

Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956  
Minutes of Meetings  
February 17, 2009

The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met at Shoney's Restaurant February 17, 2009 with 22 members and guests present. Members were welcomed and guests were recognized.

Meeting was opened by an invocation and the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The speaker was Glenn Jones, archivist of Putnam County historical records and veterans records.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

President Collins encouraged everyone to sign up for dues withholding, this is more important now because postage rates are going up in May. It will cost the chapter .44 to mail reminder letters. Also we do not have a membership chairman to contact those who have not renewed.

Treasurer Myrna Estes reported a balance at the end of January of \$833.45.

President Collins stated that last month he asked you to contact your Legislators to include Premium Conversion in the Stimulus package before Congress. The good news is many of our members did e-mail or call. But the bad news is it was not included in the stimulus bill. But another provision was included that would benefit federal retirees who do not work or receive Social Security benefits. It will be in the form of a tax credit of \$250. A detail on how to receive it has not been established.

President Collins stated that we have one new member, Phyllis Huff of Celina and we have a previous member who rejoined, Ruth Osborn of Cookeville. We had one member that was dropped for non-renewal, Louise Loftis.

Sunshine report: Chuck and Jan Mackenzie are both experiencing health problems.

A collection was made for Alzheimer's fund in amount of \$38.00.

The chapter voted to send Ronnie and Reba Collins as delegates to the State Federation Convention which will be held on April 20, and 21 in Jackson, Tennessee.

There were no door prizes to distribute and meeting was adjourned

Reba Collins  
Chapter Secretary