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Where does time go?? I just sent this newsletter our a few days ago it seems....Hope all of you doing great this month. our next meeting on tuesday, march 13, will be an evening meeting at cadmus at 6 p.m. Our President williams is constantly worrying about programs so if anyone would like to present something or know of something you would like to hear, please contact him. My community sees to be overwhelmed with sicknesses, several deaths and numerous other problems now. I want to suggest you give your reservations to Darrell (his number is on here) 755-4026----because I may not be able to be at the meeting Tuesday.We met last month at Circle C Cafe in Paola for lunch and Jim Bousman shared with us a very interesting talk on his adventures working as a U.S.Postal Inspector. It was very exciting and dangerous sometimes.We Thank you very much and enjoyed it . He shared a history of the Postal Inspection from 1750 till now. Bob Hodge had 4 petitions for us to sign and send to our congress people about different items we support... concerning making english official language, HR 757 and S255, fair Acts opposing postal Reforms Act. 2017-HR756; Fed. Adj. of income rates and etc. Glenn Alpert told us about the breakfast meeting to be held on the following Sat. at a church in paola with representatives. Hope several of you got to attend that. I got a note from mary boehm and lawrence is now at North point doing extensive therapy. We hope this will help him regain his strength. alfred katzer needs to be remembered with his kidney problems. Elnora Heness is in a care center in KC but her family is trying to get her to a place more central for them so I do not have an address for her yet. We have several members who need our cards and prayers.

On april 2, we are invited to help Elizabeth smith celebrate her 90th birthday at her church in paola from 2 to 4 at the first Baptist church, 207 E. Wea St. paola, and request no gifts. her address is 206 n. East St. in case you would like to send a card and cannot attend.She is one spry young lady for 90 years old!!!! We wish her alot more!!

I hope no one suffered damages last night in the storms . After seeing the pictures on TV this morning we realize how lucky you might be. We need rain badly but not storms.As a note for anyone going south down my road--- they have removed the bridge at the south side of my place so you should plan on going around on #7 hwy thru Cadmus to go to Parker for th3e next few months. The roads west of Beagle has been graveled heavily so just be careful.

President Thissen attended a conference about calculating a more correct way to tabulate our COLAs. You are urged to contact your legislator and support CPI-E Act of 2017 (HR 1251) For those of us over the age of 62, we spend about 12% of our earnings, while the general public spend about 5% for health care. Several bills are up for your consideration and you are encouraged to use the easy-to-use NARFE Legislative Action Center to send members of Congress and to keep track of NARFE-related members by calling 703-838-7780 and toll-free at 877-217-8234. Make sure your elected officials hear how legislation would affect YOU. A personalized letter goes a long way in supporting your feelings.

If you are a NARFE Member and have an eligible child, grandchild, great grandchild who is a high school senior and is planning to attend college in the fall of 2017. don't miss the opportunity to sponsor them for a \$1,000 NARFE Scholarship Award. Sixty winners will be chosen. Submission deadline is April 28. You may call or contact headquarters about requirements and instructions. Information in the NARFE Mag. also. The magazine is full or vacation ideas for those who wish to keep working as well as information about NARFE. We have several people in the community who have retired from government jobs and not aware of our organization and we are not aware of them. We all need to be more knowledgeable of those around us to help our organization become a better benefit for ourselves too.

the 63rd Kansas Federation of NARFE chapters annual Convention will be held April 23-25, 2017 at the Atrium Hotel and Conference Center, 1400 N. Lorraine St. Hutchinson, Ks. 67501 620-669-9311. By april 1st. registrations, hotel reservations, fees, committee forms, memorial listing, delegate listing and alzheimer auction Donations must be taken care of. You may contact the hotel directly at 620-669-9311 before april 9, 2017 for a guaranteed rate of \$75.00 plus \$11.30 tax for those attending the convention. I would like to encourage you to attend if you can. Any other information you would like to know you may contact Darrell, Elizabeth or myself.

We have been fortunate to be able to attend several of these Conventions for years and we would encourage you to also attend. At this moment I do not know if i will be able to attend this yr. but i would like to. please help our chapter with any items to donate for the4 Alzheimer auction this yr. if possible.

I run across something the other day that caught my eye! My mother used to cut up chicken, chop eggs and spread butter on bread with the same knife on the same cutting board and no bleach and we didn't get food poisoning...

Our school lunches were wrapped in wax paper in bags and no ice coolers and no one ever got Coli. Almost all of us went swimming in a creek,or lake or pond instead of a pristine pool. Everyone had to take PE in school and we never had cross-training athletic shoes with air cushion soles. We got corrected at school, they called it discipline but we learned rules and to honor our elders.. I can't recall being bored without computers, play station and etc. and played on hills of gravel piled in the driveway and if we got hurt mom got out the bottle of iodine and our backside spanked..... now it is a trip to the emergency room and a 10 day dose of antibiotic---- how times have changed...

The United States Postal Inspection Services started under Benjamin Franklin, Postmaster of Philadelphia in 1750