



Fleet Reserve Association
Inland Empire Branch 38, Inc.
Spokane, Washington

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JANUARY 23, 2016 MINUTES

2015-2016 Branch Officers

President Robert Bean
Vice President James Grisham
Sec/Treasurer: Peg Burke

2015-2020 Board of Directors

Plus Branch Officers:
James Robertson
Anna Martin
Michelle Davis

2015-2016 Branch Committee Chairmen

Americanism James Robertson & Bill Feehan
HW&R Michelle Davis
Public Relations Ralph Bean
Youth Activities James Grisham

Chaplain Ralph Bean
Master-at-Arms James Robertson

- The January 23, 2016 Meeting was held at the Rancho Viejo, 14201 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA, and was called to order at 1215 and presided over by Branch President Robert Bean.
The minutes of the December 5, 2015 Christmas Party/Meeting were read and approved.
The Treasurer report of January 2016 was read and approved.
The Branch Secretary reported on all the communications received since the last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Americanism Essay Contest for 2015-2016 - Branch President Robert Bean, Committee Chairman Jim Robertson, and Branch Secretary Peg Burke traveled to the Tri Cities on January 11, 2016 to present the awards to the winners from that area. Branch Vice President James Grisham, Committee Chairman Jim Robertson, and Branch Secretary Peg Burke presented the awards to the local area winners on January 13, 2016. Look for the pictures and article on the Branch Website.

Widows Subscriptions - The annual invoice for the widows we are sponsoring to continue receiving information and the FRA Today for the next year was received. The price is \$7.00 per subscriber. The invoice has been returned with five names on it for a total of \$35. We added Deanna Dummitt to the list.

NEW BUSINESS

Milestone Awards for January, February, & March 2016 -During this quarter there are no Shipmates due awards. The next ones due are in April and May 2016.

Monthly Membership Newsletter - The December 2015 and January 2016 Membership Newsletters have been received and sent to the Branch Chairman on Membership & Retention. The 3rd Quarter 2015-16 Membership Report has been received. This report is for the October, November, and December time frame

2016 FRA Legislative Update - The Branch President and Secretary has received a power point presentation of what the FRA is supporting and fighting against. If anyone wants a copy, let us know and we will send it to you or you can go to www.fra.org and the front page of the national website has a link to the latest information on what issues we are following.

2016 WA State Legislative Issues - The Secretary has received an email from the Regional Vice President Northwest, Mark Thompson with a list of the Washington State Legislative issues. This email was forwarded to our Branch President. If anyone else wants a copy, please let the Secretary know.

NWR Scuttlebutt Newsletter Regional President JJ Wynn has issued his first newsletter. It can be found on Branch website under the NWR Newsletters & Info tab.

Lost Shipmates – Shipmate Bruce Rasche passed away on December 14, 2015. Shipmate Grisham attended his services and signed the memorial book for both the FRA and the CPO organizations. Shipmate Rasche was an active member in the Navy League also.

PRPNW Walter Hardin passed away on January 14, 2016. He was from Port Orchard, WA. RPNW Wynn passed the information on to the Past Regional President’s Board to spread the word among the Northwest Region Branches.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

The date has been set for the 2016 Khaki Ball, i.e. April 16, 2016. More information will be sent out in the Apr-May-Jun Branch Bulletin.

We have confirmed with Nate of the Spokane Chief’s Office for our appearance at the Spokane Chief’s Military Appreciation night on January 30, 2016. It is the week after our January Branch meeting. We will be selling the Spokane Chief Ball Caps at our table during the hockey game. Shipmate Grisham has obtain 6 tickets for our attendance at this event. Volunteers for the night are Shipmates Robert Bean, Jim Grisham, Roscoe Moore, Verne Smith, and Peg Burke.

Capt. Ted McGregor of the Navy League asked if Branch 38 will assist them with the activities that Shipmate Rasche did for them when it comes to representing the Spokane Navy activities.

MEETING PLACES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016

(All sites have been visited. We just need to call the month ahead and remind them we will be coming.)

NOTE THE QUARTERLY MEETING TIME CHANGES (Christmas Party remains the same as it was)

3rd Quarter FY 2015 Luncheons and Quarterly Meetings

- January 23, 2016 – Rancho Viejo, 14201 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA
- February 27, 2016 – Quarterly Meeting at **1000 AM** at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
- March 26, 2016 – Applebee’s, 2007 E. 29th Ave, Spokane, WA

4th Quarter FY 2015 Luncheons and Quarterly Meetings

- April 23, 2016 – The Onion, 7552 N. Division, Spokane, WA
- May 21, 2016 – Quarterly Meeting at **1000 AM** at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
- June 11, 2016 – MacKenzie River Pizza, 9225 N. Nevada, Spokane, WA

1st Quarter FY 2016 Luncheons and Quarterly Meetings

- ❖ July 23, 2016 – Timber Creek Grill & Buffet, 9211 E. Montgomery Ave, Spokane Valley, WA
- ❖ August 27, 2016 – Quarterly Meeting at **1000 AM** at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
- ❖ September 24, 2016 – Twigs Bistro & Martini Bar, 4320 S. Regal, Spokane, WA

2nd Quarter FY 2016 Luncheons and Quarterly Meetings

- ❖ October 22, 2016 – Longhorn BBQ, 7611 W. Hwy , Spokane, WA
- ❖ November 5, 2016 – Quarterly Meeting at **1000 AM** at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
- ❖ December 3, 2016 – Christmas Lunch at **1100 AM** at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA (**Potluck**)

Please let the Secretary/Treasurer know if you have a special restaurant you would like to meet at for 2017 luncheons.

Meeting Adjourned at 1245.

Margret (Peg) Burke
Secretary/Treasurer

Robert Bean
President