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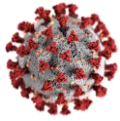
Word from Chapter President

It has been three months since we last met. The COVID-19 pandemic and measures taken by Bexar county and City of San Antonio to prevent its spread weighed heavily in the Chapter's Executive Committee arriving at decision to cancel the March, April and May meetings. Although the city, county and state have begun easing measures to slow down the spread of the virus, the committee decided to cancel the June meeting for the following reasons. Businesses and houses of worship are now allowed to open at 25% capacity. Taking in to account the six feet distancing measure, if our June luncheon had taken place at the Golden Corral's party room, only 12 members would have been allowed in the room. The rest would have to sit throughout the restaurant making for a nonproductive meeting. In the meantime, our regular meeting place, Brookhill Baptist Church, closed and has been live streaming their services. No date available when they will open. Also, our age group is vulnerable to this virus. As much as we would like to be out shopping and soaking in the rays, we are just setting ourselves to catching something our bodies may not be able to fight off. I personally could not forgive myself if I played a role in someone becoming ill by bringing you back prematurely. With so many people being asymptomatic, anyone of us could unknowingly come to a meeting infected. So, for now, let us stay home another month and pray July will show progress in slowing down the virus and development of a vaccine is one step closer.



Gerry Rendon

San Antonio Coronavirus Update



As of May 29, 2020, 2,636 cases and 72 deaths of COVID-19 cases were reported in Bexar County. Fifty-three of the 2,636 were new cases. San Antonio official reported 91 patients are hospitalized, 40 are in the intensive care unit and 25 are on ventilators.

Experts Warn of “Silent Spreaders”: Researchers say anywhere from 25 percent to 80 percent of people with COVID-19 are unaware they have the virus.

In a recent study, researchers reported that 104 of 128 people (81 percent) on a cruise ship who tested positive with the novel coronavirus were asymptomatic.

This allows the novel coronavirus to spread more rapidly throughout a community.

Experts say carriers without symptoms make it even more important for people to wear face masks and adhere to distancing when in public.

Chapter Membership



The current chapter membership total as of May 2020 is 122. We lost a member, Joyce Zerr, who passed away April 26, 2020.

Member Biographies



Chapter 1st Vice President Antonio Alcides (Al) Dreumont started his federal career in 1957 when he enlisted with the U.S. Army Reserve. In 1963 he joined the U.S. Weather Bureau as an intern at the Weather Bureau Office, Brownsville, Texas. Over the years he was promoted to various Meteorologist positions until his retirement in 2000 with 38 years of federal service. Al is a licensed Instrument Rated Pilot with over 1500 flight hours. He was an instructor at the Marana Natural Resources Training Center teaching an 8-hour course to worldwide Spanish speaking forestry engineers in the use of meteorology in wildfire suppression.

Teaching assignments took him to Mexico, Spain, Central America and most countries in South America. He worked for 5 years as a Consultant Meteorologist for the MITRE Corporation in modernizing international airports in Mexico, Central America, and South America. Al is a continually active NARFE member and works with the District 12 representatives at various seminars to recruit new members.



Our newest Chapter member Amelia Sanchez is the spouse of a retired Federal employee. She is a native San Antonian and spent her school years in the local Elementary and High Schools. She was in a dance group called Las Mejicanitas. This is when her love of dancing began. She worked at the Guadalupe Community Center where she helped with dancing classes and other duties. Amelia retired from South San ISD after 29 years. She started out as a clerk in the Reading Lab which later transferred into the library. After her retirement she started line dancing classes and going to the Senior Centers exercising and playing bingo. Now that

she is a Chapter member her activities continue because she works with her friend Jovita Durand on the Social Committee providing refreshments at Chapter meetings.

In Memoriam

Joyce Imogene (Bishop) Zerr of San Antonio, Texas, passed away on April 26, 2020. She was born January 25, 1940 in Uvalde, Texas, to Robert Louis Bishop and Climbert Rachel Heine Bishop.

Joyce graduated from Knippa High School in Knippa, Texas. On June 21, 1958, she married Larry James Zerr in Knippa. She made her home in San Antonio for many years.

