



# THE OLD GUARD NEWS

Volume 77, Number 5 May 2006

## NAFYR Board Meets . . .

The NAFYR Board met in Phoenix, AZ on April 6—7 with the Membership Committee meeting the day prior.

President Hank Bagelmann rapped the gavel at 9 a . m .

Thursday morning and opened the meeting with prayer. He then talked about the state of NAFYR.

“Continuity is our greatest enemy,” stated Hank. “Two year terms are a short period of time and we have to find people to take leadership roles in the organization. It is critical to us.” In addition, Hank commented that we need to adopt a data base management system and to implement a membership plan.

Hank introduced John Preis, President of our Retirement Fund.

John reported on the state of the economy, the current stock market and the health of the Retirement Fund. He shared with the us the strategy that will be

presented to his board at their meeting in May. “Although extra checks are in no way guaranteed, the Fund established a consistent tradition of permanent increases and extra check payments to retirees over the 30 year period ending in

2000. This has created a level of expectation among retirees that extra checks will resume.”

In the future, any payments beyond the guaranteed annuity will probably take the form of a special dividend. When special dividends are possible, they would be declared by the board at their May meeting and paid on August 15 and November 15. They could also be declared at the November meeting of the Board to be paid on February 15 and May 15. This however, John pointed out, is up to the discretion of the board.

The Membership Committee presented their findings from their meeting the day before. Jim Lipscomb reported that his committee agreed that since we currently have no membership fee, if we institute a charge to join, we need to accomplish a series of tasks. First we have to agree on the benefits of membership. Doug McNeil, Phil Wortman and Dave Bass were named to a sub-committee to determine benefits of membership.

Dave Bass, Rich Hill and Phil Wortman were appointed to develop a web-page for NAFYR. Dottie Eley and Hank Bagelmann are charged with recommending a dues structure.

The sub-committees will be prepared to report back to the full committee at their meeting on June 5-6.

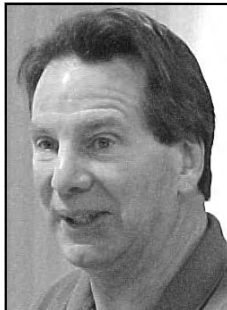
Jack Pearse reported that his research into the Canada/USA Partnership shows that our relationship is in better condition than originally perceived.

A report from the Recognition Task Force was presented by Betty Olson.

NAFYR Board Meets . . . is con-



Mike Andrassy takes minutes as Hank Bagelmann presides at the meeting.



John Preis



Betty Olson and Rich Hill listen as Jim Lipscomb makes a point at the NAFYR Board meeting.

### Inside this issue:

Health Hints	2
Uncle Joe	2
From the President	3
From the Chapters	4
Keeping In Touch	5
Golden Treasures	6
What is this “Old Guard”?	7

### Special points of interest:

- NAFYR Board Meets . . . Highlights of the meeting in Phoenix.
- Health Hints . . . Getting enough sleep is important
- Uncle Joe . . . Continuing the series on people who influenced our YMCA careers.
- The “Old Guard” . . . A personal tie to a deceased member of NAFYR

## Health Hints . . . By Audrey and Len Covello



**Len and Audrey Covello  
Health Hints**

Are You Getting Enough Sleep?

Now that Daylight Saving Time has started (except in Arizona, Western Indiana, Hawaii and Alaska) with longer days and shorter nights it is best to establish positive sleep habits to achieve the 7 to 8 hours of sleep we all need each night.

The following are simple tips

to help you get a good night's sleep.

1. Establish and keep a set sleep schedule with a regular bedtime and a regular wake-up time.
2. Avoid drinking sodas, coffee or other drinks with caffeine less than six hours before bedtime.
3. Also, avoid eating a big meal close to bedtime.

4. Stop watching T.V. or using your computer, which are stimulating, 20-30 minutes before retiring.

5. Keep your bedroom dark, quiet and at a comfortable temperature and wear bed clothing that is comfortable and seasonal.

