



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

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## JUNE 15, 2019 MONTHLY MEETING/LUNCHEON MINUTES

### 2019-20 Branch Officers

President Robert Bean  
 Vice President Michelle Davis  
 Sec/Treasurer: Peg Burke

Chaplain Dennis McCully  
 Master-at-Arms Ralph Bean

### Board of Directors

*Plus Branch Officers:*  
 James Robertson (Exp 2020)  
 Bruce Vails (Exp 2021)  
 Anna Martin (Exp 2023)

### 2019-20 Branch Committee Chairs

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

**Branch Officers, Board of Directors, and Committee Chairs remain in the same positions for 2019-2020.**

Introductions:

Read Minutes of May 18, 2019

Treasurer's Report – June 2019

Communications received since the May 2019 meeting

## OLD BUSINESS

### Milestone Awards – April – May – June 2019

Michelle Davis	25 years	April 2019	A. M. Pagnotta	25 years	June 2019
Gerald Sands	40 years	April 2019			

**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.ly/2019NWFRA> or 425-339-2000 thru 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 -Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>*

*Welcome Aboard – 1900 – Friday – Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>*

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

*Shipmates Michelle Davis and Anna Martin have volunteered to be Branch 38's Delegates at this year's NWR Convention.*

**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.")

We have received the second newsletter for the National Convention with the meals, etc. included in it. It is on the Branch website for all to access.

*RPNW Bill Hall and PRPNW Pete Lazzaretti will be Branch 38's proxies at the National Convention this year.*

## NEW BUSINESS

**Membership Report** – The Branch Membership Report for June has the Branch at 78.

**NW Regional President Visit** – RPNW Bill Hall was not able to be at our Quarterly Luncheon at the Longhorn BBQ in Airway Heights. With the death of PRPNW Bud Bessey of Roseburg Branch 328, he traveled to their Branch this week to help the remaining Branch 328 officers get a handle on running their branch. PRPNW Bessey was the founder and “knowledgeable” person of the branch who knew what had to be done and how to do it.

The issue that he was going to bring up at our meeting was hosting the 2020 NW Regional Convention because no one else is stepping up. 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.

*The issue of hosting the 2020 NW Regional Convention was discussed and tabled until the July Meeting when Shipmates Davis and Martin are back from their trips to visit family.*

### GOOD OF THE ORDER

**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.

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 1474 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.*

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY 2018 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings**

**June 15, 2019** – Longhorn BBQ (West), 7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA at **Noon**.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY 2019 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings**

**July 20, 2019** – Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA

**August 17, 2019** - Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1474, 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 1474 and Luncheon Meetings**

**October 19, 2019** – Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, (Bingo Hall), Spokane, WA

**November 16, 2019** – Monthly Meeting at **10:30 AM** at the VFW Post 1474, 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!!**