



**Fleet Reserve Association  
Inland Empire Branch 038, Inc.  
Spokane, Washington  
[www.frabbranch38.org](http://www.frabbranch38.org)**

**OCTOBER – NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2018  
BRANCH BULLETIN**

**2018-19 Branch Officers**

President	Robert Bean
Vice President	Michelle Davis
Sec/Treasurer:	Peg Burke
Chaplain	Dennis McCully
Master-at-Arms	Ralph Bean

**2015–2020 Board of Directors**

***Plus Branch Officers:***  
James Robertson  
Anna Martin  
Bruce Vails

**2018–19 Branch Committee Chairs**

Americanism	Anna Martin
HW&R	Michelle Davis
Public Relations	Ralph Bean
Veterans Services	Dave Lord
Youth Activities	James Grisham

**Calendar of Upcoming Events**

**October 2018**

<b>07 Oct</b>	<b>Nat'l Firefighters Memorial Day</b>
<b>08 Oct</b>	<b>Columbus (Indigenous) Day</b>
<b>13 Oct</b>	<b>US Navy Birthday (1775)</b>
<b>20 Oct</b>	<b>Monthly Meeting at Noon at McKenzie River Pizza 2910 E. 57<sup>th</sup> Ave, Spokane, WA</b>
<b>31 Oct</b>	<b>Halloween</b>

**November 2018**

<b>04 Nov</b>	<b>Daylight Savings Time Ends</b>
<b>06 Nov</b>	<b>Election Day</b>
<b>10 Nov</b>	<b>US Marine Corps Birthday (1775)</b>
<b>11 Nov</b>	<b>Veterans Day (Observed on 11/12/18) FRA 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday (1924)</b>
<b>17 Nov</b>	<b>Branch Qtrly Meeting VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA</b>
<b>22 Nov</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b>

**Membership**

As of the end of September 2018 Spokane's Inland Empire Branch 38 has 78 members. Welcome Aboard to our newest member, Shipmate Carla Scott!

**December 2018**

<b>07 Dec</b>	<b>Pearl Harbor Day</b>
<b>15 Dec</b>	<b>Christmas Party at 11:00 am VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA</b>
<b>21 Dec</b>	<b>First Day of Winter</b>
<b>24 Dec</b>	<b>Christmas Eve</b>
<b>25 Dec</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>

The Branch Quarterly and Monthly meeting dates and locations can be found on the Branch Website at [www.frabbranch38.org](http://www.frabbranch38.org).

There is a change afoot for 2019 meeting Places. See the "*Calendar for 2019*" on page 4 of this newsletter.

**Milestone Awards**

**October – November – December 2018**

James Grisham	10 years	December 2018
Russell H. Messing	50 years	December 2018

No milestones in October or November ☹

## Navy Ball 2018

### **SOLD OUT**

There is going to be a Navy Ball on October 13, 2018. It will be held at the Red Lion River Inn at 700 N. Division St., Spokane, WA.



October 13th, 2018 ★ Red Lion River Inn  
700 N Division St. Spokane, WA  
Ticket Prices: E1-E5 (and Retired): \$30  
E6-O2: \$35  
O3-O8: \$40

Featuring Special Guest Speaker "Baby George ASCOM" Daniel Keenan.  
For tickets and information, call (509) 327-3346.

### Contact Information Updates Needed

FRA National HQ Membership Group is asking everyone to update their **Contact Information**. You can go online to update it on the FRA Website by using your member number as your **Username** and entering your password. If you have never logged on the password would be your first initial and last name. You can also email [Shirley@FRA.org](mailto:Shirley@FRA.org) or call Shirley at (703) 683-1400 or 1-800-372-1924

### Spokane Chiefs 2018-2019 Schedule:

Saturday, November 3, 2018 is Military Group Night  
Saturday, December 8, 2018 is Teddy Bear Toss Night  
Saturday, January 19, 2019 is Military Group Night

## Branch Birthdays

### October – November - December 2018

Donald Cagle	October 2
Daniel Hull	October 7
Robert Bean	October 10
Allen Davis	October 13
Don McGrogan	October 22
Carla Scott	October 31



Richard Peterschick	November 1
Harlan Oliver	November 10
John Love	November 11
Gerald Fitzgerald	November 18
George Ginter	November 18
Jerome Duffney	November 21
Charles Murray	November 21
William Klein	November 29

Douglas Morgan	December 1
David Danley	December 2
Peg Burke	December 4
Willis Pratt	December 21
Tom Liston	December 23
Gerald King	December 30

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL!