Getting adequate night-time sleep is as important as healthy eating and exercise.

“Joe had a way of talking about ‘his boys’ and how they needed help, that just brought out a person’s best emotions.”

## Uncle Joe . . . By Conrad Fassold

His name was **Joseph Causino**, but all the children and adults in South St. Louis knew him as Uncle Joe. He was the community youth director at the South Side Y.M.C.A.

He looked and acted like a famous movie star at that time, named Wallace Beery. He and his wife ‘Mom’ had hearts of gold, and everyone knew it.

I was nine years old when they built a beautiful Y.M.C.A. building only one and a half blocks from my home. It was during the depression and here was a building with a gym, indoor swimming pool, handball courts, weight lifting room, meeting rooms, and a large room dedicated to boys. We had ping-pong tables, game boards, checker boards, books and magazines for boys my age. It was ‘wonderful’ and I could go there after school on Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays for gym and swim and Saturdays just to ‘mess around.’

The Y.M.C.A. was built during the depression by two dedicated YMCA staff men, volunteers, and contributors, who had their hearts and pocket-

books touched by Uncle Joe and **Harold Keltner**. Harold Keltner had been a youth director in St. Louis, and started the nationally known father and son Indian Guide program. He was also good at management and reaching the right people.

Uncle Joe could talk to a group or individual, and before long handkerchiefs were coming out wiping away the tears. Joe had a way of talking about ‘his boys’ and how they needed help, that just brought out a person’s best emotions. Harold made the contacts, and Uncle Joe made the pitch, and if there was money to be had, the YMCA got it.

When I was a teenager, I worked for the YMCA in the ‘basket room,’ And later as a lifeguard. Saturday nights the building was turned over to Uncle Joe, Mom, and many volunteers. ‘Rag-tag’ kids came pouring into the building for their weekly shower, games in the gym and swim. There in the midst, young boys were tugging on Joe, who in turn was messing up their hair and giving them his big ‘Aw shucks’ smile.

There was a well known radio show called “Vox Pop.” They came to our South Side Y.M.C.A. and put on a show with Uncle Joe and his community youth program. I was one of the ‘ushers’ and worked the balcony, which was the running track around the gym. They talked to Uncle Joe, Mom, Volunteers, and ‘the boys.’ Before the program ended, there was the radio host and Joe shedding tears over one of his many heartwarming stories. (too bad they didn’t have television)

While I was in the Navy, I turned on the radio to listen to Vox Pop. Again there was a program from the South Side Y.M.C.A. and Uncle Joe and his boys were featured. This was the first time the program came back to a location a second time. Joe received a new station wagon to haul around ‘his boys’ and naturally every one was sniffing by the end of the hour. Uncle Joe was one of a kind.

I am glad I knew him.

*Send us your story of the person who influenced your Y career.  
-The Editor*



**Conrad Fassold**, retired in 1985 as Executive Director of the YMCA in Nederland, TX. He now lives in Lenexa, KS.

## From the President . . .

The NAFYR leadership team has been in place for little more than six months now. What we recognized when we started, and have now confirmed, is the fragile nature of our organization. And, yet, this fragile collective of retirees has weathered nearly 75 years together.

I suggested at the April NAFYR Board meeting that NAFYR's greatest challenge was "continuity," not within a single administration, but rather over the course of time. I'm speaking of the continuity of relative services, with and for our members.

Throughout our history, NAFYR has been blessed with outstanding leaders, at the Chapter and "Continental" level. We made that a bit more difficult when we shortened the terms of office for the elected leaders, but fortunately, we have women and men who have continued through multiple administrations as chair of a committee and/or task force.

We have been able to function without a physical base, yet everything is con-

stantly in motion: our people; our records; our ideas. Every two years, our files move from one home to another, phones, e-mails and addresses change. Somehow, the greater sense of mission remains unchanged.

The challenge to NAFYR and its Chapters is to find ways to keep the good ideas and integrate them into the "culture" of our organization. We have some great examples of success in this arena. The EAF and World Service efforts, primarily because of a continuity of leadership, have become a significant source of involvement of NAFYR members. There are many other such examples.

