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## From the President's Desk

by Jo Bond

The members who attended our February meeting enjoyed a great presentation on "Reverse Mortgages" by Countrywide Home Loans. If you missed the presentation and want information on the subject, contact Countrywide at (301) 885-1224.

On Feb 9th I attended the MD Federation of Chapters meeting in Bowie, MD. We discussed the upcoming Federation Convention to be held on May 3-6 in Ocean City. If any members want to attend, let me know. Chapter will pay for registration and banquet. Federation members attending the meeting filled out post cards and used their cell phones to contact State Legislator to ask their support for legislation matters regarding seniors.

On Thursday, April 2, 2009 Chapter 126, Indian Head invited the Head of NARFE HQ Legislative Department, Dan Adcock, to be their speaker at their monthly meeting. At National Convention last

September Dan was the best speaker, besides our NARFE National President, who gave a great briefing on the legislative picture for NARFE and our future. Chapter 126 has invited our chapter to attend. I urge you all to please come and listen to where the future of NARFE and our benefits will be heading. The meeting will be held at the Potomac Heights Community Building, 822 Glymont Rd, Indian Head, MD. If you desire, a lunch will be served at 12:20 for a fee of \$10.00 person. The meeting will start at 1 p.m. If interested in attending the meeting and/or lunch, notify Connie Sanders at (301) 283-3028.

In May we will be electing new officers for our Chapter. As of June 30, 2009 my term as your President ends. The length of serving as President is two years; I have been serving this chapter as President for four years (nine years total on the Board). It is time for me to step down. I know there are many of you who could serve on the Executive Board or as a Committee member. Please think about being an active member of the chapter, we are always looking for new ideas. In April we will nominate members and in May vote on who will be your leaders for the next two years.

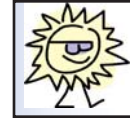
### Notice!

Our next meeting will be a bus trip to Annapolis on Mar. 19 leaving at 8:30 AM. See the Legislative article for details.

## Sunshine

by Loretta Ralph

No cards were sent this month. Hope everyone is doing well.



If you know of anyone who is under the weather, please give me a call.

**THINK SPRING!**

## Legislative

by Andy Johnson

**ANNAPOLIS TRIP.** For our Meeting on Thursday March 19th we will take a 33 passenger chartered bus to Annapolis, MD to sit in on a State Legislative session. The bus will depart PROMPTLY at 8:30 a.m. from the Health Partners building. Park your car alongside the building near the Old Waldorf school. Bus departs for Annapolis at 8:30 a.m. and will arrive

in Annapolis at 9:30 a.m. The appointed time to sit in on a session is 10 a.m. If we are not there on time, then we cannot enter the room. The bus will drop us off in front of the State House, we will be met by a guide. After the session, we will be given a tour of the state house with a short video. When we leave the state house, we can either have lunch in their cafeteria or take our chartered bus into Annapolis. A lot depends on the time and the weather. I am hoping to go into Annapolis for lunch We will leave Annapolis at 1:30 p.m. and arrive back in Waldorf by 2:30 p.m. We will hold a short meeting at Health Partners to draw our lottery and the winner of the wheel barrel of cheer. Contact Jo Bond (301) 392-1105 or myself at (301) 638-2262 if you plan to attend. You can invite a friend. Need to know NLT Monday, March 16th. Please bring a photo I.D. with you. This trip is NO COST to the members.

## Membership

by Bill Roman

Welcome to Carol Green, Thomas Windsor, Benjamin Turner, and Therion Mustafa, our newest NARFE Chapter members. We certainly welcome your support of the organization and hope you'll be able to attend our Chapter meetings. At our February meeting, the 50/50 winner was Bob Eppley, and the lottery winner was Jody Nyers (for the second time!).



If you haven't considered doing so, you can save a little on your national membership by signing up for dues withholding, and you will save the association those costs related to sending out renewal notices plus processing the renewals. Neither is a lot, but every little bit helps these days



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## Fundraiser by Tom McManus

NARFE Chapter 1972 welcomes you to our 1st Wheelbarrow of Cheer. Tickets sell for \$1.00 each or \$10.00 a sheet. As you know, the contents of the wheelbarrow will make for a very cheerful Easter. Also, the seller of the winning ticket receives **\$100.00.**

## Plan on a Day Trip for the First Week of June

By Bill Kaval

A day away from Waldorf with your fellow NARFE members and guests. Three choices to choose, with money back coupons and food vouchers, final cost would be very little.

CHOICE ONE:

### ATLANTIC CITY.

A day to gamble or shop or just enjoy the boardwalk. Leave around 8:00 AM, enjoy the bus ride, watch a movie, or sleep. Arrive there in time for lunch, enjoy the day, return home around 10:15pm.

### CHOICE TWO: MIDWAY SLOTS, Harrington, Delaware.

Leave around 10:am, return around 6:30pm.

### CHOICE THREE: DOVER DOWNS, Delaware.

Depart around 10:am, return around 6:30pm.

CLEAN BUS, a rest stop on the way up, bathroom on the bus.

Either way, as close to 42 members and guests to make it cost effective and worthwhile.

Chapter 1972 Website for additional info, Photos and Newsletter archive: <http://narfe1972.110mb.com/index.html>

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