



**Fleet Reserve Association  
Inland Empire Branch 038, Inc.  
Spokane, Washington**  
[www.frabran38.org](http://www.frabran38.org)

**JULY – AUGUST - SEPTEMBER 2015  
BRANCH BULLETIN**

**2015-2016 Branch Officers**

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**FY 2015 (7/2015 – 6/2016) – QUARTERLY/SOCIAL LUNCHEONS/MEETINGS**

The Branch Quarterly meetings and the monthly social luncheons are listed on page 3 of this bulletin. They can also be found on the Branch website listed above.

*We hope to see each and every one of you at one of the meetings or luncheons this year! Your help is needed to keep our Branch active in our community.*

**BRANCH BUSINESS NEWS**

**Milestone Awards for July, August, & September 2015** –The following Shipmates will receive their awards this quarter:

George Stevens Jr.	40 years	August 2015	Clarence Bender	15 years	September 2015
Cecil H. Russell	50 years	April 2015	Douglas E. Harms	45 years	September 2015

*The 40-and 50-year award certificates are issued by the FRA National Headquarters Staff*

**Deceased Shipmates** – Branch 38’s 2014-2015 Vice President. Dave Dummitt died April 25, 2015. He had committed suicide. His services with military honors were held at the Washington State Veterans Cemetery on May 8, 2015 and at Sunrise Church of Christ in Spokane.

Shipmate Anna Martin’s mother, Bertha Rivera, passed away on May 15, 2015. Bertha was a regular attendee of our meetings when she came with her daughter. Bertha was a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart Ladies Auxiliary in Fresno, CA. In a formal ceremony this past weekend her name was announced and a carnation was placed at the U.S. Navy Memorial in Washington DC recognizing her steadfast support of the military. A memorial service was held for Bertha on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Opportunity Presbyterian Church in Spokane Valley. Shipmate Anna Martin and her family will have a second service in Fresno, CA where Bertha worked for 25 years as an admitting clerk supervisor and Spanish translator. She will be missed as part of Branch 38’s regular attendees.

Shipmate John Howard Moffatt passed away on May 19, 2015. He was 98 years old and lived at the Hawthorne Manor Community Center for the past few years. His daughter, Sheryl Andrakin, said that he wanted to be cremated and his ashes scattered around the Bear Lake area. The family had a Celebration of Life at Bear Lake on June 12, 2015. He was a member of the NAS Spokane which was in operation from 1948-1958. There were several members of that group at his services.

## NORTHWEST and NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

**Northwest Region 2015 Convention:** will be hosted by Seattle Branch 18 on September 11-12, 2015 in Lynnwood, WA at the Embassy Suites Hotel. They will have credit card processing and online purchase options at their convention also. The flyer is posted on the Branch website under the Conventions tab. Room Rates will be \$129 per night for either a King suite or a Double/double suite. The group name is: FRANWR2015 Block and the reservation code is: XWR. You can contact the hotel at 425-775-2500 or 1-800-628-0611.

*Shipmates Michelle Davis and Margret Burke will be Branch 38's delegates at the NW Regional Convention in Lynnwood, WA in September 2015.*

**FRA 2015 National Convention:** Will be held the week of October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the Doubletree by Hilton, in Spokane, Washington. There is a Facebook Page that has been created by Shipmate PRPNW Pete Lazzaretti. It is called "Fleet Reserve Association 2015 National Convention". Shipmate Lazzaretti will be posting the last flyer on the Northwest Region's website. The flyer will be on Branch 38's website also. Room rates are \$88 per night plus 12% tax and a \$2 per night surcharge for a total of \$100.56 per night. Rates will be available 10/8-20/2015.

- Branch 18 will be providing the screened bags for the delegates at the convention. (They have been received in Spokane and are at the Convention Co-Chair's house.
- Branch 38 has been designated as the chair for logistics, i.e. where to purchase items locally, medical alerts to hospitals, ambulance services, and EMT teams, urgent care runs, which funeral homes to use if someone dies and needs to be shipped home for burial, and in general, be the "gophers" for the convention. They will also provide the poker chips with the logo side being switched to the FRA 2015 Convention logo and is also purchasing a half-page ad and supporting the booster roll in the Journal for the Convention. (The poker chips have arrived and they are at the Branch Secretary's house.)
- Branch 46 will be chairing the "ceremonies" portion of the convention.
- Branch 59 will be chairing the Hospitality Room.

*Shipmates Robert Bean and Anna Martin will be delegates at the 2015 National Convention in Spokane, WA in October 2015*

If you wish to attend the Banquet only on October 17, 2015, please sign up online or contact the Branch Secretary so she can walk you through what you need to do. We would like as many of Branch 38 members as we can get to go to the Banquet, and the convention too.

