



# The Triangle

## Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association

July 2017 Edition

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### *From the Desk of the National President* Auxiliary Members.

I traveled to Hawaii for the Funeral Services of RPNW Renee Shaw. It was very emotional time for all especially the members of Branch and Unit 46. Spouse, Glenn Shaw asked that I express how much he truly appreciated all the cards and calls since the sudden death of Renee. The Northwest Region has lost a very valuable Auxiliary member who truly was doing her best to keep in contact with the Units of the Region. She will be sorely missed by all who had met her. It was her first time to Pilgrimage and she met the members and embraced everyone with a hello and a smile. She was amazed when we all traveled to Arlington Cemetery. Many members have said that she was a fun person and they all enjoyed her company. Rest in Peace! Dear Renee.



Marjorie Ippert moved into the position of Regional President Northwest and we welcome her as a member of the National Board of Directors. Times are difficult for the Northwest Region but help from members within the region we will strive to work together to keep the Northwest Region thriving into the future. One person should not be so heavily responsible for the Unit. Many times, we become so dependent on one person to keep the Unit operational that when suddenly that person is gone the Unit must try to piece together what and where the belongings are to Unit. We must try to do better in the future as it becomes apparent now that the Units are struggling to find out where all the records, checking accounts and so for. We are losing many members and that is a fact of life but we must all be more proactive in our Units. Training is necessary so that when an occurrence happens in the future the Units will have members who know what to do and where all paperwork belonging to the Unit will be so that this does not happen in the future.

The vote was to come in on June 1 for the Membership Service Administrator but I gave a few Board members a couple of extra days. It is imperative when there is a due date that members are vigilant in keeping those dates so that we do not have to delay the process. I made the personal telephone calls to all the candidates to give them the results and it is one part of this job that is always very stressful. I am announcing that PNP Cindy Rodham-Tuck will be taking over the position of MSA in the future. I have spoken to MSA Pat Boudreaux and we concur that the process will not take much training as the program has not changed during the last five years. I congratulate PNP Cindy and my hope for those members who applied to keep in mind other positions in the Auxiliary as we move forward.

I traveled to the East Coast Region and RP Shirley Vatter held a very outstanding convention. This Region has had a few bumps in the road but seem to be holding on to the Units in the region. The hospitality shown in the region is greatly appreciated by all attending the convention.

What can we do when members of one Unit transfers into another Unit after said Unit has turned in their Charter? Members please do not go in trying to change the way your new Unit operates. It is becoming apparent this is happening and we need to find a solution to these situations so that everyone will resolve their

differences and be excepting of many changes that worked in the other Unit may not work in the new Unit. Please do not impose your ideas all at one time. It sets off the members who have worked to have a cohesive understanding of their programs and what they inspire to do within the Unit. Be patience and learn to be considerate to the members of your new Unit.

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

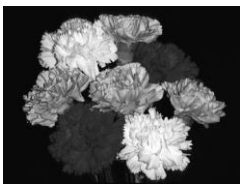
#### Travel Schedule:

**July 30 -August 1, 2017 -- North Central Regional Convention, Excelsior Springs, MO,**

**August 3 -6, 2017 -- Southwest Regional Convention, Laughlin, NV.,**

**August 18, 2017 -- Northeast/New England Regional Convention, Breinigsville, PA**

**August 25, 2017 – Northwest Regional Convention, Fife, WA**



## *In Loving Memory*

We pay tribute to our departed members

Margaret C Corbert MAL	Rosalyn Langevin MAL	Wanda Massarelli PRPNC MAL
Mary E Culver Unit 136	Renee Shaw RPNW Unit 46	Lillian A Lipovsky Unit 162
Dorothy P Grissom Unit 22	Ernestine Dunson Unit 63	Betty Waterman PRPSE Unit

**“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.

#### **May-June Donations**

**NP Project:** Unit 162 in memory of Lillian Lipovsky, Unit 93, 182, 124, 226, 154, 183, BTCM William Kirtlink in honor of BTCM Dean R Kaufman, Unit 24, 49, 137, Georgia Gallagher, Unit 126, 156

**Pilgrimage:** Unit 358, 162, 93, 94, 289, 124, 90, 290, 154, 183, 137, 24

**NP Scholarship:** Unit 24

**LA FRA Scholarship Fund:** Unit 137, 126

**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.**

## IN THE NEWS



NP Helen Courneya,  
Patricia Snider and Helen Caughell  
At Memorial Day Picnic  
and Unit Installation, Reno.



