



# Eight O'Clock Reports

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### Important Dates for October 2022

- 01 Oct ~ Shabbat Shuva Ends at Sunset
- 04 Oct ~ Yom Kippur Begins at Sunset
- 05 Oct ~ Yom Kippur Ends at Sunset
- 10 Oct ~ Columbus Day
- 13 Oct ~ U.S. Navy Birthday! (1775)
- 26 Oct ~ 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  
Dial-In: 1-301-715-8592 or 1-253-215-8782  
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- 29 Oct ~ CLC Meeting (See below)
- 31 Oct ~ Halloween

### Upcoming Meetings/Events

#### 94th FRA / 89th LA FRA National Convention

October 16-22, 2022  
Hyatt Regency's Wynfrey Hotel  
1000 Riverchase Galleria, Birmingham, Alabama 35244  
Reservations: (205) 705-1234 Rate: \$116.00/night, +14% room tax and \$2.00 city tax, use Fleet Reserve Association Group# G-6FRA. (Deadline September 18, 2022)

#### Central Liaison Committee

October 29, 2022 2:00 PM  
Hosted by Branch/Unit 181  
Location: 125 N. West Street, Alexandria, MD 22314

#### Veteran's Day

Friday, November 11, 2022 at 11:00 AM  
Rockville Veterans Park, Intersection of Rt. 28 and Rt. 355

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

John Abraham 17th Jonathan Whiting 18th  
Tommy Stewart 25th

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

### OCTOBER FRA ANNIVERSARIES

Daniel Hilton 45yrs Ralph Freibert 22yrs  
Frank Jacob 43yrs John Koval 10yrs  
Valerie Mathews 1yr

### Thank you for your support, Shipmates

Members Only

Branch Delegate. 2) Shipmate Gunther motioned that we donate \$25 to the FRA Disaster Relief Fund that he will present at the Convention, Shipmate Kaider seconded and all approved. No other new business.

Good of the Order was held and then at 2015 a motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded and approved. Next meeting will be on October 26, 2022 @ 1900 at American Legion Post 86 and via Zoom.

### Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

#### Retention:

Membership As of September 2022				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
68	2	0	0	0

You can renew at [www.fra.org](http://www.fra.org) or please contact our Branch Secretary for more information.

**Recruitment/Reinstatement:** See [www.fra.org](http://www.fra.org) or Branch Secretary for more details on incentive programs.

**Attendance:** See right for Branch Meeting Date, Time, Location

### BRANCH MEETING September 21, 2022



At 1910 President Randy Phillipp convened an informal meeting with 6 members present including Jr. Past President Keith Kaider, PNC Paul Gunther, Shipmate Thomas Rauch, Shipmate Valerie Mathews (Zoom) and Shipmate Mark Allen (Zoom).

The meeting started with discussion and approval of the August Minutes. Shipmate Phillipp made a motion to approve, Shipmate Kaider seconded and all approved.

Next on the agenda was the Report of Committees. Membership & Retention, Shipmate Phillipp reported that as of September we have 68 members with two members for renewal.

Americanism & Patriotism, Shipmate Gunther reported that he received the Essay flyers, rules & coversheets and will distribute to the local area schools.

Hospitals, Welfare, and Rehabilitation, Shipmate Phillipp reported about his father who is not doing well. Our thoughts & prayers go out to him and his family. Shipmate Kaider reminded us that Shipmate Robbie and Marguerite Robertson's internments will be held on Friday, October 28, 2022 @ 0900 at Arlington National Cemetery. Shipmate Kaider reported that Shipmate Robbie's son asked if our Branch could purchase the American flag for the funeral. Shipmate Kaider bought a flag for \$61 and there was a motion made by Shipmate Gunther that we reimburse Shipmate Kaider, Shipmate Allen seconded and all approved. Note: On September 27, 2022, Shipmate Kaider reported that the funeral home will be providing the flag and he will be returning the one he purchased.

Youth Activities, Shipmate Kaider reported that he will reach out to the Gaithersburg High School NJROTC to see if they can participate in our Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony this year.

Pearl Harbor Remembrance, Shipmate Gunther had nothing to report.

Next were communications to be read, Shipmate Rauch went over the following communications that were received or downloaded from the National Mailing List (NML): 1) National Convention Newsletter #4.

Shipmate Rauch went over the August Financial Statement and supporting reports and Shipmate Phillipp made a motion to accept the report that was audited by the Audit Committee Trustee, Shipmate Gunther seconded and all approved.

