



**Fleet Reserve Association  
Inland Empire Branch 38, Inc.  
Spokane, Washington**  
[www.frabranch38.org](http://www.frabranch38.org)

**October 15, 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

Introduction of non-member guests and visiting shipmates: Unit 382 members Terie and Josh Lord

The Blessing of God was invoked by Chaplain Dennis McCully

Meeting was declared convened at 10:35 a.m.

The Minutes of the August and September 2022 Meetings were read and approved.

Standing Committee Reports:

**Americanism-Patriotism** – Chair, **Anna Martin** was absent and there was nothing to report.

**Hospitals, Welfare & Rehabilitation** – Chair, **Michelle Davis** asked if anyone had anything to report this month.

**Membership & Retention** – Chair, **Michelle Davis** reported that how the delivery of the FRA Today magazine will be changed future.

**Public Relations** – Chair, **Peg Burke** reported that there will be concerts for Veterans by the USAF Band and the Ferris High School at the Martin Woldson Theater at the Fox during the week of 6 November 2022. There are flyers for the Ferris High School concert available to take home with you.

**Veterans Service** – Chair, **Dave Lord** reported that the PACT Act has been passed by Congress. He also stated that you should never have to pay to file a Service Claim or the Camp LeJeune water problems ether.

**Youth Activities** – Chair, **James Grisham** had nothing to report this month.

Communications received since the September 2022 Meeting were covered.

The Treasurer's Report for as of 9/30/2022 was submitted and approved.

**UNFINISHED OR DEFERRED BUSINESS**

- **94<sup>th</sup> FRA / 89<sup>th</sup> LAFRA National Conventions** - October 16-22, 2022

The 2022 National Convention is being hosted by various Branches and Units in the Southeastern Region. It will be held October 16-22, 2022 at the Hyatt Regency's Wynfrey Hotel at 1000 Riverchase Galleria, Birmingham, AL. Room Rates are \$116 per night plus 14% tax and a Tourist fee of \$2. The deadline for making reservations is September 18, 2022.

According to their Newsletter #1 there is a \$10 per day (24 hrs) self-parking fee, or you can do valet-parking for \$20 per day (24 hrs). The parking fees would be added to your Master bill. Reservations can be made by calling 205-705-1234 or by using this URL address: <https://www.hyatt.com/en-US/group-booking/BHMR/G-6FRA> Newsletters #1, #2, #3, and #4 have been received and posted to the Branch and NW Regional Websites.

***Branch Vice President Michelle Davis is the Branch 38 Delegate for the 2022 National Convention.***

## NEW BUSINESS

### **Milestone Awards - October – November - December 2022**

Jeff Burke	10 years	October 2022	Ralph Bean	25 years	November 2022
Don Cagle	35 years	December 2022	William Klein	30 years	November 2022

**Meeting Place** Change - VFW Post 1474 has taken on the distribution of more meals for the homeless shelters that The Guardians are managing. Therefore the “Bingo Hall” will not be available to us for future meetings. The VFW has agreed to let us use the Club area since it does not open until Noon on Saturdays. Is this what we want to continue doing, or do we want to seek another option?

***Branch 38 Shipmates present voted to continue meeting at the VFW 1474 club until the Bingo Hall was available again.***

**Holiday Activities** – There are four upcoming “Holidays” that we need to plan for:

- **Halloween – October 31<sup>st</sup> ☺** Be safe out there!
- Veterans Day – November 11 There will be a ceremony at the Spokane Arena.
- Thanksgiving – November 24
- Christmas – December 25

## Good of the Order

It was mentioned that the U.S. Postal Service was going to raise rates again in January 2023 and that everyone should buy a supply of stamps prior to that. Three members of the Branch asked to be put on the email list for the Quarterly Bulletin. The Branch Secretary took down their names to add them to her list of emailed bulletins.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:5 a.m. after the closing prayer given by Chaplain Dennis McCully.

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Margret “Peg” Burke, Branch Secretary

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Robert Bean, Branch President

### **2022-2023 Branch Officers**

President	Robert Bean
Vice President	Michelle Davis
Sec/Treasurer:	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)

### **2022-2023 Branch Committee Chairs**

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

## Calendar Year 2022 Meeting Locations

*All meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.*

*We will no longer meet in the “Bingo Hall”*

### 2nd Quarter FY 2022 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

October 15, 2022	Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
November 19, 2022	Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
December 17, 2022	<b>Christmas Party at 11:00 AM</b> – Conley’s Place 12622 E. Sprague, Spokane Valley, WA

## PROPOSED: Calendar Year 2023 Meeting Locations

*All meetings are on the third Saturday of the month.*

*We will no longer meet in the “Bingo Hall”*

### 3rd Quarter FY 2022 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

January 21, 2023	Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
February 18, 2023	Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
March 18, 2023	Luncheon Meeting at NOON at <i>The Cracker Barrel – EAST</i> 1875 W. Lee Ct, Coeur d’Alene, ID (I-90 East - Exit 11)

### 4th Quarter FY 2022 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

April 15, 2023	Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
May 20, 2023	Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
June 17, 2023	Luncheon Meeting at NOON at <i>The Onion – NORTH</i> 7552 N. Division St, Spokane, WA

### 1st Quarter FY 2023 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

July 15, 2023	Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
August 19, 2023	Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
September 16, 2023	Luncheon Meeting at NOON at <i>El Charrito – SOUTH</i> 4303 S. Regal, Spokane, WA

### 2nd Quarter FY 2023 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings

October 21, 2023	Qtrly Meeting at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
November 18, 2023	Monthly Mtg at 10:30 AM at the VFW Post_1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
December 16, 2023	Luncheon Meeting at NOON at the <i>Longhorn BBQ – WEST / XMAS Party</i> 7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA