



# “OLD TROOPER” NEWSLETTER



Active and Retired Federal Employees “Old Trooper” Chapter No. 383, Junction City, Kansas

May 2011

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30 May 2011 -  
MEMORIAL DAY  
*Take time to remember  
those who have lost their  
lives for our freedom!*

## Upcoming Events

- 11:00, 9 May: Executive Board Meeting, Library
- Noon, 11 May: Brown Bag Concert
- 11:30, 12 May: NARFE Luncheon / Meeting, Senior Citizens Center, 1025 South Spring Valley Road.
- 7:30 p.m., 12 May: Winnie the Pooh, Opera House
- 10:30, 14 May: JC / Geary County Catbackers Annual Poker Run
- Noon, 18 May: Brown Bag Concert
- 9:00, 21 May: Rock Springs Wildflower Walk
- 4:00, 22 May: Run for the Wall, XXIII, Heritage Park
- 30 May: Memorial Day
- 11:00, 6 June: Executive Board Meeting, Library
- Time? 9 June: NARFE Meeting

## CHAPTER NEWS



**HAPPY May BIRTHDAY TO:** Barbara Rawlings, Carol Bondurant, Donald Stiers, Larry Langvardt, Marilyn Bielefeld, Mary Ballowe, Therisha Jo Hudson, Tom Case, and Vena Rowbotham.



**HAPPY May ANNIVERSARY TO:** Doyle and Sharri Rushing and Jim and Stephany Walker. Many, Many more!!

(Remember – the only way your name(s) get on the list is if you tell the Editor – no where is there any birthday or anniversary in the NARFE files. Dixie Thomas)

## SECRETARY’S REPORT by Lannie Pender:

President Jim Mitchell, of the National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) called the April 14, 2011 Chapter #383 meeting to order at 11:30 at the 4H/Senior Citizens Center.



IF you would like to receive your newsletter via email, please send your request to Dixie Thomas at [bthomas56@cox.net](mailto:bthomas56@cox.net)

Of course, those attending the luncheon will receive a newsletter at the luncheon - no change.

**ALREADY RESERVED YOUR LUNCH AND SOMETHING CAME UP??? – PLEASE CALL AND CANCEL YOUR MEAL RESERVATION – 238-4015 – THANK YOU!!**



April 2011:

*Wanda Williams,  
friend and  
member*

*Danny Hartung,  
spouse of Pat  
Hartung*

*Pippy Engstrom,  
sister of Carolyn  
Cook*

Invocation: Maxine Kroeplin led the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. President Mitchell extended birthday and anniversary wishes to those members celebrating in the month of April, Wilma Herrin and Barbara Thibodeau were added to the April birthdays. One of our members asked for special recognition of Jim Dodd for all of his hard work and he received a well earned round of applause.

President Mitchell called for the reading of the Minutes and Treasurer's report. He then asked for a motion and second from the floor to approve or modify the minutes. A motion was made and seconded; motion was passed. He asked for a motion to approve or modify the Treasurer's report; a motion was made and seconded; motion passed.

President Mitchell read a resolution from the National Vice President Dick Thiesen, President Mitchell gave a review of the Video Conference held with the Kansas State Officers and Mr. Thiesen; this conference was held during the State Convention. President Mitchell presented a special recognition to June Buckles for her work on behalf of Alzheimer's by the Eagles Auxiliary Bingo. Old Trooper Chapter 383, received recognition for our contribution to Alzheimer's; we are nationally ranked the second highest contributors in the Nation.

Legislative Report: Jim Dodd spoke about the 2012 National Budget. We need to watch closely what is going on in DC and alert all current and retired Federal Employees the bills that are being proposed concerning current the future benefits. We also need to inform our National Elected Officials that they are being monitored.

There were no Reports from the Service Officer or the Sunshine Officer.

The entertainment was a series of medleys, performed by the Troubadour's under the direction of Manny Pasquel, that had our hands clapping and our feet tapping. There was also a trumpet solo "Wonderland by Night".

There were 96 reservations and 87 present. \$110.50 was collected for Alzheimer's.

Door Prizes were won by Janet Harrel, Nada Sanders, Opal Dalton and Jonetta Rector.

The Old Trooper NARFE Chapter 383 was adjourned at 1:00p.m., to meet again on May 12, 2011



### **TREASURER'S REPORT by Madelyn Brown:**

Beginning Balance March 1, 2011 \$ 639.35

Receipts for March and April \$1,120.86

Expenses for March and April \$ 978.64

Balance April 30, 2011 \$ 781.57



### **SUNSHINE REPORT by Janet Harrel**

Please make sure you call Janet on members that need best wishes, sympathy or just a thinking of you.

**AN IMPORTANT NOTE FROM JUNE BUCKLES:** I am so sorry to be the bearer of bad news. The FOE Auxiliary voted on their charities recently and decided that NARFE Alzheimer's would receive \$2000.00 for the upcoming year. To remain at the top in the National contributions to Alzheimer's charity will require us to find some other ways to make money. I am hoping something will turn up for raising the funds for our charity. If you have any suggestions, please let me or the Alzheimer's ladies know.

### **America's federal employees protect this country's heartbeat – but they're under attack.**

*Federal employees ensure our food is safe and our air is healthy. Some spend their days fighting the spread of infectious disease, while others raise the alarm whenever a storm is coming.*

*We depend on federal workers in all 50 states to keep America strong. And they've already sacrificed pay and benefits to help solve our nation's budget woes, even though they didn't cause our economic crisis.*

*Yet politicians are trying to turn federal employees into scapegoats and are pushing for hurtful cuts to health benefits, retirement annuities and services we rely on every day. It's not right – and we need to speak out now.*

**Tell your senators: Federal workers Protect America's Heartbeat. Reject additional cuts to their pay and benefits...**