Unfinished or Deferred Business. 1) Shipmate Rauch submitted an FRA Triangle Branch 182 Bylaws Resolution to delete Article VII, Section 701 from our Bylaws pertaining to the Petty Cash Fund. This will be reviewed again at the October Branch meeting and then be voted on. No other Unfinished/Deferred Business.

New Business. 1) Went over the National Convention Resolutions that are listed on back of this newsletter with Branch preferences. Shipmate Phillipp will not be able to attend, Shipmate Gunther will be our

## Branch Voting Preferences for the 94th National Convention

Resolution	Subject	Vote
NP-1	NVP James E. Robbins	Informed
NVP-1	PRPSE John S. Handzuk	Against
NVP-2	PRPEC Donald A. Hoover	Endorsed
NED-1	Christopher J. Slawinski	For
HM-1	Shirley Moore	Informed
HM-2	John Pelosi	Informed
HM-3	Cynthia R. Bank	Informed
GEN-1	Life Membership PCT	Informed
C&BL-1	Article 3, Section 309(b)	Informed
C&BL-2	Article 6, Section 606(b)	Informed
C&BL-3	Article 8, Section 810(b)	For
C&BL-4	Article 8, Section 813(a)	For
C&BL-5	Article 8, Section 819(a)	For
C&BL-6	Article 15, Section 1508 (d), (f)	Informed
SR-1	SR 5(a)(1)	Informed
SR-2	SR-5(a)(2)	Against
SR-3	SR-5(b)(1)	Informed
SR-4	SR-5(b)(3)	Informed
SR-5	SR-5(b)(5)	Informed
SR-6	SR-5(c)	Informed
SR-7	SR-5(g)	For
SR-8	SR-7(e)	Informed

When delegates go "informed" they will hear the opinions of the C&BL committee and the discussion on the floor before deciding how the branch will vote. Each delegate is permitted to vote independently if a consensus cannot be reached. Note: Our branch voting strength is 4 Votes.

Below is brief summary of each General, C&BL and SR Resolution:

### General Resolution:

**Resolved Summary:** "FRA National Headquarters hold a minimum of a 1-year moratorium on withdrawing any funds, distributing Life Membership PCT Funds to all Branches, and National FRA bank accounts until the Life Membership Program is in compliance with the FRA National C&BL Sections 913 and 914. A report of the status of the compliance shall be made by the FRA National President 60 days prior to the 2023 National Convention."

### Constitution and Bylaws & Standing Rules Resolutions:

#### Article 3, Section 309(b) (Eligibility for Membership)

**Resolved Summary:** Transfers may be accomplished by a signed letter requesting a transfer an electronic message requesting a transfer, or a phone call to FRA Member Services by the member. Requests for transfer shall be accepted from branch secretaries as well as individual members desiring to transfer.

#### Article 6, Section 606(b) (National Convention)

**Resolved Summary:** That Article 6, Section 606 (b) be deleted; and the remaining sections of Section 606 be renumbered, and Section 607(a), C&BL, FRA shall be amended as: "Section 607(a). Each Branch shall have five (5) votes regardless of Members in Good Standing as of 31 March. Branches instituted on or after 1 April shall be allowed one vote until the following 31 March."

#### Article 8, Section 810(b) (Duties of Officers and Committees)

**Resolved Summary:** "The chairmen of standing committees shall make an annual report of their activities to the National Board of Directors and to the National Convention, with such recommendations as they deem proper. Recommendations requiring action by the National Convention shall be submitted in accordance with Section 612; The chairman may schedule meetings via teleconference, video conference or in person to discuss recommendations."

#### Article 8, Section 813(a) (Duties of Officers and Committees)

**Resolved Summary:** "Section 813(a). The committee shall consist of the National Vice President serving as Chairman and each of the Regional Vice Presidents as members, with the Director of Membership Development serving as an advisor."

#### Article 8, Section 819(a) (Duties of Officers and Committees)

**Resolved Summary:** "Section 819(a). The committee shall consist of a chairman and eight members, one from each region."

#### Article 15, Section 1508 (d), (f) (Miscellaneous)

**Resolved Summary:** FRA Cap Regulations - "The purchase of an FRA uniform cap is optional (in accordance with Section 1511) by members of the Fleet Reserve Association and its wear shall be as follows:", and Section 1508 (d) replace the word "authorized" with the word "issued", and Section 1508(f) - Guidelines/Etiquette." be added reading "The FRA Uniform cap should only be worn by members only when in attendance at official FRA meetings or ceremonies or as official guests at patriotic or other civil functions or by individuals when officially representing The Fleet Reserve Association on public occasions. The wearing of any political paraphernalia, obscene or distasteful, or demeaning items is strictly forbidden."

