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FEDERAL MANAGERS ASSOCIATION



CHAPTER 14 QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Esteemed Members,

Welcome to the start of the 2025–2026 FMA Chapter 14 season! I want to extend my deepest thanks for your continued support of our organization. Your commitment keeps our chapter strong and allows us to provide meaningful opportunities for connection, growth, and community service.

A special thank you to all FMA Chapter 14 members who have responded to the request for back dues of \$30 (due to payroll suspension) and submitted payment through Venmo, our Square site (<https://fma14.square.site/>), or by check. Your contributions ensure that Chapter 14 can continue to serve our community, especially during the holiday season.

Over the last several months, we've organized a variety of events for our members, families, and friends. From baseball and hockey games—most recently bringing together 40 attendees at the Seattle Thunderbirds game—to larger gatherings, it has been a joy to see so many of you participating.

On September 6, 2025, we held our 25th Annual Golf Tournament at Rolling Hills, with 72 players in attendance. This milestone event was made possible by the dedication of our E-Board members, the support of our generous sponsors—BlueCross/BlueShield, FEDS Protection, GPIS, Kitsap Credit Union, and GEHA—and the enthusiasm of every participant. Thank you all for making this tournament a success.

Just days later, on September 14, 2025, Chapter 14 hosted the Regional 3 & 4 Training Event in Shelton/Harstine Island. This event featured important sessions on Emergency Planning, Innovating in Uncertain Times, and Managing Out of Chaos. It also provided a valuable opportunity to engage with our national FMA board members, discuss national direction, and share our collective goals for the season ahead.

A Call for Shop/Code Representatives

We are currently seeking volunteers to serve as representatives for additional shops and codes. If you are interested in supporting our mission and helping us share the FMA message, please reach out. On behalf of the E-Board, I extend heartfelt appreciation to our current Shop/Code representatives for your ongoing dedication—you are a vital part of this organization.

Final Thoughts

As we look ahead, I wish you and your families good health, happiness, and resilience. Let us never take for granted what we have today, as tomorrow is uncertain. Your continued support is the foundation of this association, and together we will build another strong and successful season.

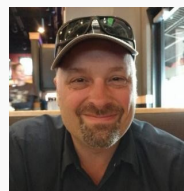
Thank you for being an integral part of FMA Chapter 14.

Sincerely,

No Bad Day,

James Cappa

President, FMA Chapter 14



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SUGGESTIONS? PLEASE SEND US A
MESSAGE ON FACEBOOK OR CHECK
OUT OUR WEBSITE!



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FMA CHAPTER 14

NEWSLETTER

FMA WORKING FOR YOU

2025/2026 DINNER SCHEDULE

The dinner schedule for the 2025-2026 FMA Season will be similar to this last year. Though the E-Board continues to meet monthly, dinner meetings will be every few months. We want the dinner meetings to be a valuable source of information that our members look forward to attending. **Please note that dinners are complimentary with advanced reservation for all FMA members.**

Key Issues

Protecting Public Naval Shipyards Act (S. 2648): Introduced in August 2025 to protect shipyard employees from hiring freezes and workforce reductions.

Prevent Government Shutdowns Act (H.R. 5130): Reintroduced to the House on September 4, 2025.

Federal Pay Raise: On August 29, President Biden sent an alternative pay plan to Congress, calling for a 1% raise for federal employees in 2026. However, FMA strongly supports a 3.8% raise for uniformed military personnel and advocates for federal employees to receive pay parity with military service members. More info here <https://www.fedmanagers.org/home-2>

LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

Suppose you are planning to retire in the next two months! Become a LIFETIME member. This keeps you updated on all our current events and allows you to continue fighting for the benefits you deserve even after retirement. The cost is a one-time fee of \$250.00. If you have been a member of FMA for ten years or longer, the fee is only \$150.00. Contact a board member with more info!

<https://fma14.square.site>

JOIN HERE



ARE YOU LOOKING TO RETIRE SOON?

OPM has launched a Retirement Quick Guide that shares what federal workers can expect through the retirement application process< how benefits will be determined, and guidelines related to their interim and annuity payments.

THE FMA CHAPTER 14 MISSION: PARTICIPATE WITH MANAGEMENT, UNION, AND EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS TO PROMOTE THE WELFARE OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES; PROACTIVELY ADDRESS ISSUES AFFECTING OUR MEMBERS; BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE COMMUNITY; WORK COOPERATIVELY WITH THE NATIONAL OFFICE AND OTHER FMA ORGANIZATIONS, AND PROVIDE THE ORGANIZATION WITH FINANCIAL INTEGRITY.



HOW CAN YOU HELP!!

**SEVERAL OF YOU HAVE ASKED HOW YOU
CAN MAKE AN IMPACT, AND THE MOST
POWERFUL WAY IS BY USING YOUR VOICE.**

FMA

NATIONAL HAS SET UP "ACTION LETTERS" AT
[HTTPS://WWW.FEDMANAGERS.ORG/ACTION-LETTERS](https://www.fedmanagers.org/action-letters).

