



Eight O'Clock Reports

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Important Dates for December 2018

- 02 Dec ~ Hanukkah Begins at Sunset
- 07 Dec ~ Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (See Below)
- 10 Dec ~ Hanukkah Ends at Sunset
- 15 Dec ~ Branch Meeting @ 1400 followed by Christmas Party!
2013 Veirs Mill Rd., Rockville, MD (See Below)
- 21 Dec ~ First Day of Winter
- 24 Dec ~ Christmas Eve
- 25 Dec ~ Merry Christmas!
- 31 Dec ~ New Year's Eve



On Sunday, November 11, 2018, Triangle Branch 182 presented a wreath to honor and pay tribute to our Veterans during the Rockville Veterans Day Ceremony held at Rockville Veterans Park. Thank you to all Veterans and Active Duty members for your service!

The photo to the right shows Branch members from left to right: Branch President Thomas Rauch and RPEC Randy Phillipp.

After the ceremony American Legion Post 86 hosted an reception that Branch and Unit members attended.



Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

Retention:

Membership As of November 2018				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
100	3	2	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 November 21, 2018

At 1900 President Rauch convened an informal meeting with 3 members present including PRPEC Paul Gunther, PRSEC Keith Kaider, and RPEC Randy Phillipp.

We were notified that two Shipmates, Carol Lee Reichard and William E. Harris, received orders to serve on the Staff of the Supreme Commander. Our Deepest Sympathies. (See Remembrances on back)

RPEC Randy Phillipp confirmed that the East Coast Regional Convention will be July 21, 2019 in Greenville, NC. This also confirms that the CLC meeting will be on July 27, 2019 and that the American Legion Hall has been reserved for Branch/Unit 182 to host.

Preparations for our annual Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance Ceremony are still ongoing. The Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC) Memorial Auditorium has been reserved for the ceremony. The Color Guard will be provided by the WRNMMC Command Color Guard. All the ceremony participants have been assigned amongst the branch members in attendance. The WRNMMC CPOA is still working on getting a soloist for the musical arrangements.

Per PRPEC Gunther, there has been no Americanism Essay's received as of this meeting and the deadline is December 1, 2018.

Received information from S/M Paula Falu, ECR Secretary, regarding the Mid-Year Meeting. The meeting will be February 15-16, 2019 in Richmond, VA. Hotel and Banquet reservations are due by February 8, 2019. (See back for Hotel Reservation details)

Received correspondence from Christina Hitchcock, Director of Membership, that included the November FRA Membership Newsletter and FRA Holiday Ornament Order form. The Ornament Order form was sent out to members with e-mail addresses, the deadline was November 23, 2018.

At the CLC meeting on October 27, 2018 it was mentioned that John Davis was nominated for NED by Branch 166 and PRPEC Chris Slawinski was nominated for NED by Branch 181. If you like a copy of the CLC minutes please notify President Rauch.

RPEC Phillipp, Audit Committee Trustee, reviewed and approved the October Financial Statement.

Please note that the December Branch meeting will be on December 15, 2018 and the Branch/Unit Christmas Party will be held after. The Branch will be providing the drinks, chicken and cake. Hope to see you there!

No other business was conducted and at 2000 President Rauch adjourned the meeting.

**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

*Reserved Parking in Garage 32 (Multi-Use Parking)
*If access to the base is needed or you have any questions please
contact President Rauch.

Branch and Unit Annual Christmas Party

You're invited to celebrate the Holidays with us at our annual
Triangle Branch and Unit Christmas Party!

December 15, 2018
2:00 PM
American Legion Post 86
2013 Veirs Mill Road
Rockville, MD

Hope to see you there and Happy Holidays!

Members Only



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

Shipmate Carol Lee Reichard
Shipmate William E. Harris

Please remember our troops overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan.



In Remembrance

Carol Lee Reichard, USMC
January 31, 1932 - May 13, 2018



Shipmate Reichard was a FRA Honorary Member for 29 years. He was the beloved husband of the late Frances Irene Reichard for 67 years. Born January 31, 1932 in MD, he was the son of the late Kenneth and Gladys (Martin) Reichard.

