



Eight O'Clock Reports

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Important Dates for April 2022

- 01 Apr ~ Chief Petty Officer Grade Established (1893)
- 10 Apr ~ Palm Sunday
- 15 Apr ~ Good Friday
- 15 Apr ~ Passover Begins at Sunset
- 15 Apr ~ Income Tax Deadline
- 17 Apr ~ Happy Easter!
- 18 Apr ~ Patriot's Day
- 20 Apr ~ Branch Meeting @ 1900, American Legion Post 86, 2013 Veirs Mill Rd., Rockville, MD and via Zoom/Dial-in
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
- 23 Apr ~ Passover Ends at Sunset
- 30 Apr ~ Central Liaison Committee (See details on back)

Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

Retention:

Membership As of March 2022				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
74	6	1	1	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

2022 Commanders Raffle Fundraiser

WASHINGTON COMMANDERS

3 CHANCES TO WIN!

Grand Prize:

Winner may choose Season Tickets or \$1000 Cash
SEASON TICKET SEATS
FEDEX FIELD, SECTION 135, ROW 1, SEATS 6&7

2nd & 3rd Prizes: \$500 Cash each

Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20 (only 2000 tickets printed)

Drawing to be held on July 23, 2022 at CLC Meeting
Winner need not to present and will be notified by phone.

Raffle Ticket Information

Post Office Regulations prohibit us from sending raffle tickets through the mail and for members to send money back to us through the mail for the purchase of the tickets.

Therefore, to comply with regulations, five numbered raffle tickets have been allocated to each member. The stubs for those five tickets will be completed as you direct and entered in our raffle drawing upon receipt of your donation. A letter with more information will be sent to each member. If you like to purchase more tickets or help in selling tickets please contact Shipmate Kaider. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Thank you, Shipmates and Auxiliary Members for your support.

BRANCH MEETING March 16, 2022



At 1915 President Keith Kaider convened an informal meeting with 7 members present including PNC Paul Gunther, Jr. PRPEC Randy Phillipp, Jr. Past President Thomas Rauch, Shipmate Ralph Freibert, Shipmate Valerie Mathews (Zoom) and Shipmate Mark Allen (Zoom).

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

Next on the agenda was the Report of Committees. Membership & Retention, Shipmate Kaider reported that as of March we have 74 members, six for renewal, one past due and one termination.

Americanism & Patriotism, Shipmate Gunther reported that our 10th grade winner placed 2nd in region for the 10th grade and that we received that certificate and gift card. Planning to award our Branch winners at the April meeting.

Hospitals, Welfare, & Rehabilitation. Shipmate Phillipp reported that he sent Sympathy cards to the families of Branch Shipmate John Sasso and Shipmate PNP William E. Starkey who received orders to serve on the Staff of the Supreme Commander on November 12, 2021 and March 2, 2022, respectively.

Youth Activities, Shipmate Kaider reported that he received notification from Gaithersburg High School NJROTC Commander Captain Robert Mitton that their Change of Command/Awards ceremony will be held Wednesday, April 27, 2022 @ 0745. Shipmate Freibert volunteered to present our awards. Shipmate Rauch gave two FRA medals to Shipmates Kaider and Gunther each for the respective NJROTC ceremonies at Gaithersburg and Seneca Valley High Schools.

Next were communications to be read, Shipmate Rauch reported that he downloaded the following documents from the National Mailing List (NML) or received via email: 1) FRA Balance Sheet and Quarterly Income Statement. 2) FRA Officer Newsletter Jan-Feb. 3) 2022 East Coast Regional Convention Newsletter #1. 4) FRA National Convention News Letter No 1. 5) NPSL 2-22 Convening of the Natl Board of Directors Mid-Year Mtg. 6) NEDM 3-22 Changes to the FRA CBLs and SRs - 14th Edition - 2021-93. 7) Financial Report of the 93rd Natl Conv - Spokane Valley WA. 8) NEDM 5-22 Nom Reso for NVP James E Robbins Jr for Ofc of NP. 9) NEDM 8-22 Nom Reso for PRPEC Donald Hoover for Ofc of NVP. 10) Nominations and Endorsements Sheet dtd 03-10-22. 11) FRA Officer Newsletter March. No other communications were received.

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

Unfinished or Deferred Business. 1) Annual Washington Commanders ticket raffle preparation, Shipmate Kaider made a motion to accept the new raffle ticket process that is listed to the left under Raffle Ticket Information, Shipmate Phillipp seconded and all approved. 2) Shipmate Rauch reported that he received 50 tickets for the CLC Ravens Swag Raffle and will turn in tickets/pay the \$83.33 at the April CLC meeting. There was no other Unfinished or Deferred Business.

