



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

**OCTOBER – NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2021
BRANCH BULLETIN**

Calendar of Upcoming Events

October 2021

- 02 Oct** Nat'l Firefighters Memorial Weekend
- 11 Oct** Columbus / Indigenous People Day
- 13 Oct** U.S. Navy Birthday (1775)
- 16 Oct** Monthly Meeting at **10:30 am** at
*VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
2902 E. Diamond, Spokane, WA*
- 31 Oct** Halloween

November 2021

- 02 Nov** Election Day
- 07 Nov** Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 10 Nov** U.S. Marine Corps Birthday (1775)
- 11 Nov** Veterans Day
FRA 97th Birthday (1924)
- 20 Nov** Monthly Meeting at **10:30 am** at
*VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
2902 E. Diamond, Spokane, WA*
- 25 Nov** Thanksgiving Day

December 2021

- 01 Dec** Deadline for FRA Essay Contest
Submissions
- 07 Dec** Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- 18 Dec** Monthly Lunch/Meeting at **NOON**
*Conley's Place (East) Xmas Party
12622 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA*
- 21 Dec** First Day of Winter
- 25 Dec** Christmas Day

2021 Northwest Regional Convention

The 2021 Northwest Regional Convention was held on August 28, 2021 at the La Quinta Hotel located at 1425 East 27th St, Tacoma, WA 98421. It was hosted by Mt. Rainier Branch 104. This was the first Northwest Regional Convention held since 2019 due to the Pandemic causing disruption to the World's way of life in 2020.

The NW Region Budget & Finance Committee recommended three items that the delegates at this convention vote to change:

- #1. That the Northwest Regional Treasurer move \$10,000 from the savings account to Edward Jones investment account.
- #2. That the Financial Year for the region be changed to January 1st thru December 31st. The Treasurer will check into the feasibility of changing the financial year from its current July 1st – June 30th timeframe.
- #3. Increase the NW Regional Essay Contest payouts for the regional winners to reflect **\$75** vs \$50 for each first place winner, **\$50** vs \$30 for each second place winner, and **\$25** vs \$20 for each third place winner. This raises the total payout to **\$900** vs \$600 if all six grades have a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winner.

The NW Region Time & Place Committee reported that the 2022 Northwest Regional Convention will be sponsored by Inland Empire Branch 038 of Spokane, WA and will be held August 19-21, 2022. A new site needs to be picked because the Hilton Brand hotels/motels will not honor the government rate in 2022.

The 2023 Northwest Regional Convention will be sponsored by Gem State Branch 382 of Nampa, ID.

Northwest Regional Officer elections were held and the following were elected for 2021-2022 term:

RPNW	Michelle Davis – Branch 38
RVPNW	Rex Faubion – Branch 104
NWR Sec/Treas	Peg Burke – Branch 38

The Regional VP and Sec/Treas were sworn into office by PNP John Johnson at the convention. The Regional President will be sworn in at the 2021 National Convention in Spokane Valley, WA on October 8, 2021.

93rd FRA/88th LA FRA Convention (2021 National Convention)

The 2021 FRA / LAFRA National conventions were hosted by the Northwest Region, Fleet Reserve Assn October 2 - 9, 2021 at the Mirabeau Park Hotel and Convention Center, 1100 N. Sullivan Rd, Spokane Valley, Washington.

A special thanks to Branch 38 Shipmates Baldwin, McCully, and Grisham for all the help they gave us all week in the Hospitality Room. And thank you to Shipmates Miller and Hundley from Branch 97, Whidbey Island, and Convention Chair PRPNW Lazzaretti for their help in the evenings. Other shipmates from the Northwest Region filled in when they were needed. You all made the operation of that endeavor successful.

We had four delegates to the convention treated at the Multi-Care Valley Hospital, one receiving stitches in his head for a fall in his shower, one fell and injured his wrist/hand and wore a brace for the rest of the convention. Two were hospitalized for over a week with medical issues. They are both home now and doing fine.

This shows the need for informing the local medical and emergency facilities when the FRA/LAFRA conventions are held in their locale. Our group is ageing, and medical care should be taken into consideration when planning the conventions for the delegates' safety.

National FRA Officers elected and installed are:

National President	James Campbell
National VPresident	Robby Robbins
Nat'l Exec Director	Chris Slawinski

An additional duty was added to the national Budget and Finance Committee, i.e. Audit. The committee will now be the Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee. This committee's chair was approved to be the Jr Past National President of the FRA since they have the necessary expertise from being involved in the budgeting and financials during their terms as National Vice, and National President.

There will no longer be a permanent "Director of Veterans Services" because the FRA has qualified Veterans Service Officers throughout the regions. The FRA staff will serve as the advisors to the committee which will be chaired by an accredited VSO and contain one member from each region.

The Americanism-Patriotism Essay Contest has seven themes that shall be used on a rotating basis. The Committee recommended that the themes be revised and updated to the students of the 21st Century. For example: "*What My Vote Will Mean to Me*" will now be "*What the Vote Will Mean to Me*". The justification for this is that the school systems are now hosting 1st generation Americans, and soon to become Nationalized American Citizens. This may also give the American students, who's generations span 200+ years an opportunity to re-evaluate their heritage.