For his full obituary please see the link below:
<https://www.staufferfuneralhome.com/notices/Carol-Reichard>



Senior Chief Petty Officer
William E. Harris, USN (Ret)
October 20, 1918 - August 23, 2018

Shipmate Harris was a FRA Member for 42 years. He retired from the U.S. Navy as a Gunners Mate Senior Chief.

No obituary or picture was found.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

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

2019 East Coast Region Mid-Year Meeting

February 15-16, 2019
Holiday Inn Richmond South - Bells Road
4303 Commerce Road, Richmond, VA 23230
Reservations 1-804-592-2900 Code: "FRA" \$109/night



TRICARE and Open Season

TRICARE Retiree Dental Program ends December 31, 2018

- If you are enrolled in or eligible for the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program or TRICARE Retired Reserve now what? You may qualify for the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) for 2019 - now including DENTAL AND/OR VISION.
- Get Ready:** You may enroll during Open Season - from November 12 through December 10, 2018. Visit tricare.benefeds.com to learn more about FEDVIP open season and to sign up for email alerts.

NEW Starting 2018 - TRICARE Health Benefits Open Season

- Prime and Select Enrollees may switch benefit plans during open season from November 12 through December 10, 2018. If you choose to do nothing, your plan will remain the same for the next year. Remember, you can only change between Prime and Select Plans during Open Season or with a Qualifying Life Event. Learn more by visiting tricare.mil/openseason.
- Annual Enrollment Fee Increases are subject to increase each year on January 1st. The basis of the increase is the annual cost of living adjustment for retired military pay. The Prime enrollment fees beginning January 1st will be **Individual:** \$297.00 per year and **Family:** \$594.00 per year.
- You are exempt from the enrollment fee increases if you meet the following criteria: You are medically-retired service member or their family member, or a surviving family member of a sponsor who died on active duty, AND you are in Group A, AND you had a least one family member enrolled in Prime since your original enrollment.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please visit Beneficiary Self-Service online at HumanaMilitary.com/beneficiary or contact a Beneficiary Services Representative at 1-800-444-5445.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

George Bailey	11th	Charles Jones	21st
Ralph Freibert	15th	Paul Davis, Jr	23rd
Thomas Weaver	18th	Paul Gunther	23rd
		Phillip Case	30th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

DECEMBER FRA ANNIVERSARIES

Robert Klein	53yrs	Terence Murphy	26yrs
Robert Shanley	46yrs	Harley Higgins	26yrs
Vernell Bishop, Jr	44yrs	George McGrew	15yrs
Jerry Iseminger	37yrs	Thomas Rauch	11yrs

Thank you for your support, Shipmates

Top 8 Cyber Security Tips for Christmas Online Shopping

- DO NOT CLICK On Suspicious Links
- Keep your Eye on New Vendors
- Always Use Strong Passwords
- Always Use Secured Websites
- Avoid Using Debit Cards, Instead Use Credit Cards
- Important Things to Remember While Shopping
 - * Always keep documentation of your online purchases.
 - * Log off from the retailer's website after making the purchase.
- Do Not Provide Your Details to Every Website You Visit
- Check Your Bank Statements Regularly

For more information or details go to the following link:
<https://thehackernews.com/2015/12/christmas-cyber-security-tips.html>

FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182

LAFRA-11-15-2018

Our meeting scheduled for November 15 was cancelled due to bad weather.

Our annual joint Christmas party is planned for December 15, 2018 at 2:00 P.M.

The Branch will supply the chicken and dessert. The Unit will bring their favorite side dishes. Please join us in the festivities!

Respectfully,
Susan Kaidler

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Donna Marie Wooditch 2yrs

Thank you for your support, Ladies

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Carmen Serfes	1st
Brenda Loe	10th
Anne Dobbs	28th
Carolyn Self	31st

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LADIES

ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER



As of this printing, 58 of 100 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.