Unit 127 Secretary Jane Barachina  
(visiting from the Philippines)  
NT Bea Parco Unit 163  
Marilyn Quesnel Unit 289

## MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

1-Jul	REI	NEW	TI	TO	RES	NONPMT	DEC	INELG	OTHER	ACTIVE
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## MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

As I prepare this Triangle for distribution, I have in my possession 65 "Unit Officers Lists". That adds up to 27 Units who have not sent in their new List of Officers. The deadline of July 15<sup>th</sup> is approaching fast. In accordance with SR18(e)10, the Unit's PCT money will be withheld by the National Treasurer until such time as she receives the Unit Officer's List for the 2017-2018 Association Year. The "Unit Information Form" should be sent in **immediately** following the Unit elections.

I am the Credentials Chairman of record, so continue to send your National Delegate Sheets to me and all of the persons listed to receive them. We did not know at the time of this appointment that I would be wearing the NES hat once again. Arrangements are being made for a replacement at the Credentials Table, in Registration, once we get to the convention, so that I may attend to the business of the Auxiliary as the NES.

Any NBOD member who may need your Annual Report Form, they are on the website, or if you send me an email I will send you whatever form you need. Same goes for any Unit who may need a form and is unable to access the website, just contact me and I will get them to you.

I am here to help all members, so do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Loyalty Protection and Service

Doris Fri NES

## Independence Day: Americans Celebrate the Birth of Their Nation July 4, 1776

It's Independence Day! Today, all across the United States, people are wishing each other a happy Fourth of July. On July 4, 1776, the Second Continental Congress unanimously adopted the Declaration of Independence. Though it is the Constitution that provides the legal and governmental framework for the United States, the Declaration, with its eloquent assertion "all Men are created equal," is equally beloved by the American people. On the Declaration's first anniversary, many citizens of Philadelphia had a spontaneous July 4th celebration. But it wasn't until after the War of 1812 that observing Independence Day became commonplace.



Tuesday July 4, 2017

**LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION  
NATIONAL FINANCIAL SECRETARY 2017-2020**

**UNIT 181**

**NOMINATING RESOLUTION**

**Whereas**, it is the duty and responsibility of the delegates assembled at the 85th National Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association to be held in Hunt Valley, Maryland, to elect one of its outstanding members who is knowledgeable and dedicated to serve in the office of National Financial Secretary for the Association Years 2017-2020; and

**Whereas**, it will be the duty and responsibility of the delegates assembled to elect a member who continues to demonstrate leadership, integrity, knowledge, and dedication to the three cardinal principles of Loyalty, Protection and Service to her fellow members, their families and to the Fleet Reserve Association; and

**Whereas**, Unit 181 has within its membership a member, **Laurie A. Starkey**, who has demonstrated all the required qualifications as well as shown dedication and willingness to be of service to the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association by practicing the three cardinal principles; and

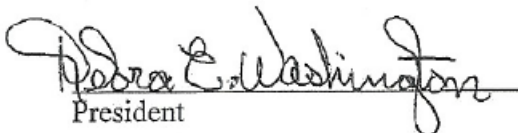
**Whereas**, she was an active member of the now defunct Unit 57 since she joined in the late 1990s and until the Charter was turned in by serving as Unit Secretary/Treasurer, Unit Vice President, Unit President and on the Unit Board of Directors; and

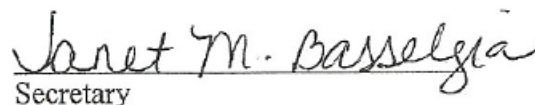
**Whereas**, on the Regional and National levels, she served as Northeast Regional President from 2001-2004 and attended numerous Spring Meets and Regional Conventions of the Northeast Region, she served as Northeast/New England Regional Vice President for the Association Year 2014-2015 and as Secretary *pro tem* of the 2014 Regional Convention; she aids and assists at the National Conventions in any way she can and has attended numerous National Conventions; and

**Whereas**, she has been a paralegal and office manager for 25 years and whose duties include meeting strict and specific deadlines with the Court and maintaining the financial records and bank accounts within the confines of the strict guidelines of the State Judiciary; and therefore be it,

**Resolved**, that Unit 181, at a regular scheduled meeting held on May 20, 2017 a quorum being present, by unanimous vote to place in nomination the name of **Laurie A. Starkey** for the office of National Financial Secretary of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the Association Years 2017-2020; and be it further

**Resolved**, that the members of Unit 181 do earnestly solicit the endorsement and support of each unit in the Auxiliary for the candidacy of **Laurie A. Starkey** for the office of National Financial Secretary for the Association Years 2017-2020.

