



“OLD TROOPER” NEWSLETTER



*National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, Old Trooper Chapter #383,
Junction City, Kansas.*

November 2013

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND

PLANNING: *Provided by Joan Martin and Carolyn Cook:*

12 Dec meeting: *St. Xavier School Brass Band will provide Christmas music for entertainment*

9 Jan meeting: *Derek Smith, Rep. from the Attorney General's Office, discussing scams and ID theft*



November birthdays: *Happy Birthday Billie Jo Rivera, Dorothy Osburn, Elton Vaughn, James Dodd, Joseph Gilmore, Madelyn Brown, Marshall Heath, Martha Upshaw, Peggy Blevins, Paul Hood, Vanetta Brumbaugh, and Connie Puett.*



November ANNIVERSARIES: *Happy Anniversary to Jim and Vi Martin and Don and Florence Whitebread. Many, Many more.....*

SECRETARY'S REPORT by Lannie Pender: *Minutes will be provided at a later date for approval.*

Message from NARFE President Joseph A. Beaudoin “

Next week, the House is in session and the Senate is not, the reverse of the current week. Only when both chambers are back on the same schedule will there be a second meeting of the budget conferees. However, staff for lead negotiators Sen. Patty Murray, D-WA, and Rep. Paul Ryan, R-WI, has begun the process. NARFE can best influence the conferees and the final outcome by focusing on our own congressional delegations. Federal benefits remain on the chopping block during negotiations to offset sequestration. I urge you to send NARFE's "Enough is Enough" message to your three legislators.”

#1 Good News on Medicare Premiums: No Increase

On October 28, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced the standard Medicare Part B monthly premium will be \$104.90 in 2014, the same as 2013. The Medicare Part B deductible also will remain unchanged at \$147. More information, including the higher "income related" premiums. is provided in the CMS release.

#2 Legislative Action Center Makes It Easy to Contact Congress

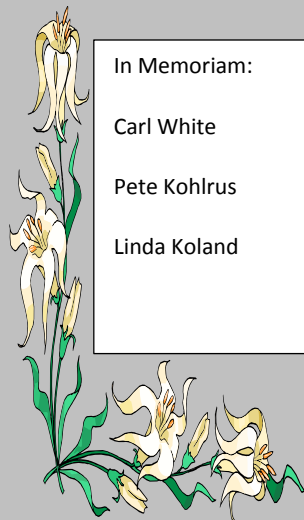
President Beaudoin urges every NARFE member to use our Legislative Action Center to tell your congressional delegations, "Enough is Enough." The work of the conference committee is under way. If enough NARFE members tell their lawmakers that the federal community should not continue to be the lone bearer of deficit-reduction cuts, members of Congress can and will

In Memoriam:

Carl White

Pete Kohlrus

Linda Koland





pressure the committee to leave us alone. Your messages can make the difference.

#3 NARFE Continues to Publicly Oppose Chained CPI On Thursday, November 14, NARFE will again join forces with coalition partners to speak out on the detrimental effects a switch to the Chained CPI would have on federal retirees, Social Security recipients, military retirees and the disabled. The average Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) retiree would lose \$48,000 over 25 years under the Chained CPI. The rally, organized by the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare, will be held in front of the White House at 1 p.m. NARFE members in the area are strongly encouraged to attend. Please email leg@narfe.org for additional details.

Send a message, letter or call your Senators:

Senator Pat Roberts
Frank Carlson Federal Bldg.
444 SE Quincy - Room 392
Topeka, KS 66683
Phone: (785) 295-2745

Senator Jerry Moran
923 Westport Place, Suite 210
P.O. Box 067
Manhattan, KS 66502
Phone: (785) 539-8973



TREASURER'S REPORT by Madelyn Brown:

Beginning 1 Oct 2013

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| Balance | \$1,852.23 |
| Receipts | 514.20 |
| Expenses | 418.40 |
| <u>Ending Bal:</u> | \$1,948.03 |
| <u>30 Oct 2013</u> | |



SUNSHINE REPORT by Wally Mitchell:

Wally Mitchell sent cards to Ruth Asbury, Ray Thompson, Dixie Hostetler, Larry Langvardt and Jim Nelson. Hoping this newsletter finds all recovered and able to get around.

Nominations/voting for 2014 Officers will be conducted during meeting.

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1st VP: Ray Thompson

2nd VP: Nominations from floor

Secretary: Lannie Pender

Treasurer: Peg Anderson