



**Fleet Reserve Association
Inland Empire Branch 038, Inc.
Spokane, Washington
www.frabran38.org**

**OCTOBER – NOVEMBER – DECEMBER 2015
BRANCH BULLETIN**

2015-2016 Branch Officers

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Vice President James Grisham
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Plus 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.

BRANCH BUSINESS NEWS

Milestone Awards for October, November & December 2015 –The following Shipmates will receive their awards this quarter:

Anna D. Martin.	5 years	October 2015	Daniel E. Hull	30 years	October 2015
Bruce C. Timblin	5 years	November 2015	Laveen D. Schmidt	40 years	December 2015
Edwin J. Hickock Jr	5 years	December 2015	Harold L. Davis	45 years	December 2015

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

Deceased Shipmates – We lost 50 year member and Pearl Harbor Survivor John “Sid” Kennedy on July 6, 2015. A celebration of Sid’s life was held on July 21, 2015 at the Moran United Methodist Church. In lie of flowers, donations were welcomed to the Inland Northwest Honor Flight.

Shipmate Cecil Russell passed away on August 27, 2015. His 50-year pin was awarded to his daughter posthumously. His daughter has notified the Branch 38’s Secretary that they will be having a military service on October 2, 2015 at 2:15 pm at the Washington State Veterans Cemetery.

Branch Birthdays October through December 2015

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Thompson, Charles	October	1	Peterschick, Richard.	November	1	Morgan, Douglas	December	2
Cagle, Donald J.	October	2	Smith, Verne K.	November	4	Burke, Peg	December	3
Demitropoulos, Alex	October	5	Oliver, Harlan E.	November	10	Danley, David C.	December	8
Orlob, Doug	October	5	Love, John	November	11	Pratt, Willis A.	December	13
Hull, Daniel E.	October	7	Fitzgerald, Gerald L.	November	18	Liston, Thomas J.	December	14
Bean Sr., Robert S.	October	10	Ginter, George W.	November	18	King, Gerald L.	December	15
Jackson, Mark A.	October	17	Murray, Charles L.	November	21			
Huggins, Charles R.	October	19	Duffney, Jerome	November	21			
McGrogan, Don	October	22	Klein, William R.	November	29			

NORTHWEST and NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

Northwest Region 2015 Convention Report: was hosted by Seattle Branch 18 on September 11-12, 2015 in Lynnwood, WA at the Embassy Suites Hotel. The attendance at this regional convention was sparse. Branch 38 received three awards, all 3rd place ones, for Americanism-Patriotism, Public Relations, and Youth Activities.

2015-2016 FRA Northwest Regional Officers will be:

- Northwest Regional President – Julian “JJ” Wynn of Branch 46 (Honolulu, HI)
- Northwest Regional Vice President – Mark W. Thompson of Branch 104 (Puyallup, WA)
- Northwest Regional Secretary/Treasurer – PRPNW Hazel Bettencourt of Branch 382 (Boise, ID)
- Northwest Jr Past Regional President – PRPNW Michael D. Archer of 59 (Cheyenne, WY)

2015-2016 LAFRA Northwest Regional Officers will be:

- Northwest Regional LAFRA President – Lauren Wynn of Unit 46 (Honolulu, HI)
- Northwest Regional LAFRA Vice President – Renee Shaw of Unit 46 (Honolulu, HI)
- Northwest Regional LAFRA Secretary/Treasurer – Mary Archer of Unit 59 (Cheyenne, WY)
- Northwest Jr Past Regional LAFRA President – PRPNW Sharon Holloway of Unit 59 (Cheyenne, WY)

The 2016 Northwest Regional Convention will be hosted by Wyoming Branch & Unit 59 at the Little America Resort & Hotel in Cheyenne, Wyoming on August 12-13, 2016. Note that this is a month earlier than we have normally had it in the past few years. Look for more information to come in the future.

The 2017 Northwest Regional Convention will be hosted by Branch 104 of Puyallup, WA. It will be held in August also. More information to come in the future.

FRA 2015 National Convention: is coming up next week of October 11th, 2015 at the Doubletree by Hilton, in Spokane, Washington. The flyer is on Branch 38’s website. 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.

