



Eight O'Clock Reports

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Important Dates for November 2018

- 04 Nov ~ Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 06 Nov ~ Election Day
- 10 Nov ~ U.S. Marine Corps Birthday - 243 Years!
- 11 Nov ~ Fleet Reserve Association Birthday - 94 Years!
- 11 Nov ~ Veterans Day
- 21 Nov ~ Branch Meeting @ 1930 following BoD Meeting
2013 Veirs Mill Rd., Rockville, MD
- 22 Nov ~ Thanksgiving Day

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Veteran's Day

Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 11:00 AM
Rockville Veterans Park, Intersection of Rt. 28 and Rt. 355

Annual Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance

December 7, 2018 12:00 PM
Walter Reed National Military Medical Center
Building 7, Memorial Auditorium
8509 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD

Central Liaison Committee

January 26, 2019 2:00 PM at Branch 24
100 Compromise St., Annapolis, MD

TRIANGLE 182, INC.

On October 17, 2018 at 1900, Corporation President Randy Phillipp convened the Corporation meeting with the following members present: Keith Kaider, Paul Gunther, Susan Kaider, Helen Trimmer, Dolores Manley, Brenda Loe, Anne Dobbs and Tom Rauch.

Trustees and Officers for 2018 were elected.

- Susan Kaider, Keith Kaider, and Randy Phillipp were elected as Trustees for the years 2019-2021.
- Randy Phillipp was elected as President;
- Tom Rauch was elected as Vice President; and
- Keith Kaider was elected as Secretary/Treasurer.

2019 Budget and 2018 Financial Statement

Members Only

Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

Retention:

Membership As of October 2018				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
101	5	0	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

BRANCH MEETING October 17, 2018

At 1930 President Rauch convened an formal meeting with 5 members present including PRPEC Paul Gunther, PRSEC Keith Kaider, RVPEC Randy Phillipp, S/M Mark Allen and S/M Ralph Freibert. Special guests, FRA National President Robert Washington, PRPEC Chris Slawinski, and LAFRA PRPEC Aida Littlejohn were in attendance. Plus, 5 members of Unit 182 were attending including Unit President Dolores Manley.

This was a special meeting to install RVPEC Phillipp as Regional President East Coast, Shipmate Randy's mother Joan passed away on September 24, 2018, so he was not installed during the National Convention. Our deepest sympathies go out to Randy and his family.

Open ceremonies were conducted and business was suspended for RVPEC Phillipp's Installation with FRA National President Washington as the Installing Officer. LAFRA PRPEC Aida Littlejohn assisted with the bible and placed his new FRA RPEC cover on his head.

Congratulations to RPEC Randy Phillipp!

After the Two Bell Ceremony and Good of the Order were conducted, President Rauch adjourned the meeting at 2030.

Notes:

Received notification on October 23, 2018 that Triangle Branch Shipmate, Felix Stewart, is now serving on the Staff of the Supreme Commander. Our Deepest Sympathies. (See Remembrance on back)

PRPEC Gunther created an "Synopsis of 91st Fleet Reserve Association National Convention", which is included with this newsletter. The results and details of the National Convention are also in the November *FRA Today* magazine.

Pearl Harbor Preparations are on-going and it has been confirmed that the Bethesda CPOA will host and will be held at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center on December 7, 2018 @ 1200.

Met with the Unit members at the Corporation meeting to discuss the preparations for hosting the July CLC Meeting at the Am. Legion.

Received the September Financial Statement from PRPEC Gunther.



Left: FRA National President Robert Washington installing RVPEC Randy Phillipp with LAFRA PRPEC Aida Littlejohn holding the bible.

Congratulations Shipmate Randy!

Right: FRA National President Robert Washington addressing the Shipmates and Ladies during the Good of the Order.



Left: RPEC Randy Phillipp addressing the Shipmates and Ladies during the Good of the Order.



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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.

Shipmate Felix B. Stewart

Please remember our troops overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan.



In Remembrance

First Class Petty Officer
Felix B. Stewart, USN (Ret)
August 12, 1943 - October 19, 2018



S/M Stewart was a FRA Member of 38 years. S/M Stewart retired from United States Navy in 1984. He enlisted in 1961 and served with the USS Will Rodgers "SSBN-659" as a medical Corpsman during his service with both the Navy and the Marines Corps. After his retirement from the Navy he was employed by the United States Post Office, Gaithersburg, MD.

S/M Stewart was an active member of the Tri-State Base of Submarine Veterans; a life-member of both the American Legion Post #68, Twinbrook, MD where he was part of the color guard and the V.F.W. Post 2562, Twinbrook, MD where he served as chaplain and other committee chairs. He was also a member of the Washington-Rockville Elk's Lodge #15; the Grand Lodge of A.F. and A.M. of Connecticut; and the Fleet Reserve Association.

For his full obituary please see the link below:
<https://www.bowersoxfuneralhomes.com/obituary/Felix-B.-Stewart/Greencastle-Pennsylvania/1819145>



Please join Triangle Branch 182 in the wreath presentation to honor our Veterans at the Rockville Veterans Day Ceremony.

