



Eight O'Clock Reports

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Important Dates for June 2021

- 14 June ~ Flag Day
- 16 June ~ 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
Dial-In: 1-301-715-8592 or 1-253-215-8782
Meeting ID: 741 9971 9408
- 20 June ~ Happy Father's Day!
- 21 June ~ First Day of Summer

Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

Retention:

Membership As of May 2021				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
76	2	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

NJROTC Branch Awardees



- Gaithersburg High School
Cadet/PO2 Alexandra Valez: Leadership Excellence
Cadet/LTJG Jeremy Smiley : Leadership Excellence
- Seneca Valley High School
Cadet/SA Aryan Vohra: Leadership Excellence
Cadet/PO3 Michael Li: Academic Excellence

Congratulations!

Central Liaison Committee Meeting April 17, 2021

Just a couple of quick take a ways from this CLC meeting:

- The meeting was hosted by the CLC via Zoom.
- LAFRA Pilgrimage will be held on June 30, 2021.
- July CLC meeting has been scheduled for July 17, 2021 @ 1400.
- Memorial Day Picnic has been cancelled due to COVID restrictions.
- 2021-22 CLC Officer Nominations were held and the following members have been nominated:
Chairperson: LAFRA PRTEC Grace Villanueva (Unit 4)
Vice-Chair: Shipmate Patrick Guibao (Br. 24)
Secretary: Shipmate Thomas Rauch (Br. 182)
Treasurer: No accepted nominations
- Final Nominations, Election & Installation will be held next meeting.
- CLC minutes were distributed via e-mail, if you do not have an e-mail address and like a copy please notify Shipmate Rauch.

ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER

As of this printing, 58 of 76 Branch members and 13 of 31 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.

THANK YOU, Shipmates and Ladies.

BRANCH MEETING May 19, 2021

At 1905 President Keith Kaider convened a informal meeting with 6 members present including NC Paul Gunther (Zoom), PRPEC Randy Phillipp, Jr. Past President Thomas Rauch, Shipmate Ralph Freibert and Shipmate Donald Bambeck (Zoom).

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

Next on the agenda was the Report of Committees. Youth Activities, Shipmate Kaider reported that it was confirmed by LCDR Hernandez, Seneca Valley High School NJROTC Commander, that they will not be having an award ceremony, so the awards and medals will be sent to pass on to the cadets. The Gaithersburg High School informal NJROTC ceremony was rescheduled to an earlier day and we were unable to present the two awards and medals. The awards and medals were already sent to them. The two cadets from both schools that received these awards are listed to the left. **Congratulations!**

Hospitals, Welfare, and Rehabilitation, Shipmate Phillipp reported that NC Paul Gunther is at Shady Grove Adventist Rehab Center and that Shipmate Samuel Tom received orders to serve on the Staff of the Supreme Commander on May 5, 2021. A Sympathy card was sent out to his family and Shipmate Tom has been added to the Two Bell Ceremony and Our Deepest Sympathies go out to his family. (See Remembrance on back) Shipmate Phillipp is also filling in as National Chaplain until Shipmate Gunther feels better.

Americanism & Patriotism, Shipmate Kaider reported that we presented the Branch winners their certificates and gift cards at our last meeting and looking forward to next year's contest.

Shipmate Kaider reported that as of May we have 76 members, with two for renewal, one past due and one lost.

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

Shipmate Rauch received or downloaded from the National Mailing List (NML) the following correspondence: 1) April/May FRA Membership Newsletter, which will be distribute with those members with e-mail addresses. 2) Fourth Quarter Membership Voting Strength Report - Revised (Our voting strength is still 4). 3) Email from Amanda Knox, Events Specialist - City of Rockville City of Rockville, on April 27, 2021 for Memorial Day Messages of Gratitude. We created a short 30 second video and submitted to be posted on the Rockville's Hometown Holidays Facebook Page. 4) Email from RPEC Jones on May 8, 2021 - BEWARE of scam emails Shipmates.

Old Business, 1) Shipmate Kaider reported the Annual WFT raffle tickets status. Please see back for details. 2) Shipmate Rauch received Committee Reports from the respective Branch Chairmen and were signed by Branch President. They will be sent out as soon as possible. 3) Shipmate Rauch reported the status of membership pins and certificates that were sent out or will be presented. Branch President presented Shipmate Phillipp's 25 year certificate and pin (Picture on back). 4) Nominees for the 2021-2022 Branch Officer Positions were selected. 5) Shipmate Kaider sent letters to members from the past 5 years that were affiliated with the Branch, but no longer members.

