



**Fleet Reserve Association
Inland Empire Branch 038, Inc.
Spokane, Washington
www.frabranch38.org**

**JANUARY – FEBRUARY – MARCH 2020
BRANCH BULLETIN**

2019-20 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 (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

Milestone Awards

January – February – March 2020

Robert Bean	20 years	January 2020
Thomas Craig	20 years	January 2020
William Sheretz	25 years	January 2020
Dale Stevenson	25 years	January 2020
Charles Imus	45 years	January 2020
Harlan Oliver	40 years	February 2020
Ruben Mercado	40 years	March 2020

Calendar of Upcoming Events (Cont'd)

15 Feb Monthly Meeting at **10:30 am** at
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
2902 E. Diamond, Spokane, WA

17 Feb President's Day

19 Feb USCG Reserves Birthday (1941)

25 Feb Mardi Gras

26 Feb Ash Wednesday

March 2019

03 Mar US Naval Reserve Established (1915)

04 Mar US Navy Band Established (1925)

05 Mar US Navy Seabees Birthday (1942)

08 Mar Daylight Saving Time Begins

17 Mar St Patrick's Day

19 Mar First Day of Spring

21 Mar Quarterly Lunch/Meeting at **Noon**
Twiggs Bistro & Martini Bar (**South**)
4230 S. Regal, Spokane, WA

29 Mar Vietnam War Veterans Day

Calendar of Upcoming Events

January 2020

01 Jan New Year's Day

18 Jan Monthly Meeting at **10:30 am** at
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
2902 E. Diamond, Spokane, WA

20 Jan Martin Luther King Jr Day

28 Jan Observance of USCGC Blackthorn
(WLB-391) Sinking

February 2020

02 Feb Groundhog Day

04 Feb USO Birthday (1941)

13 Feb Women Marines Birthday (1943)

14 Feb Valentine's Day

Two-Bell Ceremony – The following members were honored at a two-bell ceremony during the November Branch Meeting: Bruce Timblin, Wayne Lozier, Ed Hickok Sr, PNP James Scarbro, PNP Joe Maez, PRPNW Bud Bessey, LAFRA PRPSW Emma Ivins, and ADM George W. Lotzenhiser (he was from the Spokane area).


Wreaths Across America (WAA) – Shipmate Baldwin made a proposal that the Branch could not turn down. If the Branch purchased 30 wreaths from WAA, he would donate \$250 of his personal monies to the Toys-for-Tots local program. The Branch membership voted to accept his proposal.

The Branch Secretary delivered the \$250 for the Toys for Tots program to the local NOSC Marine Corps Reserve Representative in November 2019.

On December 14, 2019 Branch Shipmates helped lay wreaths at the Washington State Veterans Cemetery in Medical Lake, Washington.

Branch Birthdays

January – February – March 2020

James Greer	January 3	
William Stroyan	January 8	
Donald Fisher	January 14	
Robert Hunt	January 17	
Thomas Lang	January 19	
William Sheretz	January 22	
		
Charlie Noble	February 19	
David Melges	February 22	
James Robertson	February 23	
Jack Terry	February 25	
Rick Baldwin	February 28	
Marion Ballard	February 28	
Russell Messing	March 1	
George Peck	March 4	
Roi Sigler	March 25	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL!

Access to Fairchild AFB has been changed. You, and your passengers, will need to have one of the following or you will have to stop at Security and get a pass for the time you are on base:

- Active Duty Military ID Card
- Retired Military ID Card
- Veterans Affairs ID card
- Military Reserve ID Card

Nominations for National Officers 2020-2021

There are two nominating resolution received by the Branch Secretary:

- NP Nominee - NVP Mick Fulton
- VP Nominee - PRPEC James Campbell

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, please contact the Branch Secretary at: FRABranch38@gmail.com..

Membership Dues

The cost of renewing your membership is as follows:

1 Year	\$40.00	
2 Years	\$75.00	(6% discount)
2 Years	\$64.00	(1st time new mbrs)
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.

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. Please renew. Your voice and help is needed in the FRA.

Past Due FRA Dues - as of 10/01/2019

Charlie Noble September 2019

Upcoming FRA Dues

Larry Bachko	January 2020
Harold Brooks	January 2020
Peg Burke	January 2020
Thomas Craig	January 2020
Gerald Fitzgerald	January 2020
Harlan Oliver	February 2020
Raymond Kuhn	February 2020
Douglas Morgan	February 2020
John Love	March 2020
Marion Ballard	March 2020

Included in the bulletin is the Application Form for the FRA. **Please make all checks out to the FRA.** You can also mail them direct to the FRA office.

2020 NW Regional Convention – will be hosted by Mt Rainier Branch 104, Puyallup, WA on August 27-29, 2020. From what we understand, it is going to be at a LaQuinta Hotel not far from the casino they used the last time. Supposedly, the new addition to the casino will be done by the time we hold the convention there. The LaQuinta does have a restaurant at the hotel.

2020 National FRA/LAFRA Convention - is being hosted by the Northwest Region and will be held at the Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel, 8235 NE Airport Way, Portland, OR the week of September 27 – October 4, 2020. Room rates are \$112 per night plus 15.3% hotel tax. Oregon does not have a sales tax, but they do have those pesky hotel taxes☹. Parking will be on-site complimentary self-parking. Shipmate Burke is on the NW Region Convention Committee as Co-Chair and Secretary/Treasurer (just like in 2015).

2021 NW Region Convention – will be hosted by Inland Empire Branch 38 in Spokane, WA. We have received correspondence from the Ramada at the Airport in Spokane and the Centennial by Davenport Hotels (formerly Red Lion at the Park) to see if we are interested in holding at the locations. The Ramada, which is where we had the 2014 NWR Convention, has not been contacted as yet. The Secretary tried calling the Centennial, but their voice mail was outdated and no one returned my call. We need to start working on this and plan for it to be sometime in end of July to mid-August 2021.

**Businesses owned by
Coast Guard / Navy / Marine Veterans**

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. 1st St., Odessa, WA – Owned by Mike and Sherri Frederick. Both were Chief Petty Officers.

Hat ‘N Patch—Website at www.hatnpatch.com – owned by Rod Truitt. They carry military & patriotic hats, patches, pins & more.

Popular Patch—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.sailorsoappgirl.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

Uncle Sam’s Flag & Gift – 14109 E. Sprague Ave, #7A, Spokane Valley, WA –Owned by Chief Lance Johnson.

Calendar Year 2020 Meeting Locations

All meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.

January 18, 2020 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

February 15, 2020 Monthly Meeting at 10:30 AM
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

March 21, 2020 NOON Luncheon at
Twiggs Bistro & Martini Bar – South
4230 S. Regal, Spokane, WA

April 18, 2020 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

May 16, 2020 Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave
Spokane, WA

June 20, 2020 NOON Luncheon at
Rancho Chico Mexican Restaurant - West
2023 W. Northwest Blvd, Spokane, WA

July 18, 2020 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

August 15, 2020 Monthly Meeting at 10:30 AM
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

September 19, 2020 NOON Luncheon at
Prospectors – North
N. 12611 Hwy 395, Spokane, WA

October 17, 2020 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave,
Spokane, WA

November 21, 2020 Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM
VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave
Spokane, WA

December 19, 2020 Christmas Party at 11:00 AM
Conley’s Place – East
[12622 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA](http://12622.E.Sprague.SpokaneValley.WA)

The Branch Monthly meeting and Quarterly Lunch dates and locations can be found on the Branch Website at www.frabranch38.org.

In Loyalty, Protection, and Service,
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