Sunday, November 11, 2018
11 a.m. at Veterans Park
(corner of Rt. 28 and Rt. 355)

About the Event

Join Rockville's Mayor and Council at this annual ceremony in honor of the men and women who served in the nation's armed forces. American Legion Post 86 will lead the wreath laying ceremony and their Honor Guard will present a twenty-one gun salute. A reception will follow at American Legion Post 86 located at 2013 Veirs Mill Road. Parking is available at Sandy Spring Bank located at Fleet St. and Rt. 355.

For more details:

<http://www.rockvillemd.gov/668/Veterans-Day>



FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION TRIANGLE BRANCH 182

In cooperation with the Chief Petty Officer Association Bethesda
Presents its 56th Annual Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance
On the 77th Anniversary of the Japanese
Attack on Pearl Harbor

December 7, 2018
12:00 PM

Walter Reed National Military Medical Center
8509 Wisconsin Ave (Bldg. 7, Memorial Auditorium)
Bethesda, MD



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Robert McNally	5th	Gerald Mouer	24th
Frank Jacob	18th	Daniel Hilton	29th
Richard Johnson	22nd	Joseph DeLauter	30th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

NOVEMBER FRA ANNIVERSARIES

Richard Johnson	51yrs	John Abraham	32yrs
Carol Olson	40yrs	William Barger	15yrs

Thank you for your support, Shipmates



FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION 2018-2019 AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST

Americanism Essay Contest For Grades 7-12

FRA sponsors an annual essay contest to promote the spirit of Americanism and patriotism among our country's youth. FRA's Americanism Essay Contest is open to all students, grades 7 through 12, including those who are home schooled. Students are invited to submit a 350-word essay through an FRA member or local FRA branch before the December 1st deadline. Local winners are forwarded for competition at the regional level and regional winners compete for national prizes.

The grand national winner will receive \$5,000, with additional prizes for the top three essays in each grade category (\$2,500 for first place, \$1,500 for second place, and \$1,000 for third place). Each national winner will receive an attractive plaque citing his/her achievement, and every entrant judged at the national level receives a certificate of recognition. Additional prizes may be awarded to students winning at local and regional levels of competition.

For more information and Americanism Rules go to the following website: www.fra.org/essay or <http://www.fra182.org/essay-contest.html>

Deadline for all entries is **December 1, 2018**

Local entries can be submitted to the below address:

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FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182

LAFRA-10-18-2018

On October 18, we held our meeting at VFW Post 3285 in Frederick, Md. We had six members in attendance.

Helen read an article about the U.S. Navy's 243rd Birthday.

Our project of collecting grocery store coupons for our military families stationed overseas continues. Thank you Marguerite & Robbie Robertson for your huge contribution!

On October 17, five Unit members attended the Corporate meeting with the Branch to discuss hosting the CLC Meeting next July. We will be making more plans in the future.

After the meeting we attended the installation of Branch 182 Member Randy Phillipp as FRA East Coast Regional President. Congratulations again Randy!

Our next meeting will be held on Nov. 15 at 11:00 A.M. at VFW Post 3285, 5901 Old National Pike, Frederick, Md. We would love to see you there!

Respectfully,
Susan Kaider

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Julie Gunther	13th
Rita Benoit	20th
Donna Marie Wooditch	22nd

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LADIES

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Pamela Desensi	40yrs
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Thank you for your support, Ladies

ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER



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As of this printing, 58 of 101 Branch members and 10 of 29 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 S/M Rauch your email address (address on front).

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

THANK YOU,
Shipmates and Ladies.



From the Desk of
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Date: 04 October 2018

To: Members of Branch182, East Coast Region, Fleet Reserve Association

Subj: Synopsis of 91st Fleet Reserve Association

Shipmates, first it was an honor for me to represent our branch at the 91st Fleet Reserve Association's National Convention held at the Omni Hotel in San Antonio, TX 24 September to 30 September 2018. The week was full of activities to downtown San Antonio, to a great Welcome Aboard Party that had two bands playing – a Mariachi group and an old fashion rock group. After opening ceremonies, committees met to finalize their end of the year reports to the delegates and I'll include the results at the end.

National President for 2018-2019

Shipmate Robert Washington, Branch 181, Arlington, VA

National Vice President for 2018-2019

Shipmate Donna Jansky, Branch 031, Peabody, MA

Honorary Memberships:

Lt.Col Joe Johnsons USAF – Approved

Certificate of Merit:

None Received by NHQ

Letter of Intent:

None Received – Special Committee consisting of the same Shipmates and Auxiliary members that hosted and put on the 91st National Convention – Location TBD for 2019

PRPNW Pete Lazzaretti will be hosting the 2020 93rd National Convention in Portland OR Dates TBD

General Resolutions:

None Received

Constitution and Bylaws Resolutions:

