Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956 Minutes of Meetings January 18, 2011

The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met January 18 at Shoney's Restaurant with 9 members present. Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

President Collins stated the Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform18 member panel was not able to get enough votes to pass its recommendations for further action by Congress. But there is already news that certain parts and pieces of cuts will make its way into legislation which could potentially affect current federal employees and federal retirees. In fact the President has already imposed a 2 year freeze on federal pay. He said we need to keep a close watch on this and if you are against cuts, you need to let your Congressmen know. He asked what your thoughts on what you have heard are.

President Collins led a discussion on ways to increase attendance. Some ideas were encourage new members, change meeting time to daytime and call people and encourage them to come. Everyone present selected a list of names to call and was asked to report back on what they found out.

Membership Report: Betty Robinson reported William Rankin was sent a second notice. Two new members are Deborah Herriger and Herbert Yott. Three members who were dropped are Lois Burgess, Sue Richardson and Billy Smith.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Myrna Estes stated receipts were \$415.26, disbursements \$326.54 and a balance of \$901.54.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was taken for Alzheimer's in the amount of \$22.

President Collins stated the NARFE Federation Convention will be held in Nashville, TN on April 18 and 19. All members are welcome to attend. Our chapter can send up to 6 delegates to the convention. Of those in attendance the only ones who indicated their willness to attend were Ronnie and Reba Collins. Others who may be interested can indicate their interest next month.

Reba Collins Chapter Secretary