



"OLD TROOPER" NEWSLETTER



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Appointed as needed.

BUSY PERSON OVER THE **HOT** SUMMER MONTHS!!!



Carole Blixt, your second VP/Membership Chair has worked hard over the past few months talking to potential members. Carole has not only worked on the 4th of July Sundown Salute and 1st of September Chapman Labor Day Parade, but she has lined up two more NARFE involvements in the Fort Riley Military Appreciation Day and the Fort Riley Open House on the upcoming FEHBP open season. In addition Carole worked to obtain over \$1000.00 matching funds from NARFE Headquarters for ads in the Junction City Daily Union and the Fort Riley Post and for trinkets to be given away at these events. Please give Carole a "pat on the back" as she so well deserves any and all praise for a job well done. (If you would like to help Carole at these upcoming events, please give her your name. She



If you would like to receive your newsletter via email, please send your request to Dixie Thomas at 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!! 2

will call you and give you the time and place to be on the upcoming events.)

OUR NEXT MEETING

The next NARFE meeting will be Thursday October 9, 2008 at 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens/4H Building on Spring Valley Road. The guest speaker will be Pam Maxwell from Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Open season is from 10 November to 8 December. Your last three NARFE magazines have information regarding the insurance companies and what they provide. Additionally, the Area V Vice President Richard Thissen will be at our meeting to discuss some of the Convention issues. Please plan on extra time for both to speak. It is planned that Mr. Thissen will be interviewed the morning before the meeting on the Junction City Radio Station.

September Birthdays (Make sure we have your birthday)

Happy Birthday to Carlos Buckles, Pauline Dutton, Patricia Hartung, Jack Murrison, Virginia Adam, Naida Sanders, Donna Schmutz, Darlene Topping, Mildred Smith, Arthur Baresel and Karen Harris.

September Anniversaries (Make sure we have your anniversary)

Happy anniversary to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Clowe, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gates and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Vincent. Many, Many More!

Minutes of the June 2008 Meeting

Lannie Pender, Secretary
President Dixie Thomas, National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) Chapter #383 called the meeting of order on June 12, 2008, 11:30 a.m., 4H/Senior Citizens Center. Chaplain Otis Scroggins, led the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Thomas invited all members to help themselves to the Pot Luck, which all of our members had provided.

Guests present were State Secretary Carol Ek, State Alzheimer's Chair Janice Nusheffer, Area III Vice-President Donald Cooper, Dan Rickman, and Anna Davis.

President Thomas called for the reading of the minutes and Treasurer's Report. She then asked for a motion and second from the floor to approve as written.

A check for \$5850.00 was presented by Madelyn Brown to State Alzheimer's Chair Janice Nusheffer and before the meeting was adjourned an additional \$150.00 was raised for a total of \$6000.00. Our Old Troopers Chapter is able to donate this large amount of money to Alzheimer's through the efforts of the Eagle's Auxiliary Bingo; we thank them for their generosity. Piano entertainment was provided by Natalie Vieyra, President Dixie Thomas presented her with a certificate of appreciation. Additional entertainment was provided by The Troubadours' conducted by Manny Vazques; the following are just a few of the songs everyone enjoyed - Hello Dolly, Hi Neighbor, and Lets Take an Old Fashion Walk these songs were followed by a rousing round of Row Row Row Your Boat, in which almost everyone present took part.

The next meeting will be September 11, 2008 at 11:30 at the 4H/Senior Citizen's Center. There was no menu available for the September meeting.

Door Prizes were won by Dixie Thomas, Virginia Smith, Elaine Ryan, Robert Brent and Janet Harrel. The Old Trooper NARFE Chapter 383 was adjourned to meet again at 11:30 a.m. on September 11, 2008.

TREASURER, Madelyn Brown:

Beginning Balance 1 August 2008	\$2,870.95
Receipts - \$1,495.85	
Expenses - \$1744.32	
Ending Balance 31 August 2008	\$2,611.48



SUNSHINE CHAIR Report, Janet Harrel:

Janet sent get well to Vena Rowbotham. We wish you a speedy recovery.

FUN! FUN! FUN! 11 OCTOBER 2008 CASINO TRIP

We are planning a FUN TIME on 11 October 2008 to earn money for ALZHEIMER'S RESEARCH. Janet Harrel has tickets for the casino trip. So, if you want to come along and enjoy a good fun day, please see Janet for your tickets NOW! They are going fast!

FOOD DRIVE

The Daily Union has had articles regarding the Food Pantry being out of food items. Please bring canned/boxed food to the next meeting (9 October) and we will deliver them to the Food Pantry. Thank you.

- 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 Marie Sawyer
- List # 8 Dorothy Luttmann
- 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)

DID YOU KNOW?
Peel a banana from the bottom and you won't have to pick the little "stringy things" off of it?

Take your bananas apart when you get home from the store. If you leave them connected at the stem, they ripen faster.

Green peppers with 3 bumps on the bottom are sweeter and better for eating. Peppers with 4 bumps on the bottom are firmer and better for cooking.

For a cool brownie treat, make brownies as directed. Melt Anes mints in double broiler and pour over warm brownies. Let set for a wonderful minty frosting.

SUPPORT ALZHEIMER'S RESEARCH

Enclosed is my Alzheimer's NARFE contribution \$ _____

Name _____ Chapter # 383

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Your charitable contribution is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.
Please make check payable to : NARFE Alzheimer's Research
Fill/cut out this form
And mail to: Treasurer, NARFE Chapter 383, Madelyn Brown, 1141 St. Mary's Road,
Junction City, KS 66441-138

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

- May 2008: Ingeborg Barton
- July 2008: Charles Bickerstaff
- August 2008: Willie Campbell



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When you buy a container of cake frosting from the store, whip it with your mixer for a few minutes. You can double it in size. You get to frost more cake/cupcakes with the same amount. You also eat less sugar and calories per serving.



A blonde said, "I was worried that my mechanic might try to rip me off. I was relieved when he told me all I needed was turn signal fluid."

My mind works like lightning. One brilliant flash and it is gone.

Ever stop to think and forget to start again?

ALWAYS REMEMBER THIS:
YOU DON'T STOP
LAUGHING BECAUSE YOU
GROW OLD, YOU GROW
OLD BECAUSE YOU STOP
LAUGHING.

NARFE MAGAZINES - JUN * JUL * AUG * SEP

There are two events coming up in October that we would like to give out copies of NARFE magazines so that prospective members can take with them a copy and learn what NARFE is about. Please bring us your June, July, August and/or September NARFE magazines and we will give them out at the October events. Be sure to remove your address sticker. Thanks.



*September 11, 2001.
For most, a day that
will live in infamy; for
all, in memory.

Let's never forget!*



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