



Eight O'Clock Reports

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Important Dates for August 2019

04 Aug ~ U.S. Coast Guard Birthday - 229 Years!
21 Aug ~ Branch Meeting @ 1930 following BoD Meeting
2013 Veirs Mill Rd., Rockville, MD
Teleconference: 1-605-313-4448 Access Code: 864972#

Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

Retention:

Membership As of July 2019				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
90	5	2	0	0

You can renew at www.fra.org or please contact our Branch Secretary for more information.

Recruitment/Reinstatement: See www.fra.org or Branch Secretary for more details on incentive programs.

Attendance: See above for Branch Meeting Date, Time, Location

BRANCH MEETING July 17, 2019

There was no branch meeting because of East Coast Regional Convention (ECRC) that was held July 18-21, 2019 (Details to the right). Below are some key notes and events that happen this month:

Received correspondence from Christina Hitchcock, Director of Membership, which included the July FRA Membership Newsletter and a "Report of FRA Deceased Member" document, which will help the family notify FRA HQ and provide an opportunity for the shipmate to be honored. Will distribute with those members with e-mail addresses. Any shipmate who does not have e-mail and wants a copy of the Report document please notify President Rauch.

President Rauch has the Branch appointment letters ready and will submit to the branch secretary for the following branch positions and committees for the period starting July 1, 2019 thru June 30, 2020:

Secretary - PRPEC Gunther
Treasurer - PRPEC Gunther
Chaplain - PRPEC Gunther
Master-at-Arms - Jr. Past President Keith Kaider

Chairman of Standing Committees

American & Patriotism - PRPEC Gunther
Hospitals, Welfare, & Rehabilitation - RPEC Phillipp
Public Relations - PRPEC Gunther
Youth Activities - Jr. Past President Keith Kaider
Membership & Retention - President Rauch
Audit Committee Chairman - Jr. Past President Keith Kaider
Audit Committee Trustee - RPEC Phillipp

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony preparations will be discuss at next meeting. More information to come.

FRA National Convention nominating resolutions will need to be discuss at next meeting for the following positions:

- National President: NVP Donna Jansky (Br. 031)
- National Vice President: PRPEC Penny Collins (Br. 024) and PRPSW Michael "Mick" Fulton (Br. 289)
- National Executive Director: PRPEC Chris Slawinski (Br. 181), DLP John Davis (Br. 181) and PNP Virgil Courneya (Br. 274).

Branch and Unit 182 hosted July CLC meeting and Annual Raffle drawing was held, details on back of newsletter.

75th FRA and FRA Auxiliary 2019 East Coast Regional Convention (ECRC)

This year's ECRC was held in Greenville, NC at the Holiday Inn of Greenville and hosted by Branch 301 Greenville. Our Branch delegates President Rauch, PRPEC Gunther, PRSEC Kaider and RPEC Phillipp were all in attendance.

The ECRC started with the Opening Ceremonies on Friday, July 19, 2019 at 1400. The ECRC was officially called to order by Shipmate Lee Newton, Chairman; LAFRA PRPEC Dee Kessinger, Co-Chair; and LAFRA PRPEC Aida Littlejohn, Co-Chair. The Guest Speakers were P.J. Connelly, Mayor of Greenville, and Jolynn & Jeff Lee for the Combat Reboot Program. The LAFRA conducted a Memorial Service and the FRA conducted the Two Bell Ceremony to honor past Auxiliary members/Shipmates. Afterwards the Gavel was presented to LAFRA RPEC Cristina Dixon and FRA RPEC Randy Phillipp, respectively. The meeting was called to recess until 0900 Saturday, July 20, 2019.

Later that night there was a Welcome Aboard Party.

