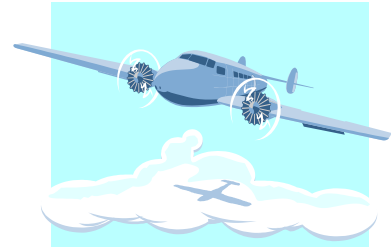




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January Through April Meetings

- January 17—Paolucci's
- February 21—Paolucci's
- March 21—Paolucci's

All meetings are at 11:30. Paolucci's is at 115 S. 3d St, Atchison. A parking lot is located on the south side of the building. Use the south door. Peggy is going to ask them to use 8-ft tables rather than the round ones so the set-up is more conducive to a meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Weather Cancellation

If Atchison County Community Schools (USD 377) cancel classes due to bad weather on meeting day, we will not meet. USD 377 closings are broadcast on the following radio stations (KAIR, 93.7FM, 1470AM; KNZA, 103.9FM; KMBZ, 980AM) and these TV stations (WIBW (Topeka) channel 13; and KCTV (Kansas City) channel 5. You can also check the school district's newsletter on its website for more stations.

Federation Convention

The 2017 Kansas Federation Convention will be April 23 through 25 in Hutchinson. The meetings will be held at the Atrium Hotel, 1400 Lorraine Street. We can have one delegate-at-large and two delegates. Be

thinking about whether you are interested in attending, either as a delegate or visitor. More information will be available soon.

“Proposed Rule Could Save USPS billions

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) issued a proposed rule that would change the amount that the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) puts into the federal employee retirement fund. The rule would allow USPS to calculate its payment using assumptions of its workforce specifically, rather than the federal workforce as a whole.

The Postal Service has long argued that its payments have been too high because of the difference between the demographics of its workers and those of the federal workforce, mainly in salary growth and life expectancy. Multiple reports have shown that USPS has paid a surplus of billions of dollars into the retirement fund.

If implemented, the rule could save the Postal Service a substantial amount of money and would not impact Postal Service retiree pensions. Before becoming final, the proposal will be evaluated by stakeholders,

who will have an opportunity to submit comments.” From NARFE Legislative

Hotline, January 6, 2017

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