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Dates to remember:

November 11– Veterans Day
November 13—Northern AFSCME Holiday Party
November 21—General Membership Meeting in Las Vegas
November 28—Thanksgiving
December 25—Christmas

THE SENIOR MOMENT

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QUARTERLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TO BE HELD IN LAS VEGAS

The last Quarterly General Membership Meeting of 2019 will be held Thursday November 21, 2019, at the Nevada State AFL-CIO Office located at 1891 Whitney Mesa Dr., Henderson, NV 89014. This meeting will also be teleconferenced at to our Carson City Office on Roop Street.

Luncheon will be served at both locations beginning at 12 Noon, with the meeting immediately following. Agenda Items will include reports by Lobbyist Priscilla Maloney on the state of PERS (Public Employees Retirement -System) and PEBP (Public Employee Benefits -Program). A report on the 2020 campaigns and elections will be given by Roger Bremner, Vice-President and Legislative Director. **Don't miss the opportunity to attend this meeting in Las Vegas!**

You're Invited

**AFSCME ~ Sierra Dange Chapter,
Washoe Chapter, Comstock Chapter,
Corrections North Chapter and Retiree
Chapter**

Holiday Party

Let's celebrate Collective Bargaining

November 13th, 2019

Gold Dust West – Pinion Room

6:00 – 10:00 pm

Buffet Style Dinner

(Turkey, Prime Rib & Shrimp Scampi)
(Please inform us when you RSVP of any special dietary needs)

~ DJ & KARAOKE ~ DOOR PRIZES ~

FREE FOR UNION MEMBERS

New members joining by November 1, 2019 are welcome

Guests \$30

PLEASE **RSVP BY NOVEMBER 12, 2019** TO
cathie@nvafscme.org or 882-3910 opt 1 (please leave message
include your name & # of attendees, thank you)

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From the President



Charles Muller,
President, AFSCME Retirees
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Here we are getting ready for another Holiday season. It seems that as the years go by, this season comes up earlier and earlier. Perhaps that is because we all live much busier lives than we did thirty or forty years ago. At least that is what I tell myself.

Your Retiree Board worked this summer and fall to find ways that Retirees can have a better and more secure life. We are already planning for the 2021 legislature. Since 2011, we have suffered some set-backs dealing with our health care.

The AFSCME International is working in Congress to bring prescription drug prices to a level that ensures all Americans can afford to buy the drugs they need to live healthy lives. For too long, we have been at the mercy of the huge pharmaceutical companies and their goal is to make all the profit they can regardless of the consequences to the people. I would encourage all our members and their families to contact our Representatives in Congress and Senate expressing our concern and need for legislation to save lives.

There are also measures we can take in Nevada. We are considering several avenues to improve the health care for Seniors in Nevada. Rural Nevada needs help making health care available without having to travel great distances. Good and available health care is not a privilege but a RIGHT.

We are also working to have a more distinct presence in Southern Nevada. We have enlisted the help of Deb Berko, a well-known advocate of Nevada Families, to work with Laura Leavitt, Board Director for Southern Nevada, to better serve our membership.

The 2020 election is very much in play and will get even more intense as the months go by. The participation by the AFSCME Nevada Retirees will primarily concentrate on Getting Out the Vote. We all have to live with how the election affects our lives so we should be a part in deciding who represents us and how. Please make sure you are registered to vote.

A Word From The Lobbyist

By

Priscilla Maloney



Happy Fall Everyone! We are headed to the end of another historic year. The 2019 80th Nevada State Legislative

Session was a success and once more, there were no design or structural changes to NV PERS despite some attempts at attacks against our retirement security. We also didn't see any big structural changes to the existing plan design in our state healthcare system, NV PEBP. The biggest change in decades overall though was that thanks to all our hard work in the 2018 election, we had a Governor and a Legislature committed to the state workforce and its retirees' concerns.

Often after each legislative session we go out to different groups and talk about what happened to specific issues that you may have seen reported on in the press, or become aware of from talking to family, friends and neighbors. Our June "Senior Moment" gave you a detailed review of different bills we were tracking and how things turned out, http://www.afscmenvretirees.org/system/files/final_june_2019_legislature_newsletter_1.pdf But at our next Board Meeting to be held in Henderson, Nevada (see the complete details in this edition of the Senior Moment) you will have an opportunity in person to "Ask Your Lobbyist Hour": All about what happened this last session, what might happen in the future and any other questions about how our legislative process works in General. So come and let's have a lively discussion about the Nevada Legislature!

Next Board Meeting: Our next board meeting will be Thursday November 21, 2019 at 12:00 noon at the AFL-CIO office in Henderson. We will also be teleconferencing to our Carson City office on Fairview. Come bring your questions and join us for a provided lunch!



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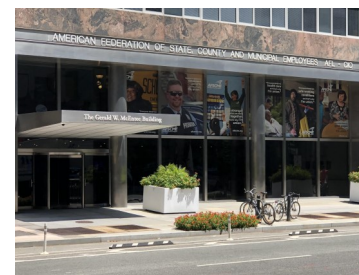
LEGISLATIVE RECEPTION—February 28



COLLECTIVE BARGAINING—June 13



RETIRES COUNCIL, WASHINGTON,D.C.—July 22



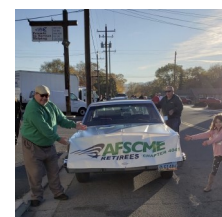
NORTHERN AFSCME PICNIC—August 11



RETIRES NIGHT AT ACES BALL GAME -August 11



NEVADA DAY PARADE—October 26



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