I'm convinced we have to do a better job with NAFYR membership. Many Chapters, in my view, seem to be ahead of the NAFYR "parent" organization and we must learn from their experience. Membership is the heart and soul of an organization such as ours, and we need to redefine it.

Ultimately, the strength of NAFYR is going to be measured by the strength of its

Chapters. We have a team of people working on the NAFYR Membership Task Force who are addressing this question of membership, and identifying the benefits of being a NAFYR member. Fortunately, the members of the task force are people who represent the "continuity" we require.

Think for a moment about the YMCA of the 1920's, the 1950's, or the 1980's. Compare those recollections with the YMCA of today. Just as that change is obvious, so is the change with the women and men who worked during those times.

A new "class" has begun to graduate. The "Baby-boomers" are retiring. Many of their needs will parallel our needs. Some will not. It is we who must be prepared to welcome them - aware of the unique aspect of their needs - if we expect them to complete their life journey with us.

Live the spirit of 17:21...

*Hank*



**Hank Bagelmann**  
NAFYR President

Throughout our history, NAFYR has been blessed with outstanding leaders, at the Chapter and "Continental" level.

## Do You Have What It Takes? . . .

- It takes 1,000 yards of linen to wrap a mummy.
- It takes 50,000 words to use up the lead in one pencil.
- It takes 600 grapes to make one bottle of wine.
- It takes 30 to 40 gallons of maple tree sap to make one gallon of maple syrup.
- It takes 24 to 26 hours for a hen to produce an egg.
- It takes 72 muscles to speak one word.
- It takes eight weeks for the average man to grow a one-inch -long beard.
- It takes one acre of soybeans to produce 82,368 crayons
- It takes 25 tomatoes to make one bottle of ketchup.
- It takes 18 humming-birds to weigh an ounce.
- It takes 42,000 tennis balls for a Wimbledon tournament.
- It takes a bee 2 million visits to 2 million flowers to make 1 lb. of honey.



## From the Chapters . . .

The **Allen-Stone Chapter** is a busy group. Thirty members attended their Oregon Coast Getaway in February. As this newsletter goes to press, they will be enjoying the Shakespeare Festival and on May 2 they will conduct their Spring Chapter meeting. September 5-7 is their Seabeck Retreat and Annual meeting.

**George Marston Chapter's** Spring Meeting at the South Coast Winery Resort and Spa in Temecula attracted 18 members for food, fun and fellowship. June 7 will be lunch at Guadalajara Restaurant in Old Town, San Diego with an optional visit to Heritage Buildings. September 7, the group will visit Toby Wells YMCA to hear a World Service presentation by **Oscar Escalada**, General Secretary of the Tijuana Y.

As you read this, the **John R. Mott Chapter** will be enjoying their Spring Gathering at the Central Y in Cedar Rapids. They will tour the facility and then visit the National Czech and Slovak Museum and Library.

The **Messer Chapter** will gather to celebrate at its 75<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting on June 2, 2006. The meeting is being held in the George Williams Room at the YMCA of the USA offices at 101 N. Wacker Drive in Chicago.

In addition to its election, bylaw updates, and annual contributions, those attending will hear from **Mary Tikalsky** on World Service and from **Myrtis Meyer** on future plans and focus for the YMCA of the USA.

Twenty-three members of the **Central Atlantic Area Chapter** traveled to Philadelphia in February to visit the Ben Franklin—In Search of a Better World exhibit at the National Constitution Center. (See photos.) Their Spring Reunion was April 27-28 in the Brandywine Valley.

Seventeen members of the **Hoosier-Buell Chapter** met in January to outline plans for the new year. After dinner they gathered around the Inn's large-screen TV to watch the Indiana/Illinois basketball game. Their Summer Picnic is planned for July 20 at Red Bridge Park in Cicero, Indiana.

