



National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association

President/Service Officer (*Beth Picek*)

Each month our national organization puts out a magazine which is chock full of information that is pertinent to Federal employees and retirees. There are informative articles on many different topics such as articles about what is happening in Congress that may affect the Federal community. There is even a section that lists ways to save money with NARFE perks. I hope you get a chance to peruse your copy of "narfe" this month.

Next Meeting

Please join us on **Wednesday, November 29**, at 10:30 a.m. at the Huron Area Senior Center, 290 7th St SW, in Huron. Chapter members are encouraged to make dinner reservations the day before our meeting by calling 352-8291 before 4:00 p.m. Identify yourself as a NARFE member. Suggested donation is \$4 for those over 60. Please check in and pay at the front desk. The menu will include roast beef with mashed potatoes and gravy. Our guest speaker will be Rhonda Kludt of the United Way Heartland Region. Please bring a less active or prospective member.

Christmas Party on Thurs, Dec. 14, at Senior Center.

Courtesy Committee (*Clarence & Judy Hanson*)

Get well cards sent to Gerald Peterson (fall) and Jim Valer (surgery). If you know of a member who is ill or deceased, please contact Clarence or Judy Hanson at 353-1550.

Santa for a Senior

Please consider submitting the name(s) of persons who will be alone for Christmas and won't get gifts. Call Elizabeth at 353-6520 by December 11.

Membership Renewals in December 2017

No member renewals are due in December. Listed as past due is Jerry Hutchinson (Sep). **Dropped for non-renewal in the past 12 months are Dale Goreham, Douglas Hart, Sharon Jones, Dorothy Lundgren and Jim Uthe.** Have you considered Dues Withholding? If you have already renewed, THANK YOU!

New Members

Welcome to Allen and Diana Barton who became Pheasant Chapter members on November 20! And THANK YOU for choosing Dues Withholding!

Membership Drive

Membership Drive is ongoing thru December 31. Earn \$10 from National, \$5 from Federation and \$50 from a chapter challenge for each new member, active or retired, who joins during this time frame.

SHIINE Medicare Part D Assistance

Medicare Open Enrollment ends Dec. 7. SHIINE volunteers are available at the Huron Area Senior Center for assistance. Call 352-8291 any morning to schedule an appointment.

FEHB Open Season ends December 11.

Veteran's Day

To all who are serving or have served in the military in any capacity, and to the family members who supported them, THANK YOU!

PHEASANT CHAPTER 0899 NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

Webinars Topics – FREE for members to view 24/7

HEALTH PLANS: Discover Your Best Option (11-30-17)
Other 2017 Topics / FEHB & Medicare: What's Best For You? / Retirement Forms: Step-by-Step for Guaranteed Success / From Federal Employee to Annuitant -- Master the Process! / Survivor Benefits -- Plan for the Future / Creating a Second Career / Should I Stay or Should I Go? / Estate Planning For FEDS / Social Security Simplified / What's Your Best Retirement Date / TSP: Love It or Leave It / Speeding the Retirement Journey.

Legislation (*Jim Valer*)

Sleep well, your NARFE Legislative Advocacy team is on the job! Actually don't do that, stay awake and stay engaged!

The NARFE legislative team is fully engaged and successfully took action to press legislators to take action on meaning legislation to improve the Thrift Savings Plan options. Money talks! Send a generous donation in response to the Christmas cards you recently received in the mail. Hey, it will always have greater returns than lottery tickets. Seriously, the budget cutters often see cutting federal benefits as easy targets and we need to respond with our voices and our money.

"The only trouble with retirement is you never get a day off!"

Pheasant Chapter Executive Board for 2018

President.....	Bob Eickhoff
Vice-President.....	Keith Zolobkowski
Secretary.....	Diane Clayton / Kathy Chase
Treasurer.....	Bob Eickhoff
Alzheimer's.....	Carol Grabin
Calling.....	Beth Picek
Courtesy.....	Clarence/ Judy Hanson (to 5/1)
Legislative.....	Jim Valer
Meals on Wheels.....	Al Thomas
Membership.....	Bob Eickhoff
Newsletter.....	Bob Eickhoff
Programs.....	Bob Eickhoff
Public Relations.....	Bob Eickhoff
Service.....	Beth Picek
Social.....	Diane Clayton

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Nov 1.....	Madelyn Saarie
Nov 1.....	Roger Youngman (Past Federation President)
Nov 9.....	Beth Picek (Pheasant Chapter President)
Nov 10.....	Frank Amundson
Nov 11.....	Gene Saarie
Nov 12.....	Howard Pearl
Nov 13.....	Rustin Johnsen
Nov 14.....	John Bultsma (Federation President)
Nov 17.....	Allen Barton
Nov 19.....	Larry Zavesky
Nov 23.....	Jim & Barb Valer (anniv)
Nov 23.....	HAPPY THANKSGIVING
Nov 24.....	Dale Cundy and Eileen Nenaber
Nov 25.....	Dianna Neuharth
Nov 26.....	Debra Kates
Nov 27.....	Ella Decker and Pat Doak