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Chapter 288 Newsletter – April 2011 Highlands County – Sebring, FL

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Chaplain - Pete Harrison (863) 402-0696 / Alzheimer Chair

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Meetings are normally on the third Tuesday of each month with few exceptions that will be noted in this part of the newsletter.

We meet at Homer's Buffet in the Sebring Square Shopping Center for lunch at 11:00 a.m. followed by the business meeting at Noon. Our next meeting will held be on Thursday, 19 April 2011*.

The Executive Board will meet at 10:30 a.m.

SPEAKER: Suzanne Crews, RN from Florida Hospital will be speaking on the role of caregivers.

BUSINESS: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/contact>
Edward Toby audited the financial records of the Treasurer and found the records were in agreement.

A reminder again about the annual Florida Federation Convention held May 3 - May 5 in Altamonte Springs. Interested in attending, let President Corky or Treasurer Ruth know.

President Corky presented three by-law revisions for NARFE by-law changes. Motion was made; seconded and carried to vote for the changes at the Federation Convention in May.

There will another Alzheimer's cruise Feb. 14 thru Feb. 22, 2012. More information will be forthcoming in future newsletters.

F.Y.I. Received from NARFE headquarters 3/14/2011:

“Many in Congress are unfairly targeting Federal employees & retirees to shave dollars off the federal deficit. That’s why we’re launching a new campaign to tell Congress not to balance the federal budget on the backs of active & retired federal workers. Please take a moment to do your part to protect America’s heartbeat Click below here to tell Congress not to cut your earned benefits!”

www.ProtectAmericasHeartbeat.org

You can also call toll-free number to the Capitol switchboard (1-866-220-0044) to reach any Senator or Representative.

We all need to communicate with our Representatives and Senators and let them know how we feel about our benefits and annuities being on the chopping block. NARFE is not only a social group; it is a lobbying organization fighting to protect our hard-earned benefits. We all need to be involved with the legislative side too.

ALSO: The NEB has installed Richard Thissen, Region V RVP to become the new Treasurer effective April 3, 2011.

Attendance Drawing: Was won by John Moseley. The drawing was for \$10.00. All you have to do to win is be present at the meeting. John



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was present and collected \$10.00.

*** **APRIL BIRTHDAYS** ***

Happy Birthday to:

Gloria Bowens, Ray Eckiss, Pete Harrison, Pat Hogan

Hope we did not miss anyone. If we did miss someone, call Corky Dabe at (863) 382-9447 and he will make sure we get it right next time.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE:

If you know of a member who is ill please notify one of the following committee members:

Avon Park : Mabel England (863) 452-9832

Lake Placid: Gloria Bowen (305) 333-0541

Sebring: Lily Lambert (863) 382-6391

Information received from Headquarters that National Treasurer Charles Saylor has passed away.

Also, our own **GLEN LAMBERT** passed away on March 6, 2011. Glen had served our Chapter for many years in many different capacities; was Federation President from 1996-1998 and was Region III Alzheimer Representative.

Cards may sent to: Mrs. Lily Lambert, 402 Clearview St, Sebring, FL 33872.

Memorial donations may be made thru the Chapter for the Alzheimer fund. Donations can be mailed to: Ruth Harrison, 4433 Elson Ave, Sebring 33875. Checks should be made out to NARFE Chapter 288 with a notation in lower left hand as memorial to Alzheimer's for Glen Lambert.

***Thinking of you; thoughts are sent to Pat Hogan
and Pete Harrison***



Welcome to Spring