On Saturday, July 20, 2019 at 0900 the FRA Business Session was called to order. With 22 out of 27 branches registered, 41 delegates registered and a voting strength of 248. Reports of the Regional Officers, President Randy Phillipp, Vice President Sha'ron D Martin, and Secretary Paula Falu were read. Treasurer Venetta Charles was unable to attend due to a death in her family. The State and National Legislative Representatives from DC, MD, VA, NC and National Headquarters reported on Veteran programs and laws that pertained to their state or the Nation as a whole. (Note: DE had no report)

Next on the agenda was the Reports of the Standing Committees. This is where the results of the regional branches' submissions for the various committees were revealed. Our branch placed 1st for American & Patriotism, Youth Activities, and Hospitals, Welfare, & Rehabilitation and 3rd for Public Relations in Group 4. Congratulations Shipmates! For a full listing of the results please see the back of this newsletter.

There was no Bylaws & Rules resolutions submitted.

Due to Treasurer not present, Budget & Finance and Audit could not be conducted. A special committee was created with PNP Bill Combs appointed as chairman. The committee will conduct audit and send out letter to Branch Secretaries and Presidents once completed.

The Time & Place committee reported that Branch 181 will host the 2020 Mid-Year Meeting on February 14-15, 2020 in Richmond and Branch 24 (Annapolis, MD) will host the 2020 ECRC. No branch has volunteered to host the 2021 Mid-Year or ECRC as of this convention.

New business consisted of reports from the 2019 Mid-Year and Regional Convention committees and discussions on the 2020 Mid-Year/Regional Convention. The next item was the 2019-2020 Elections of Regional Officers. The following officers were elected:

RPEC - S/M Sha'ron D Martin, Branch 166
RVPEC - S/M Brian Jones, Branch 93
RTEC - S/M Gabriel Falu, Branch 99

PNP Virgil Courneya installed S/M Jones as RVPEC. Note: RTEC (elect) will be installed after audit has been conducted. Good of the order was then held and business was adjourned by RPEC Phillipp at 1530.

That night a banquet was held and S/M Martin was installed by S/M Kenneth Golden in a mock installation (right). Cristina Dixon was also installed as LAFRA RPEC by LAFRA PRPEC Toni O'Neill. S/M Martin and Cristina Dixon will be officially installed at the National Convention in September. The night continued with dinner, live entertainment and dancing. Overall another great Convention!!!



Upcoming Meetings/Events

2019 FRA/LAFRA NATIONAL CONVENTION

September 22 - 29, 2019
 Crowne Plaza Memphis East
 2625 Thousand Oaks Blvd., Memphis, TN 38118
 \$99.00 (without Breakfast) (Code: FLA)
 \$109.00 (includes a Full and Complete Breakfast) (Code: FLB)
 Reservations: 844-750-1135, Cut-off September 1, 2019

Central Liaison Committee

October 26, 2019 2:00 PM at Branch 181
 125 N. West St., Alexandria, VA 22314



Two Bell Ceremony in remembrance of those Shipmates that have received orders to serve on the Staff of the Supreme Commander.

PNP James Scarbro

Please remember our troops overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Carlton Thigpen, Jr 2nd Thomas Rauch 14th
 Fred Williams 4th Wesley Stokes, Jr 20th
 John Koval 9th James Casper 31st

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

AUGUST FRA ANNIVERSARIES

Gerald Mouer 39yrs Wesley Stokes, Jr 21yrs
 Carlton Thigpen, Jr 37yrs Helene Delizo 18yrs
 D. Keith Kaider 25yrs Harold Deweese 1yr
 James Carmichael 1yr

Thank you for your support, Shipmates

2019 Redskins Raffle Winners!



The drawing for the Redskins Season Ticket raffle was conducted following the Central Liaison Committee meeting on July 27th at Branch 182 in Rockville, MD. The winning tickets drawn are as follows:

Members Only

Winner elected to take the \$1000 cash option vice the Redskins Season Tickets. This means that we will be selling the Preseason and Regular season games listed below. If you are interested in buying the whole season or separate games please contact S/M Kaider or S/M Rauch by **Monday, August 5, 2019 for preseason/whole season or Sunday, August 11, 2019 for regular season games.** If more than one person wants a specific game we will have a drawing at the August meeting to decide who receives the tickets.

