



# “OLD TROOPER” NEWSLETTER



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

DECEMBER 2014

## Chapter 383, 2014 Officers

President: Robert Norcross 762-2218  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Ray Thompson,  
762-5249  
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238-1455  
Secretary, Lannie Pender, 238-6503  
Treasurer: Peg Anderson

## Committee Chairpersons:

Legislative, James Dodd, 238-8041  
Membership Dixie Thomas 238-2455  
Public Relations, Dixie Thomas, 238-1455  
Service Officer, Walt Germann, 209-1938  
Parliamentarian, Ray Thompson, 762-5249  
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Sunshine, Wally Mitchell 238-3423  
NARFE-PAC, Jim Martin 238-8539  
Decorating, Opal Dalton, 922-6551  
Program, Joan Martin 210-0211 or Carolyn Cook 762-3488  
Editor, Dixie Thomas, 238 1455  
Chaplain, Maxine Kroeplin  
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Historian, Marie Sawyer



**FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND PLANNING:** *Provided by  
Joan Martin and Carolyn Cook*

*January: Gabrielle Thompson, Elder Law Attorney*

## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



### Repeal GPO and WEP Fairness for Public Employees

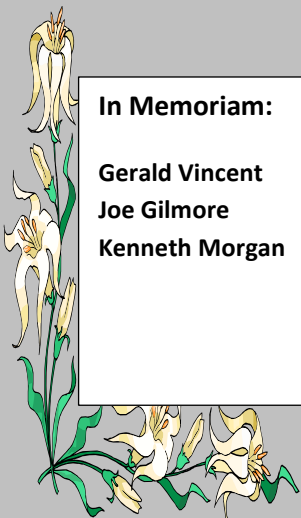
The Social Security Fairness Act of 2013 (H.R. 1795), introduced with bipartisan support on April 26, 2013, would entirely repeal the Government Pension Offset (GPO) and the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP). These unfair provisions negatively impact nearly two million beneficiaries, causing them to lose thousands of dollars every year. Contact your Representative and ask that he cosponsors the legislation to repeal GPO/WEP, or to thank them if they are already a cosponsor. We encourage you to add personal sentiments explaining these unfair laws have impacted you.

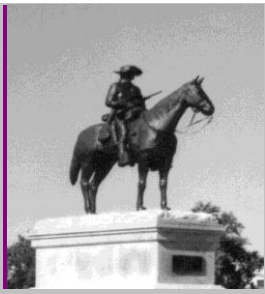
### In Memoriam:

Gerald Vincent  
Joe Gilmore  
Kenneth Morgan



**December BIRTHDAYS:** *Happy Birthday to June Walters, Bobbie Davis, Donald Whitbread, Donna Yenser, Jim King, Joyce Peoples, Norman Lee, Opal Dalton, Dan Rickman and Raymond Bennett. Hope you have a great birthday!*

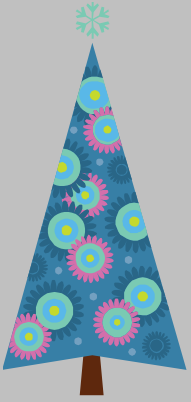




Send a message,  
letter or call your  
Senators:

Senator Pat Roberts, Frank  
Carlson Federal Bldg., 444 SE  
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2745

Senator Jerry Moran, 923  
Westport Place, Suite 210,  
P.O. Box 967, Manhattan, KS  
66502 Phone: (785) 539-  
8973



**December ANNIVERSARIES:** *Happy Anniversary to Walt and Judy Germann, Tom and Bobby Case, Don and Dee Campbell, Clarice and Roger Longhofer, and Bert and Dixie Thomas. Many, Many more!*

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**SECRETARY'S REPORT** by Lannie Pender, Secretary:

President Bob Norcross opened the Chapter meeting at 11:30, Maxine Kroeplin led the invocation, followed by the Pledge of allegiance. President Norcross introduced the Area III Vice-President Mr. Ourada and his wife; visitor Darlene Gaskin and new members Karen Brough and Patsy Martin. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes and a motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurers' Report. The speaker was Captain Leightoff from the JCPD. He was born and raised in Junction City and he gave a brief chat of his education and training. He gave a comprehensive sketch of the workings of the Police Department. There are 47 Officers and 30 civilians. There are four shifts of 7, there are 4-5 Officers on the street each day. There are 2 forensic people (not as shown on TV) and 4 Detectives under a Lt. The Drug Force consists of 3 Police Officers, 2 Sheriff's Personnel and 1 from Grandview Plaza. There are officers assigned to the schools under the community involvement program. The animal control officer is Mr. Butler, he is a retired Postal Worker, he is authorized to use chemicals; if necessary, he can dart animals, he has captured a number of animals other than dogs and cats. There was a lively question and answer session at the end of his talk. We appreciate him taking time from his very busy day to give us this informative presentation. Jim Dodd legislative officer mentioned that the bills that are pending before congress, if they don't get passed will have to start all over again. The 2015 COLA increase is 1.7% and Health Insurance will increase 3.2%. Jim also stated that he has made improvements to the local NARFE web page. There were no reports from the; Service Officer, Membership Chair, Sunshine Committee or Public Relations. There were 55 reservations for the meeting and 56 in attendance. We collected \$83.50. Door Prizes were won by Opal Dalton, Becky Rittenhouse, William E. Miller, and June Buckles. The next Chapter meeting will be Dec. 11, 2014. Meeting adjourned at 12:50.

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**TREASURER'S REPORT** by Peg Anderson:

Beginning Balance, 1 September 2014:	\$2,690.92
Receipts:	506.19
Expenses:	<u>445.80</u>
Ending Balance, 30 September 2014:	\$2,751.31

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**SUNSHINE REPORT** by Wally Mitchell:

Wally Mitchell sent get well cards to Vi Martin, Billie Jo Rivera and Pat Fisher. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Get Well soon!

**MAY ALL OF YOU HAVE A SAFE CHRISTMAS AND A VERY BLESSED  
NEW YEAR! SEE YOU IN JANUARY!!!**