



**Fleet Reserve Association
Inland Empire Branch 38, Inc.
Spokane, Washington**
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DECEMBER 15, 2018 MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

2018-2019 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

2018–2019 Branch Committee Chairmen

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

Introductions:

Read Minutes of November 2018
Treasurer’s Report – December 2018
Communications received since the November 2018 meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Milestone Awards for October – November – December 2018

James Grisham 10 years December 2018 Russell H. Messing 50 years December 2018
Branch President Bean presented Shipmate Grisham’s award at the Christmas Party
Branch Secretary Burke presented Shipmate Messing’s award at his house.
No milestones in October or November ☺

National Officer Nominations - we have received three nominations so far:

NVP PRPSW Mick Fulton is running again this year.
NED PRPEC Chris Slawinski is running for the spot that Shipmate Snee is vacating.
John Davis, Director, FRA Legislative Programs, is also running for the spot that Shipmate Snee is vacating.

NEW BUSINESS

Membership Report – The Branch Membership Report for December had the Branch still at 77. The FRA Director of Membership & Retention has asked us to put a blurb in our next newsletter regarding updating our Membership Contact Information that can be filled out and returned to HQ to update the FRA Membership list.

NWR Convention Minutes and Committee Chairs – The 2018 NWR Convention meeting minutes have been received. The three open positions on the NWR Chair positions mentioned in RPNW Hall’s first Scuttlebutt have been filled. They are: Disaster Relief Chair – Jim Murrell of Branch 382; Americanism-Patriotism Chair – PRPNW Peg Burke of Branch 38; and Youth Activities Chair – JrPRPNW Roger Christopher of Branch 382. All Regional Secretaries were mailed a copy of the NWR Committee Chair listing along with the convention minutes.

Change of VFW Sites for Branch Meetings – In the last year, and especially the four times, of meeting at VFW Post 51 we have been shuffled around the different spaces for our meetings. It seems that the new VFW 51 Post Quartermaster does not have a good handle on what spaces to give the different groups that meet there. It’s a free-for-all to tag what space you can find. The possibility of changing to the VFW Post 1474 (Hillyard), 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA may be an option for us. Shipmate McCully has been asked to see if it would work out for us to meet there instead.

The Branch Secretary will pursue this issue before the next Quarterly Bulletin is sent out so we will have it settled for the 2019 monthly meetings.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Branch 38 Christmas Potluck – We had about fourteen shipmates at the Christmas Potluck with plenty of food to share.

It was noted that the US Flag that Branch 38 was using had only 48 stars. The Secretary/Treasurer was asked to get one that had 50 stars. It was noted that Uncle Sam’s Military memorabilia store in the Spokane Valley is still open, just moved a couple of doors down.

Shipmate Burke checked the boxes of FRA items stored at her house and found two flags with 50 stars on each. One was a 4x6 and the other was a 3x5. She has replaced the one with 48 stars with the 3x5 50-star one she found.

Meeting Adjourned.

Margret “Peg” Burke, Branch Secretary

Robert Bean, Branch President

MEETING PLACES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019

The meetings at VFW Post 51 have been CONFIRMED.

All meetings are on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

The restaurants for March, June, September and October were voted on by Branch Members for our meetings.

3rd Quarter FY 2018 VFW Post 51 and Luncheon Meetings

January 19, 2019 –Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1464, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA
February 16, 2019 - Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1464, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA
March 16, 2019 – MacKenzie River Pizza (South), 2910 E. 57th Ave, Spokane, WA at **Noon**.

4th Quarter FY 2018 VFW Post 51 and Luncheon Meetings

April 20, 2019 – Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1464, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA
May 18, 2019 – Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1464, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA
June 15, 2019 – Longhorn BBQ (West), 7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA at **Noon**.

1st Quarter FY 2019 VFW Post 51 and Luncheon Meetings

July 20, 2019 –Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1464, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA
August 17, 2019 - Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1464, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA
September 21, 2019 – The Onion (North), 7552 N. Division, Spokane, WA at **Noon**.

2nd Quarter FY 2018 VFW Post 51 and Luncheon Meetings

October 19, 2019 – Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1464, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA
November 16, 2019 – Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1464, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA
December 21, 2019 – Timber Creek (East), 9211 E. Montgomery Ave, Spokane, WA at **Noon**

This will be the location of our Christmas Party also!!