  
President

  
Secretary



**LADIES AUXILIARY, FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION**  
**National Financial Secretary 2017-2020**

**LOW COUNTRY UNIT 269**

**NOMINATING RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, it is the duty and responsibility of the delegates assembled at the 85<sup>th</sup> National Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association to be held on September 20-23, 2017 in Hunt Valley, Maryland, to elect a dedicated, experienced, knowledgeable and respected member to serve in the office of National Financial Secretary, for the Association Year 2017-2020; and

**WHEREAS**, it will be the duty and responsibility of the delegates to elect a member who continues to demonstrate leadership, integrity, knowledge and dedication of the three cardinal principals of Loyalty, Protection and Service to the Auxiliary members, and their families, and to the Fleet Reserve Association and

**WHEREAS**, LOW COUNTRY UNIT 269, Goose Creek, South Carolina is proud to have within its membership a member, Patricia Suckow, who has been a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve since 2002, and demonstrated the required qualifications as well as the dedication and willingness to serve the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association by practicing the three cardinal principles; and

**WHEREAS**, at the Unit level she has served as a member of the Board of Directors and Unit President numerous times. She has served on the Audit Committee and worked on the Stand-Down for Veterans, and

**WHEREAS**, regionally, she has been a member on various committees, attended numerous Mid-Year meeting and numerous Regional Conventions, co-chairing (3) three, and attended numerous National Convention. Patricia has served as the Southeast Regional President for 2 years 2012-2014 now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the members of LOW COUNTRY, UNIT 269, Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve at a scheduled meeting held on June 10, 2017, a quorum being present, did unanimously and proudly place the name of Patricia Suckow, in nomination for the office of National Financial Secretary of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, for the Association Year of 2017-2020 and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that LOW COUNTRY, Unit 269, earnestly solicits the support and endorsement of each unit in the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the candidacy of Patricia Suckow, for the office of National Financial Secretary for the Association Year 2017-2020.



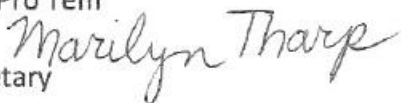
Linda Cox  
Unit 269-President



Gale Nathan – Pro Tem

Marilyn Tharp

Unit 269, Secretary



**From the desk of the National Financial Secretary**

**From the Desk of the National Financial Secretary:** It has been a great pleasure to serve as the National Financial Secretary 2014-2017. However, my term in this office is fast approaching the end. In order, for all Units to receive any retail items they may need prior to the close of this administration, I am asking you to please look ahead and order supplies before **30 July**. I will need to Inventory the retail items and complete the NFS annual reports in addition to preparing the items for shipment to the next NFS. With the National Convention in Mid-September **I will not be able to process any orders received after 30 July 2017**. The next NFS will need time to set up their office, so from 1 August to @15 October no retail orders will be processed.



A few key dates for you to remember: Voting strengths for National Convention are determined by the membership in good standing on 31 March 2017. Membership reports will be sent by email (to save the organization's funds) to the Regional President, Unit President and Unit Secretary on record. If your Unit leadership has changed or you would just like to make sure I have your correct email address, please send an email to [lafranschristina@gmail.com](mailto:lafranschristina@gmail.com). If a unit has no email of record a snail mail copy will be sent.

The Memorial Service report is established from those members who died between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017. This report is sent to the Regional President's and National Chaplain prior to their conventions.

If anyone is interested in being the next NFS and you would like more information about the position. You can give me a call at 757-439-6135 obtain a copy of the manual from the NES, and see the C&BL's Section 809.