New Business, 1) The 78th East Coast Regional Convention will be June 28-July 1, 2022 at Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center. Meal Order Forms are due by June 1, 2022. Shipmate Kaider made a motion that the Branch purchases the ECRC raffle tickets for \$35, Shipmate Phillipp seconded and all approved. The Journal Ad, Business Cards and Booster Rolls will be tabled until next meeting to give everyone a chance to submit names or business cards, which are due by May 15, 2022. 2) Nominees for Branch Officer Positions are due at the April Branch meeting. Positions include: President and four Directors. No other new business.

Good of the Order was held and then at 2005 a motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded and all approved. Next meeting will be April 20, 2022 @ 1900 at American Legion Post 86 and via Zoom.

Members Only



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

Shipmate John C Sasso
Shipmate PNP William E Starkey

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



In Remembrance

Chief Petty Officer
John C. Sasso USN (Ret)
April 13, 1929 - November 12, 2021



Shipmate John was a FRA Member of 46 years. He was a Navy Corpsmen and served 20 years retiring in September 1966.

Navy Log:
<http://navylog.navy.military.org/sasso-john>

For his full obituary please see the link below:
<https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/23083340/john-carmen-sasso/gaithersburg/maryland/devol-funeral-home>

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Annual LAFRA Arlington National Cemetery Pilgrimage

April 23, 2022

Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel

900 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204

Reservations: (703) 521-1900, \$139+12% tax/night, Code: LAFRA

Central Liaison Committee

April 30, 2022 2:00 PM

FRA National Headquarters, 125 N. West St., Alexandria, VA

2022 East Coast Region Convention

June 28-July 1, 2022

Fort Magruder Hotel & Conference Center

6945 Pocahontas Trail, Williamsburg, VA 23185

Reservations: (757)220-2250 Rate: \$109/night (Cut-Off Date is May)



MEMBERSHIP

Updates Since February 2022

Renewed Members

James Carnahan*
Jonathan Whiting
Thomas Lovett

New Branch Members

None

*Life Membership

Thank you and Welcome, Shipmates!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Arthur Ippolito 8th Danny Snare 14th
William Busico 16th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

APRIL FRA ANNIVERSARIES

Danny Snare 50yrs David Murphy 36yrs
Clem Beck 48yrs Ken Wray 34yrs
James Carnahan 45yrs William Kaczor, Jr 11yrs

Thank you for your support, Shipmates




As a benefit to our members, Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) and Sparkfly Perks have partnered to offer you a unique discount program. This wonderful benefit can simplify your life and will save you money on things like travel, restaurants, electronics, movie and event tickets, shopping, and more! All of your Sparkfly Perks discounts are located on the FRA/Sparkfly Perks discount website and have been arranged by category with specific redemption instructions for each discount.

Accessing your discounts!
Current Fleet Reserve Association (FRA) members will need to log into your "myFRA" profile page to access the FRA Sparkfly Perks website.

Follow the login steps listed on <https://fra.sparkfly.com/> to access the discount website.



ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER



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As of this printing, 57 of 74 Branch members and 14 of 30 Unit members have agreed to receive their newsletter by email.

If you are receiving this newsletter by snail mail and could get it by email, PLEASE send Shipmate Rauch your email address.

Getting the newsletter by email is faster delivery and gives you the COLOR version!

THANK YOU, Shipmates and Auxiliary Members

FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182



LAFRA-03-17-2022

We held our regular meeting on March 17, 2022 at VFW Post 3285 in Frederick, Md. This was our last meeting there, as they are closing to build a new post in the future.

We had five members in attendance, including LAFRA PRP Gloria Bastian.

Helen read "St. Patrick's Day poem" submitted by National President Pat Suckow. Susan read "The Member Who Never Came Back". Susan also read the changes for Branch 182's annual fundraiser of the Washington Commanders raffle. More information to come.

We held nominations for the coming year. They will remain the same:

President: Dolores Manley
Vice President: Helen Trimmer
Secretary: Gloria Bastian
Treasurer: Anne Dobbs

We will have elections in May.

Please remember the people of Ukraine in your prayers.

Until we can locate a permanent location for our monthly meetings, we decided to meet at the Ale House in Rockville at 11:30, April 21. Please join us!

Respectfully,
Susan Kaider

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Delorice Kessinger 54yrs
Lois Custead 25yrs
Susan Kaider 12yrs
Allison Gosnell 12yrs
Mildred Murphy 12yrs
Carmen Serfes 11yrs
Nesha Stone 6yrs

Thank you for your support, Auxiliary Members

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Patricia Trimmer 29th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, Auxiliary Members

