



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

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## MARCH 16, 2019 MONTHLY LUNCHEON/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:

Treasurer's Report – March 2019

Read Minutes of February 16, 2019

Communications received since the February 2019 meeting

## OLD BUSINESS

### Milestone Awards - January – February – March 2019

Larry Bachko	5 years	January 2019	Raymond Kuhn	15 years	February 2019
Harold Brooks	20 years	January 2019	Joseph Nannie	45 years	March 2019
Gerald Fitzgerald	40 years	January 2019			

*Shipmate Bachko was presented his award at the February Meeting. Shipmate Brooks in Montana and Shipmate Nannie in Alabama will receive theirs by mail. Shipmates Kuhn and Fitzgerald both live in the Spokane area and we will try to deliver them to their homes.*

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

- NP NVP Donna Jansky is running.
- NVP PRPSW Mick Fulton is running again this year.
- NED PRPEC Chris Slawinski is running for the spot that Shipmate Snee is vacating.  
Director, FRA Legislative Programs, John Davis is also running for the spot that Shipmate Snee is vacating.
- *We have received a letter from PRPEC Slawinski asking for our support in his bid for NED.*
- *The Branch held a discussion on who to support for NED at today's meeting and they voted to support John Davis, Director of Legislative Programs as NED for 2019-2021. The Branch Secretary will prepare the letter for the Branch President's and Secretary's signatures.*

## NEW BUSINESS

**Membership Report** – The Branch Membership Report for February has the Branch at 77. They have made some changes/additions to the monthly Branch Reports to include information requested by FRA Branch Secretaries and Presidents. They look to be easier to read (the Branch 38 Secretary has been using the type of changes/additions for a while on the Branch developed Excel listing).

**Deceased Shipmates** – Shipmate Bruce Timblin passed away January 24, 2019. His services will be March 20, 2019 at the VFW in Sandpoint, ID at noon. The Branch has arranged to have Military Honors at the services.

**Regional Convention – 2019** – The Regional Convention is being sponsored by Seattle Branch 18 on September 6-8, 2019, at the Delta Hotels Seattle Everett, 3105 Pine St, Everett, WA 98201. Room rates are \$113 per night plus tax. Reservations can be made online at <https://bit.do/2019NWFR> or 425-339-2000 until August 2, 2019. The meal information will come out sometime after May 1<sup>st</sup>. For more information, please contact RPNW Pete Lazzaretti at [pr@frabranch18.org](mailto:pr@frabranch18.org) / 253-444-7516.

*Hospitality Room opens – 1600 – Thursday - September 5<sup>th</sup>*

*Welcome Aboard – 1900 – Friday - September 6<sup>th</sup>*

*Opening & General Session – Saturday – September 7<sup>th</sup>.*

**National Convention – 2019** - This convention is being hosted by the FRA and being handled by the National Committee which was elected by the delegates. It will be held September 22-29, 2019 at Crowne Plaza Memphis East, 2625 Thousand Oak Blvd, Memphis, TN 38118. It is located at I-240 and Perkins eight miles from the Memphis International Airport, sixteen minutes from downtown, and thirteen minutes from Graceland. There is on-site self-parking which is complimentary. There is complimentary airport transportation to and from the hotel and within a five-mile radius of the hotel.

There are two room rates, one with Breakfast included and one without breakfast. Room rates apply for up to three dates prior and three days following the convention dates. The cut-off date for the block of rooms will be held until **Sunday, September 1, 2019**. Reservation requests received after 5:00 pm local time at the hotel on the cut-off date will be accepted based on guest room availability at the Group rate. The telephone number for reservations is: **Crowne Plaza Worldwide Reservations at 844-750-1135**.

- Fleet Reserve **WITHOUT Breakfast - \$99** plus 17.75% tax and the City of Memphis Hotel Tourism Fee of \$2 per day (Block code **FLA**. Be sure to mention “Fleet Reserve Association.”)
- Fleet Reserve **WITH Breakfast - \$109** plus 17.75% tax and the City of Memphis Hotel Tourism Fee of \$2 per day (Block code **FLB**. Be sure to mention “Fleet Reserve Association.”)

**NW Regional Convention 2020** – NWR Time and Place Chairman, PNP John Johnson, has sent out an email to Branches 29 (Bremerton), 38 (Spokane), 46 (Honolulu), 55 (Portland), 97 (Whidbey Island), 170 (Everett), and 174 (Sequim), requesting feedback if they are interested in hosting the 2020 NW Regional Convention. The NW Regional Treasury provides \$400 as seed money to get you started.

**Branch Officers Elections** in the next couple of months we need to start thinking about the upcoming Branch elections. Listed below is the status of each current officer:

Branch Officers’ Terms Expiring – The following terms are expiring for Branch Officers:

President	Robert Bean	Expires 2019 <b>**</b>
Vice President	Michelle Davis	Expires 2019 <b>**</b>
Secretary/Treasurer	Peg Burke	Expires 2020 <b>(One year to go)</b>

Board of Directors’ Terms Expiring – The following terms are expiring for Branch Board of Directors

James Robertson	2 <sup>nd</sup> 5-year term	Expires 2020 <b>(One year to go)</b>
Anna Martin	2 <sup>nd</sup> 5-year term	Expires 2023 <b>(Re-elected last year)</b>
Bruce Vails	5-year term	Expires 2021 <b>(Need to replace ?)</b>

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

**Khaki Ball – 2019** – This year’s Inland Empire Khaki Ball will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at the American Legion Post 143, 1138 E. Poleline Ave, Post Falls, ID 83853-6150. It will begin at 1700 hours and will cost \$20 per person for the meals, a buffet style dinner with three entrees. Point of Contacts are Master Chief Moon ([mrcmoon@yahoo.com](mailto:mrcmoon@yahoo.com)) and Shipmate James Grisham ([grishamgrisham@yahoo.com](mailto:grishamgrisham@yahoo.com)). The Branch 38 Secretary will send out an email regarding this event early in March 2019 to all those on the branch’s email list and also publish it in the next Branch bulletin.

Val Moon is the Khaki Ball Treasurer and all monies for your meals need to be sent by check to her by March 31, 2019 at **4723 N. Hawthorne St, Spokane, WA 99205** or use **Paypal** at [‘mrcmoon@yahoo.com’](mailto:mrcmoon@yahoo.com).

Events:	Social Hour	Oldest & Youngest CPO + cake Cutting
	Chief Introductions	Buffet Dinner
	Sea Story Contest	White Elephant gift exchange

**Spokane Indians Military Appreciation Night** – will be Saturday, August 17, 2019. Game tickets are available by calling 509-343-6886. First pitch will be at 6:30 pm. They will be playing the Eugene Emeralds that night.

**Branch 38 Member Up for Election to Post Commander at VFW Post 51** – Shipmate David Lord is up for election to Post Commander at VFW Post 51. His is serving as their Vice Commander right now.

Meeting Adjourned.

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Margret “Peg” Burke, Branch Secretary

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Robert Bean, Branch President

**MEETING PLACES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019**

*The meetings at VFW Post 1464 have been CONFIRMED.*

*All meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month.*

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

**3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter FY 2018 VFW Post 51 and Luncheon Meetings**

**March 16, 2019** – MacKenzie River Pizza (South), 2910 E. 57<sup>th</sup> Ave, Spokane, WA at **Noon**.

**4<sup>th</sup> 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**.

**1<sup>st</sup> 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**.

**2<sup>nd</sup> 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!!**