I remain yours in Loyalty, Protection and Service

Christina Murray, NFS 2014-2017

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**RECAP OF NATIONAL RESOLUTIONS**  
**2016-2017**

**NBR 01/16-17 ISSUED 2017**

Subject: Request, by Unit 4, to use LA FRA logo on resale items (letter attached)

Vote: Affirmative 10                      Negative 3                      No Response 0

**NBR 02/16-17 ISSUED 2/24/2017**

Subject: Accept Resignation of NES Lauren Wynn

Vote: Affirmative 13                      Negative 0                      No Response 0

**NBR 03/16-17 ISSUED 2/28/2017**

Subject: Appointment of National Executive Secretary – Doris Fri

Vote: Affirmative 13                      Negative 0                      No Response

**NBR 04/16-17 ISSUED 3/4/2017**

Subject: To appoint Jr Past President – Carolyn Whitaker

Vote: Affirmative 13                      Negative 0                      No Response

**NBR 05/16-17 ISSUED 3/16/2017**

Subject: Suspend the Charter of Unit 83 Narciso, Zambales, PI for non-compliance

Vote: Affirmative 12      Negative 0                      No Response 1 RPSC

**NBR 06/16-17 ISSUED 5/22/2017**

Subject: Reimburse NVP Jean Smith \$81.60 overage paid for Convention minutes printing and postage

Vote: Affirmative 11      Negative 0                      No Response 2      RPSC, RPNW (excused)

**NBR 07/16-17 ISSUED 6/12/2017**

Subject: Declare the office of NW JrPRP Vacant

Vote: Affirmative 12                      Negative 0                      No Response 1 RPSC

**NBR 08/16-17 ISSUED 6/12/2017**

Subject: Appoint Sharon Holloway PRPNW to the office of NW JrPRP

Vote: Affirmative 12                      Negative 0                      No Response 1 RPSC

**NBR 09/16-17 ISSUED 6/12/2017**

Subject: Bulk Mailing Permit and Mail Box Rental for MSA Cindy Rodham-Tuck not to exceed \$500.00.

Vote: Affirmative 12                      Negative 0                      No Response 1 RPSC

**This Article was inadvertently omitted from the June Triangle**

**CONSTITUTION BYLAWS RESOLUTION**

**Article 7 National and Regional Officers**

**CONSTITUTION BYLAWS COMMITTEE**

**Sub-section 704 (a)(b) (c) (d)**

**RE: Leave of Absence of a National Officer**

WHEREAS, Section 704(a) states as follows: "National Officers or Regional Vice Presidents who due to illness or for other reasons cannot properly fulfill the duties of their office, shall resign for the best interests of the LA FRA. Resignations shall be submitted in writing to the National President for referral to the NBOD. In the absence of a letter of resignation, the NBOD may declare the office vacant" and

**WHEREAS**, Section 704(a) states in part: or "the Regional Vice Presidents" should be deleted as this should be handled by the Regions themselves, and

**WHEREAS**, The C & BL does not allow an Officer to take a leave of absence from the office to which elected, due to circumstances where that Officer is faced with a family emergency which is perhaps a responsibility to take care of an elderly parent, spouse, child or some other relative who is, for a short term, unable to care for themselves and

**WHEREAS**, This would be for no longer than four (4) to six (6) months, and the Officer would be able to resume the responsibilities of the Office to which elected and trained for and

**WHEREAS**, It would be to the advantage of the LA FRA to have this Officer take a Leave of Absence for the short term and then resume the duties of the Office for the remainder of the term for which elected and

**WHEREAS**, In the recent past we have been in this situation and not had any recourse but to ask for an Officer's resignation with no written word how to replace them than to appoint someone who is not qualified or who has just finished a term in the office and has been appointed to fill the office one more time, and

**WHEREAS**, In the best interest of the LA FRA for our NVP and then a year as NP after having held one of the three Offices of NES, NFS, or NT, to learn just how the LA FRA business is conducted which makes a better NVP and NP, and therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, That Section 704(b) be added and amended to state: A National Officer, who due to a family emergency, requiring that Officer to be unable to perform the duties of the Office to which elected, be allowed to send a letter to the National President for referral to the NBOD, requesting a leave of absence for four (4) to six (6) months," and therefore be it further,

**RESOLVED**, That Section 704(c) be added and amended to state: If the NBOD, allows the leave of absence for the officer, the NBOD would then appoint a person who in the past has held that office, to fulfil the duties until the elected person is available to take on the responsibility once more and finish the term in a timely manner, and therefore be it further,

**RESOLVED**, That Section 704(d) be added and amended to state: When the officer on leave is again available to take on the responsibility once more to finish her elected term of office that she sends a letter or e-mail to the National President for referral to the NBOD requesting reinstatement.

## **TRIANGLE**

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**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: \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL TO: DORIS FRI. NES. 510 N Silver St. Apt 2. Paola KS 66071**

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

**LAFRA. PO BOX 2086. SHINGLE SPRINGS. CA 95682-2086**