



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

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JUNE 13, 2020 MONTHLY MEETING 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

Introductions: Read Minutes of May 30, 2020
 Treasurer’s Report – No changes from the May Report except for \$0.33 Dividend to savings.
 Communications received since the May 2020 meeting

OLD BUSINESS

Milestone Awards for April – May - June

Rick Hermann	5 years	April 2020	None for the Month of May
Tom Liston	45 years	April 2020	
Richard Casselman	65 years	April 2020	None for the Month of June

Nominations for NW Regional Officers 2020-2021

Regional President RVPNW Danny Hunt - Gem State Branch 382 of Nampa, ID
 Regional Vice President Michelle Davis – Inland Empire Branch 38 of Spokane, WA

2020 NW Regional Convention – will be hosted by Mt Rainier Branch 104, Puyallup, WA on August 27-29, 2020. It will be at the La Quinta Hotel at 1425 East 27th St, Tacoma, WA 98421. They can be reached at 253-383-0146. The Group name is **FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION**. The rate of \$119 plus taxes will be in effect four day before and 2 days after. This includes a free Continental Breakfast. This is a **non-smoking** hotel. We have received Branch 104’s convention newsletters.

Delegates are: Michelle Davis, Chair, Anna Martin, and Rick Baldwin

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). The first convention newsletter is on the FRA Website.

Delegates are: Michelle Davis, Chair and Anna Martin

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.

The Branch selected the following officers for the Convention Committee:

Chair – Anna Martin Vice Chair – Michelle Davis Secretary/Treasurer – Peg Burke

Chair Anna Martin reported that the convention committee had visited several sites and we have chosen the Hampton Inn off Sunset Hwy as the site for the 2021 NW Region Convention on August 19-22, 2021.. It will allow us to run a hospitality room like we have in the past.

NEW BUSINESS

Membership Report – The Branch Membership Report for May is 76.

2019-2020 National Americanism Essay Winners - Good News! Branch 38's 12th Grade First Place entrant in the FRA Essay Contest went all the way to the National Contest and WON!

Taylor Smith won first place in the 12th grade group and also won as the Overall Winner. Taylor will receive \$2500 for first place in the 12th grade category and \$5000 for Overall Winner. We are working with Hanford High School to find a way to present the plaque, certificates, and monies in person.

We have received the plaques and certificates and are ready to schedule a trip to West Richland as soon as they get to move into the next reopening phase. They are still in Phase 1.

Here are the newly installed officers that begin their service as of July 1, 2020:

2020-21 Branch Officers

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

Chaplain Dennis McCully
Master-at-Arms James Robertson

Board of Directors

Plus Branch Officers:
Harold Young (2020-2021)
Anna Martin (2018-2023)
Rick Baldwin (2020-2025)

2020–21 Branch Committee Chairs

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

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Meeting Adjourned.

Margret “Peg” Burke, Branch Secretary

Robert Bean, Branch President

Calendar Year 2020 Meeting Locations

All meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.

4th Quarter FY 2019 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

June 13, 2020 - Monthly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
A pizza lunch was provided by the branch as our birthday month lunch.

1st Quarter FY 2020 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

July 18, 2020 - Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
August 15, 2020 - Monthly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
September 19, 2020 - NOON Luncheon at – West: Rancho Chico Mexican Restaurant, 2023 W. Northwest Blvd, Spokane, WA

2nd Quarter FY 2020 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

October 17, 2020 - Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
November 21, 2020 - Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474 (Bingo Hall), 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
December 19, 2020 - Christmas Party at 11:00 AM – East: Conley’s Place, 12622 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA
The restaurant is owned by the same people who own the White Elephant stores which are closing permanently. Will need to check on if they will still be open by Christmas.