

# NARFE HURON PHEASANT CHAPTER 0899

## NOVEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

### **President/Service Officer** *(Beth Picek)*

Here's another opportunity to show the face of NARFE to the community! The upcoming play "The Sounds of Autumn", written and directed by Huronite Mike Lyon, will be performed by Huron Area Community Theatre on December 2 and 3 (at 7 p.m.) and December 4 (at 2 p.m.). The play touches on Alzheimer's and its effect on family relationships. Our chapter will have a table at all three of the performances to accept donations to Alzheimer's research as well as having informational pamphlets for distribution to audience members. Please consider some civic duty and volunteer to help out for a couple of hours the weekend of December 2, 3, and 4.

### **Next Meeting**

Please join us on Wednesday, November 30, at 10:30 a.m. at the Huron Area Senior Center, 290 7<sup>th</sup> St SW, in Huron. Guest speaker will be Huron High School students performing humorous oral interp selections. 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 be roast beef with mashed potatoes and gravy. Please bring an inactive or prospective member.

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Nov 1 – Madelyn Saarie  
Nov 1 – Roger Youngman (Past Federation President)  
Nov 9 – Beth Picek  
Nov 10 – Frank Amundson  
Nov 11 – Gene Saarie  
Nov 12 – Howard Pearl  
Nov 14 – John Bultsma (Federation President)  
Nov 17 – Mildred Giordano  
Nov 19 – Larry Zavesky  
Nov 23 – Jim & Barb Valer (anniv)  
Nov 24 – Eileen Nenaber  
Nov 26 – Debra Kates  
Nov 27 – Ella Decker  
Any others we may have missed?

### **Contact Information**

If you have changed your address, phone number or email address, or if you would like a membership directory, contact any officer.

### **Be a Santa for a Senior**

Pheasant Chapter members are asked to supply names of any persons who may not get gifts or have family with them for Christmas. Please give the names to Jenny Sorben (352-8471), Social Worker at SunQuest HealthCare Center. A tree of names will be at Lewis Drug beginning Nov. 25. Whoever takes a name is to buy gifts from a suggested list and take them to the Lewis Service Desk with the name of the person to receive the gifts. Do not wrap the presents. Some volunteers will wrap and deliver the gifts a few days before Christmas. No one will know the name of the donor or recipient. The goal is to positively impact the lives of seniors in our community.

### **Membership Renewals in December 2016**

According to our national records, December 1 dues expiration dates include Jerald Bisterfeldt, Janet Hohn, Karen Swanda, Dorothy Turner (National Life) and Arlene Van Scharrel. Those listed as past due include Elaine Richter (Oct 1), Mavonne Larson (Nov 1) and Colleen Swenson (Nov 1). **Dropped for non-renewal in 2016 include Dan Beckwith and Dale Goreham.** Have you considered Dues Withholding? If you have already renewed, THANK YOU!

**Welcome** to new member Delores "Deannie" LeRoux as of November 18, after her husband Ed passed on Nov. 16.

### **SHIINE Medicare Assistance**

SHIINE Program is having open enrollments for the Medicare "Med D" medication benefits through December 5. Volunteers will be available at the Huron Area Senior Center for assistance. Call 352-8291 any morning to schedule an appointment.

### **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!

### **Election of Officers**

Congratulations to newly re-elected President Beth Picek, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Bob Jones, Secretary Diane Clayton and Treasurer Bob Eickhoff. Some positions are still open. If you are asked to do your fair share and serve on a committee, please say YES!

### **Alzheimer's Fundraiser** *(Carol Grabin)*

As of Saturday, November 12, a total of \$780 has been received from the "bakeless bake sale" letter fundraiser. It is not too late to send your donation to Carol Grabin at PO Box 107 in Gann Valley SD 57341. Thank you to all those who have already given!

### **Mark Your Calendars**

Dec 7 – Medicare Open Enrollment ends  
Dec 12 – FEHB Open Season ends  
Dec 31 – Membership Drive ends. Earn \$10 from National and \$5 from Federation for each new member you sign up.

### **Medicare Part B**

For those on Social Security, rates will raise from \$104.90 to \$109. For members not on Social Security, rates will go from \$121.80 to \$134. All because of a 0.3 % COLA increase!

### **Courtesy Committee** *(Clarence & Judy Hanson)*

Get well card were sent to Mary A. Larson, Muriel Simmons, Deb Kludt, Sharon Jones, Gerald Peterson and Tom Brauer. Condolence cards to families of Jackie Bjorke, Floyd Kallenberger and Edmund LeRoux.

"Don't aspire to be the best ON the team. Aspire to be the best FOR the team."