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Meeting are held at the DAV Chapter 2 Home located at 14605 E. US 40 Hwy. Kansas City, MO located between Noland & Phelps Rds. Meetings start by 1930. Unit 161 will bring desserts. The DAV will cook up something with protein; chicken leg, pork chop, etc., or you can order from the menu.

BINGO for the residents of the Home Care Unit at Eisenhower VA Medical Center will be held the third or fourth THURSDAY of each month. The BINGO crew will meet at TENPENNY in Leavenworth for lunch around noon. Call S/M QUINTERO at 816-260-0435 for definitive information.



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Our national symbol and Branch 161 are saddened because the following Shipmates recently joined the Staff of the Supreme Commander



ELMER E. BURK, ADRC, USN, RET
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FEBRUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Americanism-Essay:
 No word yet on Regional judging.

Americanism-Patriotism:
 The next National Holiday will be

Presidents Day, 19 February.

Finance & Audit:
 The Mid-Year financial report was made; the Branch remains solvent.

Legislative Service:

The following are recognized by MO-KAN Branch 161 for their continuous years of FRA membership during the month of February:

ANDERSON, Harold	39	AYVERSONE, Elphird	14	BAKER, James	30	BARLOWS, Noel	11
BROWN, Wayne	35	CHISHKO, Louis	44	COX, Lawrence	26	DIPAOLA, Paul	44
DONNELLY, Wayne	40	ELLIOTT, Garrett	43	FOLEY, James	33	FOX, Arthur	32
GAGE, Donald	41	GRAVES, Thomas	46	HAMM, Clifford	38	HUBBARD, Nina	01
HUDNELL, James	29	HUNTER, Charles	17	HUTCHINSON, Floyd	26	JACOBS, Arrol	40
KELLEY, Douglas	29	KLEFFNER, Donald	37	LAMPKIN, Clarence	40	LICKTEIG, Bernard	18
★MAYBERRY, Benny	59	MORRIS, Richard	19	NAPPIER, James	39	O'DANIEL, Jack	33
PARSON, John	04	PHELPS, Robert	21	PRIDEMORE, Larry	14	ROE, Marsden	38
SCHLEGEL, David	28	SRONCE, Lester	33	THOMASSON, James	35	WILSON, Glenn	19
YARROW, Stanley	37						

Your continued membership keeps the FRA at the table on Capitol Hill instead of a menu item.
We could not do it without you!

No Branch 161 member was able to attend the MAVO meeting.

No report for Kansas.

Youth Activities:

Sea Cadets could use a few adult volunteers.

Public Relations:

None.

Hospital & Welfare:

Report that Shipmates Billy GOODMAN, John AULGUR, Elmer BURK and Robert ELLIS had joined the Staff of the Supreme Commander. Motion made to donate \$25, each, to the NCR Essay Fund in memory of each Shipmate; *seconded; passed.*

Veterans Service:

The Branch received a "Thank You" from Leavenworth VA HCU for the 20+ Christmas cards with \$10 during December. S/Ms QUINTERO and Norm COMBS, with the help of Debbie Palmer worked BINGO 31 January; next BINGO will be 22 February at Leavenworth VA HCU.

S/Ms WHITE and FLIPPIN, along with Lady Barbara White, conducted BINGO 9 January at the Cameron Veterans Home; next BINGO will be 13 February.

Thirteen veterans have moved into the Tiny Houses. A community center is set up to provide residents with:

- Food
- Clothing
- Transportation to VA facilities
- Free ATA bus passes
- Computer lab

Thirty-six more will be constructed at 89th & Troost before starting on the next Kansas City location.

The Veterans Community Project has interest from Nashville, TN for a development of "Tiny Houses."

Communications:

The Secretary alluded to the latest Regional President's newsletter; no action taken.

Treasurer's Report:

S/M GAGE gave Treasurer's report and on bills to be paid. Checking account balance was \$3,854.41

MOTION: To pay bills; *seconded; passed.*

Unfinished Business:

Dates of the NCR Mid-Year are: 8 to 11 April at Stone Castle Hotel in Branson, MO. Call 417-335-4700 for reservations.

Tuesday's buffet dinner is \$30. S/M Barry WHITE and Lady Barbara are chairmen for this event.

New Business:

Next Membership Luncheon will be 24 March (see insert on pg. 3). Cost is \$5 each; free if you bring an eligible FRA or Auxiliary member.

STATUS REPORT

Members 30 days past due:

CONRAD, CARL C.
SMITH, JOSIAH
WELCH, WILLIE T.

Members 60 days past due:

KENNEY, BEN C.

Members 90 days past due:

BRECK, TERRY J.
MITCHELL, JAMES

REMINDER: Dues renewals sometime come with extraneous information from NHQ and are easily overlooked; also, reports from National run a month late.

New members:

None

Membership now stands at 436.



UNIT NEWS

By Ernestene Combs

It was great to see 10 members attend the February meeting. We appreciate your attendance and all that you do, even with the ever-changing weather we have had. Those who could not attend were certainly missed.

There is still time to make your reservations for the Mid-Year, which will be held at the Stone Castle Hotel

in Branson, April 8-11. The phone number is (417) 335-4700.

We will open nominations for new officers at the April meeting. We hope you can attend.

Happy Birthday to those of you with February birthdays ... we hope your day was enjoyable.

