



National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association

Colorado Federation of Chapters

For Active and Retired Federal Employees

DISTRICT VICE PRESIDENT #1 REPORT

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Visitations, the newsletters and personal contacts of chapter members strongly indicate that all five chapters in District #1 are performing well. All are involved in recruitment campaigns for active and retired members and are conducting regular meetings in accordance with their adopted schedule. Meetings include guest speakers, officer reports and social activities. A first in District #1, Chapters 1072 & 1769 conducted their holiday party jointly December 15, at Dumitri's Restaurant, 13521 E. Illiff Ave, Aurora commencing at 11:30 A.M. Also their Legislative Vice President's are much attuned to federal and state activities and are to be commended for their efforts. There is two disturbing situations that is prevalent in many NARFE Chapters to include District #1, members refuse to volunteer for officer positions especially President as commitments are required. There is a possibility that a chapter may close or merge as a result. An exerted effort is in the process to change mindsets.

Personally, I've been, and continue to be, active in the legislative process. I've met with federal and state legislative representatives and members of their staff to promote NARFE programs as well as senior and disability community services; unfortunately, as a result of the present economic situation many programs will be reduced or eliminated. It is hopeful that this will be a short time frame and the economy will improve. The major NARFE National legislative effort is dependent on the financial economy. One chapter is seeking to relocate their meeting facility in an effort to improve attendance and interest. Federation and Chapter Board Officers will meet to discuss recommendations. I installed new officers at three Chapters.

Respectfully,

Bob Epstein, DVP #1