The **Weatherford Chapter** has a Spring Fling planned for May 3-4 aboard the Henrietta III for a murder mystery trip on the Cape Fear River.

**C. B. Willis Chapter** met on March 21-22 and 18 members (including 4 new ones) gathered in Lake Worth, FL at the Morikami Museum Gardens. The next day the group enjoyed

the Flagler Museum a mansion built in 1902 by Henry Flagler a founder of Standard Oil.



Members of the Central Atlantic Chapter took in the Ben Franklin exhibit in Philadelphia. President **Norm Walters** is seen here with **David Potts** and Ben Franklin.



Taking time out to chat at lunch at the Central Atlantic Chapter meeting are **Frank Kiehne** (L) and **Tom Moore**.

Photos by **Maurice Hight**

### NAFYR E-MAIL DIRECTORY

<b>Robert Brown</b> , Elkhart, IN	<a href="mailto:Rwbrown010299@msn.com">Rwbrown010299@msn.com</a>
<b>G. Jim Roth</b> , Worthington, OH	<a href="mailto:jjimroth1234@Hotmail.com">jjimroth1234@Hotmail.com</a>
<b>Ken Buss</b> , Rockford, IL	<a href="mailto:busswheels@aol.com">busswheels@aol.com</a>
<b>Bob Schmidt</b> , San Diego,	<a href="mailto:brschmidt1950@sbcglobal.net">brschmidt1950@sbcglobal.net</a>

"Thunder is good, thunder is impressive; but it is lightning that does the work" - Mark Twain

## We Welcome . . .

*. . .the following members into the fellowship of YMCA retirees, linked together by our common heritage and our service to humanity.*

**Janet and John Tronsdal**, Membership Director, Eau-Claire YMCA, 1246 Farwell Street, Eau Clair, WI 54702

**Robert and Rebecca Brown**, Executive Director, Elkhart YMCA, Indiana, 56669 Hidden Oak Place,

Elkhart, IN 46501

**G. Jim Roth**, Executive Director, YMCA of Portsmouth OH, 7600 Cortina Court, Worthington, OH 43085

**Wallace and Marie Burke**, Sr. Program Director, Durham YMCA, NC, 618 Wanda Ridge Drive, Durham, NC 27712

**Ken and Joanne Buss**, Management Consultant,

YMCA of the USA, 1530 Williamsburg Road, Rockford, IL 61107

**Don and Donna Hanna, Sr.** VP Operations, San Francisco, 12579 W. Bajada Road, Peoria, AZ 85383

*“You don’t just luck into things. . . You build step by step, whether it’s friendships or opportunities.”*

*- Barbara Bush*

## Keeping In Touch . . .



**Larry Handy** and son **Nick** at Larry’s 100th birthday party. Larry retired in 1966 and lives in Lacey, WA.

**Chuck and Dorthery Gormori** were recognized for their volunteer service by First Presbyterian Church of Naples, FL. A dinner

honoring them was held on March 19 and they were introduced by their daughter **Karen**.

**Bob Rule** (former OGN editor) was inducted into the High Point (NC) YMCA’s Hall of Honor, a recognition generally reserved for volunteers.

**Cecil Miller** was honored at a luncheon by Sky-Y Camp (a branch of Valley of the Sun Y, Phoenix, AZ). Cecil was Vice President of Camping Services for 30 years.

The Administrative Offices of the new Detroit Downtown YMCA were named in honor of **John Copeland**.

**Dave and Angel Brittenham** of Fort Wayne, IN have

returned from a mission trip to Honduras and will be going to Costa Rica later this year.

**Eunice Westerman** received a special recognition in December when her church — First Methodist Church of Grand Rapids presented her the “Faith in Action” award. Eunice is 93 years young.

**Vicky Blough** graduated from the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago with a Master of Divinity degree. She was ordained in August and is now Pastor of St. John’s Lutheran Church in North Liberty, IN.

Let us

know

what you

have been

doing.

