

"Old Trooper" Newsletter

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

November 2017

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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.



BIRTHDAYS!

Happy Birthday to Billie Jo Rivera, Dorothy Osburn, James Dodd, Madelyn Brown, Marshall Heath, Peggy Blevins, Paul Hood, Vanetta Brumbaugh, and Connie Puett. We hope you all enjoy or enjoyed your day. Happy Birthday!

ANNIVERSARIES!

Happy Anniversary to Don and Florence Whitebread. Wishing you many, many more. Congratulations.

SUNSHINE REPORT (VONNIE BRYANT)!

Get well was sent to Opal Dalton. She was hospitalized for pneumonia but is now recuperating at home. We send her best wishes for a quick recovery.

TREASURER'S REPORT (WALLY MITCHELL)!

Beginning balance 1 October 2017:	\$1950.05
Receipts	380.02
Expenses	301.50
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Ending Balance 31 October 2017:	\$2018.57

SECRETARY'S REPORT (LANA PENDER)

National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees NARFE October 12, 2017: President Dixie Thomas called the meeting to order at 11:30.

INVOCATION: Chaplain, Dan Rickmann, led the invocation, followed by the Pledge of allegiance.

President Thomas extended birthday and anniversary wished to those members celebrating in the month of November. She introduced Vicky Ripley as a guest.

NEW MEMBER/GUESTS:

President Thomas stated the minutes for October meeting are in the newsletter. She then asked for a motion and second for the floor to approve or modify the minutes. A motion was made by Dan Glickman and seconded by Diana Dowling, the motion passed. She then asked for

a motion and second for the floor to approve Treasurers report as written. A motion was made by Florence Whitebread and seconded by Cindy Davis motion passed, and will be filed for audit.

President Thomas read a Thank You card from Joyce Peoples family. She announced that the Senior Center will be closed next Monday (Oct 16th) for resurfacing. There is a NARFE meeting in Wichita on Oct 26, 2017 at the Sedgewick Educational Center from 10 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Lunch is \$10.00. The Chapter President should go. Dixie again announced we need a new President and we will vote in November.

The Legislative Report was given by Jim Dodd: The October Hotline message is quite long there is are copies on the table, but, here are some highlights; the Federal Employee's Health Benefits (FEHB) Premiums are increasing, House Passes Budget Resolution Targeting Federal Retirement and Health Benefits, Senate Committee Passed Bill to Allow Increased Separation Incentive . NARFE members are encouraged to use the NARFE Legislative Action Center to quickly and easily send letters to members of Congress on a variety of FARFE issues, sign up for action alerts and track NARFE related bills and votes.

The speaker was Ann Smith, Flint Hills ATA Bus Director. Ms. Smith stated that Florence Whitebread was one of the prime movers to initiate the ATA in Junction City. They started out as the Riley Co., Aging Transportation. There are on six fixed routes in Junction City, (brochures were handed out), the routes cover approximately 2/3 of Junction City. There is a special ½ rate for seniors and disabled. There are intercity funds between Geary Co., Junction City, Ogden and Manhattan, Federal and State Grants are applied for help to support the bus service. The \$60 Thousand dollar cut, has a financial impact. People are using the bus service, they have carried 16,666 passengers. People use it to go to work and to the store. To go from Junction City to Manhattan the cost is \$4.00 each way. There are bus passes, there are 30 days passed for \$30.00, there are also punch cards. Their web site is www.flinthillsatbus.com. We thank Ms. Smith, for taking the time to come and talk to us.

There were 48 reservations and 42 present; we collected \$56 for Alzheimer's. The door prize winners were Robert Norcross, T.J. Appodaca, June Chip, Judy Gardner and Beck Fechner.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50, and the next Chapter meeting will be November 9, 2017
