

## National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association Region VII Arizona-Colorado-New Mexico-Utah-Wyoming

## New Mexico Federation Conference and Region VII Conference <u>April 4 – April 6, 2019</u>

TO: Region VII Federation Presidents, Chapter Presidents, Regional Vice Presidents, National Officers and all concerned

SUBJECT: CALL TO 56th New Mexico Federation Conference and Region VII 14th Biennial Conference

If you are no longer the Federation President, Chapter President or Regional Vice President please pass this packet on to your successor!

The New Mexico Federation Conference is held biennially and focuses on Federation and Chapter issues. The Region VII Conference is held biennially to bring together NARFE members to inform, motivate and improve communications and performance via group discussions. It provides an opportunity for members to exchange ideas and information in select areas of leadership and management. This year's theme, **Pride-Access-Knowledge** (Pride in being a Federal employee-Access to our leaders-leads to Knowledge for all members) will strive for improvements for all members to unite as one entity, involving all members at all levels.

The New Mexico Federation Conference on April 4<sup>th</sup> is primarily for New Mexico members. However, all NARFE members are welcome. The Reception Thursday evening, April 4<sup>th</sup>, is for all NARFE members from Region VII, and invited guests, and we hope you will be able to attend.

The Region VII Conference also provides members an opportunity to renew friendships and create new ones. The attached preliminary agenda provides you with information on the 2-day Conferences. Please inform and invite all your officers and members to attend.

WHERE:

Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces

705 S. Telshor Blvd.

Las Cruces, New Mexico 88011 Direct Phone: 575-532-4225

Or 1-866-383-0443 (indicate NARFE Conference)

Cut-Off date for reservations is Wednesday, March 13, 2019

WHEN:

April 4 – April 6, 2019

THEME:

PRIDE-ACCESS-KNOWLEDGE (Pride in being a Federal employee-Access to

our leaders-leads to Knowledge for all members)

WHO:

Contact: Sharon Reese, Host, 575-649-6035, or

Judy Rosco, Co-Host, 575-635-7127

WEBSITE:

www.narfe-nm.net for additional information

The Hotel Encanto de Las Cruces standard room, single or double rate is \$94.00 plus 13.3125% tax and convention center fee \$2.50 per room per night. Room rates are available 3 days pre and post conference dates. This special NARFE rate is available through March 13<sup>th</sup>. The hotel is saving the 1<sup>st</sup> floor rooms for conference attendees. There are a limited number of ADA compliant rooms so please make these reservations as soon as possible. This hotel is "pet friendly" with an additional charge of \$25.00 per day for up to 2 pets under 75 pounds. Reservations can be made by calling the Hotel directly at 575-522-4300 or toll free 1-866-383-0443. All reservations will be guaranteed with a one night's deposit in the form of check, money order or credit card. After receipt of a guaranteed reservation, upon request the Hotel will forward guest room confirmations to each individual.

The 204 luxury hotel rooms are tastefully furnished with textiles and fixtures that highlight the traditional Spanish Colonial heritage. Amenities include complimentary wireless internet access, blackout drapes, satellite television, clock radio, Keurig coffee/tea maker, iron/ironing board, microwave (on request), refrigerator (on request), valet laundry service, connecting rooms upon request, voicemail messaging, electronic magnetic keys, work desk. The Hotel Encanto is entirely a non-smoking property. Complimentary newspaper at the front desk, business center, gift shop, complimentary local shuttle service, beauty services, Garduno's Restaurant and Cantina, Azul Ultralounge and patio, Movada massage salon and spa. The Hotel has partnered with restaurants, shops, galleries, attractions and bars to provide you an exclusive 15% discount.

**Airport Information:** El Paso International Airport is only 50 miles away. If you are flying in please contact Sharon Reese, 575-649-6035 or email sreese346@gmail.com, as we are trying to establish transportation. If you prefer the Las Cruces Shuttle provides round trip fare of \$81.00 (one passenger) or \$147.00 (two passengers), phone 575-525-1784 or toll free 1-800-288-1784. Must make reservations!

Conference Registrations: Members and guests attending the conferences must complete the attached registration form (one person per form).

Federation/Chapter Ads and/or Booster Pages: We invite Federations and Chapters to promote their organizations with the purchase of an Ad and/or Booster Page in our Conference Program Book. (See attachment for details.)

Attractions: Since the Hotel will honor the \$94.00 room rate 3 days before and 3 days after the Conference, you may want to visit our beautiful southwest. Las Cruces is New Mexico's second largest city with a thriving blend of university energy and relaxed, old Mexican charm. Whether you are looking for historic sites, tantalizing cuisine, local wine or vibrant arts and culture, Las Cruces has it all; golfing and tennis, wineries, Spaceport America, White Sands National Monument, Alamogordo Space center, New Mexico Farm and Ranch Museum, historic Old Mesilla, and the Organ Mountain Trail.

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Attachments:

Tentative Conference Agenda

Registration Form w/Important Deadlines

Program Book Ad and Federation and/or Chapter Booster List

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