

RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF KERN COUNTY
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
March 14, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Walter Stewart and a moment of silence was held. In attendance at today's meeting were three new members. President, Norman Briggs, announced that handicapped members and the head table would pick up their lunch first followed by the tables in order of the numbers drawn.

President, Norman Briggs, introduced Michelle Watson from Kern Federal Credit Union. Michelle brought her Branch Manager, Marla Christian with her today. Michelle circulated a sign up sheet for those who plan to attend the 57th Annual Meeting in April. Michelle also introduced co-worker Patti Johnson and our speaker for today, Mike Workman, Vice President of Finance for Kern Federal Credit Union. Mike explained that there were three topics he wanted to speak about today. The three topics were:

1. International ATM Fraud – This is where someone is trying to get your PIN and steal money from your account. The banking authorities think that this scam originated in Russia. Kern Federal Credit Union does not have any ATM's in other countries except Mexico and Canada and because of this problem the ATM's will no longer be available in any other country.
2. IRS – There is a fake IRS web site that looks very much like the real IRS web site. They are sending e-mails stating you are qualified for a refund. The e-mail asks for your personal information, such as social security number and address, etc. IRS Never e-mails you that **YOU** have a refund.
3. Telephone Scams – Never give personal information to a caller. If Kern Federal Credit Union was to call you, they would never ask for personal information because they already have the information. KFCU might call and verify a large charge that shows up on your credit/debit card. Never Ever give out your PIN.

BUSINESS MEETING:

TREASURER, Mary Lou Bennett, gave the Treasurer's Report for February 2006 which showed that REOKC membership as of February 28, 2006 was 3,519. Mary Lou reported that she has been told that there are 50 – 60 people who are retiring the end of March. President, Norman Briggs, also announced that our books had been audited by John Doty and that John was very complimentary about our past and current treasurer.

CRCEA – David Merritt announced that the Spring Conference was to be held in Newport Beach on March 20 – 22, 2006. David Merritt is delegate and Ginger Mello will be attending in place of Opal Hargis, alternate delegate.

EYE GLASS – Helen Heath reported that she has collected 10 pair of glasses and 14 cases since the February meeting.

SUNSHINE – Belva Jared commended the membership on giving her names and addresses which enabled her to send cards, including 4 get-well cards to our members.

HOST/HOSTESS PROGRAM – Mary Lou Bennett reported that for the month of February there were 29 volunteers who worked 89 hours and assisted 989 visitors to the County Administration Building. President, Norman Briggs, thanked the volunteers who have been working at the information booth and also announced that Mary Lou could use more volunteers.

NEWSLETTER – The newsletter was late in going out due to illness of our printer. Inside the TREND was a form from the Office of Aging and Adult Services regarding Medicare D. This office, by appointment, will assist anyone wishing to sign up for Medicare D.

OLD BUSINESS:

COMPUTER GIVE AWAY – John DeMario announced that he has the last 2 computers to give away today. The winners of the computers this month were Rosa Bowser and Harold Yingst.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business

The attendance prize was won by Clara Boyle. There were 40 - \$5.00 prizes and 3 blankets donated by the Kern Federal Credit Union. After the distribution of prizes, the meeting was adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of March, 2006.

Ginger Mello, Secretary