

# National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE)

## Brentwood Newsletter March 10, 2025

Editor: June J. Staton, Ph.D.



### 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

#### TIME:

Executive Committee Meeting: 12:30 – 1 PM

Regular Meeting: 1 PM - 2 PM

#### 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*  
Vice President

*Theressa Rodwell*  
Secretary

*Willie Levenston*  
Treasurer

*Jeff Rau*  
Service Officer

*Tina Bracy*  
Membership Chair

*Deborah Brown*  
Legislative Officer

*Annette Coleman*  
Alzheimer Officer

*David Parson*  
Program Manager

*Annette Coleman*  
Hospitality Chair

*Janet Freeman*  
Chaplain

*Dwight Graham*  
Financial Secretary

*Ronald Vance*  
CO-Service Officer

*Alonzo Coleman*  
CO-Chaplain

## Inside This Issue

- 2 Chapter News
- 4 Upcoming Events

"OUR FUTURE - STRONGER TOGETHER"

Serving Current, Former, and Retired Federal Civilian Employees -Spouses and Survivor Annuitants

Page 1

# National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE)

## Brentwood Newsletter March 10, 2025

Editor: June J. Staton, Ph.D.



## CHAPTER NEWS

### MINUTES

#### Attendees:

Tina Bracy, Sebrina Brown, Alonzo Coleman, Annette Coleman, Willie Levenston, Dan McGrath, Penny McGrath, Ray Orland (VP Chapter 1743), David Parson, Theresa Rodwell, June Staton, Graylin Taylor (Area IV VP), and Mary Taylor.

#### Proceedings:

- The President initiated the meeting, with Alonzo leading the opening prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The President welcomed the visitors and expressed gratitude for their attendance.

#### Officer Reports:

- The Treasurer presented the Treasurer's Report. (See details below.) He requested the President to select an auditor as required by the F-131 Checklist for the Audit of NARFE Chapter Funds. The President selected Tina Bracy.
- The Membership Chair gave her report and introduced our new member, Sebrina Brown.
- The Hospitality Chair reported two birthdays for the month of March: Raymond Staton and Frances Parson.
- The Program Manager discussed the Calendar of Events for 2025 (See details below).

#### Guest Speaker:

- David Parson introduced the guest speaker, Karen Christy, Chesapeake Parks, Recreation and Tourism Coordinator.
- Ms. Christy provided an energetic, interactive, and highly informative presentation on the Senior Programs Activities and Events. You can get more information on Chesapeake senior programs, events, and activities, by clicking on this link: [Senior Programs and Activities guide \(PDF\)](#) ( See **HIGHLIGHTS** section below.)

#### Discussions:

Social Security Fairness Act: Initially, the Social Security Administration (SSA) expected it would take a year to make the necessary adjustments to the files of the impacted beneficiaries. They were able to automate the process. As a result, many affected seniors have already received their retroactive benefits.

Badges for Officers: The President distributed badges for the Membership Chair, Co-Chaplain, and Treasurer.

2025 Virginia Federation of NARFE (VFN) Conference: Area IV Vice President discussed the agenda for the conference.

Silver Care Dementia Center: Sabrina suggested we have the Executive Director Dr. Erica Jones as a guest speaker. Our Program Manager will coordinate the event and update our calendar. The meeting was adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned.

**"OUR FUTURE - STRONGER TOGETHER"**

*Serving Current, Former, and Retired Federal Civilian Employees -Spouses and Survivor Annuityants*

Page 2

# National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE)

## Brentwood Newsletter March 10, 2025

Editor: June J. Staton, Ph.D.



### TREASURER REPORT

3/10/2025

#### DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION

CHK NO	DATE		CHECKING
		<b>Beginning Balance 2/1/2025</b>	<b>2856.58</b>
	02/04/2025	ACH Deposit National ACT2196 Payment	89.84
	02/10/2025	Alzheimer Deposit	29.00
	02/10/2025	VFN Conference Supporters	205.00
	02/14/2025	ACH Deposit National ACT2196 Payment	139.88
1289	01/14/2025	Alzheimer's Research	-46.40
1290	02/12/2025	VFN Conference Supporters	-205.00
1291	12/09/2024	2025 VFN Conference AD	-35.00
		<b>Bank Balance</b>	<b>3034.12</b>
		Outstanding Checks (1285)	35.00
		<b>Check Book Balance</b>	<b>2999.12</b>

### MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership report as of 01/13/2025

Total Current Chapter Members	82
Total National Members in Chapter Area	146
Total Chapter plus National Members	228

### WELCOME NEW MEMBER – SEBRINA BROWN!

Sebrina Brown retired from the United States Postal Service in May 2019 after 35 years. During the last three years of her career, Miss Brown worked in marketing and national events at the USPS headquarters in Washington, D.C. She was certified as a USPS National Field Trainer and taught public speaking at the Bolger Center for Leadership.

## HIGHLIGHTS



#### Chesapeake Parks, Recreation and Tourism

- The 43rd Annual 50+ Chesapeake Games will take place from April 21-26, 2025, with opening ceremonies on Monday, April 21, 2025, from 10 AM to noon at the Indian River Community Center. Ms. Christy encouraged everyone to register for the events, which include horseshoes, billiards, corn hole, frisbee bowling, table tennis, darts, walking, running, and more.

"OUR FUTURE - STRONGER TOGETHER"

Serving Current, Former, and Retired Federal Civilian Employees -Spouses and Survivor Annuitants

Page 3

# National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE)

## Brentwood Newsletter March 10, 2025

Editor: June J. Staton, Ph.D.



- Our chapter was invited to sign up for the bus trips and join some of the 21 Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Senior Clubs.

## 2025 UPCOMING EVENTS

April 6 -9	VFN Conference
April 14	State Legislative Presentation
May	Chesapeake Health – Infectious Diseases
June	Luncheon at Pops Diners
July-August	Summer Break
September	Chesapeake Sheriff's Office – Hands-on Senior Self-Defense
October	BCBS Open Season Health Fair
November	Area II Annual Open Season Health Fair and FBI Health Fair
December	Luncheon at Pops Diner



I would like to hear what is important to you. Your enthusiasm and contributions to our newsletter are highly valued. Send questions, suggestions, topics, or articles for our newsletter to the Newsletter Editor ([j.staton@cox.net](mailto:j.staton@cox.net)).

**"OUR FUTURE - STRONGER TOGETHER"**

*Serving Current, Former, and Retired Federal Civilian Employees -Spouses and Survivor Annuitants*

Page 4