



# "OLD TROOPER" NEWSLETTER



Active and Retired Federal Employees "Old Trooper" Chapter No. 383, Junction City, Kansas

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## Upcoming Events

- 11:00, 7 March: Executive Board Meeting, Library
- 11:30, 10 March: NARFE Luncheon / Meeting, Senior Citizens Center, 1025 South Spring Valley Road, Speaker will be determined.
- 13 March 2011 – Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 17 March 2011 – St. Patrick's Day
- 10-12 April: State Convention, Junction City  
Date for Executive Board Meeting – TBD
- 11:30, 14 April: NARFE Luncheon / Meeting, Senior Citizens Center, 1025 South Spring Valley Road, Troubadours' will be the entertainment.
- 17 April 2011 – Palm Sunday
- 24 April 2011 – Easter Sunday
- 11:00, 9 May: Executive Board Meeting, Library
- 11:30, 12 May: NARFE Luncheon / Meeting, Senior Citizens Center, 1025 South Spring Valley Road, Speaker to be determined.

## CHAPTER NEWS



**HAPPY March BIRTHDAY TO:** Barb Steppe, Bessie Lighthall, Dee Campbell, Donna Motley, Dorothy Beckman, Edward Gates, Geraldine Hinz, Jean King, Joan Martin, Larry Steppe, Laura Shell, Leroy Walters, Wally Mitchell, and Wanda Llewelyn.



**HAPPY March ANNIVERSARY TO:** Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kitchens, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Norcross, Mr. and Mrs. James Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Miles, Mr. and Mrs. William Cortez. Many, Many more!!

(Remember – the only way your name(s) get on the list is if you tell the Editor – no where is there any birthday or anniversary in the NARFE files. Dixie Thomas)

## SECRETARY'S REPORT by Lannie Pender:

President Jim Mitchell, National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), called the February 10, 2011 Chapter #383 meeting to order, 11:30 at the 4H/Senior Citizens Center.



IF you would like to receive your newsletter via email, please send your request to Dixie Thomas at [bthomas56@cox.net](mailto:bthomas56@cox.net)

Of course, those attending the luncheon will receive a newsletter at the luncheon - no change.

**ALREADY  
RESERVED  
YOUR LUNCH  
AND  
SOMETHING  
CAME UP???**  
– PLEASE CALL  
AND CANCEL  
YOUR MEAL  
RESERVATION  
– 238-4015 –  
THANK YOU!!

**IN MEMORIAM: THIS COLUMN IS DEDICATED TO THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY OVER THE YEAR. PLEASE REMEMBER FRIENDS AND MEMBERS OF OUR ORGANIZATION.**  
**MAY 2010, JUNE 2010, JULY 2010, AUGUST 2010, SEPTEMBER 2010, OCTOBER 2010, NOVEMBER 2010**  
Clifford M. Rector  
**DECEMBER 2010, JANUARY 2011**

**Invocation:** Chaplin Otis Scroggins led the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Mitchell extended birthday and anniversary wishes to those members celebrating in February. He extended a warm welcome to new member Diana Dowling.

President Mitchell called for the reading of the minutes. He asked for a motion to approve the minutes, a motion was made by Ray Thompson, motion passed; he then asked for a motion to approve the Treasurers' report a motion was made by Donna Schmutz seconded by Ray Thompson, motion passed.

**Convention Business:** Dixie is making a list for people who would like to have their name in the Convention Booklet; the cost is \$1.50, if you would like to do that please see Dixie.

President Mitchell encouraged members to contact businesses to place Ads in the Convention Booklet, the Ad monies comes back to the Chapter. The Color Guard will be the Jr. ROTCC form JCHS and the keynote speaker will be either the City Manager or the Mayor. The Convention Treasurer Nancy Wiehl reported there is \$584.00 in registrations and \$915.00 for Ads.

**New Business:** President Mitchell spoke about the different aspects of NARFE. He also informed the members about the change to the State By-Laws concerning the Per Capita charge to the Chapters; this will be voted on at the March meeting. He announced that there would be a Valentine Day Dinner at the Herrington Senior Center, Saturday February 12th. Sharon Strain announced that the fund raiser for our 4H/Senior Center will be March 4th.

**Legislative Report:** Jim Dodd gave the correct telephone number for contacting our Senators and Representatives as 1-866-220-0044. He explained about the increase in the amount of Income Tax being withheld, the increase came about due to the expiration of a Congressional Bill. He told members where they can go on the internet ([www.opm.gov](http://www.opm.gov)) to reduce their withholding amount, but to be careful that they don't end up having to pay next year.

There were no reports from Service Officer, Membership, Sunshine Report or Public Relations.

The speaker was Mr. Kip Lee from the Housing and Credit Council, Manhattan, KS a Non-profit organization. He spoke on Reverse Mortgages (RM) and Financial Counseling. He said the rules concerning RMs have been changes to correct several things. He stated anyone requesting a RM must have a councilor in order to get an RM. He spoke in depth of the details involving this action. He also states a person has to be at least 62 years of age to apply for a HR.

There were 91 reservations and 74 in attendance. We raised \$106.80 for Alzheimer's.

Door prizes were won by Steven Waters, Tom Case, Jonetta Rector, Marilyn Stephen and Donnie Whitebread won the special ticket. The program at the March meeting will be the Spring Valley singers under the direction of Mary Louise Stahl.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.



**TREASURER'S REPORT by Madelyn Brown:**

Beginning Balance February 1, 2011 \$484.22  
Receipts - 565.24  
Expenses - 410.11  
Ending Balance February 28, 2011 \$629.35



**SUNSHINE REPORT by Janet Harrel**

Please make sure Janet gets your calls on our house bound members or someone that needs a cheering up.