ADD YOUR NAME AND
EMAIL, CLICK SEND, AND YOUR LETTER WILL BE DELIVERED TO
YOUR CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES. CURRENT ACTION
LETTERS INCLUDE:

- ☐ URGE CONGRESS TO PREVENT A GOVERNMENT
SHUTDOWN!
- ☐ EXPRESS CONCERN ABOUT RIFS AND OTHER THREATS TO
JOB SECURITY
- ☐ SUPPORT THE SAVING THE CIVIL SERVICE ACT
- ☐ URGE CONGRESS TO PROVIDE A FAIR RAISE IN 2026
- ☐ SUPPORT THE FEDERAL RETIREMENT FAIRNESS ACT
- ☐ SUPPORT THE TELEWORK REFORM ACT
- ☐ HELP MAKE FRES COLAS FAIRER



FMA CHAPTER 14

NEWSLETTER

THE PARTIAL GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN BEGAN OCTOBER 1, 2025. EACH EMPLOYEE SHOULD REFER TO THEIR OWN AGENCY FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND GUIDANCE. BELOW, FIND THE LINK TO INFORMATION AND RESOURCES FOR FEDERAL MANAGERS AFFECTED BY THIS GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN.

FMA WILL CONTINUE TO LOOK OUT FOR OUR MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND TO DEMAND THEY BE TREATED WITH RESPECT. THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF TEAM FMA.

[OPM GUIDANCE FOR SHUTDOWN FURLOUGHS](#)

[FEDERAL EMPLOYEES CROWDSOURCE RESOURCES TO SUPPORT EACH OTHER DURING SHUTDOWN](#)

[GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN: 10 ESSENTIAL RESOURCES FOR FEDS](#)

[THE FEDSUPPORT HUB](#)

[EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT A GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN](#)

[5 STEPS TO PROTECT YOUR FEDERAL JOB DURING THE SHUTDOWN \(FEDWEEK\)](#)

[SHUTDOWN PAY AND BENEFITS CONSIDERATIONS \(FEDWEEK\)](#)

[WRITE YOUR SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVE](#)



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- Regular Monthly Meetings
- E-Board Meeting
- Paydays

Chapter 14 FMA Golf Tournament Sept. 6
 -Region 3&4 Conf. Sept. 13-14
 -2025 FMA National Convention in Washington DC. March 23-25-2026

Sat., Sun. & Holiday/Non work

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FMA WASHINGTON UPDATE

FMA ENDORSES BIPARTISAN SHIPYARD PROTECTION LEGISLATION – AUGUST 7, 2025

- FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AT THE NATION'S FOUR PUBLIC SHIPYARDS WOULD BE EXEMPT FROM ANY HIRING FREEZE OR WORKFORCE REDUCTIONS RELATED TO SPENDING CUTS, REPROGRAMMING OF FUNDS, OR THE PROBATIONARY STATUS OF EMPLOYEES UNDER NEW LEGISLATION INTRODUCED ON AUGUST 1 BY SEN. JEANNE SHAHEEN (D-NH). THE PROTECTING PUBLIC NAVAL SHIPYARDS (PNSY) ACT (S. 2648), COSPONSORED BY SENS. SUSAN COLLINS (R-ME), MAGGIE HASSAN (D-NH), AND ANGUS KING (I-ME), WOULD ENSURE THAT THE MAINTENANCE AND OVERHAUL OF AMERICA'S NUCLEAR-POWERED SUBMARINE FLEET CONTINUES UNINTERRUPTED.
- THE BILL, ENDORSED BY FMA, WAS REFERRED TO THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE. THE PROTECTING PNSY ACT WOULD REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO EXEMPT POSITIONS AT THE FOUR PUBLIC SHIPYARDS – PORTSMOUTH, NORFOLK, PUGET SOUND, AND PEARL HARBOR – FROM WORKFORCE REDUCTIONS THAT ARE CRITICAL TO MAINTENANCE AND THAT SUPPORT THE SHIPYARD INFRASTRUCTURE OPTIMIZATION PROGRAM (SIOP).

YOU CAN VIEW THE [FULL BILL TEXT HERE](#).

FMA Working for You

PLEASE CHECK OUT SUMMER 2025
FEDERAL MANAGER MAGAZINE
FEATURING OUR OWN VINCENT
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25TH FMA

Golf Tournament

With over 75 golfers in attendance, it was another fantastic and successful event.

A special thank you to all our sponsors for their continued support of our members and for contributing additional funds toward our 2026 scholarship program.



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With Open Season right around the corner G.E.H.A will be having the 2026 open-season webinars available to FMA members.

Medical, Dental, and Medicare Webinars will be starting November!

Your health is not just about numbers on a chart. It's about your vitality, well-being and quality of life. Join us for the four option webinars, where you will gain confidence in connecting with health care professionals, making informed health decisions, and taking the time to learn about one of your options for open season.

Register now:

- Medicare 11.12 @ 1:00pm EST:

https://geha.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_4SXq1ZwFTWuyZq7O2-syVA

- FEHB (Health Plans) 11.13 @ 1:00pm EST:

https://geha.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_GiZnDoJPTGrGtL3B-4fbzOA

- FEHB (Health Plans) 11.18 @ 1:00pm EST:

https://geha.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_qwDamw66TcWmZO6lJcrTCw

- FEDVIP (Dental Plans) 11.25 @ 1:00pm EST:

https://geha.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VVCiVjebTumHw4zg-ToioQ

Feel free to forward this invitation to your colleagues.

Thank you,

Government Employees Health Association

Email mina.piot@geha.com with any questions.



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