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The Triangle

Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association

September 2017 Edition

From the Desk of the National President

Auxiliary Members.

Where to start; I traveled to the North Central Regional Convention in Excelsior Springs, MO. I want to thank the region for all the hospitality shown to us during the convention. We went on a tour of the tiny houses that are being built in Kansas City for the homeless Veterans. What an operation they have going. Now, they have nine houses constructed and are going to be building more. Branch and Unit 161 are very active with the Veterans group providing cash donations and household supplies.



Great job and Kudos to all who have supported the Veterans by providing a home for these veterans. I was the installing officer for Regional President Elect – Teresa Norton.

I Traveled to the Southwest Region in Laughlin Nevada where once again we were met with great friendliness. I have been attending many Southwest Regional Conventions over the years and it always a pleasure to return and see old friends and new. RP Nadine Braduway held an impressive meeting. She will be retiring in December and was re-elected Regional President, I had the honor of being the installing officer for RP elect Nadine and Rachelle Caston Regional Vice President Southwest. I would like to Thank Unit 61 for their generous donation to the National President Project.

It is with sadness that I report that Regional President Eileen Hyland NE/NENG resigned her position due to health reasons. Please keep Eileen in your thoughts and prayers. I traveled to NE/NENG and met with RVP Bobbie Seidel who was installed by me as Regional President. Eileen wanted the NE/NENG to be represented at the National Convention. RP Elect Bobbie Seidel will also be installed at the National Convention as the Regional President for the next association year.

Northwest Regional Convention was held in FIFI, WA we have found that the region is struggling. As most of you know that RP Renee Shaw passed away suddenly and the RVP Marjorie Ippert stepped up to the plate as the Regional President. RP Marjorie declined to serve as Regional President for another year due to family illness. My motto is family first and we Thank Marjorie for serving as Regional President.

Now that we are looking at ways to save the Units in the Region, it is imperative that every member in the Auxiliary look to the future and become active in serving as a Regional President as they are national officers and is needed.

We are now looking forward to the National Convention and hoping that we will have many in attendance. It is time for renewing our friendships and working on our cause in the Auxiliary. Our memorial service will be held and this past year we have seen many who have gone to the Staff of the Supreme Commander. As this is a reminder that all have served the FRA and LA FRA with dignity and are now resting in peace. I would be remiss if I did not acknowledge all the guidance from the LA FRA PNP Advisory Board over the past two years. I agree with many of the positive influences that they have offered during advisory meetings. I would like to say thank you to all the Auxiliary Units and Members who have supported the National Presidents projects we have been able to deliver assistance where it has been noted that the funds were truly a blessing to the VA Medical Centers that were chose to receive money to be able to continue with their projects. To All Auxiliary members it has been an extremely difficult period over the last two years with members unable to complete their terms in office but just know that we have strived to continue with the business of the Auxiliary.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve the Auxiliary and I will continue to assist when needed but as the saying goes, "It is Time to Go." May God Bless each and everyone in the Auxiliary and the FRA and God Speed for the Incoming Officers of the Auxiliary.

Our condolences to our members on the loss of their loved ones, may you fine 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:

September 17 -24 – National Convention Hunt Valley. Maryland (See you There!)



We pay tribute to our departed members

Mary Lou McKinley PRPEC	Elizabeth Edwards	Carrie A Drake
Unit 293	MAL	Unit 382
Beverly Farmer	Sue Hobgood	Margaret E Wood
Unit 90	Unit 163	Unit 101

"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.

July Donations

<u>NP Project:</u> Unit 293, Dot Maurath PNP, Ted Achorn, Cynthia Bauer, Unit 216, Beverly Hamby, Unit 230, Unit 238, Unit 74

Pilgrimage: Unit 293, Unit 182, Unit 42, Unit 216,

<u>NP Scholarship:</u> Unit 293, Unit 162, Unit 216, Unit 230

LA FRA Scholarship Fund:

Welfare:

<u>NOTE</u>

<u>ALL</u> 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.

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS as of July 31, 2017

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NATIONAL CONVENTION

As this Triangle is being prepared, the National Convention is barely one (1) month away. The Units are sending in the National Delegate Sheets and happily the majority is electing Proxies and Alternate Proxies. As of today's date 8/22/17 we have only 12 Units who have not sent in their Delegate Sheets. All of the Convention Newsletters and information may be found on the LA FRA website at: <u>www.la-fra.org</u> or the FRA website <u>www.fra.org</u>.

There is much business to conduct and Election of the 2017-2018 National Officers. We have 2 candidates for National Financial Secretary 2017 - 2020: Laurie Starkey PRPNEng Unit 181, and Pat Suckow PRPSE Unit 269. Jean Smith NVP is our candidate for National President 2017-2018, Christina Murray is our candidate for National Vice President 2017-2018. So far our list of Regional Presidents is growing as the Regional Conventions are being held. A new Roster of all Unit Presidents and Secretaries will be prepared in time to distribute at the National Convention and will be mailed out to all the Units immediately following the Convention. Any Unit, Regional, or National Officer who would like to receive the roster by email, just let me know and I will be happy to send it to you in Excel or PDF form, whichever you prefer.

Hope to see many of you at the National Convention, I will be arriving on Sunday September 17, 2017 and will be there the whole week. Contact me if you need any information or forms.

Regional Presidents

Do not forget to bring the 1st place winners, in all groups, of the "Unit Report" for judging. You need to get those to me at the Pre-Board Meeting, so that I may get them to the Committee Chairman ASAP. Also be sure to bring copies of your Regional President's Annual Report. You need to give me a copy and you will need to give a copy to the Recorder. Also be sure you turn in your Regional President's Medallion for the Regional President Elects to receive them. If you are the Regional President Elect, please see me and we can verify that the Medallion is still in your possession. As for the Regional President's Manual, you do not need to give them to me as I will be issuing Manual's to the incoming RPs at the Post Board Meeting.

National Officers

Please make sure the Recorder and I get copies of your Annual Report and if you are leaving office be sure to get your Medallion to me, so it can be presented to the newly elected officer. We must all sign the form showing that these Medallions have changed hands or been retained, and we have a record of who has possession of them.

News of the members

PNP Gail Doloway received a phone call from daughter of Ruth Boggs, PNC LA FRA 1996-1997. She passed away this morning (8/15.). As you know her husband "Sunny" passed away on 8/2. She was in a Memory Care Home. Cards can be sent to Kathy & Steve Simpson @ 1201 West Moose Street, Pahrump, NV 89048-2434 I will miss them both. She was a member of Unit 90 in Las Vegas.

PNP Doreen Huylebroeck received word that our dear sweet **PRPNW Laura Hood** has been admitted to hospice service and is in great need of prayers. The family is asking that any cards or letters be sent to Laura's home at 1623 Hooheke St. Pearl City HI 96782. They are requesting no flowers due to her breathing difficulties. Lucy said that e-mails may be a better choice at this time. She said she would show them or read them to her Mom: laurah.1207@yahoo.com.

I am happy to report that RPNC Elect Teresa Norton's Surgeon has scheduled the surgery to repair her ankle, unit Friday September 29, 2017. This will allow her to travel to National Convention. This is good news for her because this surgery will require a long term healing process and she will be unable to drive or travel for an extended period of time.

Labor Day September 4, 2017

Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the **labor** movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.

TRIANGLE

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