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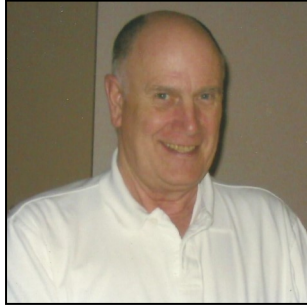
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Hello SC NARFE Members,

The Holidays have come to an end and soon the 2017

Convention will be here. March is not far away and we are involved getting everything together at the new location with more chapter involvement.

The Myrtle Beach Chapter has hit the ground running. Marci Vogel is the new Committee Chairperson and Joe Arsenault is the new Committee Treasurer. Linda Kossow and Cathy Leader are in charge of outside vendor support with their volunteers. A very excited team to “keep the ball rolling” toward completion.

Bob Shear put this newsletter together with all the final information for everyone to sign up and get their Hotel reservations made. It will be important that you make reservations early. **February 23 is the last day for reservations.** The Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort Hotel has been very accommodating to us for this convention. We thank them for their cooperation in helping get this convention in an area where we have not been for four or more years. Reservations are open for an extended stay before and after the convention at the same price.

While it may be too cold for putting your feet in the ocean this time of the year, take a look at the area and plan on extra days or even a vacation there.

Best wishes to all and enjoy the convention.

HELP WANTED!

We need 100 federation members to attend the Myrtle Beach convention. To do this, every chapter needs to convince 5% of their members to attend. For example, our largest chapter has about 400 members so their goal would be to get 20 members at Myrtle Beach.

Do all you can to achieve this goal!

**Convention Committee Chair and Myrtle
Beach Chapter 1015 President
Marci Vogel
marci.vogel2015@gmail.com**

Greetings Everyone and a Happy New Year!

Year 2017 will be an exciting year for Myrtle Beach Chapter 1015 as our Myrtle Beach Chapter will host the 53rd State convention at the Hilton Myrtle Beach in North Myrtle Beach from the 27th thru 29th of March 2017.

The registration form is included within this newsletter on page 3. So please mark your calendars for the March dates and reserve your hotel rooms (great rates) and send in your registration forms early. We would love to have everyone come to Myrtle Beach as the weather (usually) is very warm that time year.

After January 1st the planning team and others will have work to do in preparation for this event.

I would love to see a great turn out of members from the top to bottom of the state show up for this event.

See ya in March! Come all to the State Federation Convention!

Sincerely,

Marci Vogel

Save these dates!

March 27-29, 2017

**53rd Annual Convention of South Carolina
Federation of NARFE Chapters**

See reservation form on page 3

**Questions or Comments — Call Bob Shear at
803-331-9567 or email
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Alzheimer's Update

WOW, we did IT!!! The National NARFE Alzheimer's Research total as of November 30, 2016, is \$12,033,911.85, exceeding our National Goal of \$12 Million. **YES, We Did It Again.**

Thanks to all the chapters for your support in reaching our \$12 Million National Goal. However, **our new Goal is \$13 Million by the December 31, 2018,** with your continued help and support, we can do it. We need to work hard to reach our **NEW GOAL.** So, if we did it before, **surely we can do it again.**

A **Special Thanks** to all Chapters that participated in The Longest Day in June 2016 and The Walk to END ALZHEIMER'S in September and October held in the various cities throughout South Carolina. We are on the National Banner and will also be participating in the Walk next year.

Our 53rd SC Federation Convention will begin on March 27, 2017, in Myrtle Beach, SC, and we will have our 50/50 drawing for Alzheimer's Disease Research. Information is being sent directly to your local Chapter concerning the Drawing Instructions and you do not have to be present to win.

A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS and thanks to all the SC Chapters for a job well done last year. From April 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016, **SC Chapters raised a**

total of \$2,025.90 which includes the 50/50 Drawing contributions from the 2016 Federation Convention of \$1,154.50 towards Alzheimer's Disease Research. An additional amount of \$500.00 went directly to Chicago as contributions from NARFE members from various chapters.

Again, special thanks to all the Chapter Alzheimer's Coordinators, Chapter Presidents and all of you for your continued support for Alzheimer's Disease Research. **Hopefully, one day real soon, we will find a Cure.**

Alzheimer's Disease is attacking people at a much younger age than in the past, so let us continue to give to this worthy cause with the hope they will find a cure soon.

