



# “OLD TROOPER” NEWSLETTER



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

January 2009

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NARFE-PAC, Larry Young, 238-3047  
Calling, Vi Martin, 238-8539  
Decorating Opal Dalton, 922-6551 and Virginia Adam, 922-6706  
Program, Leonetta Chaves-Bibby, 238-6642  
Newsletter, Dixie Thomas, 238-1455  
Chaplain, Otis Scroggins, 238-1342  
Historian  
Special Projects, Appointed as needed.



The new Executive Board was sworn in at the December 2008 luncheon. Your 2009 President is Jim Martin, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President and Public Relations is Jim Mitchell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Membership is June Wood, Secretary is Lannie Pender and Treasurer is Madelyn Brown. Please congratulate these individuals for accepting these positions.



## NOTE From the Executive Board.

By: Madelyn Brown

You may not be aware of the following:

If you are under the age of 60, the price of your meal is \$4.50. This is the amount we must pay to the Senior Citizens Center for all people under the age of 60. The Senior Citizens Center has a list of names of the people under the age of 60. When checking in please let the people checking you in know you are under 60.

If you are asked to complete the evaluation form, please do so without complaining. This is asked for only once a year. The Area on Aging requires the evaluation form; NOT NARFE OR THE SENIOR CENTER. Also, the Area of Aging requires us to pay \$4.50 for the meal for anyone that has not completed the evaluation form. Remember, you only pay \$4.00 for the meal. So then, NARFE must pay the extra \$.50 cents. If you think this is unfair visit with the Area of Aging in Manhattan.

The extra money we received for the meals (only \$1.25) helps pay for the postage to send the newsletter, newsletter printing, decorations and door prizes, and \$72.00 per month we pay for rent and whatever other expenses that come up. Yes, we received chapter dues of \$5.00 from NARFE headquarters every month. But remember everything is going up, postage and paper cost for the newsletter. So if you would like to donate any extra money for the postage printing, that will certainly be welcome





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.*

If any member who doesn't attend meetings wishes to contribute to the Alzheimer's Fund, you can send a check to

Madelyn Brown,

Treasurer,

1141 St. Mary's Road, Junction City, KS 66441. **Please make checks out to "NARFE Alzheimer's Research"**

**" and write "Alzheimer's Fund" on the memo line.**

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



**Program Chair, Leonetta Chaves-Bibby:** The next luncheon/meeting will be 11:30 a.m., 12 February 2009, at the 4H/Senior Citizen Building, Spring Valley Road. Program for the luncheon is Chuck Otte presenting a presentation on his recent trip.



**January Birthdays:** Happy Birthday to Karen Baldwin, Corky Briestensky, Cameron Davis, Janet Harrel, Richard Mathes, Robert Norcross, Alan Stephen, Sharon Strain, Violet Martin, Leonetta Chaves-Bibby, Barbara Hill, Edna Patterson, Celine Vincent, Carole Blixt, Clarice Longhofer, Hilde Mukai, Walt Germann. Happy, happy birthday!



**January Anniversaries:** Happy anniversary to Cameron and Bobbi Davis, Llellwyn and Daisy McTavish, Don and Lola (Brighton) Marston. CONGRATULATIONS to all of you.



**SUNSHINE CHAIR Report, Janet Harrel:** A get well card was sent to June Walters, a thinking of you was sent to Catherine Simon and a sympathy card was sent to the family of Ronald Shandy and to the family of John Brumbaugh. The editor received news this morning that Velma Poulin passed away on 30 December as well as Beverly Huffman. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you in this sorrowful time.



**Minutes of the December 2008 Meeting:** Lannie Pender, Secretary  
Minutes of the December meeting will be read by the Secretary, Lannie Pender.



TREASURER, Madelyn Brown:

Beginning Balance 1 December 2008:		\$1,746.84
Receipts:	\$727.86	
Expenses:	\$815.48	
Ending Balance 31 December 2008:		\$1659.22



Calling Chair: Vi Martin

- List # 1 Faye Heath
- List # 2 Sharon Griffin
- List # 3 Verleen Byrn
- List # 4 Pat Fisher
- List # 5 Judy Strauss
- List # 6 Maxine Kroeplin
- List # 7 Dee Campbell
- List # 8 Dorothy  
Luttman
- List # 9 Evelyn Lacey
- List #10 Janet Harrel
- List #11 Joan Martin
- List #12 Joyce Peoples
- List #13 Ramona  
Norcross
- List #14 Dorothy  
Gallaway
- (Dwight area)
- List #15 Jonetta Rector  
(Chapman area)

*A handful of 7 year old children were asked 'What they thought of beer'. Some interesting responses, but the last one is especially touching.*

'I think beer must be good. My dad says the more beer he drinks the prettier my mom gets.'  
--Tim, 7 years

'Beer makes my dad sleepy and we get to watch what we want on television when he is asleep, so beer is nice.'  
--Melanie, 7 years old



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**IN MEMORIAM:** This column is dedicated to those who have passed away over the year. Please remember our friends and members of our organization.

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- May 2008: Ingeborg Barton
  - July 2008: Charles Bickerstaff
  - August 2008: George W. Campbell
  - September 2008: Mrs. Orval Rodgers
  - September 2008: Hermina Marston
  - September 2008: Rachel Erickson
  - October 2008: Ralph Wiehl, husband of June Wiehl, Member
  - November 2008: Ron Gabbert
  - December 2008: Velma Poulin
  - January 2009: Ronald Shandy
  - January 2009: John Brumbaugh
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**NEWSLETTER EDITOR COMMENTS.** I must apologize for the "sparse" newsletter this month. Bad colds, sinus infections and a horrible coughs are controlling our household. Keep well everyone!



7 year old comments  
continued:

'My Mom and Dad both like beer. My Mom gets funny when she drinks it and takes her top off at parties, but Dad doesn't think this is very funny.'

--Grady, 7 years old

"My Mom and Dad talk funny when they drink beer and the more they drink the more they give kisses to each other, which is a good thing.'

--Toby, 7 years old

'My Dad gets funny on beer. He is funny. He also wets his pants sometimes, so he shouldn't have too much.'

--Sarah, 7 years old

'My Dad loves beer. The more he drinks, the better he dances. One time he danced right into the pool.'

--Lilly, 7 years old

'I don't like beer very much. Every time Dad drinks it, he burns the sausages on the barbecue and they taste disgusting.'

--Ethan, 7 years old

'I give Dad's beer to the dog and he goes to sleep.'

--Shirley, 7 years old

AND THE BEST RESPONSE

'My Mom drinks beer and she says silly things and picks on my father. Whenever she drinks beer she yells at Dad and tells him to go bury his bone down the street again, but that doesn't make any sense.'

--Jack, 7 years old



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