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## From President Mike Ralls

We are experiencing the same circumstances as many organizations these days. A lack of participation and failure of new eligibles to join has diminished the local organizations viability. We attempted to nominate a President for next year, without success. Our monthly meetings don't have enough members present to secure speakers. Our next meeting will be at 11:30 AM, Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at the Branding Iron Restaurant. If we are unsuccessful in securing a nomination for President, we will discuss the direction for the local chapter. I have received correspondence from our State President about the procedures to initiate to dissolve the local chapter and join the state chapter. We would no longer have monthly meetings. We would be dependent on our state and national organization to inform us of items of concern. I look at the move with apprehension but realize the flow of information is much better today than in times past. We instantly receive notification of news breaks and can quickly communicate with individuals. We would lose our group interaction. On the other hand, our potential new members are not joining. Without an infusion of new members, groups eventually fade into history. I hope everyone can attend the meeting and let your voice be heard.

## Minutes of the Nov 2011 Meeting Submitted by Sam Smith, Secretary

NARFE Chapter 965 met at the Branding Iron Restaurant in Durant with seven members present. President Mike Ralls called the meeting to order at noon, with Paul May giving the invocation and Sam Smith leading the pledge of allegiance. Mike then had a discussion regarding potential officers for next year, and possible future directions for the chapter. No action was taken and the matter will be continued at the December meeting. The meeting adjourned at 12:30.

## From Your Editor – Mike Ralls

I appreciate hearing from our members about our e-mail edition. We are able to hold down expenses with each addition to our e-mail list. If you would like me to send your newsletter via e-mail, contact me at [msr74702@sbcglobal.net](mailto:msr74702@sbcglobal.net).

## Treasurer's Report – Dick Bogard

Balance 11/1/11	4526.77	Total	Expenses	
Alzheimer's Inc.	0.00	30.50	Newsletter	158.29
NARFE Income	14.84			
Interest	0.37		Meal	
Expenses	158.29		Total Expense	
Acct Total 12/1/11	4383.69			