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Happy Birthday to TJ Appodaca, Dorothy Beckman, Dee Campbell, Geraldine Hinz, Jean King, Joan Martin, Wally Mitchell and Leroy Walters. Hope your birthday was full of fun and surprises.

Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Norcross, Mr. and Mrs. James Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Miles and Mary and Terry Reed.

"The federal community has faced assaults for many years – and continues to be the victim of choice when Congress looks for funding, savings or a scapegoat. Acting as your advocate, NARFE has been in the fight to protect your earned benefits."

SECRETARY: LANNIE PENDER

National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees NARFE February 8, 2018 President Mary Reed called the meeting to order at 11:30.

INVOCATION: Chaplain, Dan Rickman, led the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Reed extended birthday and anniversary wishes to those members celebrating in the month of January and February. She asked for a motion to accept the February minutes, motion was made by Ray Thompson seconded by Dan Rickman motion passed; she then asked for a motion to accept the Treasures report, motion made by Dan Rickman seconded by Jim Mitchell, motion passed subject to audit.

First Vice Jim Mitchell announced the meals to be served. President Reed stated we are looking for a new Entertainment Chair; Karen Brough has done an excellent job, but she feels its time someone else stepped up. Dixie Thomas explained about the 50/50 drawing. Due to recent low turnout numbers, our bank balance keeps declining, so the Exec Board thought this would be a way to at least stay even, and who knows you may win if you play. Karen Brough spoke about the program in March, the students from Lincoln Elementary School will serve and the speaker will be Harold Macumber. He will be speaking about the I Care Fund raiser; the plan is to install Adult Equipment at the 5th Street Park.

Legislative Report by Jim Dodd, he talked about the OPM sending letters to all FEHBP insurance providers. The letter urged them to find new ways to reduce their costs in 2019. OPM stated that 26.2% of the total FEHBP costs were for prescription medications in 2016. They are encouraging them to review their contracts to try and reduce drug costs.

The speaker for today is Heather Hagedorn of the Geary County Historical Society and Museum here in Junction City. Heather has been working with the Smithsonian exhibit on Water/Ways currently at the museum until February 18th. The Historical Society started working with the Smithsonian in 2015 trying to get the exhibit here, they had to state that Junction City/Geary Co., had a water story, "oh yes we do" The museum had to provide 4 workers to set up the exhibit, it was quite a challenge for Heather to find storage space for all of the shipping containers (there were a great deal of them). There is a partner exhibit downstairs; there has been a gratifying amount of interest in the exhibit. Heather has enjoyed the many stories people have shared concerning the '51' flood. It was an interesting talk, and we appreciate Heather taking time to share it with us.

There were 51 reservations for the meeting and 49 in attendance. We collected \$63.00 for Alzheimer's

Door Prize winners were Bob Norcross, Edna Snyder, Willadeen Kamm and Sharon Griffin. June Chipp won \$35.00 on the 50/50 and donated \$20.00 back to the Chapter, thank you June.

We had a motion to adjourn; the meeting was closed at 12:50. The minutes were transcribed by Sec., Lannie Pender.

TREASURER: WALLY MITCHELL

Beginning Balance 31 January 2018	\$ 1,576.83
Receipts	463.85
<u>Disbursements</u>	<u>469.65</u>
Ending Balance 28 February 2018	\$ 1,571.03



SUNSHINE: VONNIE BRYANT, 761-5857

A GET-WELL CARD WAS SENT TO MARILYN STEPHEN. GET WELL SOON.

NARFE REACTS TO PRESIDENT TRUMP'S FY19 BUDGET

NARFE objects to \$152.5 billion in cuts to earned federal benefits laid out in President Trump's FY19 Budget. "This budget request is a continuation of unprecedented attacks on the earned pay and benefits of our nation's public servants by this White House," said NARFE President Richard G. Thissen.