**Commander of the Naval Reserve Visit** –Shipmate Bruce Rasche (also with the Navy League) and Branch 38 Secretary attended the speech given by Vice Adm. Braun, the Commanding Officer for the entire Navy Reserve Forces on May 17, 2015. She was visiting Spokane during Lilac Festival Time, i.e. May 16, 2015

## ITEMS OF INTEREST

**Spokane Indians' Promotion Nights** – Contact the Spokane Indians Office for tickets.

Military Appreciation Night	August 15	Fireworks Nights (5 of them)	July 4, August 21, August 22
Senior Night	August 11		August 29, and September 3

**Businesses owned by Coast Guard/Navy/Marines**

- Chiefs Bar & Grill, 417 E. 1<sup>st</sup> St., Odessa, WA – Owned by Mike and Sherri Frederick. Both are Chief Petty Officers.
- Hat 'N Patch, website at [www.hatnpatch.com](http://www.hatnpatch.com) – owned by Rod Truitt. They carry military & patriotic hats, patches, pins & more.
- Popular Patch – [info@popularpatch.com](mailto:info@popularpatch.com), 101 W. Prairie Shopping Center #111, Hayden, ID – Owned by Branch Member Don McGrogan
- Roi's Furniture at 1611 N. Monroe St, Spokane, WA – Owned by Roi Sigler
- Taco Del Mar Restaurant, 12501 N. Division St., Spokane, WA – Owned by Master Chief Frank Schoonover.
- Uncle Sam's Flag & Gift in the Northtown Shopping Mall, Spokane, WA – Owned by Chief Lance Johnson.

**NOTE THE TIME DIFFERENCE FOR THE QUARTERLY MEETINGS. ALSO  
SEE NOTE FOR JULY 25THS MEETING.**

**FY 2014 (7/2014 – 6/2015) – QUARTERLY/SOCIAL LUNCHEONS/MEETINGS**

Quarterly meetings will be held at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA at **10:00 AM**. We are meeting a couple of hours earlier for the Quarterly Meetings to accommodate the VFW's Saturday afternoon activities. All monthly/luncheon meetings are preceded by a **luncheon at 12:00 noon**.

<b>FY 2015</b>	
<b>July 25, 2015</b> (4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday)	Monkey Business Café, 1913 W. Maxwell, Spokane, WA <i>(Included with this bulletin is the Sandwich Menu for this meeting. Please either email or call the Secretary with your choices. Since they are opening on Saturday just for our meeting they have asked that we pre-order.)</i>
<b>August 29, 2015</b> (4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday)	Quarterly Meeting – at <b>10:00 AM</b> , VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA ( <b>no lunch</b> )
<b>September 26, 2015</b> (4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday)	MacKenzie River Pizza, 2910 E. 57 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Spokane, WA
<b>October 24, 2015</b> (4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday)	Prospectors Bar & Grill, N. 12611 Hwy 395, Spokane, WA
<b>November 7, 2015</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday)	Quarterly Meeting – at <b>10:00 AM</b> , VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA ( <b>no lunch</b> )
<b>December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday)	Christmas Party - at <b>11:00 AM</b> , VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA ( <b>CHRISTMAS POTLUCK</b> )

**Proposed Meeting Places for Calendar Year 2016** – We will be visiting with some of our Shipmates that live in Assisted Living Facilities to see if their facility will allow us to hold one or two luncheons at their locations if we plan far enough in advance.

*If you have a restaurant you would like to go to for one of our luncheons, please let the Secretary know.*

**Branch Birthdays July through September 2015**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Mercado, Ruben	July	2	Stevenson, Dale A.	August	5	Rasche, Bruce	September	2
Bean, Ralph S.	July	4	Short, Richard L.	August	5	Fisk, Charles	September	3
Norris, John W.	July	5	Grisham, James V.	August	5	Pierce, Lloyd G.	September	8
Imus, Charles R.	July	8	Craig, Thomas C.	August	11	Kalkauski, Edward	September	13
Grieb, Thomas M.	July	8	Ellig, Gerald C.	August	17	White, James D.	September	14
McCully, Dennis	July	10	Martin, Anna D.	August	17	Vails, Bruce V.	September	15
Hutchinson, Dan C.	July	19	Kinnick, Eland B.	August	19	Herrmann, Rick	September	17
Lewis, Charles W.	July	22	Pagnotta, A. M.	August	19	Moore, Roscoe D.	September	19
Lockie, Earl A.	July	24	Nye, Ernest	August	23	Madden, James	September	20
Burke, Jeffery W.	July	25				Sand, Gerald R.	September	24
Bender, Clarence.	July	28				Linville, James C.	September	29
Riley, Earl D.	July	29				Gaffney, Terrence	September	30