### 2018 FRA/LAFRA Northwest Region Convention

The 2018 NWR Convention was held in Boise, ID and attended by Delegates Michelle Davis, Anna Martin, and Peg Burke. Shipmate Allen Davis attended the dinner and swearing in ceremony of the new NW Regional Officers.

### The NWR Officers for the 2018-2019 year are:

**President** – Bill Hall, Branch 382, Nampa, ID  
**Vice President** – Scott Dudley, Branch 97, Whidbey Island, WA  
**Secretary/Treasurer** – Peg Burke, Branch 38, Spokane, WA

A list of the NWR Committee Chairmen will be sent out in the next bulletin.

The NW Region's LAFRA (Auxiliary) elected a full slate of officers for 2018-2019. LAFRA NP Jean Smith was on hand to swear them into office. The new **LAFRA NW Regional President** is Rose Hall (wife of Bill Hall, RPNW)

The issue of the merge between the Northwest and West Coast Region was discussed and it seems as if the West Coast Region is not interested in merging. All the NWR Officers attended the National Convention and more will be mentioned on this subject in that report.

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### **2018 National FRA/LAFRA Convention**

Shipmate Peg Burke was Branch 38's delegate to the National Convention in San Antonio, TX. The Northwest Region had their entire slate of Regional Officers at this convention in addition to a large delegation from Wyoming Branch 59. In total, the NW Region took up two tables of eight at the banquet on Saturday night's dinner.

During this convention the NED, Tom Snee, collapsed and had to be taken to the local hospital. He was admitted and kept for a couple of days. NW Regional Vice President Scott Dudley is Shipmate Snee's nephew and he was the family's contact during this incident.

National President Bill Starkey's daughter Laurie, a LAFRA member, also collapsed with a pulmonary embolism and had to be hospitalized also. At last report, she was doing fine and was to be released around the 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> of October.

Shipmate Burke served on the National Budget Committee for the Convention since several members of that committee did not make to the convention due to illness, etc. PNP John Johnson from NWR Branch 104 was the Committee Chair for the convention in place of Shipmate George Kaye. I can tell you that the FRA budget for 2019 is about as lean as it can be. There is nowhere else to cut unless we downsize the FRA staff.

The Budget Committee had recommended that we hold a **“Conference” versus a “Convention” per se in 2019** since there was no one stepping up to host a convention for that year. This is something we have not done in the past, but we are going to give it a good try. It is my understanding that we can get Corporate Sponsors for a “Conference” but not for a convention. We would invite other military organizations to attend a “Conference” to learn more about the Defense Health Agency, the Tricare system, VA information, etc. They would pay a “registration” fee and FRA members would get to attend the conference free. Along with this “Conference” we would also hold the FRA Convention. It would be a combination of both. The delegates adopted this idea and for the first time we will be attending a Conference in addition to the holding the convention. FRA HQ staff

will organize the “Conference” and a committee has been set up to organize the convention part.

The convention delegates did adopt a bid for the **2020 FRA/LAFRA Convention**. PRPNW Lazzaretti of NWR Branch 18 and PNP Johnson of NWR Branch 104 put together a bid to have it held at the Sheraton at the Airport in Portland, Oregon. Looks like the NW Region will be hosting their second national convention in five years.

The **merge** between the West Coast and Northwest Regions was brought to the convention floor and discussed. The West Coast representatives made clear they were not in favor of it. Two or three options were put on the table, one of which was to realign the Southwest, Northwest, and West Coast regions. This caused quite stir and several people let it be known that if we were going to realign regions, then it should be done nationwide. It was finally decided that the incoming National President would appoint a committee to study a realignment to include not only the West Coast and Northwest, but nationally. This committee would report back to the National Board of Directors at the 2019 Mid-Year meeting with their recommendations

Wyoming Branch 59 Representative PRPNW Michael Archer asked that the Realignment Committee consider putting their branch in the West Coast if there is no merger. They ask this because they say they are closer to other West Coast Branches than they are with Northwest one.

**FRA made history in electing their 2018-2019 National Officers.** They elected their first African American as National President and their first woman at National Vice President.

**FRA National President - Robert Washington**  
**FRA National Vice President - Donna M. Jansky**

The LAFRA elected:

**LAFRA National President -Christina Murry**  
**LAFRA National Vice President - Bea Parco**

A good many LAFRA past national officers have been elected to their respective regional offices again.

