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NARFE Tri-River Chapter No. 2098 meets the second Tuesday of each month at rotating sites with a luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. in January and February and dinner meetings at 6:00 p.m. the remaining months. The newsletter is published monthly.

released April 14. If you have a computer available you can go to <http://www.narfe.org/pdf/LapsedCosponsorsPremiumConversion.pdf> and find the updated and upgraded list of Lapsed Cosponsors of Premium Conversion. Also, the Legislative Action Center allows users to display voting records of Senators and Representatives on NARFE selected floor votes by going to <http://capwiz.com/narfe/dbg/officials> and inserting your ZIP code or last name.

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The health care reform legislation was signed into law by President Obama on March 23. No changes immediately for the 9 million Americans covered by FEHBP. A second bill which postpones the excise tax on high value health care plans from 2013 till 2018 provide a \$250 rebate this year to medicare Part D beneficiaries who are in the 'donut hole' is expected to be signed shortly by the President .

March Meeting - Met at Cadmus Grange Hall at 6:00 p.m. March 9 with 28 attending. Rob Gavin provided the entertainment by singing several Irish songs. Officers installed were President - Darrell Williams, 1st Vice-President - Sterling Hornbuckle, 2nd Vice-President - Jean Nickell, Winona Hornbuckle - Secretary and Membership Chairperson - Pat Erickson. We have \$439.44 in the treasury and \$911.81 in savings. We currently have 102 members. Henry Soetaert recently passed away and another member was dropped. There will be a raffle this year at the convention instead of ads in the program book. Tickets are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. There will be three prizes - \$250, \$100 and \$50. Approved providing a door prize of \$10 or more for the convention. We will be presenting certificates at the next meeting to members who are 85 years of age and have been a NARFE member at least 20 years. A couple of additional places have been found where we could hold our meetings - First Baptist Church in Louisburg and the Hillsdale Presbyterian Church.

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March Newsletter - Sorry there was no newsletter last month. I had it almost completed when my computer decided it didn't want to work any more. I had to reinstall a lot of my programs and just got it going again in time for this month's letter.

NARFE-PAC - If you haven't received you will soon be receiving NARFE President Baptiste's letter thanking those who have contributed to NARFE-PAC and urges those who have not contributed to do so. She is asking us to feature NARFE-PAC at every chapter meeting and spring conventions. Those contributing \$20 or more will receive a lapel pin.

Next Meeting - We will meet April 13, 2010, at 6:00 p.m., at the United Methodist Church in Osawatomie. Callers should turn in the names of those they are making reservations for to Elnora Henness, 913-755-3568, by Saturday, April 10. Be sure to make a reservation if you plan to attend. If you make a reservation and do not attend you will be expected to pay for the meal.

Sympathy - Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Clarence Whitaker whose brother passed away in February and to the families of Bernita Moore, LeRoy Moore's mother, and Beryle Toncray, Flo Hartley's mother and her brother.

Sunshine - Max McCready recently had heart surgery and all went well.

Legislation - The February CPI-W, 2122.544, is unchanged from January. The indices for March is scheduled to be

Alzheimer's - Final figures for 2009-\$30,604.93 was collected which amounts to \$6.46 per member—goal was \$5.25. There will be a live auction as well as a Silent Auction during the convention. It is requested that donated items be new, like new or antique quality and that items have an estimated auction value of at least \$5. Crafted or homemade items are appreciated. If you can attend the convention be sure you have cash or a checkbook. Checks are preferable. Credit cards cannot be used.

Chances can be purchased on a queen sized quilt which will be raffled at the convention. Tickets will be sold for \$1 for one and \$5 for six. The center pattern of the quilt is "Storm at Sea" and will be bound by a rust colored fabric. All profits go to NARFE Alzheimer's.

Why did the raisin inside the cookie think he was rich?
Because he was rolling in dough!