Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956 Minutes of Meetings August 20, 2013

The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met August 20 at Shoney's Restaurant with 22 members and guests present. Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Speaker was Barbie Neely with Gentiva Hospice.

President Collins stated August is Meet your Congressman Month. Some of us attended a recent meeting with the district director for Diane Black. She spoke briefly on the 3 topics: the Affordable Care Act, the Chained CPI, and the Postal Reform Act. She then took questions from the group. She seemed to be very knowledgeable about these issues. There were a good number of NARFE members there but more would have been better.

President Collins stated Diane Black will be having a Town Hall meeting in Cookeville this coming Thursday. It will be at 5:30 p. m. at the County Courthouse on the Square.

President Collins stated don't forget to let Congress hear from you about these issues. Use the phone number provided by NARFE or the e-mail system on the NARFE website to connect with your elected officials.

President Collins stated NARFE will still accept grocery coupons until Labor Day even though they have reached its goal.

President Collins stated with 2 months to go, the potential COLA adjustment for retirees is at 1.85 percent after a small increase in the cost of living figures for July.

President Collins stated he will be attending a training conference next month for the entire Region X area, explaining this looks to be a very good opportunity to further our efforts.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Myrna Estes stated dues received were \$120.60, disbursements \$4.39 and a balance OF \$1610.91.

Membership Report: This month's membership report shows Bill Benson, Roy Luna and Lou Richards were sent second dues notices. Anita Lockart was dropped.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was taken for Alzheimer's in the amount of \$37.

Announcements: The next regular meeting will be September 17, 2013.

Meeting was adjourned.

Reba Collins Chapter Secretary