



"OLD TROOPER" NEWSLETTER



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

DECEMBER 2012

Chapter 383, 2012 Officers

President: Jim Mitchell, 238-3423,
1st Vice President: Ray Thompson,
762-5249
2nd Vice President: Sharon Strain,
238-1361,
Secretary, Lannie Pender, 238-6503
Treasurer: Madelyn Brown, 238-5623

Committee Chairpersons:

Legislative, James Dodd, 238-8041
Membership, Sharon Strain, 238-1361
Public Relations, Dixie Thomas, 238-1455
Service Officer, Walt Germann, 209-1938
Parliamentarian, Ray Thompson, 762-5249
Alzheimer's, Opal Dalton, 922-6551 and Virginia Adam, 922-6706
Sunshine, Janet Harrel, 238-7488
NARFE-PAC, Carole Blixt, 922-6413
Decorating, Opal Dalton, 922-6551 and Virginia Adam, 922-6706
Program, Leonetta Chaves-Bibby, 238-6642
Editor, Dixie Thomas, 238 1455
Chaplain, Maxine Kroeplin
Calling, Vi Martin, 238-8539/Cell 210-6037
Historian, Marie Sawyer



MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Upcoming Events

- 7 Jan 2013: Board Meeting, 11:00, Bramlage Library
- 10 Jan 2013: NARFE Christmas luncheon, 11:30, 4H/Senior Center, Spring Valley Road
- 19 Jan 2013: 2013 Volunteer Fair, 0800-Noon



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS: Happy Birthday to June Walters, Bobbie Davis, Carl White, Donald Whitebread, Donna Yenser, Jim King, Joyce Peoples, Norman Lee, Opal Dalton, Peter Kohlrus, Raymond Bennett, and Ruth Asbury.



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.....

SECRETARY'S REPORT by Lannie Pender President Jim Mitchell, of the National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) called the November, Chapter #383 meeting to order at 11:30 at the 4H/Senior Citizens Center. Invocation: Chaplin Maxine Kroeplin, led the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. President Mitchell extended Birthday and Anniversary wishes for the months of November we add Peggy Blevins to the November Birthdays.

President Mitchell asked for a motion from the floor for the approval or modification of the October 2012 Minutes, a motion was made by Joan Martin and seconded by Donna Schmutz, motion passed. He then asked for a motion to accept the October Treasurer's report; a motion was made by Ray Thompson and seconded by Maxine Kroeplin.

President Mitchell read a thank you letter from the Immanuel Lutheran Church for the memorial contribution the Chapter made in memory of Alan Stephen; he also read a thank you from the State Alzheimer's Committee for our September contribution of \$84.00 and an additional letter stating that Kansas Chapters have collected \$18,457.75, which averages out at \$4.36 per member. He also said even though the Eagles no longer has special bingo games for Alzheimer's they donated \$2,000 through our Chapter. He announced that the Senior Center's Thanksgiving Day Dinner will be held on November 20th, anyone needing rides can call 238-4015. Nominations/election of new Officers was held. Nominees were President Robert Norcross, 1st Vice Ray Thompson, 2nd Vice Dixie Thomas, Treasurer Madelyn Brown, and Secretary Lannie Pender. Secretary Lannie Pender cast a unanimous vote, all Nominees were elected. Florence Whitebread earned a round of applause for being re-elected as



May 2012 – April
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Alan Stephen
Richard Anderson



C is for Christ, Son of God, and Lord of Love.
H is for Heaven, blessing each and all from above.
R is for Remembering the words to your favorite carol.
I is for the Icicles hanging inside every barrel.
S is for Stockings stuffed up to the knee.
T is for the Tinsel that Mom wrapped 'round the tree.
M is for Mistletoe hung from the wall.
A is for my Advent Calendars that decorate the hall.
S is for Santa and his eight reindeer.
E is for the Eggnog that fills us with cheer.
V is for Visiting all our family and friends.
E is for Everyone who is sad when Christmas ends.



County Commissioner.

Legislative Report: Jim Dodd prompted the members to log on to a web page (www.NASS.org) for good information about each State. He reminded members that they will be receiving a folder in the mail, concerning the new BC/BS rates.

Service Officer: Walt Germann did not have a report; he said he is always available and his Cell number is in the bulletin.

Membership: President Mitchell quoted some items out of the NARFE Handbook concerning recruiting and retaining members. Be sure and tell eligible personnel what the NARFE goals are which is fighting to retain Federal Employees and Retirees benefits, which in the current political arena are in danger of being eroded.

Sunshine Report: There was no report. Janet Harrell has stepped down; she was thanked for her many years of service. Wally Mitchell volunteered to become the Sunshine Chair, thank you Wally.

There was no Public Relations report.

There were 80 reservations for the meeting and 69 in attendance. Again members are requested to call the Center (238-4015) if they have made reservations and cannot make the meeting.

We collected \$153.50; \$62.00 was from the Afghan Drawing, for Alzheimer's. The Afghan was donated by Vi Martin, thank you so much Vi.

There was no entertainment. The entertainment for December will be a Choral Group from Junction City High School.

Door Prizes were two Turkeys which were both won by Jim Nelson; he donated one of the turkeys to the Food Pantry. The Afghan was won by Bill Miller.

The next Chapter meeting will be December 13th. The next Executive meeting will be December 10th. Members are encouraged to attend the Executive meetings at the Dorothy Bramlage Library at 11:00.



TREASURER'S REPORT by Madelyn Brown:

Beginning Balance November 1, 2012	\$2,186.75
Receipts	\$504.94
Expenses	\$1,027.45
Ending Balance November 30, 2012	\$1,664.24



SUNSHINE REPORT: Janet Harrel reported no cards were sent this month. However she was preparing a card for Vi Martin. Please call her if you hear of someone not feeling well, having surgery or other illnesses.

Take action to protect your benefits by sending a message to Capitol Hill! For access to your legislators' bios, their positions on NARFE,-supported bills and suggested text for you to send to your members of Congress, check your monthly magazine. If you cannot find your representatives, please Contact Jim Dodd.

Write to your members of Congress. Fight for your rights!!!!

