



NARFE Western Kentucky Newsletter

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association

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District I DVP Tom Diaz Welcomes you to our Western Kentucky NARFE Newsletter

The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association are going through a growing change and moving into this new century with big changes. The computer age is here and we are doing what we can to help our folks use the newest technology. We still use all the tool of the past to help you but technology is moving paperless. One thing we are asking you to do is use the new technologies (computers and smart phones). Our Chapter still operates the same way with meetings locally at your favorite spots, raise funds to help secure our benefits with local projects, letters to everyone that can help, NARFE PAC, disaster relief and some amazing research in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association.

Thank you for being a member of NARFE.

This Newsletter is being mailed to those of you without computer.

This Newsletter is being sent to you via a link if you have an email address with NARFE, you will view it online at our <http://narfky.org/> website.

This Newsletter can be viewed at your local library with their online computers and our <http://narfky.org/> website.

**** Strength through Numbers ****

Our monthly meetings of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) will recognize and celebrate those United States citizens who are dedicating their working lives in the service of their country or who have retired from Federal Service, and continue to fight for their rights by being members of NARFE.

We believe that working for the betterment of this country is the proper thing to do. We continue to believe in these principles by being members of NARFE.

Each month meeting brings a renewed view of our life.

This celebration is a measure of our grateful thanks for these individuals' long-time Federal Service and to recognize and honor them.

I ask all members of our Federal Force to join us in this celebration (including our Congressmen).

There is **Strength through Numbers.**

Join NARFE:

<http://narfky.org/LOCAL/index.html>

Write Congress:

<http://capwiz.com/narfe/home/>

District 1 Blog:

<http://kydvpi2013.blogspot.com/>

Trigg County Chapter 1730 News

NARFE met at Senior Center earlier this month

By Staff Report – The Cadiz Record - May 22, 2013



Tom Diaz (above) was elected Kentucky Federation of Chapters District I Vice President

Chapter 1730 of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) met on Wednesday, May 8, at 10 a.m. in the Cadiz Senior Center. This was the chapter's final meeting before summer recess. Chapter 1730 President Richard Pauze opened the meeting and called on Chapter Chaplain Clyde Weaver to present the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation. Minutes of the Meeting were read and approved. Treasurer Jim Mustian gave the treasury report. He also offered some raffle tickets to support NARFE's fund for Alzheimer's Research.

Pauze introduced the newly elected Federation Vice President, Tom Diaz. Diaz is retired from a career with the Corps of Engineers spending a large part of his career working at the lock and dam on the Ohio River.

Diaz became a member of NARFE in 2001. Diaz is responsible for creating the website entitled NARFE Kentucky.org. It is intended to keep Kentucky members of NARFE informed about local issues.



Trigg County Chapter 1730



Henderson Chapter 1291



6/18/2013

My wife and I had the pleasure of visiting the Henderson Chapter 1291 at the Rockhouse Wolf's Restaurant in downtown Henderson. We had lunch then we had the meeting with a silent prayer and then the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag and county. Virginia Knight was our host as Amelia Seidel was unable to attend. Jimmy Canter assisted

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Virginia during the meeting. After the minutes, treasurer's report and other business were read I introduced myself and I asked everyone present to introduce themselves. County Extension Agent for Horticulture Jeff Porter was our speaker and he gave us a presentation on Horticulture in our area and passed out items of interest and answered questions.

I gave a brief description of what I was doing and what was going to happen at our Fall Roundup.

The weather was nice, comfortable and very green.

Community Services

6/19/2013

Today is the Crittenden County Chapter 1373 Meeting at the Marion Cafe in Marion Kentucky and I will attend that meeting as President of Chapter 1373 and Vice President of District 1.

I am bringing back in our District Community Services Hours as that is what we do at our local chapter's level. I will ask each chapter to give a presentation on community services in their community (not much, just whatever comes to mind or you are proud of).

National recruits, asks for money and begs us to write Congress but on the local chapter level we help our friends in our neighborhood with tasks of kindness that only we can give.

We need to recognize that help or is it I that needs to recognize that help. You know what I mean.

Fall Round Up: Monday October 21st

I thought I would let you know that our Fall Round Up will be at Miss Scarlett's Restaurant in **Grand Rivers, KY (Exit 31 on Interstate 24)**.

Did you know you do not have to live in Kentucky to attend this event (we are Federal Employees (working or retired) and we are not bound by state lines).

The date of the Round Up at Miss Scarlett's is Monday October 21, 2013. There are hopefully three events on that day that are very important to Active and Retired Federal Employees. **One** is that Susan Horn will be there in the afternoon to get you squared away on your Blue Cross and Blue Shield Questions. **Two** I will bring a "Letter to your Congressman" with an envelope and stamp for you to read and sign, then mail (you will have to lick the stamp and bring a pen). **Third** and here is our hope that Noreene attends with Roland C. Haun our NARFE-PAC state chairman.

I will send out the post cards sometime in September as a reminder and to ask you how many of our friends plan to attend and R.S.V.P. to local1373@Gmail.com or mail to: Thomas Diaz

620 W Elm St.

Marion, Ky 42064

You do not have to be a member of NARFE to attend but you do have to be a Federal Employee (Active or Retired). Hopefully you will join us in this fight to keep our Health Care.

You can also ask Tom Diaz for an application to Join NARFE or go online to <http://narfky.org/> and click the **Join Us** in the menu.

District I Vice President Blog

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Miss Scarlett's Monday 21 October

Kentucky Lake_Murray Chapter 0853



6/28/2013

My wife and I made a trip to Murray, Kentucky to visit the NARFE Kentucky Lake_Murray Chapter 0853 in Murray, Kentucky. Our Meeting was at the August Moon Restaurant in Murray, Kentucky. Our meeting was cut short by an unavoidable problem that Chapter President Ronnie Hubbard had to deal with. The main topic for this meeting was the discussion of the possible merger of our Chapter 0853 with the Marshall County Chapter 1587.

We had a great time visiting with those NARFE Members of Chapter 0853 and Chapter 1587 in District 1.

I encourage everyone to get a Smart Phone or a small computer and get online. We are going paperless and all our talking is online at FaceBook, My Blog, NARFE, KYNARFE and National. It may seem a little harsh but as you know our children are there already and we see their influence on us. Once we are there it is very pleasant.

Take Care

Tom Diaz District 1 Vice President

Marshall County Chapter 1587

May 9th I went to Benton, Kentucky to attend the Marshall County Chapter 1587 meeting held at the Marshall County Public Library. After the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag and Country, Marshall County Chapter 1587 President Joe Horcher opened the meeting by asking for the last meetings minutes be read and approved. After all the business was taken care of, there was a discussion on (H.R. 1780) introduced by Rep. Dave Camp, R-Mich., on April 26. "The Bill would provide that the only health plans that the federal government may make available to the president, vice president, members of Congress and federal employees are those created under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act or offered through a health insurance exchange." I have been to two Chapter meetings and I know for a fact that they (Chapter Members) are doing a wonderful job for their Local Communities for any of a verity of reasons. I do feel the word has to go out to the general public that NARFE does its fare share of community support and is also a big boost for Alzheimer Research.