



ARAPAHOE CHAPTER 1089

This chapter meets at **1:30 pm** on the **3rd Tuesday** of each month at Malley Senior Center, 3380 South Lincoln St, Englewood, CO. Refreshments are served after the meeting.

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January - February 2012

Dear Chapter Member,



The December Holiday Luncheon was a success at Café de France with 22 members attending and enjoying the food (filled plates of turkey and all the trimmings with desert) and camaraderie with peers and

members. A small gift packet was given to all in attendance. Also, Ken Baca from Government Employees Health Association (GEHA) was invited and had a small retractable umbrella for everyone. Everyone was contented to sit and visit and enjoy the festive atmosphere.

The New Year brings us into a new era of congressional attacks against the Federal Community. That includes BOTH the working and the retiree. We must stand fast to keep congress from making any changes that would lessen our benefits. This can be accomplished by YOU taking the initiative when the call comes in to contact your congress person on an issue that may be vital to any of your benefits. Send a message by the action line if you have email. This is a fast and efficient method.

Another area of vital need is filling the vacant position of President of Chapter 1089. I will do what I can do to keep this chapter alive. The 400 members of this chapter need someone to step up and fill the position. I can mentor and guide anyone to do this simple task so that I can do what I was elected to do as Federation President. This chapter covers a large area here in the metro area and has been a chapter since June of 1968 (44 years) and can survive with your help. Help keep it alive!

It has been a great help that Eva Heller, Federation 1st Vice President, has kept the Minutes for the chapter. A member would be wonderful addition to fill the secretary position.

For more information please call me and we can discuss what can be done.

Distinguished Member

To qualify, a member must be 85 years of age and been a member of NARFE for 20 years. If you meet the criteria, please contact Gary Lund, 303-795-4370.

Attendance Award



If you are present at the meeting you can receive **\$25.00**. All you have to do is be at the next meeting on January 17th and have your name chosen for the drawing.

Linda Bashara's name was drawn in November. No drawing in December.

COME TO THE January 17th MEETING

SPEAKER: Gary Raisio, Senior Representative with H&R Block will be speaking on the **tax changes** affecting YOU. Are you prepared?

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**ARAPAHOE CHAPTER 1089 minutes
November 15, 2011**

The Monthly meeting was called to order by President Pro Tem Frank Impinna at 1:30 pm. on November 15, 2011. The Secretary Pro Tem Eva Heller was present. There was a quorum with 14 members and 1 guest present. Charles Warren led the Pledge of Allegiance. The October 18, 2011 meeting Minutes were approved as published in the Newsletter. First time meeting attendee was Virginia Peterson.

Program: Kent Olson, Estate Planning, gave a presentation detailing the varied documents every individual should consider having prepared: Joint Tenancy, Wills, Power of Attorney, Self-Autonomy, Medical Power of Attorney, Living Will, Proxy Decision Maker, and Disposition of Last Remains. There was great interest in the presentation and many questions asked.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance
\$6,107.66
Receipts \$166.18
Disbursements \$ 21.83
Ending Balance
\$6,252.01

The Report will be filed for Audit.

Membership: Gary Lund reported that the chapter has 357 voting members. Gary participated at two Health Fairs with Frank Impinna and Eva Heller.

Service Officer: Charles Warren encouraged the members to keep reading the NARFE magazine to keep up to date on issues.

Legislation: Bob Epstein reported that the Super Committee report is due November 23rd. Bob urged members to write/call/email their Congressional representatives and tell them 'do not touch our benefits.' The Colorado Senior Lobby is opposed to any reduction that affects Senior citizens. The Postal Commission has a proposal for mail delivery 5-days a week. Redistricting plans

may affect who you will vote for in 2012 as opposed to past elections.

Frank Impinna announced that Julie Tagen has been appointed to replace Dan Adcock as the NARFE Legislative Director.

50/50: Jay Carlblom won \$ 6.00.

Linda Bashara would have won the \$25 Attendance Award had she been present. Meeting adjourned 2:45 pm.

Eva C. Heller, Secretary Pro Tem

WELCOME TO TRANSFERRING MEMBERS

The following members have been transferred into Chapter 1089 from the closing of Chapter 1769.

CAPRIOTTI	JOHN P
HEAGNEY	EVELYN R
LAURETA	FRANK J
MCWHINNEY	KEVIN
TARNOFF	MARTIN K
WERTIN	LEORA A

DUES WITHHOLDING SAVES

In CY 2009 all Arapahoe chapter members, not already on Dues Withholding, were encouraged to change from annual renewals of NARFE dues to Dues Withholding. With that encouragement, and the initial influx of enrollment into Dues Withholding, the chapter now has 22.49% of the chapter members on Dues Withholding. The 44 members on Dues Withholding signed up to save on Membership fees and also to save NARFE administrative costs and postage in not having to mail them renewal notices.

If you have joined the Arapahoe chapter since mid-2009 and are not on Dues Withholding, you are encouraged to consider changing to Dues Withholding to save yourself money and the possibility of misplacing your Renewal notice and the administrative costs to NARFE of having to send another renewal notice.

You may contact Gary Lund, 1st Vice President-Membership, Email: lundgr@comcast.net or by phone at 303-795-4370 for a Dues Withholding and Dues Withholding Rebate Forms, or you may use the Dues Withholding Form in the NARFE magazine and request a Dues Withholding Rebate Form from Gary Lund.

You may complete and submit a Dues Withholding Form at any time during your paid-up year(s). At the expiration of your paid renewal, the Dues Withholding automatically becomes your easy payment method. You save \$6.00 a year on National Dues with Dues Withholding. Your Chapter dues have also been reduced from \$10 to \$8.00 a year.