



# FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

## MO-KAN BRANCH & UNIT 161

### JUNE ~ JULY 2018

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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. The DAV kitchen staff offers daily specials 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.



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



CHARLES R. SHARP, CM2, USN, RET  
 HOWARD M. TURNER, AMH1, USN, RET  
 JOHN A. RENTKO, ENCM, USN, RET  
 RAY G. WILSON, GYSGT, USMC, RET  
 ROBERT E. EKLUND, SKC, USN, RET  
 ELMON M. BOND, ADRC, USN, RET



### JUNE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Americanism-Essay:

Trophies and checks have been delivered by Branch members to the respective first, second, and third place winners.

#### Americanism-Patriotism:

The next National Holiday will be Independence Day, 4 July.

#### Membership:

The Branch had 407 members with 401 in-good-standing as of 31 May.

#### Finance & Audit:

The annual Branch audit was given. All books are in order; the Branch is solvent.

#### Legislative Service:

Next MAVO will be in September.

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

BALLARD, Don	03	COPE, Eugene	40	DOSTER, Charles	02	DOWNS, Thomas	47
FORREST, Warren	39	GILLESPIE, James	34	HAGLER, Bobby	36	HANNEMANN, Edgar II	39
★HENNESSEY, Linus	50	HORD, Brian	02	LEWALLEN, Edwin	28	MCFALL, Mary	10
★MEYER, Richard	51	SCHILLY, Raymond	04	SMITH, Gordon F.	39	SULLIVAN, Stuart	01
THOMAS, Nate	24	TURNER, E. Dale	17	WALLIS, Joseph	25	WEIS, Donald	39

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ALLIE, Naggie	38	ATCHISON, Lonnie	12	AUBUCHON, Ray	20	BENTER, George	20
BROWN, Cyrill	16	BRUECKMANN, Mike	18	BRYANT, Maxie	22	CESSNA, Gregory	40
CHRISTIAN, David	22	CHRISTY, Mac	32	COVERT, James	44	EINFELDT, Samuel	29
FALLERT, Robert	20	FORD, William	16	HALLEY, Dennis	22	★HARRISON, Granville	52
HILDRETH, Marvin	48	HOLLOWOOD, John	49	★HOWELL, Richard	51	HOYER, Kurt	20
JOHANSEN, Roy	17	KUEHNEN, Gerald	45	MATTHEWS, Carl	40	MINNER, William	11
PERCIVAL, Rose M.	29	POTEETE, William	40	RUPPERT, Nathan	29	TURNER, Howard	37
WHITE, Barry	22						

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

**Youth Activities:**

Report given on Sea Cadet Summer training.

**Public Relations:**

No report.

**Hospital & Welfare:**

Report that Shipmates Charles SHARP, Howard TURNER, and John RENTKO, had joined the Staff of the Supreme Commander. Motion made to donate \$25 to the NCR Essay Fund in memory of each Shipmate; *seconded; passed.*

**Veterans Service:**

S/Ms QUINTERO, LICKTEIG, and Norm COMBS, along with Debbie Palmer, worked BINGO 24 May; next BINGO will be 28 June at Leavenworth VA HCU.

*Summerfest* will be held 13 June.

BINGO at the Cameron Veterans Home will be held 12 June.

**Communications:**

None requiring action.

**Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer gave a report and identified bills to be paid; checking account balance was \$4,380.33.

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

**Unfinished Business:**

The quarterly luncheon will be Saturday, 16 June. Annual Branch reports will be worked up following the luncheon; bring any and all information for input.

**New Business:**

S/M Regional President, Barry WHITE, installed the 2018-19 Branch officers and BoD.

