

Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956  
Minutes of Meetings  
October 20, 2009

The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met at Shoney's Restaurant October 20, 2009 with 17 members and guests present. Members were welcomed and guests recognized.

Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Speaker was John Kendrick, Fire Chief with the Cookeville Fire Department.

Presidents Report: President Collins stated that the Social Security Administration announced there will be no cost of living adjustment this year since there was a decrease of 2.1 percent since last year in the cost of living.

President Collins stated that open season for changes to federal health, dental, vision and health savings accounts begin on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Myrna Estes stated that dues collected were \$54.76, other collections 32.00 and a balance of \$1125.95.

Legislative Report: President Collins stated that Medicare Part B premiums are set to increase in 2010 for everyone not eligible for Social Security benefits. Current law excludes anyone who receives Social Security benefits from having to pay the increase in Medicare premiums in any year which there is no cost of living increase. NARFE is pushing passage of a bill in Congress to make this apply to all who are federal retirees and not eligible for Social Security.

Membership Report: Eight members renewed this past month. One member was sent a second renewal notice.

Sunshine Report: Clarence Richards had surgery recently and is in NHC for rehab.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was made for Alzheimer's fund in amount of \$60.

Unfinished business: The Nominating committee is working on trying to enlist members to be officers for next year.

Chapter voted in favor of the NARFE dues Referendum.

New business: Sharon Martin is heading the Christmas Luncheon Committee and will be enlisting people to help.

Reba Collins  
Chapter Secretary