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**Chapter 1462—Belen**

Northwest District/Region VII  
30 years of service

Chartered July 22, 1976 to serve areas in Bosque, Bosque Farms, Isleta, Jarales, La Joya, Los Lunas, Mountainair, Peralta, Tome, Veguita and Willard in the Rio Grande Valley

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**Meetings**

Where: Del Rio Senior Center  
S 47, south of Moose Center  
When: Fourth Tuesday of each month at 1 PM

**NARFE membership**

is open to civilians who are or will be eligible to receive an annuity or survivor annuity from the federal retirement programs of any agency of the U.S. government. Guests are welcomed.

**NARFE is dedicated to**

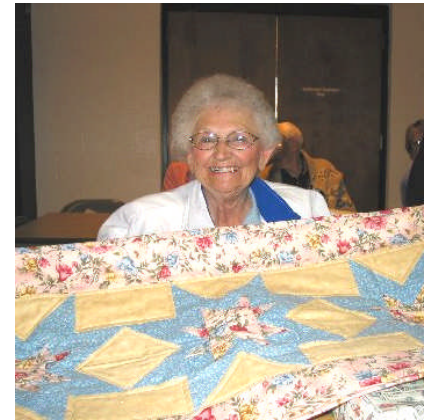
protecting the retirement benefits of federal employees, retirees, and their survivors, offering assertive legislative representation, the informative monthly NARFE magazine, current information through the national association online site, liaison with OPM, opportunities for leadership, political action and community service.

**Check Web Sites for Current Legislative News**  
**www.narfe.org**  
**www.narfe-nm.net**

**Happy Birthday and Congratulations to our newest Distinguished Chapter Member (formerly Honorary Member) Evelyn Mazurkiewicz of Los Lunas.**



2006 Farmington at the NM Federation of Chapters Convention



A 2008 prize winner at the Convention in Roswell

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2007 Chapter 1462 Birthday photo (Front row second from left)

Front: Jim, Evelyn, Maxine, Romi, Frances  
Rear: Truitt, Todd, Mary, Del, Wanda, John, Nina, Kathy, Valerie



2008 Chapter 1462 Meeting photo (Front row — second from left)

Front: Maxine, Evelyn  
Middle: John, Kathy, Chuck, Jim  
Rear: Pam, Todd

**Chapter Plans in April 2009**

The NM Federation of Chapters Convention is in Albuquerque the week-end of April 16,17,18, 2009. The chapter is sponsoring convention delegates : **Vicky Boyer**, President-elect; **Chuck Brandt**, President, VP/Legislation, and PAC chairman; **Del Gregory**, Alzheimer's chairman; **Kathy Gregory**, designer of our booster page in the convention booklet; and **Pam Jones**, Secretary, PR, Sunshine, Newsletter. Come to the **next chapter meeting Tuesday, April 28th at 1 PM** for reports from the convention, installation of chapter officers and election of the new nominating committee.

## Election Results

At the chapter meeting March 24, we elected officers for the coming year by acclamation. From left to right in the photo are:

**John Vigil**  
Treasurer

**Pam Jones**  
Secretary

**Vicky Boyer**  
President-elect

**Chuck Brandt**  
President and  
VP/Legislation

**Truitt Stanford**  
VP/Membership



Officers will be installed at the April meeting.



**Federation and Chapter Grass-Roots Preparation:** Lawmakers sometimes schedule critical votes with little advance notice for the purpose of handicapping efforts to mobilize opposition, particularly grass-roots opposition. For that reason, NARFE Federation and Chapters – if they have not done so previously – can prepare for anticipated budget cutting votes – by creating telephone trees and calling committees -- to mobilize rank-and-file members on short notice against harmful legislation. NARFE members should contact federation and chapter officers to volunteer to contact other members when a rapid response is required. *By Dan Adcock, Leg Director.*

**NARFE\_PAC.** To contribute to NARFE-PAC 2009-2010 and receive a donor's pin, send \$20 as a check payable to NARFE-PAC, to:

*Narfe, Budget and Finance; 606 N. Washington St;  
Alexandria VA 22314*

**Chapter Preparation.** Chapter 1462 has calling and email lists for contacting members. We all appreciate those of us who responded to urgent calls recently. Legislation is presented quickly, often with little warning so we need a rapid way to notify members. We are trying to collect all the email addresses we can to further this goal and promote our primary purpose for being: protecting and promoting present and future benefits for active and retired federal employees. We do this through our PAC contributions and our timely contacts with legislators. To further our ability, we encourage everyone who can to sign up with GEMS to their computer, or call by phone to get the weekly legislative report. Information on 'how-to' is always in the monthly NARFE magazine as well as available online. Remember, we all need to:

**# Sign up for GEMS**

**# Contribute to NARFE-PAC**

**# Contact legislators**