas of concern but not included were switching to a Voucher System for health benefits (FEHB & PSHB); reducing the rate of return for monies in the TSP G fund; reducing or eliminating COLAs. Eventually the House-passed version **did eliminate** the FERS annuity supplement, the 5% added retirement contribution for new employees who did NOT choose at-will status and the MSPB appeal fee. The Senate thereafter amended further and the final version of the bill which was passed by both houses and signed into law was WITHOUT ANY OF THE ABOVE OBJECTIONABLE PROPOSALS which **NARFE opposed throughout the process**. NARFE secured our earned benefits for now, but the future could see these ominous proposals return. Your NARFE membership is working for you! Stay aware. Speak out. Let's together protect what we've earned. (Note: And our Congressman, Mike Turner, (NARFE-PAC supported) pushed back too.)

Alzheimers Research

By Mike Madges, Chapter 1927 Vice President

Membership in any professional association like ours offers its members various personal benefits. And we hope you are taking full advantage of your NARFE membership. But professional associations can create collective opportunities for its members to support other worthy and critical endeavors. NARFE has a long-standing commitment in support of Alzheimers Research through membership giving. Through October 31, 2025, NARFE members have contributed some \$16.8 million dollars. But the quest to end this terrible disease continues. We encourage you to join in this effort by making your check payable to NARFE-Alzheimers Research (write Chapter 1927 on your memo line) and send it to the Alzheimers Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., 17th Floor, Chicago. IL 60601-7633. Or you may use the coupon on page 31 of the Jan/Feb 2026 NARFE magazine for this purpose. Be aware that we were recognized at last spring's Ohio Federation Conference as the second most generous Chapter in the state. Your charitable contribution is fully tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Upcoming Meetings – Chapter Meeting 11::00 a.m. Friday 6 February; Board meeting March 19 at 11:000 a.m.

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

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