



IAM DISTRICT 98 RETIREE ACTION GROUP
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FIGHTING TO PROTECT SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE!

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The speaker this month, Hannah Beard, is from the York County SPCA. She will be talking about Dog bite prevention and how animals come to the York County SPCA, among other topics. Their donation wish list is on the reverse side of this notice.

Skyrocketing Insulin Prices Highlight Necessity for Drug Policy Changes

This week, the Health Care Cost Institute (HCCI) released a study revealing that insulin prices doubled between 2012 and 2016, from just over \$2,800 to \$5,700 annually. This dramatic increase in costs has forced many people living with Type 1 diabetes to ration their supply of insulin, risking their health in order to make ends meet. Numerous elected officials sent letters in recent months to drug manufacturers, requesting information on prescription drug price hikes. People living with Type 1 diabetes will have to take insulin injections for their entire lives. Any lapse in health care coverage can be devastating due to the high out-of-pocket costs that result. Even month to month, the price of the medication can change -- a problem noticed by countless families across the country. Furthermore, patients are worried that employers could try to discriminate against someone with higher health costs.

“Access to life-saving medication is a fundamental right. One key step we must take is allowing Medicare to negotiate prices with drug corporations like the Veterans Administration does,” said Joseph Peters, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer of the Alliance for Retired Americans.

Weather cancellation. If the York Area School of Technology is closed or delayed due to weather, our meeting is cancelled. You can also check www.iam98.org, click on Retiree Action Group at the top of the page, or call 717-600-1198 ext. 7 for retiree recording.

Place: I.A.M. District 98 Hall, 3200 East Prospect Road, York, Pa 17402

Agenda: 9:30am Membership Meeting. Lunch will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

Date: Tuesday, February 19, 2019

RSVP: To Kelly, IAM District 98, at 717-600-1198 to let us know if you can attend So, we can have an accurate count for lunch.

Our meetings continue to be the third (3rd) Tuesday of every month. All members are reminded to bring a new person with them to the meeting. Come and have lunch with us. Come and help us to help you.

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