Bouquet presented to PRPNW Peg Burke for her work on the 2021 convention.

Calendar Year 2021 Meeting Locations
All meetings are the third Saturday of the month.

November 20, 2021	Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM
VFW Post_1474 (Bingo Hall) 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA	
December 18, 2021	Christmas Party at 11:00 AM
Conley's Place (East), 12622 E. Sprague Spokane Valley, WA	

Milestone Awards

October – November – December 2021

William Monger	35 years	October 2021
Leo Fagan	50 years	October 2021
Thomas Grieb	30 years	November 2021
Gerald Ellig	45 years	November 2021
George (Allen) Davis	5 years	December 2021

Branch Birthdays

October – November - December 2021

Don Cagle	October 2
Val Moon	October 5
Dan Hull	October 7
Robert Bean	October 10
George (Allen) Davis	October 13
Paul Manly	October 14
Don McGrogan	October 22
Carla Scott	October 31
Richard Peterschick	November 1
Harlan Oliver	November 10
Gerald Fitzgerald	November 18
George Ginter	November 18
Jerome Duffney	November 21
Charles Murray	November 21
William Klein	November 29
Richard Engleman	November 30
David Danley	December 2
Peg Burke	December 4
Willis Pratt	December 21
Tom Liston	December 23
Gerald King	December 30



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**.

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 in the next column are those shipmates that have not paid their dues 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 9/30/2021

Val Moon	June 2021
Gerald King	September 2021

Upcoming FRA Dues

Daniel Hull	October 2021
Gerald Ellig	November 2021
William Klein	November 2021
George (Allen) Davis	December 2021
James Grisham	December 2021
Don McGrogan	December 2021

Included in the bulletin is the Application Form for the FRA. **Please make all checks out to the FRA.**

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.

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.sailorsoapgirl.com. Plummer, ID—owned by a former Navy member.

Twenty-Seventh Heaven LLC—1220 S. Grand Blvd, Suite A, Spokane, WA.—Owned by LT Lydia Cowles

Uncle Sam's Flag & Gift – Spokane Valley Mall (close to Macy's on the first floor) 14700 E. Indiana Ave, Spokane Valley, WA –Owned by Chief Lance Johnson.

2021-22 Branch Officers

President Robert Bean
 Vice Pres Michelle Davis
 Sec/Treas Peg Burke (2021-2023)

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

Proposed Calendar Year 2022 Meeting Locations*All meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.***3rd Quarter FY 2021 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings**

January 15, 2022 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

February 19, 2022 Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

March 19, 2022 Monthly Mtg at NOON – Black Angus Steakhouse
 11724 E. Indiana, Spokane Valley, WA

4th Quarter FY 2021 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

April 16, 2022 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

May 21, 2022 Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

June 18, 2022 Monthly Mtg at NOON at Longhorn BBQ, 7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA

1st Quarter FY 2022 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

July 16, 2022 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

August 20, 2022 Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

September 17, 2022 Monthly Mtg at NOON at Twiggs Bistro & Martini Bar, 4320 S. Regal, Spokane, WA

2nd Quarter FY 2022 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

October 15, 2022 Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

November 19, 2022 Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474 (Bingo Hall)
 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

December 17, 2022 Christmas Party at 11:00 AM – Golden Corral, 7117 N. Division, Spokane, WA

The Branch Monthly meeting and Quarterly Lunch dates and locations can be found on the Branch Website at
www.frabran38.org.

In Loyalty, Protection, and Service,
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FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION - APPLICATION FORM

Active duty, reserve, and retired enlisted members of the USN, USCG, USMC; non-sea service personnel of the U.S. Armed Forces with prior enlisted sea Service; and commissioned officers with at least one day of enlisted sea service are eligible for membership. Annual membership is \$40; discounts are available for longer-term memberships. Simply complete this form, enclose payment and return to FRA, Branch 38 representative.

Name: _____ Rating/Rank: _____

Address: _____
 Street Lot/Space City State Zip Code

Date of Birth: _____ Social Security No.: _____ Phone #: () _____

Email Address: _____

Service: _____ Status: _____ Membership Preference: Branch 038 Member-at-Large _____

Previous FRA member? Yes: _____ Member Number: _____ No: _____

Recruited by: _____ Member No.: _____ Branch: _____

Spouses Name: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Dues

<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Yr	\$40.00	Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> MC	<input type="checkbox"/> Visa	<input type="checkbox"/> Discover Card	<input type="checkbox"/> AE	<input type="checkbox"/> Check-enclosed
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Yrs	\$64.00	(SPECIAL OFFER FOR FIRST TIME MEMBERS)				
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Yrs	\$75.00	(for renewing or reinstating FRA members)				
<input type="checkbox"/>	5 Yrs	\$180.00	Credit Card No.: _____				
			Exp. Date: _____				

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