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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 14th, 2024, at 11:30 AM. It will be held at Houligan's Sports Grill, located at 1643 US Highway 1, Ormond Beach FL 32174. All brothers and sisters along with their spouses are welcome.

I am hoping to have photos from the March luncheon in Hollywood soon. When I receive them I will have them posted on our website.

There are some changes coming to our medical in regards to co- pays which I have attached to this news letter.

There are currently 1141 AJ's out of work with a maximum wait of 328 days. There are currently 753 AJ's on furlough.

2025 is a contract year. I encourage all retirees to write letters to Chris Erikson and the negotiating committee with the needs of the retiree. If we don't express our needs we will be overlooked. All letters are read!

We will be getting a 13th check (direct deposit) this year from the NEBF. That check (DD) should arrive at the end of 2024. See the file "NEBF Changes 2024" in the Useful Links page of our website for details and other changes to the NEBF pension.

Dues for 2023/24 are still only \$15.00. Anyone who has not paid, please see Paul Dietrich at our next meeting or mail your dues to the address at the top of this page. The dues year begins every September.

Fraternally yours,
Michael Manfredi

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These highlights to our medical include Medicare-eligible retirees.

Highlights regarding this Plan design change include:

- There will be a \$375 per person deductible effective July 1, 2024-December 31, 2024.*
- There will be an annual \$750 per person deductible effective January 1, 2025.*
- The deductible will apply to 20% of the cost of services approved but not reimbursed by Medicare, the annual Medicare Part B Deductible, and the Medicare Part A deductible.
- The deductible will not apply to prescription drugs (current copayments apply).
- The deductible will not apply to services rendered at JIB Medical, P.C.
- The deductible will not apply to services rendered by Primary Care Physician (“PCP”) Services which include the following:
 - o pediatricians, internal medicine, and obstetrics/gynecology;
- The deductible will not apply to Behavioral health visits;
- The deductible will not apply to Physical Therapy visits;
- The deductible will not apply to services that Medicare covers 100% such as preventive care.

How this deductible will be paid is unclear, but the letter will offer a number to call for clarification.

You will also receive a new medical card regarding the changes.

The medical plan is having financial difficulties and the trustees made many changes to support the plan before they made changes to the retirees' plan.

You will soon be getting a letter in the mail further explaining these changes.