

# "Old Trooper" Newsletter

Old "Trooper" Chapter 383, National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, Junction City,  
Kansas 66441 April 2016

*The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) is dedicated to protecting and enhancing the earned pay, retirement and health care benefits of federal employees, retirees and their survivors.*



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## CONVENTION TIME IS HERE!!!!

24-26 April 2016, Salina, Kansas

- **Dixie Thomas has tickets for 50/50 drawing at the convention \$1.00 for one or \$5.00 for six – you do not have to be there for the drawing**
- **Our Chapter needs to take one wrapped gift (\$10 to \$15) for door prizes – we need donations**
- **Our Chapter needs items to be auctioned off at the live and silent auctions for Alzheimer's – Bring your items to Dixie Thomas, 801 Sunshine Street, before 23 April – Items should be "new or of antique quality" which you would use**

**Happy Birthday** Bert Thomas, Edna Snyder, Gary Miles, Joann Hoover, Michelene Fields, Otis Scroggins, Paul Keck, Roberta Obrecht, Stephany Walker, William Miller, Virginia Brunner, Erva Dixon, Jim Walker, and Duane Biehler. Many more birthdays!!

**Happy Anniversary** Vaughn and Wanda Llewelyn, Morris and Dorothy Beckman, and Mr. and Mrs. Max Albin. Congratulations to you and may you have many more anniversaries.

**Sunshine Report (Wally Mitchell):** Get well cards were sent to Vi Martin and Walt Germann. Hoping you both getting well!

### **Treasurer's Report (Wally Mitchell):**

Beginning balance 1 March 2016:	\$2302.40
Receipts	430.51
Expenses	380.25
Ending Balance 31 March 2016:	\$2352.66

**Secretary's Report (Lana Pender):** National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) March 10, 2016: President Dixie Thomas, Chapter 383 called the March meeting to order at 11:30, at the 4H/Senior Citizens Center.

President Dixie Thomas (Dixie) opened the meeting at 11:30; Maxine Kroeplin led the invocation, followed by the Pledge of allegiance. President Thomas extended birthday wishes and anniversary wishes to those members celebrating in the month of March.

President Thomas welcomed new member June Chip and visitors Kay Schmittou, Diane Freeman, John Ourada and Honey Grant.

President Thomas stated the Minutes are in the Newsletter and asked for a motion and a second to approve them; a motion was made by Jim Mitchell seconded by Ray Thompson, motion passed. She then asked for a motion and second to accept the Treasurer's report, Ray Thompson made a motion, seconded by Maxine Kroeplin, motion passed subject to audit.

New Business; Dixie announced the audit for last year has been completed. Page 11 of the NARFE Magazine has the bills that are pending, one of which changes the way the Government chooses people for jobs. The forms for the State Convention are on line or Lannie has them. We will be using the State Service Officer until someone steps up. There will be a March for Meals on the March 22<sup>nd</sup> and a Yard Sale April 1. On April 2<sup>nd</sup> there is a fund raiser for the Center. Jim Martin thanked us for the IHOP gift card. Dixie announced the Red Cross Blood Drive. Ray Thompson announced that he was selected out several thousand people as Hero of the Year by the Red Cross, the presentation will be televised from Topeka. We collected \$179.00 for the St. Xavier Music Department. We received a thank you card from the Harrel Family. The Class of 1947 gave a \$100 donation to Alzheimer's. Lannie talked about the State Convention taking place in Salina April 23 thru 25. Lannie also announced the Alzheimer's breakfast on April 9<sup>th</sup> at the Elks Lodge. John Ourada spoke about membership, we have had 2 prospective members on the list since September; he has brochures about the 10 worst mistakes a Government Employee can make.

Honey Grant spoke about Harley and Me. She was General Manager at the Harley Dealership. She told how she started on that career; when she worked at Grampies Pancake House she was offered a job; Harley has had 5 different locations at one time with Yamaha, right now it is with Kawasaki. They now have 15 employees, she retired after 36 years. The first State Harley Rally was in Junction City in 1994 at the Senior Center. She talked about the Harley Poker Run and the Toy Run. Mr. Jakey is now the owner of the Harley Dealership and in 2012 they were the Number One Dealer in the nation, this is a great honor. Honey gave an interesting talk and we appreciate her taking the time to speak to us.

There were 61 reservations and 57 in attendances, collected \$177.00 (including the donation from the Class of 47) for Alzheimer's.

Door Prizes were won by Tom Grell, Walt Germann, Vonnie Bryant and Bert Thomas

Minutes transcribed by Secretary Lannie Pender.

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Jim and Vi Martin says "thanks very much" for the gift cards. The thoughtfulness of the Chapter members puts a smile in their day!