FedEx Field, Section 135, Row 1, Seats 6&7

Preseason:

Thu, Aug 15 vs Cincinnati 7:30 PM
 Thu, Aug 29 vs Baltimore 7:30 PM

Regular Season:

Sun, Sept 15 vs Dallas 1:00 PM
 Mon, Sept 23 vs Chicago 8:15 PM
 Sun, Oct 6 vs New England 1:00 PM
 Sun, Oct 20 vs San Francisco 1:00 PM
 Sun, Nov 17 vs New York Jets 1:00 PM
 Sun, Nov 24 vs Detroit 1:00 PM
 Sun, Dec 15 vs Philadelphia 1:00 PM
 Sun, Dec 22 vs New York Giants 1:00 PM

Overall raffle fundraiser results will be posted in the August newsletter.

Thank you, Shipmates and Ladies

Reports of the Standing Committees

The standing committees determined 1st, 2nd, and 3rd by the submissions received by each branch for the specific activity listed below. Group is determined by the size of the branch.

Americanism/Patriotism				Hospitals, Welfare, Rehabilitation			
Group	1st	2nd	3rd	Group	1st	2nd	3rd
1	24	99	None	1	99	24	None
2	166	181	93	2	166	181	93
3	293	208	172	3	293	208	40
4	182	212	None	4	182	207	None
5	37	219	41	5	257	219	None
Public Relations				Youth Activities			
Group	1st	2nd	3rd	Group	1st	2nd	3rd
1	24	99	None	1	24	99	None
2	166	None	None	2	166	181	93
3	293	208	172	3	293	40	208
4	207	212	182	4	182	207	None
5	37	219	None	5	37	6	301
Membership & Retention				Veterans Services			
Group	1st	2nd	3rd	Group	1st	2nd	3rd
1	24	None	None	1	99	24	None
2	181	None	None	2	181	None	None
3	None	None	None	3	172	None	None
4	None	None	None	4	207	212	None
5	None	None	None	5	309	None	None

Central Liaison Committee Meeting July 27, 2019

Just a couple of quick take a ways from this CLC meeting:

- Received noticed that PNP James Scarbro is now serving on the Staff of the Supreme Commander.
- Congratulations to S/M Brian Condon (Br 181), Chairman; Grace Villanueva (Unit 4), Vice-Chair; and S/M Thomas Rauch (Br 182), Secretary on their election/installation.
- Redskins Raffle Winners were drawn. (See above)
- Great job Branch and Unit 182 for hosting the meeting!

FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182



LAFRA

We did not have our regular July meeting due to the Annual East Coast Regional Convention. Unit Members Gloria Bastian, Dee Kessinger, Aida Littlejohn and Susan Kaider attended the Convention.

Unit Secretary, Gloria Bastian, presented a 50 year membership pin to Dee Kessinger (left) and a 20 year membership pin to Aida Littlejohn (right). Thank you for your continuous service ladies!

Unit Awards Unit 182 received are:

- Americanism/Patriotism: 1st Place
 - Unit Activities: 1st Place
 - Youth Activities: 3rd Place
 - Publicity: 2nd Place
 - Welfare/Rehabilitation: 2nd Place
 - Hospital/VAVS: 3rd Place
 - Unit Report: 2nd Place
- Great job everyone!**



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Dolores Manley 13th
 Dorothy Johnson 21st
 Sandra Long 24th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LADIES

The Branch and Unit hosted the CLC Meeting on July 27. There was good attendance and the food was delicious.

Our next regular meeting will be August 15 at the VFW Post 3285 in Frederick at 11:00 A.M. Hope to see you there!

Respectfully,
Susan Kaider

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Carolyn Self 26yrs

Thank you for your support, Ladies