The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met September 19 at Shoney's Restaurant with 6 members and no guests present. Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

No speaker was scheduled this month.

President Collins mentioned a letter that the federation Vice President sent out and asked if anyone received it.

President Collins talked about dues withholding and that he had forms available.

President Collins gave the latest news on the Consumer Price Index. The August report posted September 14th shows an increase of 0.35 percent. That is 1.87 percent towards the next adjustment. The next report will be for September. It will be posted on October 13th. That will be the last report to determine a January adjustment.

President Collins stated there is a membership drive September 1 until December 31. Recruiters will receive $10 for each new member. Recruiters are entered in a drawing for a Grand Prize: an Apple Watch. Monthly prizes of a $25 Amazon Gift card (Recruiters and new members can win the monthly prizes) Recruiters need to put their Member ID on the form and be postmarked by December 31.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Myrna Estes stated dues received were $129.84 and a balance of $2362.45.

Membership Report: The latest membership report shows 6 second dues notices were sent and 3 renewed.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was taken for Alzheimer's in the amount of $16.

Legislative Report: The House has passed funding bills for fiscal year 2018. Senate has yet to pass any funding bills. A CR was passed by both to keep the government funded until December 8. No word on any cuts in what has passed so far.

NARFE encourages members to let their views be known to Congress.

Unfinished business: There was discussion on having quarterly meetings but we lacked a quorum present to vote on it.

Announcements: The next regular meeting will be October 17.


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