Send your

successes

and

your

adventures

to

the OGN Editor

at

[wbmclm@aol.com](mailto:wbmclm@aol.com)

## Stahl Award Reminder . . .

Chapter presidents should remember the deadline for submission of nominations for the F. William Stahl Award.

Information was sent to all presidents in January. To be considered, nominations should be in the

hands of the committee chairman no later than June 15. Seven copies of the nomination should be sent to **Bob Rule**, 1205 Brookfield Court, High Point, NC 27262-7443. If information is needed, Bob can be contacted by email at :

[Bbopbhonc@northstate.net](mailto:Bbopbhonc@northstate.net) or by telephone at (336) 887-4085.



## We Remember . . .

Robert H. Ferguson, 77, Manager, 8849 Larston Street, Houston, TX 77055-4723

June M. Hamamoto, 72, Business Manager, 1716 Amherst Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90025-3618

Robert M. Hastings, 92, Associate Director, 27 Hockborne Avenue, Auburn, NY 12550-3638

Erika Leimbach, 83, Clerk, 1155 Northwood Loop, Prescott, AZ 86303-5324

Martin Mercado, 86, Professor, 555 W. Cornelia Ave., Apt 1602, Chicago, IL 60657

Gordon R. Pendergrass, 79, Executive Director, 2850 Mountain View Drive, Gadsden, AL 35907-6817

Deane H. Phillips, 82, Associate Executive Director, 303 Linden Ponds Way Unit 410, Hingham, MA 02043

Robert T. Schreiner, 84, Executive Director, 1717 Norfolk Ave. Apt 2403, Lubbock, TX 79416-6036

## Hal Gibbs Last Letter . . .

The following letter was received from **Hal Gibbs** just one week before he died.

Dear Bill:

Re: Name the Newsletter Contest

I was honored to be the 13th president of IARD, and the first president to visit all 23 US and Canadian chapters, from 1987–1991. I presided over the chartering of the Grand Canyon chapter and also served as founding president of the Brandenburg Chapter. I was founder of the YMCA Museum, one of only two in the world with a replica of the George Williams Room.

Although the organization started in 1922 as the International Association of Retired Secretaries, the idea caught on as chapters began to organize in the large cities, the first being McCoy in 1928.

In 1930 a modest news sheet was developed. However, the Old Guard News in 1934 became the permanent name. That year the Old Guard News found a permanent home in the retirement offices. The regular publication of Old Guard News was mailed to all retirees and widows.

The name, to me, is important, because we are the guardians of the YMCA traditions from its founding by George Williams in 1844, both spiritually and program-wise, including basketball, camping, night schools, swimming activity and many others.

My hope is that the Newsletter Committee will hold on to the name, "Old Guard News".

Good luck!

*Hal*

## GOLDEN TREASURES – MAY

### 65 Years

Lillian and Stuart MacDonald, Tom's River, NJ May 29  
Pudge and Bob King, Hastings, MI, May 31

### 64 Years

Doris and Fred Cords, Oceanside, CA, May 17  
Margaret and Franklin Engelhardt, Watertown, NY, May 17  
Lucile and Phil Hall, Nokomis, FL, May 26

### 60 Years

Twila and Doug Sutherland, Raymore, MO, May 23

### 57 Years

Marge and Bill Knowles, Raymore, MO, May 21  
Janet and Jack Wiley, Kirkland, WA, May 27

### 56 Years

Peg and Gene Clark, Littleton, NH, May 20  
Barbara and Deak Preble, Bend, OR, May 27

### 55 Years

Kay and Darwin Haines, Gig Harbor, WA, May 2  
Ann and Dan Flanagan, Venice, FL, May 5  
Gene and Clyde Bullard, Corsicana, TX, May 19

### 54 Years

Jackie and Ben, Uyesato, Ballwin, MO, May 4  
Beth and Gordon Saunders, Sault Ste Marie, ON, May 10  
Rea and Sam Finn, St Louis, MO, May 17

### 53 Years

Darlene and Wade Eubanks, Louisville, KY, May 9  
Phyllis and Robert Wise, Tempe, AZ, May 24

### 52 Years

Ad and Leigh Kendrick, Bowling Green, OH, May 1  
Joyce and Marvin Erdal, Beach Park, IL, May 22

### 51 Years

Ann and Ben Childers, Waycross, GA, May 14  
Pat and Tom, Thrailkill, Swannanoa, NC, May 28

### 50 Years

Lois and Owen Sanderson, Hamden, CT, May 26

"All of our dreams can come true—if we have the courage to pursue them."

