



**FEDERAL BENEFITS EXPERTS**

**CHAMBERSBURG  
PENNSYLVANIA**

**CHAPTER 1063**

National Active & Retired Federal Employees Association

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

September/October 2020  
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Hello NARFE members! We are living in what is called a "new normal", I hope everyone is well and staying safe!

Your NARFE board members met the end of August to discuss several important issues concerning the future of Chapter 1063. I have decided not to run for another term as your President and have assigned Jean Crotty as Chairperson of the Nominating committee for 2021. It has been pointed out many times to the membership that in order for a chapter to remain open you need at least a President and a Treasurer or Secretary/Treasurer.

At this point we have no idea when we will be able to resume our luncheons/monthly meetings at the VFW, with the 6-foot restrictions and the limit of 25 in a group that the COVID pandemic has dealt us. The Board would like to continue printing a newsletter, but changing distribution to quarterly along with quarterly luncheons beginning in January 2021.

Jean will be contacting several members to see if you may be interested in helping to keep our chapter open by serving as President. If we cannot find someone, we will have to begin closing procedures, which will be a very long, and very time-consuming process. All members will have to be notified and canvassed to find out where you would want to be transferred to. We hope this will not be necessary.

On another note: We received a letter from the Shriner's Children's Hospital thanking us for our \$100 donation in memory of Gaylord (Pete) Peters.

I hope everyone voted either by mail or online ballot that was included in our August NARFE magazine. Of particular importance was the issue of raising our dues to \$8.00.

Please stay safe! Wear your mask!!!

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**Nominating Committee**

Jean Crotty (717) 352-4467  
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The Nominating Committee has been organized. The members are myself as Chairperson with assistance from Marlene Washburn and Judy Bierbower. The positions open are President and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.

COVID-19 has changed every one's world including many organizations. Your Executive Board is trying to keep our Chapter alive and well. They are hopeful that these two positions can be filled for the upcoming year.

October is normally the month where we take nominations from the floor at the Luncheon/Meeting. Because we are currently not meeting, I ask that anyone who is willing to serve please contact me. Also if anyone wishes to suggest a name to the committee let me know. I will contact that member.

I know that we have many capable members within our ranks. We need you to step up now.

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**Treasurer's Report**

Judy Bierbower, 717-263-8220

The Balance in the Chapter's Checking account as of 29 August 2020 is \$11,743.64.  
Less Ways and Means \$5,935.99  
Less Alzheimer's \$116.68  
Cash available \$5,690.97

From June to November 2019, NARFE paid the Chapter an estimated monthly payment for member dues which was \$252.44 each month. On July 17, 2020 they sent our Chapter \$174.04, because of under paying us for that period.

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**SOCIAL EVENTS**  
**Celena Casseday, 717-264-7309**

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Our monthly luncheon meetings at the VFW in Chambersburg will be suspended until further notice due to the Covid-19 virus.

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**PROGRAMS**  
**Jean C. Crotty, 717-352-4467**  
**jeancrotty@centurylink.net**

No programs until further notice due to the Covid-19 virus.

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**MEMBERSHIP**  
**VACANT**

The current membership count is 727.

This position of Chairman, Membership Committee is currently vacant. If anyone is interested in getting more involved within the chapter and would like to volunteer to help Mary Anne with membership duties please contact Ann Peters or one of the other officers as to your interest.

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**SERVICE OFFICER**  
**Robert Nakielny, 717-264-6183**

The NARFE Service Center, located in rooms B-2 and B-3, downstairs in the Eugene C. Clarke Jr. Community Center at 235 South Third Street, Chambersburg, PA is open Thursdays, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM (except holidays or when schools are closed for inclement weather). You can call 717-264-6183, anytime if you have questions. If we do not answer, leave a message and we will return your call.

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**LEGISLATION**  
**Bill Lennartz, 703-463-7768**  
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Hello everyone...it's been awhile! We may have missed NARFE's Grassroots Advocacy Month in August but it's never too late to

contact your Senator or your Representative. This year, NARFE's legislative priorities will focus on two issues: Reform or repeal of the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and support for more accurate cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) for seniors.

The simplest way to do this is to go on to the NARFE website and click on the "Advocacy" tab at the top of the page. There you will see a link on the left hand side of the page "Contact your Legislators". When you click on that it gives you a list of issues that NARFE supports including Preserve the Postal Service, WEP, COLAs and many more. Go to any of those issues and click on it and there will be a pre-written letter for you to send. All you need to do is enter your name and address and it will automatically address and send it to your Legislator. It's that simple!!! Or you can contact them by any of the following methods.

**IN TODAY'S WORLD, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO SPEAK UP!!!!!!!!!!!!**

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**Senator Patrick Toomey Republican-PA**

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SUNSHINE COMMITTEE  
Kay Clark, 717-372-4003

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Deaths: (Sympathy Cards)

March:

Beverly Peters, death of husband Gaylord L. Peters; D. Jean Shaffer, family death of D. Jean; Lois Safransky, death of husband Charles M. Safransky.

April:

Jo Ann Hessernan family, death of Jo Ann; Jeffrey Swisher, death of wife Sharon Swisher; Mary C. Karinshak, death of husband Frederick A. Karinshak.

May:

Mary E. Rosenberry, death of husband Leroy; Mary M. Tuthill family, death of Mary; Marian L. Lavine family, death of Marian; Karen L. Orsega, death of husband John M. Orsega; Margaret A. Shank, death of husband William H. Shank; Margaret Carll, death of Gary R. Carll; Wayne E. Dale, death of sister Linda L. Dale; Nancy N. Gaal, death of husband John E. Gaal; Jo Anne L. Hale-Rauch, death of husband John Leroy Rauch.

June:

Marlene E. Corwell, death of husband Richard E. Corwell.

July:

Bonnie Truett Thompson, death of husband Dean E. Thompson Jr.; Faye M. Ulrich, death of husband Charles W. Ulrich; Sylvia Annette Rentfrow family, death of Sylvia Annette Rentfrow; Esther G. Jones family, death of Esther.

August:

Barbara Hartman family, death of Dennis R. Hartman; George R. Jenkins, death of wife Sandra S. Jenkins.

"IN MEMORY OF PETE PETERS"  
Our Former NARFE President of  
Chambersburg Chapter 1063

We have lost several good and loyal members this year since we last published a Newsletter. You will find them listed in Kay's report. But we felt a special mention would not be out of line at the passing of Gaylord Peters this spring. I'm sure you all know that Pete held every position in the Chapter, some more than once. He also served as President of the State Federation as well as other positions in the Federation. Pete was not only active in NARFE he also was involved in his church. In addition he was strongly committed to the Shriners Hospitals to name just one charity. I know many miss him and his hardy laugh and wide smile every day.

I'm also sorry to inform the membership that Sandy Jenkins wife of our past president Dick Jenkins passed away on August 23rd.

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Kate Dymond, 717-352-8245

No report this newsletter.

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Hello everyone. So many plans have changed this year. I hope everyone is doing OK. I miss our lunches, and the Brain Change Jar misses YOU!

Dining fundraisers are out of the question for now, and our Easter raffle was cancelled. If you donated items or money for the raffle, I am holding them until we can meet again.

Even during this pandemic Alzheimer's and dementia research continues, so monetary support is most welcome. You can call or email me and I will gladly arrange to get donations from you.