

Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956
Minutes of Meetings
March 19, 2013

The Cookeville chapter of NARFE met March 19 at Shoney's Restaurant with 20 members and guests present. Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Speaker was Clay Robertson director of Putnam County Public Library.

President Collins stated NARFE has just concluded a Legislative training conference with a large number of NARFE member attendees from the entire nation. In Tennessee we were represented by our Federation Legislative Chairman. These bi-yearly training sessions are for learning how to best work with our members of Congress to have our voice heard in Washington DC. Part of the time is spent with our Congressmen and Senators.

President Collins stated March is NARFE-PAC month. I hope you read the article in this March magazine and responded with mailing in a donation. An envelope was passed around for donations tonight.

President Collins stated the budget battles continue in the House, Senate and with the President. The sequester maybe has affected some few current federal employees that the President wanted to pick on mostly in the form of short term furloughs and cut backs in overtime. But overall it has not resulted in widespread problems. The next crisis is the dept limit in which something needs to be done by the end of March.

President Collins stated the consumer Price Index latest figures shows a one percent increase for the month of February.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Myrna Estes stated the February report shows dues received \$65.92 and a balance of \$1266.34.

Membership Report: This months membership report shows second dues notices were sent to Jim Boyington, Larry Hackett and Bobby Lee. Larry Presnall was dropped for non-renewal. Gregory Woods is a new member who transferred in. Henry Laurent who was a previous member came back.

Sunshine Report: Clarence Richards is in the hospital. Jim Evans is recovering from surgery.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was taken for Alzheimer's in the amount of \$34.

New business: The chapter decided to have a picnic June 22 at Cane Creek Park.

The chapter discussed possible changes to the chapter dues.

The next regular meeting will be May 21 (no meeting in April due to the convention).

Meeting was adjourned.

Reba Collins
Chapter Secretary