- Walt Disney

# What is this "Old Guard"?



Wilbur H. Peck, a former member of the "Old Guard"

The response to the "Name the Newsletter" contest was divided, but those who objected to the name mostly objected to "Old".

One of our committee members, **Chuck Swineford**, conducted a survey of his own. In talking with his friend, **Harold Cook**, they remembered that another friend and colleague, **Will Peck** had been a member of "The Old Guard".

Harold decided to do a

little research on his own and went to the Internet. Here is what he found.

The name goes back to Napoleon and his palace guard, called the "Old Guard". But most of us would be familiar with the military unit that guards the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery.

The Third United States Infantry Regiment is and has been known as The Old Guard. According to the Internet::

"The "Old Guard", one of the oldest and most respected Infantry Regiments in the United States Army, has the awesome responsibility of both guarding the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery, but also for escorting deceased Army servicemembers to their final rest in the "Garden of Stone", as Arlington is sometimes called.

The "Old Guard" also

serves as the Army's ceremonial unit and, as an active and well trained Infantry Regiment is responsible for the protection of Washington, D.C."

If you have ever been to the Tomb of the Unknowns, you were undoubtedly impressed with the precision and military bearing of the guard on duty. These guards are carefully selected and painstakingly trained in their duties.

Go to the Internet and "Google" Old Guard and you will find a complete history with photographs of the sentry on duty at the tomb.

**Wilbur H. Peck** was a member of the "Old Guard" and served in that unit from 1953 to 1955.

Will later graduated from Springfield College and went on to a distinguished career with the YMCAs of Greater New York and Greater Indianapolis. Will was also elected to the Volleyball Hall of Fame.

So, you can see from Chuck's and Harold's research that the name "Old Guard" has a rich and distinguished history and ties into the life of one of our deceased members.

We should be proud of the name.

The name goes back to Napoleon and his palace guard

## Election Process Underway . . .

**Jim Lipscomb**, Chair of the Nominating Committee, has announced the election process for NAFYR officers for the 2007-09 term has begun.

At stake are five offices: President, Vice President (East), Vice President (West), Secretary and Treasurer.

The President of the Copeland-Budge Chapter fills the Vice President position for Canada.

To be considered for office, a person must be an active member of NAFYR and

have had some chapter or corporate leadership in NAFYR.

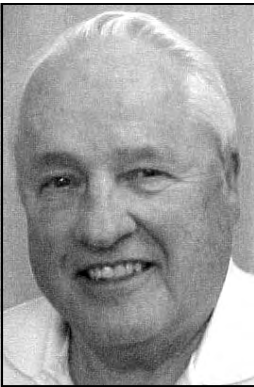
In addition, nominees for treasurer must have appropriate experience in management of financial records.

Although chapter presidents are being sent forms for suggesting nominees, Jim emphasizes that individuals may submit names.

Individual members interested in suggesting nominees should contact Jim at 2308 Morrow, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87106 or

email at [jilipsco32@aol.com](mailto:jilipsco32@aol.com).

Anyone with questions or who needs position descriptions should contact Jim.



Jim Lipscomb, Immediate Past President NAFYR and Chair of the Nominating Committee.