Joyce was preceded in death by her husband, Larry J. Zerr, of D'Hanis; her sweetheart, Lawrence Henson of San Antonio; her parents, Climbert Rachel and Robert Louis Bishop of Uvalde; one brother, Billy Carol Bishop of Utah; and one sister, Bobbie Louise Parker of San Antonio.

Survivors are two sons, James Wayne Zerr and Jack Wilfred Zerr of San Antonio; one brother, Garland Bishop; and one sister, Dolores Ann Mueller of San Antonio.

Joyce was a member of Northwest Hills Christian Church in San Antonio. She was a substitute teacher in the Northside School District for five years and worked at Kelly AFB for 22 years before retiring in 1998. She was an active member of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE), San Antonio Chapter 1594. She served as Chapter President from January 2012 to December 2018. She was also member of AARP.



Items of Interest

NARFE CANCELS FEDCON20: Due to concerns related to the coronavirus pandemic, NARFE's premier training event, FEDcon20, has been canceled. The biennial conference was scheduled to take place August 30 through September 1, 2020, at the Westin Kierland Resort in Scottsdale, AZ.

NEXT WEBINAR: Plan Now, Relax Later: Tips for New and Mid-Career Feds Webinar will be presented by James Marshall on Wednesday, June 3 at 2 p.m. EDT at a cost of \$39.95. (Includes one year of NARFE membership. Webinars are FREE to members.)

Whether you've just started your federal career or you've been at it for a few years, you probably have questions about your benefits and you're likely unfamiliar with some of the critical details that affect you as a federal employee. Questions like:

- What are the ramifications if you decide to take a break from federal service?
- What happens when you transfer from one agency to another?



2021 TEXAS FEDERATION CONFERENCE

(TXFED2021): The South Area Chapters of District 12 and Lone Star State Chapter 2365 will host TXFed2021. The dates of the conference are April 13 - 14, 2021 and it will be held at the Hilton San Antonio Airport, San Antonio, TX. Fran Hiner from New Braunfels Chapter 0672 has been designated Chairperson for this event. Fran has prepared a checklist with tasks that need to be accomplished for a successful event. Seven tasks remain unassigned. They are audio/visual support, color guard, decorations, entertainment, local publicity, reconciliation and finance final report and registration. Tasks already taken are chairmanship

(0672), convention program (2365), speakers (0672), door prizes (1320), memorial program (Linda Richards) and housing (2365). Please review the seven tasks remaining unassigned and let me know if you believe we have the experience to take ownership of any of them. I believe we can do a good job with the audio/visual support, decorations and registration tasks but first need to discuss it with the members I know have the experience to do it. No one will be doing this alone. We will be doing this with the support of other volunteers within the Chapter. Feel free to call me at 210-213-4169 or email at gerardorendon@att.net if you are interested in helping with these tasks. When calling me, please leave a voicemail with your name and number or I will assume it just a spam or robocall.

Upcoming Events

Chapter Meeting June 17
 Chapter Meeting July 15
 Chapter Meeting August 19

Birthdays

Jane Garcia June
 Earl Harris June
 Rene Hernandez June
 Georgia Lindinger June
 Ofelia Olivares June
 Delores Rutledge June
 Henrietta Horton July
 Guillermo Olvera July
 Lynda Guzman August
 Mary Kilgore August
 Frances Marthiljohni August
 Adeline McAdams August
 Connie Jo Popham August
 Lawrence Spencer August

Anniversaries

Isabel & David Cuellar June
 Carmen & Al Dreumont June
 Stella & Guadalupe Flores July
 Joyce & Jesse Gorden August

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Keep Up with Us



Chapter Officers

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Meeting Information

Upcoming Meetings: June 17th July 15th August 19th

Place: Brookhill Baptist Church, 631 Utopia Ln., San Antonio, Texas 78223
(Current Location)

Date: Every third Wednesday of the month (unless rescheduled)

Time: 12:30 p.m. regular meetings & 11:00 a.m. lunch meetings in June and
December
(restaurant selected month prior to meeting)

If you need a ride to the meeting or are interested in giving a member a ride, please let one of the officers know.

