

RETIREE OFFICERS CHANGE

Hello Retirees.

Texas promised a great National Convention in Fort Worth, and they delivered with a big Yee haw! States night was a great success. Dorothy and the Oz gang were very popular at our Kansas booth. Toto even visited for a short time. Our President-Elect Jim made a great lion.

The vote on the 2009 convention site was quite interesting. On the final ballot Boise Idaho and Anchorage Alaska tied, so National President Dale broke the tie by casting his ballot for Anchorage. It couldn't get any closer than that.

Changeover meeting was in Salina in October. Freda and I want to thank you for your support during our terms as President and Secretary Treasurer. We hope we served you well.

Jim McAnerny will serve as President and Donna Sele as Secretary Treasurer for the coming year. Lend them your support and encouragement, by staying actively involved with NAPUS as we face the challenges ahead of us.

Thanks to all-
Shelby and Freda



**NEW RETIREE
PRESIDENT
JIM McANERNY
ASKS FOR IDEAS**

by Jim McAnerny

I attended the changeover meeting in Salina after the training seminar. There were a few retirees there for the weekend and it was nice to see all of my old friends. As the new President of the retirees I would like to see an activity or two that would increase our attendance. It would be nice to have a luncheon on Sunday and maybe a guest speaker that would address issues that concern retirees. We could have a Q & A session and maybe a tour or other activity. This is something to think about for next year.

Also, I would like to have articles in the Jayhawk for each issue. As our numbers increase we have a lot of talented individuals with many ideas, stories, or just plain life experiences. I believe sharing these with all Postmasters would be informative as well as entertaining. If you have any comments or articles please send them to me at jimmary@carsoncomm.com. I am looking forward to being an active part of the NAPUS family again.

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POSTMASTER'S DREAM RETIREMENT

by Dave Abbott

On November 2, 2005, I walked out of my Post Office for the last time as Postmaster. It was a bitter sweet moment. I looked forward to retirement, but I knew I would miss dealing with the customers and employees.

What would retirement be like for me???? Wilma and I had decided to move back to Wichita to be close to family and friends with which we grew up. This part of retirement has been better than anything I could have dreamed. We bought a home close to my Mother, so I can go have breakfast with her many days of the week. In Nov/Dec 2005, Mom was still recovering from surgery, but each month she has shown steady improvement. Currently she and Wilma are on quest to make everyone in the family a quilt. Both Wilma and I have many activities we do with our brothers and sisters.

BUT my workaholic tendency has drawn me back into the workplace. I currently work fulltime as a Customer Service Representative Sr for Bank of America. We deal

with Certificate of Deposits and Individual Retirement Accounts for Bank of America customers across the country.

My involvement in Rotary has me working on the "Boundless Play Ground Park" that is being constructed in Sedgwick County Park. This Park is designed for kids of all abilities to play, learn and enjoy. It will be completed before Christmas, so if you are in Wichita and/or visiting the Sedgwick County Zoo, come check it out.

Recently, I attended the Combined NAPUS District meetings in Salina. This meeting reminded me how NAPUS is more than just talking Post Office; it is sharing life with your fellow Postmasters, whether they are active or retired. **COME SHARE YOUR DREAMS AT NEXT YEARS STATE CONVENTION.** If you want to know more, visit our Kansas NAPUS website at kansasnapus.org.

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