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Next Chapter Meeting: Our next meeting will be on **WEDNESDAY Dec 20, 2000** at the Giuseppe's Pizza & Restaurant in Warminster at 1:30PM. **Please plan to attend and show your support. We want you to be involved and participate in NARFE 740 efforts for our retirement support activities. We need new members to take actions and participate in activities.**

Bring a federal retiree. Bring your Spouse.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

WEDNESDAY December 20, 2000 (1:30 PM) WEDNESDAY

CHRISTMAS / HANUKKAH HOLIDAY PARTY

JOIN US! PIZZA PARTY (or choose from the menu)

\$5

Doylestown NARFE Chapter 740 Meeting

\$5

Giuseppe's Pizza & Restaurant 215-674-5550

(About 3 miles West of old NADC/NAWC on Street Road or One mile East of 611) Giuseppe's is in the Shopping Center with "Franks Nursery" on Street Road

Enjoy an opportunity to celebrate this Millennium Holiday Season together with your fellow retirees in a meeting with open dialog and meaningful helpful information that affects your retirement benefits. Join your fellow members as we enjoy a great lunch and friendship.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! WHAT INFORMATION DO YOU WANT TO HEAR ABOUT? WHAT CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE TO THE NEWSLETTER? WHAT DO YOU AGREE WITH OR DISAGREE? GIVE US YOUR COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS? IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND THE CHRISTMAS PARTY GIVE US A CALL OR WRITE TO US. YOUR IDEAS ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO ALL OF YOUR FELLOW RETIREES.

There was a large turnout for the October meeting, which featured a presentation on Long Term Care. Long Term Care should be available to all retirees in about two years. ALL retirees should be aware that this legislation was made possible by the efforts of NARFE Headquarters. This Chapter has seen the effects on GPO on one of our Chapter members. It is an outrage. Congressman Greenwood, despite the efforts of this Chapter's leadership, has refused to cosponsor GPO legislation. One can only conclude that many of you, not affected by GPO, did not bother to write Greenwood. Shame on you 'Fat Cats.' GPO eliminates offsets for those making less than \$1200 a month from government annuity and Social Security combined. You try living on less than \$1200 a month.

LOOK FOR A POST CARD TO ANNOUNCE THE NEXT MEETING IN 2001 (Where-When-Topic)

MERRY CHRISTMAS / HAPPY HANUKKAH HOLIDAY

Look at your copy of the December "Retirement Life" magazine from NARFE for the major issues on NARFE's agenda for 2001 and the new administration. Your interest and support is required to let our legislatures know our position on these matters. The system works if we get on-board and let them aware of the needs to treat federal retirees fairly and equitably.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! How do you like the newsletter? Comments? Suggestions? Do you want to help by providing articles / information? Please call John DeMatteo 215-345-9033 (or e-mail JDemat@aol.com): **Confirm your address and telephone number, as well as your e-mail address.**

NEED HELP?: Call the Federal Retiree Assistance Center, (215) 597-0419. The Center is located at the Federal Building, Rm. 1208, 6th and Arch Sts, Philadelphia, and handles OPM/FEHB problems only (incorrect payments, non-receipt of checks, etc.). Office hours are 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. OPM can be contacted on ANY federal retirement matter by calling 1-888-767-6738. Be sure to have your PIN number handy.

OPM'S ANNUITANT EXPRESS The toll-free automated telephone system that went into operation in January of last year, for its first service permitted retirees to make federal tax withholding changes for the 2000 tax season. The number, in case you've mislaid it, is 1-800-409-6528 -- and don't forget your PIN number.

NECROLOGY: Please let us know when you hear that one of our honored members has passed on, so we can share it with friends and associates.

Fellow NARFE 740 members we miss Beryle Fogelsanger active support of our chapter. You might want to remember her this season by sending her a card. She will appreciate it. (c/o Mel Fogelsanger, 424 Wanpelani Dr., F-310, State College, PA. 16801)

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