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Dear Members of Colonial Beach Chapter 595,

Well, we missed seeing everyone in April. Stan Palen, Rich and I all attended the Virginia Federation of NARFE (VFN) Annual Meeting and Conference in Harrisonburg. The meeting went well and was well attended, but more on that later.

So last month we did not meet and this month we have a major change. I know that a number of you are on Facebook, but for those who are not and do not know, a few weeks ago, our Vice President, Jim Lynch and our Secretary, Ann Mills were both on Facebook and read the posting that the Hunan Diner was closed temporarily due to a family issue and would re-open as soon as they could. So the Executive Board decided to wait until we heard from Allen so we would know how to proceed for the May meeting. We were just starting to get concerned and then Allen called to say that he would not be able to re-open the restaurnt until June. So what to do?? I went to Wilkerson's restaurant on Route 205 in Colonial Beach to see about availability. Why Wilkerson's? Well they do have a separate room for a meeting and they offer around a dozen lunch choices for \$12.00 or less. So the bottom line is that we will hold the May meeting of NARFE Chapter 595 on Tuesday, May 14, 2024. However, we will start the meeting at 1 PM

Back to the VFN Annual Meeting: At the meeting the chair of the Nominating Committe presented the full slate of offficers for election to the VFN for 2024-2025. For the following positions there was only one name on the ballot: President, Frances Boatman, 2nd Vice President, Pat Wolfe, Secretary, Doris McAdams, and Treasurer, Jim Little.. Therefore, in accordace with the VFN By-laws and Robert's Rules of Order, the above mentioned candidates were declared elected by acclimation. For the position of 1st Vice President. two candidates were nominated, Deborah Fisk (current VFN Secretary) and Larry McIlwee (current 1st Vice President). So now we will have an election by ballot in accordance with the NARFE By-Laws, one member ,one vote. If you receive emails from the VFN, you will be receiving an electronic ballolt with the voting instructions. If you do not, please let me know so you can request a paper ballot. Also, complete voting information will be on our website, vanarfe.org. The deadline for ballots is May 31, 2024. We will also be discussing balloting at our meeting on May

MEETING NOTICE

May 14, 2024

1 PM at Wilkersons

Our speakers this month will Ronald Owens and Ingrid Braun-Rick. Both from the Potomac River Fisheries Commission.

May is also the month when the Colonial Beach/King George community celebrate Memorial Day with a ceremony at the War Memorial in Colonial Beach. The American Legion Posts of Colonial Beach and King George sponsor this event which will be held on Monday, May 27, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. At the ceremony, many military and civic organizations in our community place a wreath at the War Memorial. For a number of years, it has been my honor to present our NARFE Chapter wreath at this ceremony. Please come out and join us on May 27th!

Please keep reading your NARFE magazine. The latest progress of the WEP/GPO is updated monthly as well as other important legislation. The WEB/GPO is H.R.82 and has now reached the highest level that is has in more than 20 years. Stay tuned!! Also, all the details for FEDCON24, our NARFE National Meeting, are included.

I want to thank everyone who have been making donations to our food bank. This Month's donations go to St Mary's Episcopal Church

Leslie Ravenell - President NARFE Chapter 595

Our speakers this month will Ronald Owens and Ingrid Braun-Rick. Both from the Potomac River Fisheries Commission. Mr. Owens is the Executive Director, and Ms. Braun-Rick is the commission's Chief Scientist. other topics, they will provide a brief overview of the disposition of the old Nice Bridge debris and highlight the benefits to the Potomac.

The Potomac River Fisheries Commission (Commission) is the Maryland-Virginia bi-state regulatory authority for fishery matters in the mainstem tidal Potomac River from Washington, DC to the Chesapeake Bay. The Commission is comprised of eight members, four appointed by the governor of Maryland and four appointed by the governor of Virginia.

The Commission is responsible for adopting the rules, regulations and licenses for the recreational and commercial taking, catching or attempting to take or catch fish, crabs, oysters and clams from the Potomac River.

Jim Lynch - First VP

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NARFE Chapter 595 8283 Oak Wood Dr King George, Virginia 22485 Meeting Date

May 14

At Wilkerson's Restaurant

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