## SECRETARY'S NOTES

**NEWSLETTER DELIVERY VIA E-MAIL** – If you received this newsletter by regular mail and are willing to receive future copies via email in Microsoft Word or PDF format, please email the Secretary at [Margret.burk@gmail.com](mailto:Margret.burk@gmail.com). The newsletter is sent as a Microsoft Word 1997 – 2003 document and also as a PDF document. If your computer is compatible with either format, you should be able to read and print it. You can download Adobe Reader free from [get.adobe.com/reader](http://get.adobe.com/reader).

Since the newsletter is sent out in a mass mailing, which some email providers classify as possible “Spam”, please put the Secretary’s email address on your list of approved senders.

**DUES FREE STATUS** – There are two categories of members that are exempt from annual membership dues. (1) Members who have attained fifty (50) years of continuous membership, and (2) Members who have reached the age of eighty-five (85) and have attained forty (40) years of continuous membership. National will note the 50 years of membership, but sometimes misses the combined 85/40 combination, especially if your birthdate is not in your record. If you receive a dues notice after you have achieved both numbers, write on it that you are over 85 and have 40 years continuous membership and return it without payment. Also, if you usually renew for multiple years, don’t pay past the time when you will meet either of the dues free requirements. If you have any questions, call the Secretary.

The 85/25 category was changed to 85/40 in 2008. My apologies for missing the change and to anyone who attempted to get dues-free status based on 85/25 and were denied. Those who already were getting dues free based on 85/25 were "grand-fathered" in.

**Fleet Reserve Association Dues** – Listed below are those shipmates that have not paid their dues as yet and the dates they are due. Also listed are those Shipmates that will be receiving renewal notices of their dues. Check your address on the front of this bulletin to see if your year and month are highlighted in yellow. If it is, your dues are coming up within this quarter or in past quarters. Please renew. Your voice and help is needed in the FRA.

<u>Past Due FRA Dues</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Upcoming FRA Dues</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
James Madden	March 2015	Ralph Wells	July 2015
		David Fenn	July 2015
		Michael Schmidt	July 2015
<u>Upcoming FRA Dues</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Upcoming FRA Dues</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Alex Demitropoulos	August 2015	James Greer	September 2015
Cecil Russell (50 yrs)	August 2015	Clarence Bender	September 2015
David Danley	August 2015	Charlie Noble	September 2015
Thomas Lang	August 2015	Charles Thompson	September 2015
George Ginter	August 2015	James Linville	September 2015
Jerome Duffney	August 2015	Robert Bean Sr.	September 2015
Douglas Orlob	August 2015	Roscoe Moore	September 2015
James White	August 2015	Daniel Sullivan	September 2015
George Stevens Jr (40 yrs)	August 2015		

Included in the bulletin is the Application Form for the FRA. If you know of an eligible Shipmate, please pass this form on to them. In the past the Secretary/Treasurer has received renewal checks made out to her personally or to Branch 38. **In the future please make all checks out to the FRA.** You can also mail them direct to the FRA office.

In Loyalty, Protection, and Service  
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### FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION - APPLICATION FORM

Active duty, reserve, and retired enlisted members of the USN, USCG, USMC; non-sea service personnel of the U.S. Armed Forces with prior enlisted sea Service; and commissioned officers with at least one day of enlisted sea service are eligible for membership. Annual membership is \$30; discounts are available for longer-term memberships. Simply complete this form, enclose payment and return to FRA, Branch 38 representative.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rating/Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Lot/Space City State Zip Code

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Preference: Branch 038 Member-at-Large \_\_\_\_\_

Previous FRA member?  Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_  No \_\_\_\_\_

Recruited by: \_\_\_\_\_ Member No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouses Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues

<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Yr \$30.00	Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> MC <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> Discover Card <input type="checkbox"/> AE <input type="checkbox"/> Check-enclosed
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>2 Yrs \$48.00</b> (SPECIAL OFFER FOR FIRST TIME MEMBERS)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Yrs \$57.00 (for renewing or reinstating FRA members)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Yrs \$85.50	Credit Card No.: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Yrs \$135.00	Exp. Date: _____

Mail to: **FRA – 125 N. West Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-2754** – Phone: 703-683-1400, Toll-Free: 1-800-FRA-1924 – [www.fra.org](http://www.fra.org)

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