



# FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

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APRIL 2019

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Meetings are held at the DAV Chapter 2 Home located at 14605 E. US 40 Hwy. Kansas City, MO located between Noland & Phelps Roads. Meetings start by 1930. The DAV kitchen staff offers daily specials or you can order from the menu – \$4 to \$14.

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



WARREN R. FORREST, EMCM(SS), USN, RET – Columbia, MO  
 WALTER S. LEHART, GMCS, USN, RET – Orange, CA  
 NORMAN D. SMITH, AMH2, USN, RET – Lansing, KS

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APRIL

### MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

S/M President SCHILLY opened the meeting and requested all Branch and Unit members assemble in the DAV lobby for presentation of the Essay and Humanitarian Awards.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Americanism-Essay:

Branch and Regional Awards were presented to the 9th Grade winner.

#### Americanism-Patriotism:

Next National Holiday observance will be Memorial Day, 27 May.

#### Membership:

The Branch had 352 members with 345 in-good-standing as of 31 March.

#### Finance & Audit:

The annual audit will be conducted

between the May and June meetings.

#### Youth Activities:

Sea Cadets are ready for their summer training and boot camp.

#### Public Relations:

R-G Commissary hosted an appreciation event for Viet Nam Veterans in March.

#### Hospital & Welfare:

Reports that S/Ms Warren FORREST, Walt LEHART, and Norman SMITH

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

BENTZ, David	29	BEUSSINK, Ted	08	BOLEY, Carl	37	BRANHAM, Wallace	33
COMBS, Michael	11	DRAINER, John	37	EIFERT, Alfred	28	FELLOWS, Hurley	43
FLIPPIN, Kevin	28	HALL, Burl	25	HAWKS, Larry	23	HEFFEL, Edward	40
JAMISON, Kevin	02	KATZENBERGER, Al	23	KELSEY, Edward	19	KRUMP, Michael	18
KUHN, Thomas	25	LACY, Ronald	23	MAYBERRY, Jesse	33	MCARTOR, Frank	43
MEYER, Bryan	02	PIPPIN, Jack	40	PRINCE, Wallace	23	★RECTOR, Carol	50
SAMPSEL, John	29	SINGER, Jerry	04	SKEENS, Donald	22	TAYLOR, James	30
TEGTMAYER, Darrell	38	THOMPSON, Ronald	23	TRUSTY, Carl	33	TURNHAM, Joel	01
★VARGO, Walter	52	WEBB, Robb	02				

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

had recently joined the Staff of the Supreme Commander.

**MOTION:** To donate \$25 to the NCR Essay Fund in each of their memory; *seconded; passed.*

#### **Veterans Service:**

S/Ms QUINTERO and Norm COMBS, along with Debbie Palmer, worked BINGO at the Leavenworth VA HCU 23 March; next BINGO will be 27 April.

#### **Communications:**

That manila-colored card you received is for Shipmates who want possible information on other Shipmates they have lost contact with – for a fee. You are not required to participate.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer gave a report and identified bills to be paid; checking account balance was \$3,258.08.

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

#### **Unfinished Business:**

The 2019 National Convention will be held in Memphis, TN, 23-29 September.

#### **New Business:**

**MOTION:** To donate \$.35 per member-in-good-standing as of 31 March to the 2019 NCR Convention host or \$120.75. The motion was amended to donate a flat \$150: both

were; *seconded; passed.*

**MOTION:** To hold the 2019 annual Branch picnic at Shelter 3 Armstrong Park in Grain Valley; *seconded; passed.*

The following were nominated for 2019-20 Branch offices:

President SCHILLY  
1st VP WHITE, SHICK  
2nd VP LICKTEIG, TURNHAM  
Secretary DELAFUENTE  
BoD COMBS, FLIPPIN,  
NARRON, QUINTERO,  
CARTER

The Branch Treasurer has another year to go. Nominations will continue at the May meeting followed by elections.

