

NARFE Chapter 1192
January 3, 2018 Chapter Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER President Lorie Bennett called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm, Red Lion Hotel, Kennewick, Wash. Cell phones were requested to be silenced. She called for a moment of silence for those members who have passed, our service members. She then led the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed 18 chapter members and no guests.

REMINDER: BOARD/CHAPTER MINUTES/TREASURER REPORTS/HANDOUTS, ETC. Chapter minutes and treasurer reports are on the chapter's website; copies are also at meetings. Event sign-up sheets, the latest chapter newsletter, and miscellaneous handouts and NARFE forms and/or publications are also at meetings.

OFFICER/FEDERATION/DISTRICT/COMMITTEE REPORTS

President/Service Officer/Special Programs *President Lorie Bennett.*

- Reminders:
 - The bylaws are being updated. A committee of Nancy Crosby, Pat Turner & John Cavanaugh will be meeting on 1/17 to update the bylaws.
 - Member retention is vital for the health and survival of the Chapter. Each member should consider reaching out to coworkers and retired friends to recruit new members.
 - 2nd VP John Cavanaugh is now the Service Officer. His duties will include overseeing the Chapter's service office in the Federal building.

1st Vice President *Pat Turner.*

The March meeting is our Food Drive. Please bring nonperishable foods, cash or checks to our March meeting.

2nd Vice President/Service Officer *John Cavanaugh.* No report.

Director at Large *Nancy Crosby.* No report.

Director at Large *Bob Stewart.* No report.

Secretary/Sunshine *Faye Vlieger.*

- The chapter's website: www.narfe1192.org.
- Sunshine – Let Faye Vlieger know of those members needing/deserving “a little sunshine.” Member Mary Smith passed away in November.
- Janice Lake's husband Al passed away in December and she responded to our condolences note with a card thanking the Chapter for their kindness.

Treasurer's Report *Liz Bowers.*

- Balance on hand as of November 30, 2017 \$9,769.71. December receipts were \$ 619.58 and disbursements, \$929.29, leaving a balance of \$10,776.00. Projected obligations are \$1,399.00, leaving an unobligated balance of \$9,377.00. The full report is posted on the chapter website.
- Nancy said the 2017 chapter books were closed at the end of December. Liz Bowers has taken over as the treasurer in January. There will also be an audit of the 2017 books January 9, 2018 by Liz Bowers and Faye Vlieger.
- We will be changing the bank we use for our Chapter accounts. More information will be available next month.
- **Monies collected at the January Meeting** Luncheon, \$345; Alzheimer's Research Fund, \$29; NARFE-PAC, \$0; Newsletter; 50/50 drawing, \$18 collected, \$9 awarded to Nancy Crosby. She donated \$5 to Alzheimer's and \$4 donated to NARFE-PAC.

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WSFC President *Nancy Crosby.*

- The next federation executive board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at the La Quinta Hotel, Tacoma.
- The 2018 WSFC conference will be May 14-16, 2018 at the Mirabeau Park Hotel, Spokane Valley. The agenda is still being worked. Both the federation and chapter will help members who want to attend with costs. The amount will be determined when conference costs are set.
- Mark your calendars for the 2018 national conference, August 26-29, 2018 Hyatt Regency Riverfront, Jacksonville, Fla.

WSFC Alzheimer's *Lorie Bennett.*

Annual contribution to Alzheimer's Research was \$2,600.

WSFC District V VP *Mary Binder.*

Newsletter/PR *Mary Binder.*

- The January/February Newsletter is distributed and posted.
- Hidden number found by Jim Partridge.
- 2018 chapter outreach action plan is in process and will be completed shortly.
- 2018 NARFE Photo Contest, August 1, 2017 – April 15, 2018.
 - Theme, "The Glory of America" – What does the glory of America mean to you?
- 2018 NARFE-FEEA Steve Bauer Scholarship Awards Program.
 - Application period, November 13 thru March 21 – This is a change!
 - Applications/information online, NARFE website.

Legislative *Mary Binder.*

- Jason Mercier from the Washington Policy Center will be our chapter's program speaker for the February meeting. He has spoken to the chapter previously and also at our 2016 WSFC convention in the Tri-Cities. His presentation should be interesting and timely with the Washington legislature in session.

Alzheimer's/Webmaster *Larry Williams.*

- Larry reported that the chapter had a successful year.

NARFE-PAC *Bob Stewart.* No report.

- Bob received \$27 in contributions at the December chapter meeting, and \$4 at today's meeting.

Membership *Johanna Caylor.* No report.

Caller Coordinator *Pam Griffin.* No report.

OLD BUSINESS None.

NEW BUSINESS WSFC District V Vice President Mary Binder installed chapter officer Faye Vlieger, at the December 28th Board Meeting.

Free Lunch Drawing Nancy Glaesemann

50/50 Drawing Nancy Crosby, \$18 collected/\$9 awarded (donated to \$5 to Alzheimer's and \$4 to NARFE-PAC).

January Birthdays Norma VanPatten, Betty Maupin, and Nancy Glaesemann.

January Anniversaries None

Next Exec Board Meeting Thursday, February 8, 2018 at the Zintel Creek Golf Club (formerly known as Tri City Country Club), Kennewick. All members invited.

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Next Chapter Meeting Wednesday, February 7, 2018 noon, Red Lion Hotel, Kennewick; doors open at 11:30 a.m. Lunch and business meeting begin at noon; program follows.

January Chapter Meeting Program Dr. Robert Harrington, WSU-TC, associate director, School of Hospitality Business Management and academic director, Carson College of Business, will provide a presentation on the WSU hospitality and wine business management programs.

Closing Remarks President Lorie Bennett:

- Continue to stay engaged with our elected officials through NARFE.
- Martin Luther King Day is January 15th.

MEETING AJOURNED 12:30 p.m.

Prepared by:
Faye Vlieger,
Secretary

Meeting Program Dr. Robert Harrington spoke about the WSC TC Hospitality Business Management program. He spoke about the synergy of the Hospitality program with the other programs like the viticulture and agriculture. He shared some wonderful truffles to illustrate this point.