#### SR 5(a)(1) (Committee Reports)

**Resolved Summary:** "Reports shall be submitted on forms provided by the National FRA website which is maintained by National Headquarters. Committee Report Forms may be changed only by action of the delegates



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.



## FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182



LAFRA-09-15-2022

There was no meeting held this month. Next meeting will be October 20, 2022 @ 11:00 am at Urbana Regional Library, 9020 Amelung Street, Frederick, MD 21704.



### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Janet Clark 3rd  
Heather Hughes 19th  
Rosie Hopkins 27th

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY,  
Auxiliary Members**

### OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Patricia Trimmer 42yrs

**Thank you for your  
support, Auxiliary  
Members**

registered at a National Convention".

#### SR-5(a)(2) (Committee Reports)

**Resolved Summary:** "Each Branch shall submit the following reports if the Branch President has appointed such committee: Americanism-Patriotism, Hospitals, Welfare and Rehabilitation, Public Relations, Youth Activities and Veterans Service to the regional chairman of the appropriate committee prior to the convening of the regional convention. A copy of these reports shall be submitted to the Regional President, Vice President, FRA National Headquarters and one copy retained in the branch files".

#### SR-5(b)(1) (National Awards)

**Resolved Summary:** National Awards be amended to read: "For the purpose of competing awards addressed in this standing rule, branches shall be assigned to competitive groups as follows:

- Group I - 413 members or more. (9)
- Group II - 213 to 412 members. (15)
- Group III - 113 to 212 members. (15)
- Group IV - 63 to 112 members. (45)
- Group V - 10 to 62 members. (72)"

#### SR-5(b)(3) (Committee Reports)

**Resolved Summary:** "Each Regional President shall submit the action of the regional convention to the chairman of the appropriate national committee. Only first place winners for each competitive group will be forwarded to the appropriate national committee. Included with the recommendations shall be a copy of the branch committee reports of each membership group and the name of the shipmate nominated for national recognition, if applicable. A copy of the report shall be forwarded to the National Executive Director."

#### SR-5(b)(5) (Committee Reports)

**Resolved Summary:** "Each national committee shall review the regional chairmen's reports and recommend a branch from each membership group to receive national recognition, and if desire, a shipmate to be named Fleet Reserve Association 'Shipmate of the Year' for that committee. The award for the branch of each membership group shall be a streamer three inches wide and thirty-six inches long and made from ribbon material. The streamer shall contain the FRA Emblem and shall be lettered with the committee name, membership group number, placing within that group, and the year awarded. Streamers shall be blue in color for first place, red in color for second place, and white in color for third place. FRA National Headquarters shall provide these streamers to the committee chairman prior to the convening of the national convention. The shipmate approved by the delegates to receive the Fleet Reserve Association 'Shipmate of the Year Award' shall be awarded a plaque and a Certificate of Appreciation signed by the National President."

#### SR-5(c) (National Awards)

**Resolved Summary:** "Membership and Retention -The National Membership and Retention Committee shall make a thorough review of the reported membership progress of the various branches for the preceding 1 April - 31 March. The Committee shall take all available factors including gains, losses, location, and annual regional officers' reports into consideration to recommend the winners of the National Membership and Retention Awards. The annual Membership and Retention awards will be: The Charles E. Lofgren Membership Award for Branches, The Abraham M. Rosenberg Membership Award and The Frank J. McPherson Memorial Award."

#### SR-5(g) (Veteran Services)

**Resolved Summary:** Amended by adding: "SR-5(g). The National Committee on Veteran Service shall select two outstanding Shipmates, one as outstanding Veterans Service Officer (VSO); and one for outstanding VA Voluntary Service (VAVS); with one selected overall outstanding member recognized as "PRPNC Rosemary Posekany Memorial Award" for National Veterans Service."

#### SR-7(e) (Disaster Relief Fund)

**Resolved Summary:** Be changed to read as follows: Standing Rule 7, SR -7(e). Initial withdrawal from the fund shall be limited to \$2,500.00 per family. One additional withdrawal, up to the same amount, may be authorized in the same manner as the first.