You do not have to be a delegate to attend. (*Shipmates Robert Bean and Anna Martin will be delegates at the 2015 National Convention in Spokane, WA in October 2015.*) The national convention is for all shipmates and auxiliary members. Come see how the FRA’s business is conducted, meet other shipmates from the other regions, and support the Northwest Region. There are still rooms available. Just mention you are coming for the FRA Convention and enjoy the meetings, workshops, and comraderies.

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 come to the Banquet and the convention.

NOTE THE TIME DIFFERENCE FOR THE QUARTERLY MEETINGS

FY 2015 (7/2016 – 6/2016) – 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**.

FY 2015 October 24, 2015 (4 th Saturday)	Prospectors Bar & Grill, N. 12611 Hwy 395, Spokane, WA
November 7, 2015 (1 st Saturday)	Quarterly Meeting – at 10:00 AM , VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA (no lunch)
December 5th, 2015 (1 st Saturday)	Christmas Party - at 11:00 AM , VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA (CHRISTMAS POTLUCK)
Calendar Year 2016 January 23, 2016 (4 th Saturday)	Rancho Viejo, 14201 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA
February 27, 2016 (4 th Saturday)	Quarterly Meeting at 1000 AM at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
March 26, 2016 (4 th Saturday)	Applebee's, 2007 E. 29 th Ave, Spokane, WA
April 23, 2016 (4 th Saturday)	The Onion, 7552 N. Division, Spokane, WA
May 21, 2016 (3 rd Saturday)	Quarterly Meeting at 1000 AM at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
June 11, 2016 (2 nd Saturday)	MacKenzie River Pizza, 9225 N. Nevada, Spokane, WA
July 23, 2016 (4 th Saturday)	Timber Creek Grill & Buffet, 9211 E. Montgomery Ave, Spokane Valley, WA
August 27, 2016 (4 th Saturday)	Quarterly Meeting at 1000 AM at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
September 24, 2016 (4 th Saturday)	Twigs Bistro & Martini Bar, 4320 S. Regal, Spokane, WA
October 22, 2016 (4 th Saturday)	Longhorn BBQ, 7611 W. Hwy , Spokane, WA
November 5, 2016 (1 st Saturday)	Quarterly Meeting at 1000 AM at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
December 3, 2016 (1 st Saturday)	Christmas Lunch at 1100 AM at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA (Potluck)

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. 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.

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>Past Due FRA Dues</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Ralph Wells	July 2015	Douglas Orlob	August 2015
Michael Schmidt	July 2015	Roscoe Moore	September 2015
David Danley	August 2015	Daniel Sullivan	September 2015
<u>Upcoming FRA Dues</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Upcoming FRA Dues</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Daniel E. Hull	October 2015	Charles L. Murray	November 2015
Anna D. Martin	October 2015	Bruce Timblin	November 2015
Leo J. Fagan	October 2015	John W. Norris	November 2015
		William R. Kelin	November 2015
Don McGrogan	December 2015	Bruce Rasche	November 2015
Edwin J. Hickok	December 2015		

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Spokane Chief's Military Appreciation Nights – The Spokane Chief's Hockey team will be having two military appreciation nights this year. The first will be on November 28, 2015 vs the Tri City Americans at 7:00 pm. The second one will be on January 30, 2016 and is also against our main rival, the Tri City Americans at 7:00 pm. It is the second one that we will be looking into setting up our table like we have in the past.

The Spokane Chief's conduct a "Teddy Bear Toss" every December. This year's will be on December 12, 2015 when we play the Tri City Americans again. Bring a teddy bear/doll and when the Spokane Chiefs score their first goal of the game, toss the teddy bear/doll on to the ice.

Tickets to these games can be obtained at the Spokane Chief's Office.

Businesses owned by Coast Guard/Navy/Marines

- **Chiefs Bar & Grill**, 417 E. 1st St., Odessa, WA – Owned by Mike and Sherri Frederick. Both are Chief Petty Officers.
- **Hat 'N Patch**, website at www.hatnpatch.com – owned by Rod Truitt. They carry military & patriotic hats, patches, pins & more.
- **Popular Patch** – **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.

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
Fleet Reserve Association – Inland Empire Branch 038 – Margret (Peg) Burke, Secretary/Treasurer
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Margret.burk@gmail.com.

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"/>	2 Yrs	\$48.00	(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

