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

The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met at Shoney's Restaurant March 17, 2009with 18 members and guests present. Members were welcomed and guests were recognized.

The speaker was Debbie Handison, Director of Helping Hands of Putnam County.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

President's Report:

- President Collins reminded everyone that March is designated as NARFE-PAC month. An envelope was passed around for members to contribute to NARFE-PAC.
- President Collins led a discussion on the proposed Resolutions and Bylaw changes that are being considered at the Federation Convention.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Estes gave the February treasurer's report which included collections of \$100.67, disbursements \$92.11 and a balance of \$759.01

Committee Reports:

- Legislative Report: President Collins stated NARFE has just concluded its annual Legislative Conference. Several members from Tennessee attended this year. They were to meet with our Tennessee Legislators and lobby them to support NARFE's goals. New bills have been introduced in Congress for Premium Conversion, H. R 1203 and S.491.
- Membership Report: President Collins stated we have 1 new member, Jerry Kelsey of Sparta and we have a previous member who rejoined, Jerry Brown of Celina. We had 2 members that were dropped for non-renewal, Robert Desantis and Ken Warrick. Bob and Gerry Hagens have transferred to the chapter in Kalamazoo, MI. Second dues notices were sent to 5 of our members whose dues are due.
- Alzheimer's Report: Chairman Collins reported NARFE has reached its goal of 8 million dollars that members have given to Alzheimer's research.

New business:

- The chapter voted to authorize President Collins to take a \$25 gift as a door prize to the Federation Convention.
- The chapter voted to discontinue door prizes at chapter meetings.

Since there was no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Reba Collins Chapter Secretary