



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

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October 24, 2015 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 October 24, 2015 Monthly Luncheon/Meeting was held at the Prospectors Bar & Grill, Spokane, WA, Spokane, WA and was called to order at 1215 and presided over by Branch President Robert Bean.
The minutes of the September 25, 2015 Monthly Luncheon/Meeting were read and approved.
The Treasurer report of October 2015 was read and approved.
The Branch Secretary reported on all the communications received since the last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

FRA 2015 National Convention: was held October 13 - 17, 2015 at the Doubletree by Hilton, in Spokane, Washington. Shipmate Robert Bean, James Grisham, and Michelle Davis assisted in the distribution of the bags with the Convention information in them. Other than what the Branch Shipmates had stuffed in the bags the week before, was added a Convention Program, the Convention Journal (with all Branch 38 members' names in it), and the delegate book. (Convention Journals were distributed to the shipmates at the meeting). Shipmates Dennis McCully and Ralph Bean sat in for a couple of the business sessions.

All those present agreed that the convention ran smoothly and everyone was saying good things about how it ran. There was 201 people at the Banquet on Saturday, October 17th. Shipmate Vails attended in his uniform and was in the picture of all those attending in uniform (about a dozen of them). The DJs from Audio, Inc. kept everyone on their feet most of the night dancing with music from the 50's to present.

New National Officers for the upcoming year 2015-2016 are as follows:

- National President - Virgil P. Courneya (his wife was elected at LAFRA National President)
National Vice President - Donald Larson
Jr. Past National President - John D. Ippert
National Executive Director - Thomas J. Snee

This is the first time in FRA history that the National Presidents for the FRA and the LAFRA has been a husband and wife team and also what are called "retreads", meaning they both are Past National Presidents prior to this year.

Americanism Essay Contest for 2015-2016 - The materials have been received and the Secretary will get them to the Chairmen of the Americanism-Patriotism Committee and work with them on the project. The theme this year is "What The United States Flag Stands For".

The materials have been distributed to John R. Rogers High School, Shaw Middle School, and Garry Middle School. They were also sent to Mayra Mendoza, Student and Parent Outreach Specialist of the WSU Tri-Cities Early Outreach Program by email.

NEW BUSINESS

Membership – The October 2015 Membership Newsletter was discussed by Branch President Robert Bean.

Lost Shipmates – Shipmate Raymond L. Hunt passed away on October 6, 2015. His services were on October 17, 2015. Branch 38 was in the midst of working at the FRA National Convention when word was received of the time and date of the services. The Secretary was informed by the Funeral Director that the Navy provided the appropriate services for Shipmate Hunt.

Milestone Awards for October, November & December 2015 –The Shipmates listed below will receive their awards this quarter. Branch President Robert Bean presented Shipmate Martin with here award at the October Branch Meeting.

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

GOOD OF THE ORDER

We will arrange for our appearance at the Spokane Chief's Military Appreciation night in January 2016 during the month of December. It is the same night as our January Branch meeting.

The Christmas Party on December 5th will be our annual potluck lunch and a collection for Toys for Tots as the entry fee. More planning will be done at the November Quarterly Meeting.

MEETING PLACES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015

2nd Quarter FY 2015 Luncheons

- October 24, 2015 – Prospectors Bar & Grill, Spokane, WA
- November 7, 2015 - Quarterly Meeting at **1000 AM** at the VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA
- December 5, 2015 – 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 2016 luncheons.

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**)

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Meeting Adjourned at 1315.

Margret (Peg) Burke
Secretary/Treasurer

Robert Bean
President