



Eight O'Clock Reports

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BRANCH MEETING January 19, 2022

At 1900 President Keith Kaider convened an informal meeting with 6 members present including PNC Paul Gunther (Zoom), PRPEC Randy Phillipp, Jr. Past President Thomas Rauch, Shipmate Ralph Freibert and Shipmate Valerie Mathews (Zoom).

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

Next was the Report of Standing Committees. Membership & Retention, Shipmate Kaider reported that as of January we have 75 members and two for renewal.

Americanism & Patriotism, Shipmate Gunther reported that he submitted our three Branch essays winners along with the Branch Interim Americanism Report to Shipmate Kim Biggs (Br. 24) East Coast Region A&P Chairman for further grading and selection.

Hospitals, Welfare, & Rehabilitation, Shipmate Phillipp reported that he sent Get Well cards to NED Chris Slawinski and Norm Clark.

Youth Activities, Shipmate Kaider reported that Gaithersburg High School NJROTC Commander Captain Kelley will be retiring in March and another Navy Captain will be taking his place. Captain Kelly will give us two names for our NJROTC medals and awards that we present at their ceremony held in the Spring timeframe.

Next were communications to be read, Shipmate Rauch reported that he downloaded the following documents from the National Mailing List (NML) and were sent to the Branch Officers for their review: 1) NPSL 1-22 2021-2022 Officers and Committees Roster-Listing. 2) NEDM 1-22 Nomination Resolution for NED Christopher Slawinski for Re-Elect to Office of NED. 3) NEDM 2-22 Nomination Resolution for PRPSE John Handzuk for Office of NVP. Also received email from Shipmate RSEC Paula Falu for information/reminder about renewing ID Card's that expire January 31, 2022, which was forwarded to the Branch and Unit email distribution lists. Below are a couple of links to go to for more information:

Schedule Appointment: <https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>
Expire ID Card Information: <https://www.cac.mil/Coronavirus/>

No other communications were received.

Shipmate Rauch went over the December Financial Statement and supporting reports and he made a motion to accept his report that was audited by Audit Committee Chairman, Shipmate Freibert. Shipmate Phillipp seconded and all approved. Shipmate Rauch also mentioned that he ordered four NJROTC medals from Space City Branch 159 for \$19 each for a total of \$76.

There was no Unfinished or Deferred Business.

New Business, 1) Annual Washington Football Team ticket raffle preparation, Shipmate Kaider reported that he purchased the Season Tickets and will order the raffle tickets in the next couple of weeks. 2) It was reminded that the next CLC meeting will be on Saturday, January 22, 2022 @ 1400 and that it will be held at Branch 24 and via Zoom. Note: On Thursday, January 20, 2022 the CLC Meeting was changed to Zoom only. 3) It was also reported that the 2022 East Coast Region Mid-Year Meeting will be over the weekend of February 18-20, 2022 at the Westin Old Town Alexandria. No other new business.

Good of the Order was held and then at 1930 Shipmate Kaider made a motion to adjourn, Shipmate Phillipp seconded and all approved. Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 16, 2022 @ 1900 at American Legion Post 86 and via Zoom.

Important Dates for February 2022

- 02 Feb ~ Groundhog Day
- 14 Feb ~ Valentine's Day
- 16 Feb ~ 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
- 18-20 Feb ~ 2022 East Coast Region Mid-Year Meeting
- 19 Feb ~ USCG Reserves Birthday (1941)
- 21 Feb ~ President's Day

Retain, Recruit, and Attend Reminder

Retention:

Membership As of January 2022				
Active	For Renewal	Past Due	Lost	Gain
75	2	0	0	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

We Want You!

It's a new year and our Branch membership is decreasing at a rapid pace. We have lost **59 members** since July 2016. Please see our current demographics that are listed on the back of this newsletter. We need **YOU** for retention of current members, recruiting/reinstating members and attending monthly Branch Meetings. This needs to happen to ensure the survival of the Branch and our commitment to the FRA.

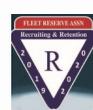
Retention

As of January 2022, we have 75 active members with 2 members up for renewal. You can renew the following ways:

- ***On-line:** www.fra.org (Go to Membership and Join FRA)
- ***Telephone:** 1-703-683-1400 or Toll Free 1-800-FRA-1924
- ***FRA App:** On a Smartphone download under "Play Store", search FRA.
- ***Mail:** Complete a membership application and mail.
- ***In person:** Please visit us at one of our branch meetings.

