

**NARFE SAN ANTONIO
CHAPTER 1594 MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 16, 2016**

NARFE Chapter 1594 meeting was held November 16, 2016 at Brookhill Baptist Church Center. Meeting called to order by President Joyce Zerr at 12:30 p.m. Invocation was given by Chaplain Elevia Gant. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by David Cuellar. Twenty-seven members and four guests attended. Guests were Paul Premack, Laura Mansour, Ann Vieyra and Raymond Rodriguez. President Zerr announced the November birthdays and the wedding anniversary of Joe and Ida Arrambide.

Honoring of Veterans: Red, white and blue lapel ribbons were pinned onto the shirts of chapter veterans - Guadalupe (Lupe) Flores, Abel Hernandez, Margarita Hernandez, David Cuellar, Earl Harris, Jesse Gordon, John Ivy, and Fred Eddie. Certificates were presented to them. Chapter veterans not in attendance are Jessie Garcia, Rita Horton, Billie McLaughlin, Lawrence Spencer, Mary Teague and Richard Weber. A photo and military information on each member who is a veteran was on display.

Speakers: President Zerr introduced Paul Premack, San Antonio Elder Law Attorney. Mr Premack spoke about wills, probate procedures, durable power of attorney, directive to physicians and other items of interest. He also informed that wills should be signed by you and two witnesses. Never write on your will. Make an amendment to your will when personal circumstances occur or if the law changes. President Zerr introduced Laura Mansour, Government Account Representative, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Texas/FEP and Ana Vieyra, Aetna Federal Representative who spoke on the latest insurance changes - very few changes and a few additions. President Zerr presented a Certificate of Appreciation to each speaker.

Chapter Name: Our chapter name is now San Antonio Chapter 1594.

Chapter Reports:

Secretary: Shirley Click distributed copies of October meeting minutes. Connie Bedock made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Gerry Rendon. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: President Zerr reported the following as of October 31, 2016 - savings: \$2,964.42, checking: \$530.06. for a total balance of \$3,494.48. Sandy Vogel made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Shirley Swift. Motion carried.

Legislative: Shirley Swift distributed copies of her report.

Introduction of 2017 Elected Officers: President Zerr introduced the 2017 Elected Officers: President - Joyce Zerr; 1st Vice President - Gerardo (Gerry) Rendon; 2nd Vice President - Shirley Swift; Secretary - Shirley Click; Treasurer - Margarita Hernandez. The elected officers will be sworn in to office at the December 21 Luncheon/Meeting.

The appointed/volunteer officers are: Service Officer - Sandy Vogel; Chaplain - Elevia Gant; Membership Chair - Connie Bedock; Legislative Chair - Shirley Swift; Parliamentarian and PAC Fund Chair - David Cuellar; Newsletter Editor - Gerardo (Gerry) Rendon; Internet Coordinator - Annette Ivy; Public Relations and Historian- Joyce Zerr; Greeter - Johnnie Davis; Telephone Callers - Connie Bedock, Theresa Sanchez, Shirley Swift, and Shirley Click; Coffee Chair - Abel Hernandez; Refreshment Team - Lupe and Stella Flores and Abel and Margarita Hernandez.

Recruitment: Seven new members have joined Chapter 1594 this year. The names of members who recruited a new member to our chapter this year will be put in a basket and one name will be drawn at the December Christmas Luncheon /meeting. The person whose name is drawn will receive a \$25 gift certificate.

Christmas Luncheon Meeting: The Luncheon/Meeting will be December 21, 2016, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm, at Pecan Grill Restaurant, 3857 E. Southcross, Ste 05, San Antonio, TX. The cost is \$10 per plate for members and guests. The chapter will cover any cost over \$10. Annette Ivy will provide cookies for the luncheon. Annette Ivy is taking lunch orders. Her phone number is: 210-464-4497. The deadline to register is December 14. Christmas Baskets for home-bound members: Connie Bedock will purchase baskets, items for the baskets and fill the baskets. The baskets will be delivered by volunteers.

Chapter Christmas Donation: Suggestions for the organization to which Chapter 1594 will make a Christmas donation are NARFE Alzheimer's Fund, Salvation Army, Wounded Warrior, Food Bank and Fisher House. A vote was taken. Salvation Army received the most votes. Our donation collected at the Christmas Luncheon will be made to Salvation Army.

Sandy Vogel informed members Henry Huizar's wife died on Nov 14, 2016.

The 50/50 was won by David Cuellar. David donated the funds to the chapter.

Door prizes were given.

The Christmas Luncheon/Meeting will be December 21, 2016, at 11:00 am - 2:00 pm at Pecan Grill Restaurant. Closing prayer was given by Chaplain Elevia Gant.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Shirley Click
Chapter 1594 Secretary