

Cookeville/Putnam County Chapter 1956  
Minutes of Meetings  
November 18, 2014

The Cookeville Chapter of NARFE met November 18 at Shoney's Restaurant with 14 members and guests present. Meeting was opened by an invocation and pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Speakers were Linda Westin and Debi Smith with the Cookeville/Putnam County Animal Shelter.

President Collins stated, as reported just after our last meeting our COLA will be 1.7 percent in January.

President Collins stated Open Season for health insurance plans as well as dental and vision plans has already begun and runs thru December 8.

President Collins stated plans are underway for the NARFE Federation Convention April 20 thru 21 in Clarksville, TN. They ask that we submit names of those interested in attending by January 15. Also there is an incentive this year to register early. Anyone who registers by February 1<sup>st</sup> will be eligible to win a free night's lodging at the Mainstay Suites in Pigeon Forge, TN. Also those who have recruited at least 1 new member will be eligible for a free nights lodging at the convention hotel or equivalent.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Myrna Estes stated for the month of October, dues received were \$143.00, disbursements \$333.00 and a balance of \$1922.36. There as a total donation sent to Mustard Seed Ranch of \$320.00. Since the end of October, there has been the payment of Federation Dues of \$312.00.

Membership Report: Larry Harkleroad reported one person was sent second dues notice and one person was dropped.

Legislative Report: Ronnie Collins gave this report in the absence of Dan Hilton. Congress is currently in a lame-duck session and not much pertaining to NARFE is expected to be acted on until after the new 114<sup>th</sup> Congress is seated in January 2015.

Sunshine Report: Ozzie has some broken ribs. Kathy Hilton fell and had to have some stiches to her face.

Alzheimer's Report: A collection was taken for Alzheimer's in the amount of \$25.

Unfinished business: The Christmas Luncheon had to be moved to Golden Corral Restaurant because the location, Sweet T's has closed. The officers discussed and agreed to this. It will be Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30. Donations will be taken for a needy family as planned last month.

New business: The following officers were elected by acclamation: President-Ronnie Collins, Vice-President-Larry Harkleroad, Secretary-Reba Collins and Treasurer-Myrna Estes.

Announcements: There will not be a regular meeting next month. The next meeting will be January 20, 2015.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:  
Reba Collins  
Chapter Secretary