

NARFE: Boulder Chapter 293 News January 2017 from your President.

Greetings fellow members of Boulder Chapter 293: I hope all goes well for you. Given the changes taking place in Washington, it is more important than ever to watch our Benefits and Pensions—not to take them for granted. I appreciate all of our members- THANK YOU! It translates to Clout in Washington. If you want your voice heard- NARFE web site makes it very easy. Need help? Do ask!

As the number of folks presently willing/able to hold office in the NARFE structure is low, we are streamlining what our Chapter is doing. If you are interested/able to help, even in a small way, do let me or any officer know. A list of some suggestions are below*. Feel free to add anything you think helpful- or would like us to be doing.

For information on our Chapter, please read the Colorado Federation Newsletter**. Our Chapter will mail out Chapter-News as needed if we do not catch the Federation Newsletter deadline. As in 2015, I send Chapter-News via email with those with email and post to those who do not. If you prefer the alternate, or both methods, please contact Karen Wainwright: leave message at 303 552 1184, or karenwainwright@aldworth.com and Zdenka.smith@gmail.com .Please keep your information current with NARFE***. Note: the Federation News also includes pictures, Chapter activities. If anyone has anything to contribute to it, please let me know so we can include it. Deadlines are end of Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct..

If you want to be called/mailed a few days before our meetings, please tell Karen; we will try to get this done.

Our monthly meetings resume next **Friday, February 3rd** the West Senior Citizens Center (WSCC) at 11.30 for lunch, program at 12.15 followed by business meeting, Exceptions are June and December. These will be held - at NIST (June) and USFS (Dec). For the meeting at NIST, we will need list of attendees as usual (email me in May). Watch for details in Federation News.

February program: Eva Heller, Frank Impinna of the Colorado Federation of NARFE Chapters will speak on the upcoming Colorado Convention + Regional Conference (see below).

April 7th program: SeniorSafe: from Colorado DORA: (Dept. of Regulatory Agencies): an engaging and beneficial talk on financial crimes and scams most prevalent in Colorado. The talk features information on how to recognize and prevent fraud before it happens. Bring questions and stories

June 2nd programs: at NIST "The Story of an Old Time" The History of the NBS/NIST Radio Stations: by John Lowe

For additional/future programs, see Federation News. We will send information to all who express interest in our monthly meetings. Or just come!

2017 NARFE National Legislative Training Conference: in DC, Sun-Wed., March 12 - 15, excellent but pricy. If interested, see <http://narfe-colorado.com/> (includes Capital visit on Wed. March 15)

52nd Colorado Convention + 13th Biennial Regional Conference; June 29-July 1, in Aurora, Radisson Hotel Denver Southeast (<http://narfe-colorado.com/>) Attend if you can! June 15th is registration deadline Room rate \$119.00 +tax (\$133.58)

* **Jobs or help needed**

Sunshine: We have no one watching for members who pass away, sending cards, for happy occasions too. Acting as "call center" would help. *If you learn of the passing of a member, please let me know so I can pass the information on to National.*

Federation News: information/ articles are sent in 4x/year: so please submit articles on Member-activities, and/or help send in to Colorado Federation. **Chapter News:** sent out only as needed. Help in writing, editing, sending?

Programs: assist Helen in identifying speaker/programs; organizing one or more. Placing information on program/ meeting into the Boulder Labs Weekly Bulletin....

Monthly meeting reminders: calling or emailing those who request reminders of each monthly meeting.

** the **Federation newsletter** is mailed to everyone,4x/yr, also at <http://narfe-colorado.com/id6.html>)

*** contact **National** at <http://narfe.org> or at phone numbers in **NARFE magazine**, or ask any Officer

Chapter Officers for 2017. Elected at our December meeting; will be installed in February

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