



**Fleet Reserve Association
Inland Empire Branch 38, Inc.
Spokane, Washington**
www.frabran38.org

<u>2025 -</u>	<u>2026 Branch Officers</u>	<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>2025 - 2026 Branch</u>	
<u>Cmte Chairs</u>				
President	Michelle Davis	<i>Plus Branch Officers:</i>	Americanism	Rick Baldwin
Vice President	James Grisham	Rick Baldwin (2020-2025)	HW&R	Michelle Davis
Sec/Treasurer:	Peg Burke	Harold Young (2021-2026)	Public Relations	Peg Burke
		James Grisham (2023-2028)	Veterans Services	Dave Lord
Chaplain	Dennis McCully		Youth Activities	Robert Bean
Master-at-Arms	James Robertson			

JANUARY 17, 2026 - MINUTES

Introduction of non-member guests and visiting shipmates:

Invoke the Blessing of God – **Chaplain**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Preamble

Declare Meeting convened.

Read Minutes of December 20, 2025, meeting. Minutes were accepted.

Standing Committee Reports

Americanism-Patriotism – Chair, **Rick Baldwin**

HW&R and Membership – Chair, **Michelle Davis**

Public Relations – Chair, **Peg Burke**

Veterans Service – Chair, **Dave Lord**

Youth Activities – Chair, **Robert Bean**

Communications Received

Treasurer's Report – There were handouts for all the BOD's.

Unfinished or Deferred Business

Annual SOS Report Submitted

The annual report has been submitted by outgoing Secretary/Treasurer Dave Lord.

Having problems getting into IRS to do 990 Report

Shipmate Burke is having a problem getting into the IRS website to submit our annual 990 report.

Zoom has been replaced by Microsoft MyTeams for the new 2026 Calendar Year Meetings.

New Business

Branch 038 Standing Rules Revision

This item is crucial and needs to be taken into consideration as the first item of business:

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Changed from “will take” to “has taken” action and added the last sentence in its entirety. Branch 038 is operating under 1216(a) as of 15 November 2025. This means that we do not have to elect five board members anymore. We can elect the normal three board members that we had in the past.

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Changed the amount to \$0.50 cents to comply with the NWR SR-4(a) of their 2023 NWR By-Laws Change.

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Added in its entirety to clarify what award amounts are set for the Branch Essay Contest winners.

The above Standing Rules Revisions were voted on and approved.

A question was brought up about Standing Rule 07, i.e. to include a paragraph as to when to audit the Branch finances. A motion was made to take that revision up at the February Meeting.

Essay Contest Judging

A motion was made and approved to increase the Branch Award amount to the following effective with this year’s contest: It was moved to add a new Standing Rule to the Branch By-Laws to include the Branch’s directive to pay these awards. It will be voted on at the February meeting.

1st Place - \$50, 2nd Place - \$35, and 3rd Place - \$25

We had three entrants, one each for 9th, 11th, and 12th grades. If the above standing rules are approved these three winners will receive \$50 each for their 1st place awards.

Rebekah Sehi	9 th Grade 1 st Place	Homeschooled	Sponsor from Nine Mile Falls, WA
Aeona Mahalingashetty	11 th Grade 1 st Place	Eastlake High School, Sammamish, WA	
Roy Jones	12 th Grade 1 st Place	Baker Charter School, Pendleton, OR	

Good of the Order

Milestone Awards for FY 2024-25 and 2025-26

The following were awarded their milestone awards:

Laveen Schmidt	50 Years	August 2025
Paul Manly	5 Years	September 2025
Douglas Harms	55 Years	September 2025
Anna Martin	15 Years	October 2025
Daniel Hull	40 Years	October 2025

Shipmates Manly and Martin were presented their awards by Branch President PRPNW Michelle Davis at the January Meeting.. The others will be mailed via USPS.

Upcoming Election of Officers

We will need to basically elect the whole slate of officers this year due to resignations and expirations of terms. We also need to look at our Committee Chairs also to see if they want to continue serving in those positions.

An email will be sent to all members in March, in addition to being listed in the Quarterly Branch Bulletin, to let them know which positions need to be filled for the 2026-2027 term.

Closing Prayer – **Chaplain**

President:

“Let us leave this meeting place fully aware of the obligation that we owe to our country, our Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and the Fleet Reserve Association, and till we meet again let nothing swerve us from our three cardinal principals: Loyalty, Protection, and Service. I now declare this meeting of Branch 038, Fleet Reserve Association, regularly adjourned.”

Margret “Peg” Burke, Acting Sec/Treas

PRPNW Michelle Davis, Branch President

Branch 38 Meeting Dates Calendar Year 2026

<u>February 21, 2026</u>	VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
<u>March 21, 2026</u>	Lunch/Mtg @ The Onion, 7552 N. Division, Spokane, WA
<u>April 18, 2026</u>	Qtrly Mtg VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
<u>May 16, 2026</u>	VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
<u>June 20, 2026</u>	Lunch/Mtg @ , The Iron Horse Restaurant, 407 Sherman Ave, Coeur d’Alene, ID
<u>July 18, 2026</u>	Qtrly Mtg VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
<u>August 15, 2026</u>	VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
<u>September 19, 2026</u>	Lunch/Mtg @ MacKenzie River Pizza, 2910 E. 57th Ave, Spokane, WA
<u>October 17, 2026</u>	Qtrly Mtg VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
<u>November 21, 2026</u>	VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA
<u>December 19, 2026</u>	Xmas Party/Lunch at the Longhorn BBQ, 7611 W. Sunset Hwy, Spokane, WA