



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

Introduction of non-member guests and visiting shipmates – The families of our shipmates were in attendance since this was our annual Christmas lunch.

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 just at 12:15 p.m.

The Minutes of the November 2021 Meeting were read and approved.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

- Americanism-Patriotism: Chair Anna Martin reported that the branch has received four Essays to be judged and forwarded to the NW Region Chair for consideration at that level. The grades represented are 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Hospitals, Welfare & Rehabilitation: Chair Michelle Davis reminded everyone to continue following the Covid-19 protocols, to get vaccinated if they have not already done so.
- Membership & Retention: Chair Michelle Davis had nothing to report this month.
- Public Relations: Chair Ralph Bean was not present/
- Veterans Service: Chair Dave Lord was not present.
- Youth Activities: Chair James Grisham mentioned that the Military Women's Soccer team will be in the Spokane area next summer. The Branch Secretary will look up the schedule and put it in the upcoming Quarterly Bulletin.

Communications received since the November Meeting were presented.

The Treasurer's Report for as of 11/33/2021 was included on page 3 of the Meeting Agenda.

**UNFINISHED OR DEFERRED BUSINESS**

- 2022 NW Region Convention – Will be hosted by Inland Empire Branch 38 in Spokane, WA. It will be held August 19-21, 2022. The committee needs volunteers to help us plan it.
- Veterans' Cemetery Wreaths – Br 38 purchased 36 wreaths. They did not having a public ceremony again this year due to the COVID-19 restrictions. The hope to be able to have the memorial ceremony next year.

Rudy Lopez, Director of the Veterans Cemetery at Medical Lake, WA asked the Branch to let all our veterans know that there is a revised (Dec 2021) Eligibility Application now on their website for everyone to fill out so it can be added to your reservation for a burial spot at the cemetery. The Branch Secretary will add this form as an attachment to the upcoming Quarterly Bulletin that will be mailed to all Branch members.

- **Toys for Tots** – Donations from Shipmate Baldwin of \$200 and Branch 38 President Bean of \$50 were received. The Branch Treasurer will deliver a check to the Toys for Tots organization on Monday.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Shipmates Lost** – Shipmate Tom Liston passed away on November 6, 2021. Just before the meeting started we received a telephone call from Bruce V. Vails’ son that his dad had passed away on November 27, 2021. Both are now serving on the Supreme Commanders team.
- **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 38 President presented Shipmate Davis with his 5-year pin.
- **Membership Award Pins** – The Branch is low on pins to present in the next two years. The Branch Secretary/Treasurer had drafted an order of what we will need. The question of whether to order pendants for 35 year awards or pins was discussed. The vote was to go for the pins since the number of years is worthy of the larger cost. It takes a while to get these from FRA HQ so we are ordering enough to cover the next two membership years.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

- **Khaki Ball** – No one present at the Christmas Lunch had attended the Khaki Ball that was held in November.

Meeting was adjourned at Noon after the closing prayer given by Branch 38 Chaplain McCully.

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Margret “Peg” Burke, Branch Secretary

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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.***2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY 2020 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings****December 18, 2021** Christmas Party at Noon – Golden Corral, 7117 N. Division, Spokane, WA**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  
*Cancel - Branch is  
 NWR Convention Hosts*  
**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 – Conley’s Place 12622 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA