National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) Brentwood Newsletter March 2023

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Brentwood Chapter #1697

Established March 9, 1978 Charter Date: September 1, 1980

MEETING LOCATION:

Deep Creek Community Center 2901 Margaret Booker Drive Chesapeake, VA 23323 Phone (757) 487-8841

<u>TIME:</u>

Executive Committee Meeting: 12:30 – 1 PM Regular Meeting: 1PM - 2PM

Second Monday of the Month (Unless that falls on a Federal Holiday in which case the meeting will be on the third Monday of the Month)

CHAPTER OFFICERS

June Staton, Ph.D. President

Deborah Brown Více Presídent

Theressa Rodwell Secretary

Willie Levenston Treasurer Jeff Rau Service Officer Membership Chair Vacant

Annette Coleman

Hospitality Chair

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Janet Freeman Chaplaín Dan McGrath MD Past President

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CHAPTER NEWS

MINUTES - (03/13/23)

Attendees:

Barbara Brooks, Deborah Brown, Alonzo Coleman, Annette Coleman, Carolyn Collins, Keith and Linda Fletcher, Janet Freeman, Dwight and Melodie Graham, Willie Levenston, Dan McGrath, David Parson, Theressa Rodwell, June Staton, Velvet Preuitt; Guests - Tabia Heywot, Andrea Roby; Churchland - Graylin Taylor, Cecil and Sytha Baugham; Suffolk: Ray Orland, Dillard Horton, Gerald Hogg

Proceedings:

- The President called the meeting to order. The Chaplain gave the opening prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The President welcomed and thanked all members and guests for attending.
- The Program Chair introduced guest speakers from the Norfolk FBI Field Office: Agents Shannon and Emily
- FBI Presentation: The presentation focused on elder financial exploitation and identity theft (See Summary of Chapter Discussion).
- The business meeting resumed at the end of the FBI presentation.

Officer Reports:

- The treasurer gave the "Treasurer Report." (see below).
- Program Chair: Next month the discussion will focus on Highlights and Take-Aways from the VFN Conference presented by attendees/greeters: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Hospitality Chair. Carolyn Collins, Linda Fletcher, Keith Fletcher, and Dan McGrath. In May our Vice President will give a presentation.
- Hospitality Chair: All attendees were given treats for St Patrick's Day and participated in trivia questions to educate members on the history of St Patrick's Day.

Discussions:

- Conference VFN Annual April 23 5, 2023: The President provided "Greeters Job Description for the 2023 Conference" and a chart detailing assignment, name, station, cell phone number and shift times.
- The Treasurer submitted appropriate forms and payments for registration fees, supporter donations, and chapter advertisement.
- The President adjourned the meeting.

TREASURER REPORT

	DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION		
CHK NO	DATE	CHECKING	
	Beginning Balance 2/01/2023	6700.16	
1256	1/29/2023 Virginia Federation of Chapters Dues	-134.75	
	2/14/2023 Deposit (Multiple Supporter Listing)	105.00	
	2/14/2023 ACH Deposit National Act2196 Payment	48.22	
	2/28/2023 Interest Credit	0.05	
1257	2/14/2023 James Little 2023 VFN Conf Reg	-560.00	
	Ending Balance 2/28/2023	6158.68	
	Checks Posted 2/1/2023 - 2/28/2023.		
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NARFE: "ZOOMING INTO THE FUTURE"

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Outstanding Checks

1252	1/11/2023 NARFE/ Alzheimer's Research	-24.00
1258	2/14/2023 VFN Conference AD	-35.00

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership report as of 03/14/2023

- Chapter Members \geq 76
- National Members in the Chapter Area 155
- 231 Total

Summary of Chapter Discussions

FBI Presentation Highlights

- The information presented was taken from MONEY SMART for Older Adults Resource Guide booklet by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). The booklet provides information on common frauds, scams and other forms of elder financial exploitation and suggests steps that older persons and their caregivers can take to avoid being targeted or victimized. Our Vice President will order ten booklets for distribution at our next meeting. The free PDF is also available at https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/documents/cfpb_money-smart-for-older-adultsresource-guide 2021-06.pdf.
- This memorable presentation involved storytelling and sharing of individual experiences from the audiences and presenters.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NARFE Brentwood Chapter 1697 Program Schedule (Tentative):

April 2 -5, 2023 April 13, 2023 May 8, 2023 June 12, 2023 July-August 2023





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