#### **Good-of-the-Order:**

### **STATUS REPORT**

Members 30 days past due:  
BARLOWS, NOEL F.  
HUNTER, CHARLES W.  
SCHLEGEL, DAVID R.

Members 60 days past due:  
COLE, JAMES H.  
HOLZMEISTER, ABRAHAM  
SCOTT, CHESTER  
SWAIM, JOSH

Members 90 days past due:  
BLAKE, JOHNNIE R.

**REMINDER:** Dues renewals some-

time come with extraneous information from NHQ and are easily overlooked; also, reports from National run a month late.

#### New members:

RAGAN, LARRY K.  
DPC, USN, RET

#### Transfer out:

None

Membership now stands at 352.



### **UNIT NEWS**

*Ernestene Combs*

We were happy to have 12 members in attendance at the April meeting. The following were nominated for office in 2019:

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

Elections will be held at the May meeting, with installation to take place in June. The BoD will be determined at the May meeting.

The Mid-Year has come and gone; there were 11 Unit 161 members in attendance, as well as one MAL, and one from Unit 54. It was great to see everyone and hope that you are making plans to attend the Regional

to be held in Nashville, IN, August 18-20.

To those of you with April birthdays, we hope it was a happy one. To those who were ill, we hope you're on the road to recovery and to those of you who have lost loved ones, our prayers and sympathies are with you.

Past Due 30 Days:

Bessie Baker  
Alfreda C. Rhoades  
Maxine E. Wright

Past Due 60 Days:

Jeremy D. Davenport  
Matthew G. Davenport  
Daniel A. Fri  
Myra Milleson

Past Due 90 Days:

Agnes V. Taff

Dropped for non-payment:

Deborah K. Davenport  
Gina M. Stephenson  
Teresa A. Stephenson  
Charlene H. Twitchell

Transfers-out:

None

If your dues have been paid please disregard.

New Members/Transfers-in:

Kamey A. Shaw\*  
Ashli C. VanDerlinden\*  
\*reinstated

To be renewed:

PRPNC Teresa A. Norton

**📣 The Bosn's Pipe**

**Senate Subcommittee Urges Coast Guard Pay During any Future Shutdown**

The Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, Security Subcommittee held a hearing on the proposed U.S. Coast Guard and Maritime FY2020 budget. The Chairman Sen. Dan Sullivan (AK) and Subcommittee Ranking Member Sen. Edward Markey (MA) called for legislation mandating that during any future government shutdown, Coast Guard personnel would continue being paid. Sen. Roger Wicker (MS.), Chairman of the Senate Committee and who also serves on the subcommittee, pledged to work on passing legislation mandating Coast Guard are paid during government shutdowns, just like the other branches of the Uniform Services.

**Senate calls for "Military Retiree Appreciation Day"**

The Senate has passed a resolution (SenRes.118), sponsored by Sen. Elizabeth Warren (MA) that designates April 18, 2019 as Military Retiree Appreciation Day. The bipartisan measure recognizes, "the importance of paying tribute to those individuals who have faithfully served and retired from the Armed Forces of the United States. On this day, people of the United States are encouraged to honor the past and continued service of military retirees in their local communities and the United States."

**COMING EVENTS**

Wed. 1 May 2019. Reg. Br. & Unit Meeting 14605 E. US 40 Hwy. Election of Branch & Unit Officers for 2019-20 take place

Sat. 11 May 2019. Quarterly membership luncheon - 1100 at DAV

Wed. 5 June 2019. Reg. Br. & Unit Meeting 14605 E. US 40 Hwy. Installations of Branch & Unit Officers for 2019-20 will occur



S/M President Ray SCHILLY presented 9th Grader, Case Olsen, trophies and checks for winning 1st place at Branch level and 2nd in the NCR Essay competition. His mother and grandfather watched with Branch and Unit members.

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### 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

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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