New Business, the nominees for the Association Year 2021-2022 Branch Officer Positions were elected. The following members have been elected and will be installed at the June meeting:

Congratulations!

- President - S/M Keith Kaider
- Director (1) - S/M Thomas Rauch
- Director (2) - S/M Paul Gunther
- Director (3) - S/M Randy Phillipp
- Director (4) - S/M Ralph Freibert

Good of the Order was held and then at 1945 a motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded and approved.

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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.

In lieu of Memorial Day, below are Branch Shipmates who received orders to serve on the Staff of the Supreme commander in the past year:

- Shipmate Harley J. Higgins
- Shipmate Duane "Robbie" Robertson
- Shipmate Robert J. Shanley
- Shipmate Samuel P. Tom, Jr.

Please remember our troops overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan.



Upcoming Meetings/Events

Annual LAFRA Arlington National Cemetery Pilgrimage

Wednesday, June 30, 2021
Westin Hotel (Old Town Alexandria)
400 Courthouse Square, Alexandria, VA
Room rate is \$149.00 plus tax + plus parking fee of \$18./day
703-253-8600

Central Liaison Committee
July 17, 2021 2:00 PM via Zoom

2021 East Coast Region Convention Business Meeting
July 24, 2021 via Zoom

In Remembrance



First Class Petty Officer
Samuel Peter Tom, Jr USN (Ret)
May 9, 1962 - May 5, 2021

Shipmate Tom was a FRA Life Member of 4 years. Born on May 9, 1962 in Fairchance, Pennsylvania, he was the son of Samuel Peter, Sr. and the late Pauline Leilamae (Long) Tom. Sam served six years in the Pennsylvania Army National Guard as an Infantry Medic, and 20 years in the United States Navy, ending his career as a First Class Petty Officer.

For his full obituary please see the link below:
<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/fredericknewspost/obituary.aspx?pid=198572884>

2021 WFT Raffle Fundraiser



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 24, 2021

Winner need not to present and will be notified by phone.

Raffle Ticket Status

Note: There was not any change since last meeting.

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S/M Phillipp was presented 25yr award & pin, Congratulations!

JUNE FRA ANNIVERSARIES

- George Bailey 47yrs
- Mark Allen 20yrs
- Tommy Stewart 20yrs
- Edward Potts 16yrs
- Joseph DeLauter 13yrs
- William Billado 6yrs

Thank you for your support, Shipmates

MEMBERSHIP

Updates Since April 2021

Renewed Members

- George Bailey
- Arthur Ippolito
- Paul Lenker
- Thomas Lovett
- James Montgomery
- Jonathan Whiting

Thank you Shipmates!

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- John Burns 10th
- Santiago Chavez 11th
- James Montgomery 19th
- Richard Zerbe 26th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182



LAFRA-05-20-2021

On May 20, 2021, we held our regular meeting at VFW Post 3285, in Frederick, Md. We had 8 members present, including two LAFRA PRP, Gloria & Dee.

We draped our Charter for member Sara Brownlowe. DeeDee read an article titled "When is Memorial Day?" for Americanism. We also completed our Unit & Chaplain reports for 2020-2021.

Our Secretary, Gloria, cast one unanimous vote for 2021-2022 Officers. They will be:

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

We will have installation in June.

Hope to see everyone at our next meeting on June 17, 11:00 A.M. at Post 3285.

Respectfully,
Susan Kaider

In Remembrance

Sara Mae Brownlowe
July 29, 1933 - April 25, 2021



Sara was a member of Triangle Unit 182 and member of the LAFRA for 40 years. She was a resident of Frederick, MD and the wife of the late William E. Brownlowe .

Our deepest sympathies go out to the Brownlowe Family.

For her full obituary please see the link below:
<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/fredericknewspost/obituary.aspx?pid=198438852>

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- Allison Gosnell 22nd
- Marion Voss 26th
- Lois Custead 30th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LADIES

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- Marion Voss 31yrs

Thank you for your support, Ladies