

Crittenden County Chapter 1373 Newsletter



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Crittenden County Chapter 1373 Attends Convention

April 10-12 2012

Four Members of Chapter 1373 attended the Kentucky Federation of Chapters 47th Convention held in nearby Hopkinsville, Ky. Those Members attending were Tom and Micki Crider and Tom and Laurel Diaz.

Chapter 1373 member Tom Crider was the Chaplin for the Convention and Chapter 1373 member Micki Crider assisted Tom Crider in a stirring memorial of members lost in the year 2011. Each Day Tom read a poem/prayer that made everyone welcome and alive to start the days proceedings.

Laurel Diaz was the Committee member who created all the program handbooks for this year's convention plus was the creator of this year's take out inserts of Members Deceased in 2011.

Tom Diaz was responsible for setting up computer visual ads at the convention.

Tom and Laurel Diaz arrived a day early to help the Convention Committee set up the computer table, The Book Sale Table, The Hospitality Room and the Registration area. Tom and Laurel also helped stuff the "Goodie" bags for the convention.

Books, Silent Auction and Raffle

Chapter 1373 members Helen Hunt and Martha Byford donated books to the convention. Laurel

Diaz sat at the Book Table. \$235.00 dollars in donations was raised for the Alzheimer's Association at the Book Table.

Tom and Laurel Diaz donated a Ham to be raffled off for Alzheimer's and Education Fund and the Ham raised maybe \$250.00 alone at the Raffle and Silent Auction Room.

Tom and Laurel Diaz daughter Allison Purcell crocheted a variety of items in a decorated basket that went for nice sum of \$39.00 for the Alzheimer's and Education Fund.

April 30th Convention Committee Thank You

Tom and Micki Crider and Laurel and Tom Diaz were invited to dinner and given a "Thank You" NARFE Cup for their help with the Convention Committee.

38th Year 1974 - 2012

In 1974 Crittenden County Chapter 1373 was created in Marion, Kentucky.

In this year we honor all former members who have moved on in memory.

In August NARFE is celebrating its 38th anniversary in Crittenden County. The local chapter of National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, or NARFE, will celebrate its 38th year as a charter member of the organization in August of 2012. Chapter 1373 joined NARFE on Aug. 8, 1974, with eight of the 19 members mentioned as

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signers of the charter being employees of [Lock and Dam No. 50](#) community. The signers of the charter were John W. Chandler, president; Forrest B. Hamilton, vice-president; Harold C. Rankin, secretary/treasurer; William C. Alvis; William R. Belt; Rena E. Bliss; James D. Carnahan; Ralph M. Conway; James I. Flanary; Iva E. Ford; Hughey E. Hodge; Clifton R. Hughes, Thomas E. McDowell; Louise C. Orme; Earl W. Rankin; Irene Rankin; Madileen Small; Ollie J. Sturgeon; and Velda M. Sturgeon.

Our monthly meetings of Crittenden County Chapter 1373 of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) will recognize and celebrate those United States citizens who are dedicating their working lives in the service of their country or who have retired from Federal service, and continue to fight for their rights by being members of NARFE.

We believe that working for the betterment of this country is the proper thing to do. We continue to believe in these principles by being members of NARFE. Each month meeting brings a renewed view of our life. This celebration is a measure of our grateful thanks for these individuals' long-time Federal service and to recognize and honor them. All current and retired federal employees and their spouses are invited to join us at our NARFE Chapter 1373 meetings when it meets at 11:15 a.m., the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are held at Marion Café in Marion, Kentucky.

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A Note From Chapter 1373 President

Sometimes membership in a chapter is not the reason for joining this association of Federal Employees. Maybe you just want to be involved and not be bothered with all the chapters business. Well you can be part of the whole and be a member of NARFE. Just fill out the down-loadable Office document/application at the Internet address below and you will not be bothered with chapter business or you can email me at local1373@gmail.com after you fill out the application and we can conduct business via email after joining NARFE.

<http://narfeky.org/JOINNARFE3.HTM>

Tom Diaz, Chapter 1373



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