



Eight O'Clock Reports

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BRANCH MEETING August 19, 2020

At 1905 President Kaider convened an informal meeting with 4 members present including NC Paul Gunther, Jr. Past President Thomas Rauch and Shipmate Jerry Iseminger. We held our meeting via Zoom because of COVID-19 restrictions.

The meeting started with the Report of Committees. Shipmate Kaider had nothing new to report for Youth Activities. Shipmate Gunther reported that he already received one essay from a 7th grader.

No report from Hospitals, Welfare, and Rehabilitation and Shipmate Kaider reported that as of August we have 83 members. Also reviewed the FRA Quarterly Membership Report and the August FRA Membership Newsletter from Headquarters, the Membership Newsletter will be distribute with this newsletter via e-mail.

We were also notified by Headquarters that Shipmate Fred Williams received orders to serve on the Staff of the Supreme Commander on October 26, 2018. He has been added to the Two Bell Ceremony and Our Deepest Sympathies go out to his family. (See Remembrance on back).

Shipmate Rauch went over the July Financial Statement and supporting reports. A motion was made to approve the July Financial Statement, it was seconded and approved by all.

Shipmate Rauch reported that he received an email from Shipmate Robert Hebron, American Legion Post 86 Commander, inviting us back to the Post to hold our meetings starting in September.

Also, received a email from Shipmate RPEC Sha'ron Martin, for anyone who is interested in becoming an Veterans Service Officer.

Under Old Business, Shipmate Kaider reported the overall Raffle Fundraiser results, which are posted to the right.

It was also reported that the East Coast Region Ballot was received on August 5, 2020 and mailed back the same day. The branch nominated Shipmate Brian Jones (Br 93), Shipmate Christopher Murray (Br 40) and Shipmate Paula Falu (Br 99) for President, Vice-President and Secretary, respectively. The election results were received on August 17, 2020 with those Shipmates listed above being elected. There will be a Mock Installation for RPEC (Elect) Brian Jones on August 24, 2020 via Zoom.

Under New Business, went over NED Memo 6-20 (Postponement of 93rd FRA National Convention and Election of National Officers), it briefly states that nominations are now closed and that the 2020-21 NP and NVP nominations are NVP Michael "Mick" Fulton (Br 289) and PRPEC James Campbell (Br 40) & PRPSE James E. Robbins (Br 126), respectively. Ballots will be sent out to Branch Secretary and due NLT September 30, 2020.

The National ballot was received and nominees for NVP were discuss. The ballot was mailed out on August 22, 2020 with our selections. The National Officers and Regional Presidents will be installed at The Westin Alexandria Old Town Hotel during October 14-16, 2020.

Shipmate Rauch also reminded about Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony and preparations.

Good of the Order was conducted and then at 1940 a motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded and approved. It was also reminded that our September Meeting will be held at the Post, but will also have Zoom setup as well.



Important Dates for September 2020

- 07 Sep ~ Labor Day
- 11 Sep ~ United We Stand/Patriot Day
- 16 Sep ~ 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
Meeting ID: 741 9971 9408
- 18 Sep ~ National POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 18 Sep ~ Rosh Hashanah Begins at Sunset
- 20 Sep ~ Rosh Hashanah Ends at Sunset
- 22 Sep ~ First Day of Autumn
- 27 Sep ~ Yom Kippur Begins at Sunset
- 28 Sep ~ Yom Kippur Ends at Sunset



Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

Retention:

Membership As of August 2020				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
83	2	1	1	1

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

2020 Fundrasier Raffle Results

WASHINGTON
FOOTBALL TEAM, EST. 1932

Raffle Ticket Status

- 823 of the 2000 raffle tickets printed were sold.
- 180 of the 260 tickets mailed to Branch members were purchased.
- 295 additional tickets were bought by members.
- 75 of the 140 mailed to Unit members were purchased.
- 3 additional tickets were bought or sold by Unit members
- 270 tickets were sold by the Marine Corps League.

Financial Status

Members Only

Upcoming Meetings/Events

2020 FRA/LAFRA NATIONAL CONVENTION

September 28 – October 3, 2020

Postponed until

September 25 – October 2, 2021 at Portland, OR

Central Liaison Committee

October 24 2020 2:00 PM at TBD

Tentatively (Branch/Unit 181 or via Zoom)

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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 Fred Williams

Please remember our troops overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan.



In Remembrance

Chief Petty Officer
Fred Williams USN (Ret)
August 4, 1939 - October 26, 2018



Shipmate Williams was a FRA Member of 34 years. Shipmate Williams served in the U.S. Navy for 22 years. He married Julie Diehl in 1962 and raised two children. After his retirement, he continued working as an HVAC mechanic until moving to Delaware in 1995.

Shipmate Williams had been a longtime member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, as well as the FRA retired association. He loved gardening, golf, classic country music, watching football (he played tackle on his champion football team in high school). He was an avid crabber and loved captaining his pontoon boat on the Indian River. He and his wife crossed the U.S. three times in their RV and loved the adventure.

For his full obituary please see the link below:
https://www.coastalpoint.com/obits/fred-williams-79/article_63da746d-b7ef-5609-ab02-6c1fc3fad8e.html

MEMBERSHIP
Updates Since July 2020

<u>Renewed Members</u>	<u>New Branch Members</u>
None	None

Thank you and Welcome, Shipmates!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Carol Olson	2nd	Paul Dziadon	12th
Elton Ball	3rd	George McGrew	14th
Thomas Lovett	4th	Jerry Iseminger	16th
David Murphy	6th	Rolando Santos	21st
Kenneth Mutzabaugh	10th	Thomas Williams	24th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

SEPTEMBER FRA ANNIVERSARIES

Robert Newton	67yrs	Robert McNally	15yrs
William Busico	40yrs	Thomas Weaver	12yrs

Thank you for your support, Shipmates

ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER

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As of this printing, 60 of 83 Branch members and 13 of 33 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 Ladies.

Americanism Essay Contest For Grades 7-12

The 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, 2020**

Local entries can be submitted to the below address:

Name : Paul R Gunther
Address : 12867 Sage Terrace
Germantown, MD 20874-2050

FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Crystal Denlinger	40yrs
Lisa Nesbitt	29yrs
Sandra Long	13yrs

Thank you for your support, Ladies

LADIES AUXILIARY FRA UNIT 182

LAFRA-08-08-2020

On August 8, we held our meeting at the home of Unit member DeeDee Swarr. After the meeting, DeeDee served us a delicious lunch & dessert. Thank you, DeeDee for your hospitality. It was great being together after our many weeks of hibernation.

We had 8 members in attendance. PRPEC Dee Kessinger conducted the installation of our officers for 2020-2021. Thank you, Dee. Anne read "Batling Boys of Benghazi" for Americanism.

Our Unit member, Anne, brought to my attention, that the MVA is not sending out reminders of car registration renewals. You may renew online. Just a reminder.....take note!

Our next meeting will be September 17, place to be determined. Until then, stay safe!

Respectfully,
Susan Kaider

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Angie Wilson	1st
Gloria Bastian	6th
Demetra Swarr	10th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LADIES



LAFRA PRPEC Dee Kessinger installing the 2020-2021 Unit 182 officers.



2020-2021 Unit 182 officers being installed.