**MOTION:** To send the following Shipmates to the 91st National Convention in San Antonio: WHITE, FLIPPIN, N. COMBS, QUINTERO; *seconded; passed.*

**MOTION:** To appoint S/M QUINTERO chief delegate; *seconded; passed.*

**MOTION:** To allow chief delegate to

add delegate names at the convention; *seconded; passed.*

**MOTION:** To send delegates to the convention uninstructed; *seconded; passed.*

**MOTION:** To run full-page ads in the Regional and National Convention Journals; *seconded; passed.*

**MOTION:** To list names of all Branch 161 Life Members in the Regional Convention Booster Roll; *seconded; passed.*

**STATUS REPORT**

Members 30 days past due:

REYES, JOHN  
SALSBERY, BRANDON

Members 60 days past due:

REYES, JOHN  
SALSBERY, BRANDON

Members 90 days past due:

HUBBARD, NINA  
KLEFFNER, DONALD  
SRONCE, LESTER

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

New members:

TURNHAM, JOEL L.  
EQCM, USN, RET

Membership now stands at 406.



**UNIT NEWS**

By *Ernestene Combs*

We were happy to welcome National Treasurer Bea Parco at our June meeting. She installed the new officers for the coming year.

President Diane Schilly  
VP Joann Pommerer  
Treasurer Pat Wentworth  
Secretary Ernestene Combs  
Chaplain Doris Fri

Don't forget to make your reservations for the upcoming Regional Convention, to be held in Grand Rapids, MI August 9-12.

*Happy Birthday* to those of you with June and July birthdays ... we hope your day was enjoyable.

To those suffering an illness, get well soon. And to those who have lost loved ones, our prayers and sympathies go out to you.

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:

Violet M. Taylor

Past Due 60 Days:

Danica R. Goff  
Frances C. Rodina  
Kamey A. Shaw

Past Due 90 Days:

Linda D. Gilleland

Dropped for non-payment:

None

If your dues have been paid please disregard.

New Members/Transfers-in:

None

To be renewed:

PRPNC Corinne E. Fields  
Mary M. Goodman  
Laura J. Harrison  
Dorothy A. Sanders

 **The Bosn's Pipe**

**National Defense Authorization Act Passes Senate without any Floor Amendments but with TRICARE Fee Increase.** The Senate approved its version of the FY2019 NDAA without debating or approving any floor amendments. No amendments could be considered since three senators – CORKER (TN), PAUL (KY), LEE (UT) – objected to every proposed amendment, including FRA-supported amendments for concurrent receipt expansion and SBP/DIC offset repeal. The House passed its NDAA in May. Now that both bills have passed their chamber of origin a conference committee will be appointed to resolve the differences between the two bills. The Senate version of the NDAA provides for a significant TRICARE fee increase.

The Senate NDAA has provisions, provided at FRA's request, to cap rent increases at the Armed Forces Retirement Home and to prohibit removing residents solely on the basis of inability to pay.

**DOJ Settles on USERRA Case**

The Department of Justice recently reached an out-of-court settlement with Syncom Space Services, LLC (S3) that resolves allegations that S3 violated the employment rights of Louisiana Air National Guardsman, Jason Cooper, under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act. USERRA safeguards the rights – including

Life member payments are:

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

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

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

promotional opportunities – of uniformed service members – Active Reservists and National Guardsmen – to all benefits of employment after periods of absence due to military service obligations.

**COMING EVENTS**

Wed. 4 July 2018. Reg. Br. & Unit Meeting **POSTPONED!!!**

Wed. 1 Aug. 2018. Reg. Br. & Unit Meeting 14605 E. US 40 Hwy.

**9-12 August 2018**  
**ANNUAL NCR CONVENTION**  
**DoubleTree by Hilton**  
**Grand Rapids Airport**  
**4747 28th Street SE**  
**Grand Rapids, Michigan**  
**Tel: 616-957-0100**

Sun. 26 Aug. 2018. Annual Branch & Unit Picnic shelter three Armstrong . Park, Grain Valley, MO.  
Refreshing by 1100; eat by noon.



**THE BRANCH WILL NOT PUBLISH A JULY OR SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER!**

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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

**FRA 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.: \_\_\_\_\_  
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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