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**Calendar Year 2018 Meeting Locations**

All meetings, monthly and quarterly, are on the **third** Saturday of the month.

- October 20, 2018**      McKenzie River Pizza.  
2910 E. 57th Ave., Spokane, WA

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- November 17, 2018**    Qtrly Meeting at **10:00 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- December 15, 2018**    **Christmas Party at 11:00 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission, Spokane, WA

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

- **Beardsley Family Restaurant**—26009 N Hwy 395, Orient, WA—Owned by members of a retired navy husband and wife Chiefs
- **Chiefs Bar & Grill**—417 E. 1<sup>st</sup> St., Odessa, WA – Owned by Mike and Sherri Frederick. Both were 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**—[don@popularpatch.com](mailto:don@popularpatch.com), 9030 N. Hess St, Ste 111, Hayden, ID – Owned by Branch Shipmate Don McGrogan (Ask for military discount).
- **Roi’s Furniture**—1611 N. Monroe St, Spokane, WA – Owned by Branch 38 Shipmate Roi Sigler
- **Sailor Girl Soap and Supplies**—[www.sailorsoapgirl.com](http://www.sailorsoapgirl.com). Plummer, ID—owned by a former Navy member.
- **Taco Del Mar Restaurant**—12501 N. Division St., Spokane, WA – Owned by Master Chief Frank Schoonover.
- **Twenty-Seventh Heaven LLC**—1220 S. Grand Blvd, Suite A, Spokane, WA.—Owned by LT Lydia Cowles

**Membership Dues Are Higher beginning in 2017**

The cost of renewing your membership beginning January 1, 2017 has gone up as listed below:

1 Year	\$40.00	
2 Years	\$75.00	(6% discount)
<b>2 Years</b>	<b>\$64.00</b>	<b>(1st time new mbrs)</b>
5 years	\$180.00	(10% discount)

***Branch 38’s policy for new members to the FRA and Branch 38 is it will pay \$24.00 and the new member pays \$40.00.***

**Calendar Year 2019 Meeting Locations**

All meetings are on the **third** Saturday of the month.

- January 19, 2019**      **Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- February 16, 2019**    **Monthly Meeting at 10:30 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- March 16, 2019**      **NOON Luncheon at McKenzie River Pizza, 2910 E. 57th Ave., Spokane, WA**

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- April 20, 2019**      **Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- May 18, 2019**      **Monthly Meeting at 10:30 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- June 15, 2019**      **NOON Luncheon at Longhorn BBQ (West) 7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA**

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- July 20, 2019**      **Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- August 17, 2019**    **Monthly Meeting at 10:30 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- September 21, 2019** **NOON Luncheon at The Onion 7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA**

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- October 19, 2019**    **Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- November 16, 2019** **Monthly Meeting at 10:30 AM**  
VFW Post 51, 300 W. Mission Spokane, WA

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- December 21, 2018** **Christmas Party at 11:00 AM**  
At Timber Creek Buffet, 9211 E. Montgomery Ave  
Spokane Valley, WA

**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: [FRABranch38@gmail.com](mailto:FRABranch38@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 Branch’s email address on your list of approved senders.

**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.

**Past Due FRA Dues - as of 9/30/2018**

Kenneth Gallant      May 2018  
 David Fenn            July 2018  
 Charlie Noble        September 2018

**Upcoming FRA Dues**

Jeff Burke              October 2018  
 Earl Lockie            October 2018  
 Anna Martin          October 2018  
 William Monger      October 2018  
                             Gerald Ellig            November 2018  
                             John Norris            November 2018

**Upcoming FRA Dues (cont'd)**

Donald Cagle          December 2018  
 Allen Davis            December 2018  
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 Allen Davis            December 2018  
 Edwin Hickock        December 2018  
 Don McGrogan        December 2018

Included in the bulletin is the Application Form for the FRA. 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.

Fleet Reserve Association, Inland Empire Branch 38  
 In Loyalty, Protection, and Service,  
 Margret (Peg) Burke, Secretary/Treasurer  
 14707 N. Farragut Lane, Mead, WA 99021-9286  
 (509) 385-7275 or FRABranch38@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 \$40; 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	\$40.00	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	<b>\$64.00</b> (SPECIAL OFFER FOR FIRST TIME MEMBERS)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Yrs	\$75.00 (for renewing or reinstating FRA members)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Yrs	\$180.00	Credit Card No.: _____ 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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