- President HANK BAGELMANN**  
1501 Horton Road  
Waverly, IA 50677  
319-352-1198  
[HBagelmann@aol.com](mailto:HBagelmann@aol.com)
- Vice President JACK PEARSE**  
*Canada* 274 Shakespeare Drive  
Waterloo, ON N2L 2T6  
CANADA  
519-885-6097  
[JackPearse@rogers.com](mailto:JackPearse@rogers.com)
- Vice President DOUG MCNEEL**  
*East* 1128 Arborhill Drive  
Woodstock, GA 30189  
770-928-3304  
[DJMCNEEL@COMCAST.NET](mailto:DJMCNEEL@COMCAST.NET)
- Vice President BETTY OLSON**  
*West* 136 Lost Creek Drive  
Folsom, CA 95630  
916-988-5292  
[BOlson170B@aol.com](mailto:BOlson170B@aol.com)
- Secretary MIKE ANDRASSY**  
RR #2  
Almonte, ON KOA 1A0  
CANADA  
613-256-1401  
[Andrassy@trytel.com](mailto:Andrassy@trytel.com)
- Treasurer DOTTIE ELEY**  
YMCA of Seattle  
909 Fourth Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104  
(O) 206-382-5003  
(H) 206-282-1693  
[DEley@seattleyymca.org](mailto:DEley@seattleyymca.org)
- Editor OGN BILL MOSS**  
7326 East Monte Vista  
Scottsdale, AZ 85257  
480-945-0958  
[wbmclm@aol.com](mailto:wbmclm@aol.com)
- Past President JIM LIPSCOMB**  
308 Morrow NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87106  
505-255-4031  
[jlipsco32@aol.com](mailto:jlipsco32@aol.com)
- Consultant JOHN PREIS**  
YMCA Retirement Fund  
140 Broadway  
New York, NY 10005  
[Preis@ymcaret.org](mailto:Preis@ymcaret.org)
- Consultant HAROLD SMITH**  
105 Duane Street, Apt 26B  
New York, NY 10007  
212-566-4452  
[HCSmith1@email.msn.com](mailto:HCSmith1@email.msn.com)

## NAFYR Board Meets *(Continued from Page 1)*

Serving on the Recognition Task Force were: **Darwin Haines, Mary Hanzlik, Ted Hawkins, Rich Hill, Pres Johnson, Vera Mackie, Scotty Washburn** and Chair **Betty Olson**.

Basically, Betty's report was simply, instead of recommending an elaborate system for plaques and awards, the task force encourages chapters to be vigilant for a variety of ways to recognize their members for the various tasks and services they perform both in the chapter and their communities.



President Hank

Hank reported on the last YMCA Hall of Fame committee meeting. He outlined the process for selecting inductees. He also mentioned that a traveling dis-

play has been constructed and that they are looking for "docents" to interpret it to groups. This would be an opportunity for NAFYR members to volunteer if so inclined.



Working on the budget (L-R above) **Dottie Eley, Phil Wortman, Jack Pearse** and **Mike Andrassy**.

**Bill Moss** reported that there was a lot of response to the Name the Newsletter Contest. In addition to the suggestions for a different name, there were even more letters and emails to keep the name The Old Guard News. The board took action that the newsletter will be known as, "The Old Guard News."

There was considerable discussion around the service areas of the various

chapters of NAFYR. It was finally agreed that this board should view the lines as "general boundaries" and leave it up to the chapters who they will serve and to the members as to which chapter or chapters they will join.

The final item for the board to address was the annual budget for the organization. **Dottie Eley** furnished the operating statements

for previous years and following much discussion, the board approved a budget with projected income of \$56,600 and expenditures of \$65,000. The \$8,400 shortfall will be funded by prior years surpluses.

The next meeting of the Board will be in September in conjunction with the Midwest NAFYR Reunion in Springfield, IL

## An Envelope for You . . .

*The enclosed envelope was inadvertently left out of last month's Old Guard News. It was supposed to be inserted with your newsletter when it was mailed to you by the Retirement Fund. However, due to a miscommunication on our part, it didn't happen as planned. If all goes right this month the envelope will accompany The Old Guard News. This will give you yet another opportunity to send a contribution to our treasurer, Dottie Eley, to help support NAFYR and/or your subscription to The Old Guard News. Thanks for your help!*

- The Editor