For Alzheimer's Aid – Call toll free 1-800-272-3900. The information help line is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For Contributions: Make checks payable to NARFE- Alzheimer's Research – and include your chapter number on your check. If you wish to mail your check direct, the address is: Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., 17th Floor, Chicago, IL. 60601-7633.

100% of all contributed funds go to research and are tax deductible.

See you at the SC Federation Convention.

Olivia A. Williams, SC Federation Alzheimer's Coordinator

South Carolina Federation Chapter Presidents for 2017

The women and men listed below are to be commended for their willingness to give their time and energy in support of over 2,000 NARFE members in South Carolina. **Thank them when you see them in Myrtle Beach in March 2017 at the SC Federation Convention!**

Chapter	President's Name	Chapter	President's Name
72 North Charleston	Frank L. Stevens	1015 Myrtle Beach	Marcelene L. Vogel
87 Columbia	Ernest J. Williams	1021 Beaufort	Mamie I. Clarke
121 Greenville	John L. Thompson	1079 Clemson	Gail W. Cline
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REGISTRATION FORM

53RD ANNUAL SC NARFE FEDERATION

CONVENTION — MARCH 27-29, 2017

SIGN-IN: MARCH 27 (NOON TO 3:45 PM & 5:30 PM TO 6:30 PM) & MARCH 28 (7:30 AM TO 8:30 AM)

OPENING CEREMONY: MARCH 27 AT 4:00 PM

Make hotel room reservations for SC NARFE Convention direct with:

Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort — 10000 Beach Club Drive — Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

Toll Free Reservations: 800-876-0010

On Line Reservations: www.kingstonresorts.com

Cut Off Date for Hotel Reservations: February 23, 2017

When making a reservation, indicate this is with the Hilton Myrtle Beach Resort and use group code NAF for the special convention rate. Three additional days before March 27 and after March 29 may be reserved at the convention rate. Late reservations are subject to availability and prevailing rate.

The special convention rate is \$99.00, plus taxes of 11% for a **total cost of \$109.89** per night. Self parking is complimentary. If needed, valet parking is available for \$15.00.

Note: Use a separate convention registration form for each registrant.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE.

First Name _____ **Last Name** _____

Badge Name, if different from First Name _____

Mailing Address: Street or PO Box # _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Home Phone () _____ **Cell Phone ()** _____

E-mail _____

NARFE Chapter No. _____ Chapter Name/Location _____

Current **Chapter Officer** Position/Positions _____

(ONLY CHECK ONE) Delegate Alternate Delegate Member Guest

Current **Federation Officer** Position/Positions _____

Past **Federation President** (show dates of service) _____

SC NARFE Federation Convention registration fee is \$75.00 per person. The fee includes the reception Monday evening (at 6:30 PM) and Banquet Dinner Tuesday evening (at 6:00 PM). Please submit payment in full by February 28, 2017. Late registration fee postmarked after February 28, 2017, is \$85.00.

Registration cancellations between March 1 and March 8, 2017, will be charged a \$15 handling fee and any cancellation between March 9 and March 27 will be charged a \$35 fee. Any cancellation fee will be waived if it is due to hospitalization or other serious problem depending on what meal function guarantees have been made. Payment shall be made by check payable to SC NARFE Federation Convention and mailed with this registration to:

SC NARFE Federation Convention, ATTN: Joe Arsenault, 4296 Livorn Loop, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579

Please check your dinner preference for the banquet:

Chardonnay Braised Chicken Breast _____ **or Sugar Cane Black Tiger Shrimp** _____

Do not write in this area; it is for Treasurer use only:

Item No _____ Received _____ Check No _____ \$ Amount _____ Registrations _____ Deposit Date _____

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Pictured is the December 2016 swearing-in ceremony for Greenville Chapter 121 officers for 2017.

From left to right are John Thompson, President, Toby Hunter, Treasurer, and Pat Currie, Secretary. One additional note, Bob Muller, Immediate Past President of Chapter 121, has agreed to serve as District Field Officer #4 for the coming year. *Thanks to all these great NARFE members for being willing to serve!*

Thanks also to Leo Hofmeister, longtime Chapter 121 member, for sharing this photo.

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