



**Fleet Reserve Association
Inland Empire Branch 38, Inc.
Spokane, Washington**
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SEPTEMBER 18, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

Introduction of non-member guests and visiting shipmates – There were none this month.

The Blessing of God was invoked by Branch 38 Chaplain Dennis McCully followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the reciting of the Preamble to the Constitution of the Fleet Reserve Association.

Meeting was declared convened at 12:25 pm:

The Minutes of the August 2021 Meeting were read and approved as changed.

Standing Committee Reports:

- Americanism-Patriotism: Chair Anna Martin reported that the rules have some changes on them this year, i.e. Title must be on the top of the page & must be just on one page. The Branch won an award ribbon at the NW Regional Convention to put on our flag.
- Hospitals, Welfare & Rehabilitation: Chair Michelle Davis reported that the committee also was awarded an award ribbon at the Regional Convention.
- Membership & Retention: Chair Michelle Davis had nothing new to report
- Public Relations: Chair Ralph Bean was not present and the Branch Secretary said the next quarterly bulleting is due out sometime in October. It may be late due to her involvement in the 2021 National Convention.
- Veterans Service: Chair Dave Lord is ready to take on the duties of assisting our FRA veterans in submitting their VA Claims. This committee also received an award ribbon from the NW Regional Convention.
- Youth Activities: Chair James Grisham had nothing to report this month.

Communications received since the August Meeting were presented.

The Treasurer's Report for as of 8/31/2021 was included on page 4 of the Meeting Agenda.

UNFINISHED OR DEFERRED BUSINESS

2021 NW Regional Convention – was hosted by Mt Rainier Branch 104, Puyallup, WA at the La Quinta Hotel at 1425 East 27th St, Tacoma, WA 98421 on August 28, 2021.. A business meeting was held in the morning and officers were elected and installed in the afternoon.

Regional Vice President
Regional Secretary/Treasurer

Rex Faubion – Branch 104
PRPNW Margret 'Peg' Burke – Branch 38

The 2021-2022 NW Regional President will be installed on October 8, 28, 2021 at National Convention.
Regional President RVPNW Michelle Davis – Branch 38

93rd FRA / 88th LAFRA National Convention (aka 2020 Convention) – The FRA/LAFRA National Convention will be the Mirabeau Park Hotel in Spokane Valley, Washington on October 2-9, 2021. The Branch Secretary/Treasurer will contact the branch volunteers when she is ready to hold a “stuffing party” to fill the delegate bags for the convention.

National Convention Hospitality Room Supplies & Help

Shipmate Burke needs help with the shopping list from the FAFB Package Store & Commissary, and Costco if needed. Shipmate Baldwin volunteered to help.

She also needs volunteers to man the Hospitality Room October 3 thru 9, 2021 (See Draft Convention Schedule)

Shipmate Burke will send out an email with schedules attached so Branch 38 Shipmates can sign up to volunteer to help with Master At Arms duty at National Convention (two each time).

2022 NW Region Convention – Will be hosted by Inland Empire Branch 38 in Spokane, WA. The Hampton Inn off Sunset Hwy will not honor the government rate for 2022. This makes the committee looking for a new site for the 2022 NW Region Convention. It will be held August 19-21, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

Fifty Year Milestone Award

Shipmate Leo Fagan’s fifty-year award has been received for presentation. Branch President Bean suggested that we contact him to see if he would come to the convention for a business meeting and we would ask NP Mick Fulton to present it to him.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Northwest Regional President Danny Hunt sent an email to all the CONUS branches of the Northwest Region asking for \$100 donations to fund a tourist bus to take all the Dinner Cruise attendees at the convention to the site instead of us trying to rent vans/cars to take them the 25 miles to the Coeur d’Alene Resort. Shipmate Bean, Branch 38 President donated \$20 toward the effort. It was moved, seconded, and passed that Branch pay the other \$80 to make it a full \$100. Shipmate Robertson, a Seabee vet, presented \$50 from the Seabee Vet Island #6 towards the fund for the bus.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm after the closing prayer given by Branch 38 Chaplain McCully.

Margret “Peg” Burke, Branch Secretary

Robert Bean, Branch President

2021-22 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:
Anna Martin (2018-2023)
Rick Baldwin (2020-2025)
Harold Young (2021-2026)

2021-22 Branch Committee Chairs

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

Calendar Year 2021 Meeting Locations

All meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.

1st Quarter FY 2020 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

September 18, 2021 NOON Luncheon at – North: The Onion, 7552 N. Division, Spokane, WA

2nd Quarter FY 2020 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

October 16, 2021 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

November 20, 2020 Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474 (Bingo Hall)
2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

December 18, 2021 Christmas Party at 11:00 AM – Conley’s Place 12622 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA