



The Triangle

Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association

June 2017 Edition



From the Desk of the National President

Auxiliary Members

CONVENTION CALL ATTENTION ALL UNITS

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and ByLaws of the Fleet Reserve Association, the National President hereby calls the Annual Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, to be held

Hunt Valley

Maryland

September 19-24, 2017

Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley MD

to convene at 9:00 am for the following purposes

- 1) To hear annual reports of National Officers and National Chairman
- 2) To consider resolutions proposing amendments to the Constitution and ByLaws, Standing Rules, Rituals and General Policy.
- 3) To formulate plans for the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association.
- 4) To elect National Officers for the ensuing year.
- 5) To entertain suggestions for the Good of the Order.

Attest:

National Executive Secretary Doris Fri

National President Helen A Courneya

Date June 1, 2017

I would like to thank the National Board of Directors, FRA for their generous donations to the National President's Project. I would also like to thank all who have contributed to this project. All monies will go to assist the Auxiliary for the scholarship programs and the welfare fund. Since our membership has gone down we need to depend on each other to make sure that these programs are available in the future. Our organization has supplemented many who were in need and to be able to assist in providing scholarships is what our Auxiliary does for the benefit of our association.

This being a short year, eleven months (September), members we need to make sure that everyone in the Regions have information regarding their respective dates for conventions and changes to the National Convention such as the name change of the hotel which is now called Delta Hotels Baltimore Hunt Valley. It is imperative that the Regional Presidents send out the information to all Units of the upcoming events along with their Convention Call in their newsletters.

It seems that some of the members are finding out the information at the last minute, which makes a small showing of members at these conventions. Branches and Units sponsoring the conventions have been sending the information but often the information is not provided to the members in the Units. Let's strive to do better getting the information as published.

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Officer reports are due now as many Units are holding installations. You do not have to wait until installation. Reports go to the Membership Services Administrator, National Treasurer, and the National Executive Secretary. Addresses are published on the Who, What, and Where which may be found on the website. This is a busy time of the year for many members volunteering at various events, graduations of children or grandchildren, confirmations, and the list goes on, but the call for the Auxiliary remains the same. We need members to step up to the plate volunteer to hold office in their Unit think about what you may contribute to your Unit.

There seems to be conflicting information regarding eligibility for the Auxiliary which has become a contentious disagreement amongst some FRA Shipmates and the Auxiliary. We have researched not only the FRA minutes that provide for eligibility but the minutes of the Auxiliary and we are all in agreement that no date was placed on eligibility prior to 2005 when the FRA allowed Veterans to join the association. Shipmates who have been out spoken to this ruling should leave the Auxiliary to interpret the C & BL's that are a mirror image of the FRA's C & BL's. In each region, we have Regional Parliamentarians and Regional Presidents that may interrupt differently but the bottom line is that they can seek further guidance with the LA FRA National President and National Parliamentarian. To not cause further disagreements we ask that Shipmates refrain from getting in involved with Auxiliary business. There are times that we must seek the advice of the FRA and will continue to do so as they are our sponsors for the Auxiliary. If there are any concerns as to the procedures followed by the LA FRA please seek guidance from the LA FRA and FRA National Parliamentarians or National Presidents.

Our condolences to our members in the loss of their loved ones, may you find peace. If you or a family member has been ill or lost a loved one, please accept our best wishes and condolences. Celebrating a Birthday – Happy Birthday! Wedding Anniversary – Congratulations! To All “Best Wishes” for continued good health.

I remain in, Loyalty, Protection, and Service,

Helen A Courneya
National President

Travel Schedule: East Coast Regional Convention, Richmond, Virginia – June 28 – July 3.



In Loving Memory

We pay tribute to our departed members

Elizabeth Lewis Unit 60	Elsie S Wachter Unit 60	Mary R Hulvey Unit 67	Beulah M Banfield MAL
Ethel Dozier MAL	Elaine N Fumer MAL	Wanda J Kirkpatrick MAL	Marian Weidenhof MAL
Rowena M Brown Unit 18	Mary M Donnelly Unit 18	Esther J Lovell Unit 18	Edna A Ross Unit 8
Doris R Staber Unit 18	Margaret Uskevich Unit 18	Lynette Michel Unit 92	Ruth A Ranke Unit 94
Maureen A Holmes Unit 22	Alice Killingworth Unit 47	Betty L Ross Unit 70	Katherine McCarron Unit 289
Clara M Brixius Unit 61	Parricia Grisham Unit 49		

Regional Convention Information

East Coast	6/29/2017 – 7/2/2017	Williamsburg VA – Hosted by: Branch and Unit 40
North Central	7/30/2017 – 8/1/2017	Excelsior Springs MO – Hosted by: Branch & Unit 161
Southwest	8/4/2017 – 8/5/2017	Laughlin NV – Hosted by Branch and Unit 70
South Central	8/17/2017 – 8/20/2017	Shreveport LA – Hosted by Branch 98 and Unit 94
West Coast	8/18/2017 – 8/20/2017	Carson City NV – Hosted by Branch 192 and Unit 137
Northeast/New England	8/18/2017 – 8/20/2017	Breinigsville, PA – Hosted by Branch 115
Southeast	8/24/2017 – 8/27/2017	N. Charleston SC – Hosted by Branch and Unit 269
Northwest	8/25/2017 – 8/26/2017	Fife, WA – Hosted by Branch 104 and Unit 18
National Convention	9/19/2017 – 9/23/2017	Hunt Valley MD – Hosted by: Branch & Unit 4

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

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“Due to the generosity of our members, all things are possible”

National President's Project

“Survival of the LA FRA”

There is still so much work to do to keep the organization thriving and we must now do what is necessary to help ourselves. I have decided that the LA FRA should keep our programs such as the Scholarships, Welfare Fund, etc., and we need to be able to concentrate on funds for the future. Without knowing the outcome at convention, I chose the National President's Project to be “Survival of the LA FRA.” We all know that some of these programs would have been depleted many years ago if we didn't seek donations. This will be a project that will allow us to do what is needed to keep these programs alive. We do so much for the community that it is time that we look at the decline of membership revenue and ensure the success of these programs for our future. All donations will go to the National President's Project and at the end of the year will be divided into the various programs.

February – March – April Donations

(Due to some donations being overlooked posted all)

NP Project: Unit 59, 101, 227, Patricia Galleno, Cindy & Don Tuck in honor of Hylands Anniversary, Unit 161, 136, 175, 382, 275, 28, PNP Diane Hoover, NT Bea Parco, WCPNPs, NP Sale, Amy & Lee Courneya, Rita Lozette, Martha & Robert Murphy, FRA NBOD, Bea Parco, Unit 274, 94, Branch 94.

Pilgrimage: Unit 296, 275, 59, 101, 227, 161, 61, 136, 175, 22, 269, 382, 54, 230, 202, 93

NP Scholarship: Unit 161, 93

LA FRA Scholarship Fund: Cindy Louis, Unit 94

Welfare:

NOTE

ALL donations shall be sent to the National Financial Secretary. Make checks to LA FRA, and write on memo line where money is to be distributed.

From the Members

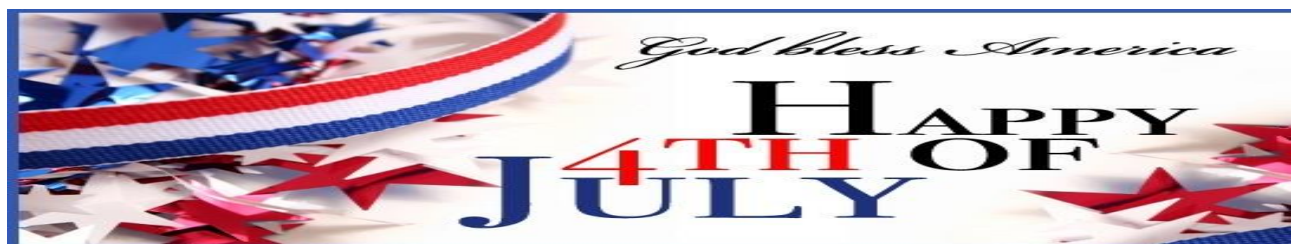


RPNW Renee Shaw: It is with a heavy heart that we must inform you of the untimely passing of Renee Shaw RPNW. Please keep her husband Shipmate Glenn Shaw, and her family in your prayers. You may send cards to Glen Shaw, 95-489 Awiki Street, Mililani, HI 96789-1867. Renee was the President of Unit 46, Pearl Harbor. She joined the LA FRA 2012.

PNP Dot Maurath: I want to thank all of you for the cards of condolence/sympathy upon the death of my husband, Red (M. D.) Maurath, PRPWC. I have been overwhelmed by the number of people who have taken the time to think of me and my sorrow. I thank you so much! I am surely blessed to have so many caring friends even when I may have never met you personally. Thank you, Thank you!

RPNC Teresa Norton wants to Thank everyone for your prayers, cards, and calls, as she underwent more surgery on her ankle. They removed the broken parts of the plates that were there and did some clean up and she will undergo another major surgery to hopefully fix the ankle within the next month or so. She still needs your prayers.

PNC Bobbie Pugh would also like to thank everyone for the phone calls, get well cards and most of all the prayers for her last 4 month ordeal. She has been either in the hospital or rehab center for the last few months.



Tuesday July 4, 2017

UNITS IN THE NEWS

Unit 93, Tom Vallee

1ST PHOTO



Unit 93 members and volunteers receiving an "Above and Beyond Award" for their work in maintaining the Library at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home (CHVH). Pictured from left to right, RPEC and Unit 93 President Shirley Vatter, Ashley Radano, CHVH Director of Volunteers, in front Marylou Siebenkas Board of Directors Unit 93, behind her George W. Owings III, Maryland Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Tammy Cannon Unit 93 VP, Kathy Smoot, Director Skilled Nursing Activities and Bonnie Pelletier, Director Assisted Living Activities.

2ND PHOTO



RPEC and Unit 93 President Shirley Vatter, on the right, receiving Volunteer of the Year Award from Ashley Radano, CHVH Director of Volunteers while George W. Owings III, Maryland Secretary of Veterans Affairs reads the Citation from Maryland Governor Larry Hogan. RP Shirley in addition to her work with LAFRA both at the local level with Unit 93 then as RPEC 2016-2017 had volunteered over 500 hours at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home in 2016. Her duties at CHVH include maintaining the Music and Memory Program by downloading CDs, creating playlists and uploading them to iPods for the veterans, providing live music on many occasions and assisting the staff at several activities for the veterans as well as helping Unit 93 members to maintain the Library and DVD Movie collection. She recently began teaching piano lessons then arranged to have the old unfixable piano replaced and the new piano tuned. This Award came on the heels of Vatter being nominated as Woman of the Year for St. Mary's County Maryland.

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS RESOLUTION

C & BL COMMITTEE

Article 15 – Miscellaneous – New

Whereas, with all the technology and terminology and changes being made on a daily basis in communication i.e.; cell phones, e-mail, fax machines, conference call, and any other form that may be used to expedite the business of the LA FRA, that the National President may, at her discretion use these sources, and

Whereas, that would not deter the fact that original signatures needed for NBOD resolutions, and any other items needing original signatures would be completed and sent to the NES for the files of the LA FRA.

Therefore be it

***Resolved*, that a new section be added to Article 15, that of Section 1505 Communications and that it be stated to read:**

Section 1505. Communication; and be it further

***Resolved*, that 1505(a) be added and to read:**

Communication needed to expedite the business of the LA FRA will be at the National President discretion; and be it further

***Resolved*, that 1505(b) be added and to read:**

All items requiring an original signature will still be required, completed and forwarded to the National Executive Secretary for the LA FRA files.

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CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS EDIT COMMITTEE

Article 14, Section 1405, Sub-section 1405(e): Reference to the officers report due to the Regional President, Membership Service administrator, and the National Executive Secretary listed to receive this report and whereas, in an administrated decision was made due to the National Treasurer needing this report due to the direct deposits system and the request has been on the report forms i.e., the Unit Officers Report and the Who, What, and Where information that Article 14, Section 1405, Sub-Section 1405(e) will be corrected to read:

Unit Secretaries immediately after election of officers notify the Regional President of their Region, Membership Service Administrator, National Executive Secretary, and the National Treasurer, of the names and addresses of the officers to be installed in the Unit and of all changes in Unit Officers whenever they occur, and give the location of their regular meeting.

Article 13, Section 1313: Reference Branch Suspension/Effect on Unit – When a Branch is suspended a Unit of the LA FRA, sponsored by the Branch, shall be permitted to conduct Ladies Auxiliary business while the sponsored by the Branch, shall be permitted to conduct LA FRA business. The FRA Regional President shall assume sponsorship of the Unit. As this was a mandate by the FRA when implemented and has now been rescinded by the FRA, therefore the Section 1313 will be corrected to read:

Branch Suspension/Effect on Unit – When a Branch is under suspension, a Unit of the LA FRA, sponsored by the suspended Branch, shall not be permitted to conduct Ladies Auxiliary business while the sponsoring Branch is in suspension.

Article 904, Sub-section 904(b): Voucher and – All disbursements shall be by properly drawn voucher, and check, signed by the National Treasurer and counter-signed by the National President, or by the National Vice President at the direction of the National President or affixed with a signature stamp. (Ref: Article 8, Sub-section 810(b). The exception being the PCT written by the Membership Service Administrator, Therefore Sub-sections 904(b) be corrected to the present actions of issuance of PCT payments that this be corrected to read:

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CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS RESOLUTION

C & BL COMMITTEE

RE: Article 4

Article 4, Section 401, Sub-sections: 401(c), 401(f) and 401(g)

Whereas, Section 401, Sub-section 401(c) States: Dues of members residing in the Republic of the Philippines shall be mailed to the Membership Service Administrator.

Whereas, Section 401, Sub-section 401(f) States: All Units shall pay to the treasury of the LA FRA the full amount collected for membership dues, payable monthly or oftener, and mailed to the Membership Service Administrator in time to reach them no later than the 25th day of each month, except the month of March, which is the 31st. Unit Secretaries submit a membership report for dues payments, changes of address or reports of death; and

Whereas, Section 401, Sub-section 401(g) States: Fifty Percent of each member's dues received by the Membership Service Administrator shall be forwarded to the respective Unit. All monies received from Unit members in excess of proper dues shall be returned to the member; and

Whereas, 401(c), dues of members residing in the Republic of the Philippines has been a problem in refunding the fifty percent to the Units of that region due to being unable to open an account in the name of the LA FRA, Unit number, and it is not being feasible and/or legal to send the monies to a member of that Unit; and

Whereas, 401(c) fifty percent of the monies due to the Units in the Republic of the Philippines that the monies be should be retained by the Unit, and

Whereas, 401(f) needs to be changed to note the exception to 401(c), and additional information needed on the membership report submitted by the Unit Secretary, and

Whereas, 401(g) needs to be changed to note the exception to 401(c) and 401(f) and also having to do with the designation of an overpayment with the dues payment, as there is no way the Membership Service Administrator can refund the amount, therefore be it

***Resolved*, that Sub-section 401(c) be amended to read:**

Dues of the members residing in the Republic of the Philippines shall be mailed to the Unit Secretary/Treasurer of their Unit. If a member resides in the United States their check shall be mailed to their Unit. Fifty percent of the monies collected by the Unit shall be forwarded to the Membership Service Administrator, the Unit shall retain the monies due their Unit.

And be it further

***Resolved*, that Sub-section 401(f) be amended to read:**

All Units shall pay to the treasury of the LA FRA the full amount collected for membership dues, exception specified in 401(c), payable monthly or oftener, and mailed to the Membership Service Administrator in time to reach them no later than the 25th day of each month, except the month of March, which is the 31st. Unit Secretaries will submit a membership reports for dues payments, changes of address, transfers, status of membership, or reports of death.

And be it further,

***Resolved*, that Sub-section 401(g) Fifty percent of each member's dues received by the Member Service Administrator shall be forwarded to the respective Unit, exception specified in 401(c) by. All monies received from Unit members in excess of the amount of their dues, unless designated for another account or donations, shall be deposited into the Scholarship Reserve Fund. (Ref: SR 5(a))**

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS RESOLUTION

C & BL COMMITTEE

Re: National Treasurer's Duties

Article 8, Section 810 – New

Whereas, Article 8, Section 809, Sub-section 809(k), C & BL, SR, UI & Rituals, states; The National Financial Secretary records all receipts, and makes proper entry of any increase to the funds by way of interest. Monthly or more often if desired, prepares in duplicate an itemized list of all monies received, from whom, for what, and forward the original list and one copy to the National Treasurer, with check and money orders. The Treasurer signs the original, acknowledging receipt of the monies, and returns the signed original list to the National Financial Secretary for the files, and

Whereas, The National Treasurer should also have this as one of duties of the Treasurer and it is in practice but not listed in the C & BL, therefore be

***Resolved,* That a new Sub-section be added to the Duties of the National Treasurer that of Article 8, Section 810, Sub-section 810(d) be added to read:**

The National Treasurer records all receipts and makes proper entry of any increase to funds by way of interest. Monthly or more often if desired, prepares in duplicate an itemized list of all monies received, from whom, for what, and forwards the original list and one copy to the National Financial Secretary of the deposits of the interest, checks, and money orders. The National Financial Secretary signs the original, acknowledging the deposits and returns the signed original list to the National Treasurer for the files.

And be it further

***Resolved, That* sub-sections 810(d) through 810(k) be changed to reflect the above change as follows:**

**Section 810(d) to (e), Section 810(e) to (f), Section 810(f) to (g), Section 810(g) to (h), Section 810(h) to (i), Section 810(i) to (j) to Section 810(k) to (l) and Section 810(l) to (m)
National Convention 2017**

LADIES AUXILIARY of the FLEET RESERVE ASSOICATION

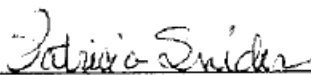
SUBSCRIPTION PRICE FOR TRIANGLE

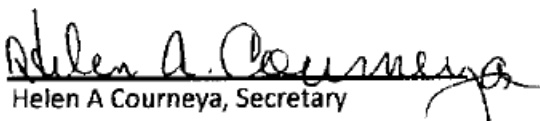
Whereas, SR-22 (c) reads: "Any member may subscribe to receive the *TRIANGLE* for eight dollars (\$8.00) per year. Money or check for subscription shall be mailed to the National Financial Secretary and made out to the "LA FRA", and

Whereas, the cost of printing and mailing the monthly *TRIANGLE*, has risen in the years since the last raise in price, therefore let it be;

RESOLVED: That SR-22 (c) be changed to read, "Any member may subscribe to receive the *TRIANGLE* for (\$10.00) per year. Money or check for subscription shall be mailed to the National Financial Secretary and made payable to the "LA FRA".

This is to certify that this resolution was proposed at a regular business meeting of Unit 274, High Sierra, Reno, NV held on the 24th day of February 2017 and read, debated and adopted by unanimous vote at a regular business meeting of Unit 274 held on the 27th day of April 2017, there being a quorum present.


Patricia Snider, President


Helen A Courneya, Secretary

**PREAMBLE
OF THE LADIES AUXILIARY
OF THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION**

Whereas, the Preamble of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association states as follows:

Having a keen sense of responsibility being true Americans, and bearing in mind the Preamble of the Fleet Reserve Association, we, the members of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, do band together to aid, assist and promote in all matters pertaining to welfare, social and patriotic work, for the benefit of the Fleet Reserve Association, its member and their families. Thus do we associate and declare these principles to be the foundation and Preamble to the Constitution of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association; and

Whereas, we have allowed male members into Ladies Auxiliary since 2009, and

Whereas, we have passed a resolution adding to the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association to where the name is also, (doing business as) dba, as the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association due to the inability of not being able to change the corporate name, and


Whereas, several times it has come to the attention of the members and delegates that the Preamble of the Ladies Auxiliary be amended to make it gender neutral, therefore be it,

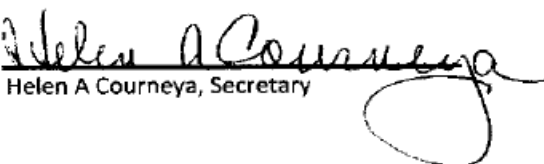
Resolve, that the C & BL Preamble to our Auxiliary be amended to read:

**PREAMBLE
OF THE LADIES AUXILIARY AND THE AUXILIARY
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Patricia Snider, President


Helen A Courneya, Secretary

TRIANGLE

LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

510 N Silver Street Apt 2

Paola KS 66071

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

REPORT OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR TRIANGLE

Date: _____

Name: _____ Member No: _____

OLD ADDRESS

Street: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

NEW ADDRESS

Street: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

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ALSO REMEMBER TO NOTIFY THE **MSA** OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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