



Eight O'Clock Reports

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Important Dates for January 2022

- 01 Jan ~ Happy New Year!
- 17 Jan ~ Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 19 Jan ~ Branch Meeting @ 1900 (Held at American Legion Post 86, 2013 Veirs Mill Rd., Rockville, MD)
Zoom: URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/74199719408>
Meeting ID: 741 9971 9408 Password: 5BzGiQ
Dial-In: 1-301-715-8592 or 1-253-215-8782
Meeting ID: 741 9971 9408 Password: 570814
- 22 Jan ~ Central Liaison Committee Meeting (See Back)

Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

Retention:

Membership As of December 2021				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
75	1	1	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 December 18, 2021

At 1300 we started our Annual Christmas party with the Unit that included Branch President Keith Kaider, PNC Paul Gunther, PRPEC Randy Phillipp, Jr. Past President Thomas Rauch, Shipmate Ralph Freibert, Unit President Dolores Manley, Anne Dobbs, Susan Kaider, Helen Trimmer and Brenda Loe. We enjoyed the delicious pizza and cake that was provided by the Branch and Unit.

Shortly after 1400, we started a brief informal meeting with the 5 Branch Shipmates mentioned above that were present.

The meeting started with the Americanism & Patriotism Chairman Shipmate Gunther, reporting that he received 3 Americanism Essays for this year's Essay Contest. The 3 essays received consisted of one each from the 10th, 11th and 12th grades. These essays will be submitted to the East Coast Region for further grading and selection.

Shipmate Rauch brought up the discussion to donate \$125 to the Gaithersburg High School NJROTC for their participation in our Pearl Harbor Ceremony providing the Color Guard and \$100 to American Legion Post 86 for using their hall for the ceremony. President Kaider made the motion and all approved.

Shipmate Rauch reported that the next CLC meeting will be held on January 22, 2022 at Branch/Unit 24, the Mid Year Meeting will be over the weekend of February 18-20, 2022 at the Westin Old Town Alexandria and the East Coast Region Convention will be June 28-30, 2022 in Williamsburg, VA.

There was a motion by President Kaider to not formally read through the November Financial Statement, all branch officers were sent a copy via email. Treasurer will go over next meeting if needed. The November Financial Statement was audited by Audit Committee Chairman, Shipmate Freibert.

At 1430 a motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded and approved. Next meeting will be January 19, 2022 @ 1900 at American Legion Post 86 and Zoom/Dial-in.

Other Items:

- 2022 East Coast Regional Convention Bulletin received from Shipmate Oliveira Br. 293 (Sent to Branch/Unit Members via email)
- FRA Officer Newsletter received 12/15/21 from Christina Hitchcock. (Sent to Branch Officers)
- FRA Triangle 182, Inc., Treasurer Keith Kaider, presented Branch Treasurer Shipmate Thomas Rauch with the annual excess fund distribution for the Branch (See Picture to Right).



FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION TRIANGLE BRANCH 182 58th Annual Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance Service

On December 7, 2021 we held our 58th Annual Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance Service at American Legion Post 86 in Rockville. This was the 80th Anniversary of the Japanese Attack on Pearl Harbor.

The service started at 2000 with the sound of Eight Bells. The Gaithersburg High School NJROTC color guard then paraded the colors (Right Photo). The National Anthem was sung by Lucas Farina (Left Photo) of Damascus High School. After the Invocation was given, Branch President Keith Kaider (Right Photo) greeted and welcomed everyone in attendance. He then spoke about December 7, 1941, "A date which will live in infamy" as quoted by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Which over 2,000 Americans soldiers and sailors died in the attack, and another 1,000 were wounded.

After the Branch President's opening remarks, he introduced our guest speaker Theresa Elliott, PO1, USN (Below Left Photo). After her exciting and heartfelt speech that featured Pearl Harbor Navy Cross recipient PO3 Doris "Dorie" Miller, we sung "God Bless America".

Then Shipmate Rauch read "The Story Begins", conveying the terror that happen that Sunday morning on December 7, 1941. Shipmate Ralph Freibert (Right Photo) then became "The Voice of the Arizona" as if the ship was telling her story from when she was christened in 1916 to her ugly demise in 1941.

President Kaider and PRPEC Phillipp (Below Left Photo) then performed the "Two Bell Ceremony" in remembrance of those Shipmates that have received orders to serve on the Staff of the Supreme Commander. TAPS was played by Shipmate Rob Hebron and the "The Navy Hymn" sung. Selected Passages "O Thus It Be Forever" and "The Duty of the Living" were read by Shipmate Rauch and Shipmate Freibert respectively. The Benediction was given by President Kaider and the service concluded.

Everyone was invited to a reception afterwards to enjoy some refreshments and cookies.

Thank you, American Legion Post 86, Gaithersburg High School NJROTC, Lucas Farina, Theresa Elliott and Triangle Branch 182 for a great service!



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



Please remember our troops who continue to serve at home and around the world.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jack Ensminger	9th	Robert Hebron	14th
Michael Rowsey	9th	John Rash	14th
John Wood	9th	Donald Bambeck	29th
Mark Allen	13th	Kirk Young	31st

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

JANUARY FRA ANNIVERSARIES

Samuel Webb	61yrs	Thomas Williams	10yrs
Norman Clark	48yrs	John Leben	7yrs
		James Crytzer	37yrs

Thank you for your support, Shipmates

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Central Liaison Committee

January 22, 2022 2:00 PM at Branch 24
100 Compromise St, Annapolis, MD 21401

2022 East Coast Region Mid-Year Meeting

February 18-20, 2022
The Westin Old Town Alexandria
400 Courthouse Square, Alexandria, VA 22314
Reservations 1-866-837-4210 \$109/night

Branch and Unit Annual Christmas Party



Unit President Dolores Manley and Branch President Keith Kaider cutting the cake.



Left-to-Right: Keith Kaider, Anne Dobbs, Dolores Manley, Thomas Rauch, Susan Kaider, Brenda Loe, Paul Gunther, Helen Trimmer, Randy Phillip, Ralph Freibert.



Shipmate Paul Gunther sporting his Christmas socks!



We had a great Christmas party with the Unit and enjoyed the pizza & cake!



Triangle Branch and Unit 182 would like to wish you

Happy Holidays!



FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182



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On December 7, several Unit members attended Branch 182's annual service for Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

On December 18, we held our annual Christmas party with Branch 182. After pizza and cake, we enjoyed socializing and sharing our plans for the holidays.

Our next regular meeting will be January 20, 11:00A.M., at VFW Post 3285, in Frederick, Md. Please join us!

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Respectfully,
Susan Kaider



Left-to-Right: Anne Dobbs, Dolores Manley, Susan Kaider, Brenda Loe, and Helen Trimmer.



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Delorice Kessinger 23rd

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LADIES

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Sharon Trubilla 35yrs
Aida Littlejohn 23yrs

Thank you for your support, Ladies