To those having an illness, get well soon. Those who have lost loved ones, our prayers and sympathies go out to you. Special sympathies go out to the family of Janette Douglas who passed away in January.

Please notify the Secretary of any change of address or phone number. If you have any questions, please notify an officer listed in the heading of this newsletter.

Past Due 30 Days:
Susan D. Odom

Past Due 60 Days:
Carolyn S. Collins
Mildred C. Manning
Anna M. Shoemate
Annette A. Tomasich

Dropped for non-payment:
None

If your dues have been paid please disregard.

New Members/Transfers-in:
None

Life member payments are:

LM Dues	Discount
Active Duty - \$400;	\$300
Under Age 40 - \$450;	337.50
Ages 41 – 50 - \$425;	318.75
Ages 51 – 60 - \$390;	292.50
Ages 61 – 70 - \$340	255
Ages 71 – 80 - \$260;	195
Age 81 – 100 - \$200;	150
Over 100	Free

Remember! The Branch still pays 25% of your life member dues.

Use the application below and mail above Discount amount to the return address.

To be renewed:

Danica R. Goff
Frances C. Rodina
Karen D. Salas
Kamey A. Shaw

The Bosn's Pipe

➔ ➔ ➔ ATTENTION ◀ ◀ ◀

For those of you who are receiving your prescriptions from *Express Scripts*, starting 1 February the co-pay will be anywhere from \$7 to \$53 per up to 90-day supply for each medication. This change was in the NDAA approved by Congress and signed into law by the President last

***** NOTE *****

The Branch & Unit will hold it's March Quarterly Membership Luncheon at 1100 on Saturday 24 March. Cost is \$5 per member of the Branch or Unit, and guest, which must be paid upon making your reservation.

Bring an eligible member and receive your lunch complimentary.

Choices are: (indicate choice(s) & no.)

1. Corned beef & cabbage _____

2. Chicken breast _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

Clip & mail with payment to the address on back of this form for your reservation.

November. Prescriptions can still be filled at Military Treatment Facilities without charge.

COMING EVENTS

Wed. 7 Mar. 2018. Reg. Br. & Unit Meeting 14605 E. US 40 Hwy.

Sat. 24 Mar. 2018. Quarterly membership luncheon at DAV; 1100.

Wed. 4 Apr. 2018. Reg. Br. & Unit Meeting 14605 E. US 40 Hwy. Nominations open for 2018-19 Br. & Unit Officers.



Life Membership Application

"I wish to apply for Life Membership in the Fleet Reserve Association. I hereby certify that I am eligible. I fully understand the provisions of the Life Membership Program."



Name: _____ Rate/Rank: _____ Current FRA Membership No.: _____

Address: _____
Street Lot/Space City State Zip Code

Phone: () _____ Date of Birth: _____ Social Security No.: _____ FRA Branch No.: _____
Optional

Service: USN USMC USCG Status: Active Reserve Retired Veteran Spouse's Name: _____

Your E-mail Address: _____

Recruited By: _____ Member No.: _____ Branch No.: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

FRA dues are not tax deductible as charitable contribution for Federal income tax purposes, however, they may be tax deductible under other provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

Lifetime Membership Payment Plan

- 1 Year
- 2 Years

Eff. Date: _____
Month Year

Payment Options: MasterCard Visa Discover American Express Check or Money Order Enclosed

Amount: _____ Credit Card No.: _____

Exp. Date: _____ Signature: _____


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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



 **FRA Membership Application**

Membership is open to all current or former enlisted members of the Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard. My signature below certifies that I fulfill the eligibility requirements and want To join the FRA. Annual dues includes a subscription to *FRA Today* magazine.

RECRUITED BY: (Optional Information)
Name: _____
Member No: _____ Branch No: _____

Name: _____ Rate/Rank: _____ Birth Date: _____
Address: _____
Street Apt/Lot City State Zip
Dates of Service: from _____ to _____ SSN (optional): _____ Phone: () _____
Service: USN; USMC; USCG; Status: Active; Reserve; Retired; Veteran Membership Pref: Branch No. 161

SPECIAL OFFER for NEW MEMBERS \$64 for two years

Previous FRA Member: No Yes If yes; previous Member No. _____
Spouses Name: _____ Your E-mail Address: _____
Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____
Dues: 1 yr \$40; 2 yrs \$64 (new members); 2 yrs \$75; 5 yrs \$180 Check enclosed

Pmt Options: Visa; MC; AE; Discover; Cr. Card No. _____ Exp Date: _____
Mail to: Address on Newsletter or; 125 N. West St.; Alexandria, VA 22314 Make check payable to: FRA

JOIN THE AUXILIARY FRA; Membership Application (Dues \$20)

Name in Full _____
First Middle Last

Address: _____
Street Apt/Lot City State Zip

Date of Birth: _____ Phone: () _____ Unit Preference: _____

I am the: spouse ; widow(er) ; parent ; grandparent ; sibling ; child ; grandchild (all include "step")
Of _____
Service Member's Name Rate/Rank USN - USMC - USCG

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____
Proposed By: _____ Member No: _____ Date: _____

VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY
The above named Service Member is a member of or, at time of death, was eligible to be a member of Fleet Reserve Association Branch number _____ Verified by: _____ Date _____
Unit Secretary