Recruitment/Reinstatement

The FRA has the "Moving Forward" campaign which includes different programs that gives a member incentives to recruit/reinstate members. These programs include the following:



- Recruit 3 Program
- Recruit 5 Program
- Recruit 10 Program
- Recruit 32 Program
- Recruit 50 Program



For more information on these programs or on recruiting please see www.fra.org or contact our Branch Secretary.

Branch Meetings

Our meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the American Legion Post # 86, located at 2013 Veirs Mill Road lower level behind the Dairy Queen. You can also attend using Zoom and/or calling in using the information listed under Important Dates above.

We need **YOU** to attend the Branch Meetings and help support the Branch. This can be done by recruiting, filling positions, chairing committees. This is key for Branch survival – otherwise we risk folding. If the FRA continues this downward trend – CONGRESS will see this and CUT our hard earned benefits. The FRA FIGHTS for all of us, we need to fight for the survival of the FRA!!!!!!

Members Only



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

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



Upcoming Meetings/Events

2022 East Coast Region Mid-Year Meeting
February 18-20, 2022
The Westin Old Town Alexandria
400 Courthouse Square, Alexandria, VA 22314
Reservations 1-866-837-4210 \$109/night

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 at Branch/Unit 4 (Location: TBD)

MEMBERSHIP

Updates Since November 2021

Renewed Members

New Branch Members

Norman Clark
Joe Beidle
Frank Jacob

None

Thank you and Welcome, Shipmates!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

James Carnahan	1st	Samuel Webb	18th
William Kaczor, Jr	8th	Edward Braithwood	23rd
Randy Phillipp	9th	Paul Lenker	23rd

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SHIPMATES

FEBRUARY FRA ANNIVERSARIES

Lenus Barnes	64yrs	Michael Rowsey	27yrs
Paul Davis, Jr	25yrs		

Thank you for your support, Shipmates

ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER

As of this printing, 59 of 75 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.

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

THANK YOU, Shipmates and Ladies.

Triangle Branch 182 Demographics

These are some statistical data about our branch members, which breakdowns current active regular and life members, membership years, members' age and members' locations.

These demographics are a comparison between 2021 and 2022 membership and are depicted on these tables.

Keynotes:
-Membership decreased by 4.
-Since July 2016 membership decreased by 59.
-No members under the age of 30 and ONLY 1 member under age 50.

Membership	2021	2022
0 - 9	12	10
10 - 19	12	14
20 - 29	15	12
30 - 39	11	12
40 - 49	18	15
50 - 59	5	7
60 - 69	6	5
70 - 79	0	0
Total	79	75

Age Range	2021 Members	2022 Members
18 - 19	0	0
20 - 29	0	0
30 - 39	1	1
40 - 49	1	0
50 - 59	4	4
60 - 69	17	16
70 - 79	18	19
80 - 89	23	24
90 - 99	14	10
100 +	0	0
Unknown	1	1
Total	79	75

Membership	2021	2022
Regular	41	40
Life	36	33
Charter - Life	2	2
Total	79	75

State	2021 Members	2022 Members
MD	47	45
VA	4	4
DC	1	0
DE	1	0
WV	1	1
Other	25	25
Total	79	75



FRA AUXILIARY UNIT 182

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Nesha Stone	6th
Lisa Nesbitt	13th
Helen Trimmer	28th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, LADIES



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To avoid having our members drive 30 or more minutes, our regular monthly meeting, scheduled for January 20, 2022 was cancelled due to the uncertain weather forecast.

Due to Covid-19, we continue trying to remain vigilant in our efforts to remain healthy and safe in these uncertain times.

Please join us at our next scheduled meeting on February 17, 11:00 A.M. at VFW Post 3285, Frederick, Md.

Respectfully,
Susan Kaider



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Helen Trimmer	54yrs
Dolores Manley	40yrs
Gloria Bastian	32yrs
Anne Dobbs	21yrs
Janet Clark	17yrs
Angie Wilson	7yrs

Thank you for your support, Ladies