- 1) Resolved that Article 3, Section 301, C&BL, FRA be amended to read as follows:
“Section 301, Eligibility for membership in the FRA shall be open to ***all*** personnel who have served or are now serving in an enlisted status or ***in an officer status*** in the United States Navy, United States Marine Corps, and United States Coast Guard, **qualified United States Merchant Marine and United States Naval Academy Midshipmen, United States Coast Guard Cadets and United States Merchant Marine Midshipmen** regardless of length of service, including reserve components.” Committee recommended: **Out of order.**
- 2) Resolved that Article 7, Section 701(d) be amended to read as follows:
“Section 701(d). The Annual Convention on alternating years shall elect for a two-year term the National Vice President and National President, for a three year term the National Executive Director in a year the number is divisible by three. Committee recommended: Disapproval – Delegates Defeated this.”
- 3) Resolved that Article 7, Section 701(e) be amended to read as follows:
“Section 701(e). Regional Presidents and Regional Vice Presidents shall be elected for a two-year term. In the event a region fails to hold a convention for such elections, and the National Convention has been canceled, vacancies of the offices which are due to expire shall be filled by the National Board of Directors as provided in Section 705(a).” Committee recommended: Disapproval – Delegates Defeated this.
- 4) This resolution had a lot of discussion – dealing with the Duties of the National Committee on Membership and Retention.
I believe that the National President Appoints the Chairman to a three year term, with Regional Vice Presidents serving their year as RVP on this very important committee.
- 5) This resolution was very similar to #4 above and since #4 was finished business, #5 is Out of Order

Standing Rules:

SRR-1, establishes the Standing Rule setting up the Veterans Service Foundation.

SR-12 The FRA Veterans Service Foundation

SR 12(a) The Fleet Reserve Association established the FRA Veterans Service Foundation to educate current and former enlisted members of the US Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard and other uniformed service about their VA benefits; advocate and provide without charge appropriate accredited representation to veterans and their dependents before the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA); and other purposes.

SR 12(b) The FRA Veterans Service Foundation is recognized as a separate 501(c)3 tax exempt organization per the IRA determination letter 29 August 2017, and the Commonwealth of Virginia Certificate of Incorporation and Articles of Incorporation 29th March 2017, and functions under specific governing documents.

SR-12(c) The Directors of the FRA Veterans Service Foundation will consist of seven (7) members in good standing of the FRA, elected by the delegates of the FRA National Convention and the FRA National Board of Directors as per the foundation’s bylaws.

SR-12(d) The FRA National Board of Directors (NBOD) has oversight authority regarding the FRA Veterans Service Foundation although the Foundation is a separate and distinct entity.

SR-12(e) The Foundation leadership will report at least once annually to the FRA NBOD to include financial reports associated with donation receipts, awards required IRS reports and administrative expenses.”

Standing Rules Resolution #2

For the purposes of National Awards

Was changed to:

Group I – 518 members or more

Group II – 313 to 512 members

Group III – 113 to 312 members

Group IV – 63 to 112 members

Group V – 10 to 62 members

The following was the winning Shipmates and Branches of awards in the Judging of Committees:

Americanism~Patriotism

	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group IV
1 st Place	269	161	089	201	229
2 nd Place	024	022	162	186	185
3 rd Place	None	061	040	101	017

Walter “Step” Rowell Award: Br. 201

Leonard D. “Swede” Nelson Award PRPEC Darryl McKinley

Robert Doherty Award – None awarded

Hospitals, Welfare and Rehabilitation

	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group IV
1 st Place	269	166	126	298	112
2 nd Place	024	161	163	186	085
3 rd Place	None	289	162	104	037

SOY: S/M Clyde Toller, Br 037

Membership and Retention

Lofgren Membership Award for Branches

	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group IV
	024	None	181	230	185

Lofgren Membership Award for Individuals

Group I – S/M Chris Erickson

Group II – PNP Donald Larson

Group III – NED Tom Snee

Group IV – PRPNW Pete Lazzaretti

Group V – S/M Masen

S/M Abraham Rosenburg Membership Trophy Br 230

S/M Frank J. McPherson Memorial Membership Award S/M Kenny Golden

Public Relations

	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group IV
1 st Place	269	161	162	186	013
2 nd Place	024	094	117	316	185
3 rd Place	None	289	008	031	268

SOY: S/M Robert Huschler

Veterans Service

	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group IV
1 st Place	024	161	181	298	274
2 nd Place	269	None	117	201	123
3 rd Place	None	None	None	044	None

SOY: will be given next year as the Rosemary Posekany Award

Youth Activities:

	Group I	Group II	Group III	Group IV	Group IV
1 st Place	091	070	040	201	017
2 nd Place	024	166	276	293	185
3 rd Place	None	161	162	018	146

SOY: S/M Alfred McMullen Br 131

National President Starkey assigned the same personnel to host the 2019 National Convention – as of right now, dates are unknown and the place is unknown.

S/M PRPNW Pete Lazzaretti will be hosting the 2020 Convention in Portland Oregon; date to be determined.

Shipmates, Again Thank you for letting me be your voice being your proxy at the FRA 91st National Convention and I remain in Loyalty, Protection and Service

PRPEC Paul R. Gunther
Triangle Branch 182 - FRA