



# The Triangle

## Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association

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### *From the Desk of the National President*

Auxiliary Members.

Greetings from your National President:

The weather has finally cooled and fall is showing its beauty. Looking out your window you can see the beautiful painting that nature has done.

As I am writing this, I am preparing to travel to Hawaii (December 5-9) for the 2017 Pearl Harbor Observance at the USS Arizona Memorial. I am sure this will be an awe-inspiring experience and I wish to thank FRA Branch and Unit 46 for their great hospitality.



The Northwest Region did not elect officers for this year and were put in suspension by the NBOD at the post board. The National Board of Directors has voted to rescind that suspension and has appointed PNP Gail Doloway as the Administrator for the Northwest Region. As the Administrator she will be the point of contact for all the units of the Northwest Region. She will be working with all the Units of the Northwest Region to resolve any issues and to hopefully in a short amount of time be able to announce that the Northwest Region and its Units are in compliance with the C&BL. We look forward to seeing the Northwest Region in good working order and able to have a full slate of officers.

As 2017 is winding down and 2018 is nearly here, it is not too early for applicants to fill out their applications for the Scholarships which are given out by the LA FRA. A total of four scholarships are available.

**LA FRA Scholarship:** awarded annually to the male or female candidate chosen from children or grandchildren of members of the FRA and LA FRA by the National President and her committee.

**Sam Rose Memorial Scholarship:** awarded to the male or female candidate chosen from the sons, daughters, grandsons, or granddaughters of deceased LA FRA and FRA members by the National President and her committee.

**Allie Mae Oden Memorial Scholarship:** awarded to the candidate chosen from the children or grandchildren of members of the LA FRA or FRA by the National President and her committee in the name of the LA FRA.

**National President's Scholarship:** awarded annually to the candidate chosen from children and grandchildren of members of the LA FRA or FRA or deceased members of the LA FRA or the FRA by the National President and the committee. Application forms may be obtained from the FRA National Headquarters or the FRA website

([www.FRA.org](http://www.FRA.org)). Completed applications shall be forwarded to the National Executive Director, Fleet Reserve, 125 N. West Street, Alexandria, VA. 22314 by April 15 of the year in which the applicant plans to enter the school or continue education. Please don't let the deadline creep up on you, get your application in as soon as you can.

Notification will be mailed out soon for the National Pilgrimage, but I want to remind you that Pilgrimage this year is April 14, at the Weston Hotel at Tyson's Corner. Information is on the FRA website.

We have had so much illness this year and so many deaths. To all of you who sent my husband cards on the loss of two of his siblings, I want to say thank you. This has been hard for him because he is the only one left of five children. He feels a great burden in this. The cards are still by his chair and he reads them often. Thanks again to all of you.

To those who are ill, we pray God's healing hand. For those who have lost someone special, may God's grace shine upon you. For those of you who are still having Birthdays (lol) much joy and many more. For those who are celebrating an anniversary, much happiness and many more.

In Loyalty, Protection and Service  
Jean Smith NP

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### Did you know?

This month we are planning to discuss who, what and where when it comes to the monies for the LA FRA.

**Membership Services Administrator (MSA):** Membership dues whether they are for new, renewal and/or reinstate should be sent to the MSA. Checks should be made out to **LA FRA**. **Do not send cash!** Remember the MSA deals only with monies dealing with member's dues!

**National Financial Secretary (NFS):** All other monies, for whatever reason, must be sent to the NFS for accounting purposes. Checks should be made out to **LA FRA** and in the memo line it should designate where you wish to have the monies to go to. Any monies received with no designation will go into the General Fund. **Please do not send cash!**

Things that you might want to contribute to are; LA FRA Scholarship Fund, Sam Rose Memorial Scholarship Fund, Allie Mae Oden Memorial Scholarship Fund, NP Scholarship Fund, Welfare and Rehabilitation Fund and of course the **NP Project**.

In accordance with C&BL's, all Units are requested to send \$5.00 each year to the Pilgrimage Fund. This is to pay for wreaths and other Pilgrimage expenses. This is usually sent to the NFS sometime in February.

Whenever you need any resale items, remember to order them in a timely manner. Do not wait until the last minute. Please give the NFS sufficient time to receive, gather the order and get it out. Keep in mind that from time to time items may be out of stock and on order from our distributor. Also make sure the check is made out to **LA FRA** and is for the correct amount. If it isn't for the correct amount, it may delay you getting your item(s) in a timely manner.

Hopefully this helps you to understand where to send your monies and who will be taking care of accounting for them. Please feel free to make suggestions for any item you would like to have discussed in upcoming Triangles. Also, if you have any comments on what has been discussed please let us know them.

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### **From the desk of the National Vice President/Membership Chairman**

Thank you for your confidence in electing me, the National Vice President 2017-2018. I consider it an honor and a privilege to continue to serve you. One might think that the Vice-Presidential year is a little lax after serving as the NFS, however, I view it as the biggest challenge of my life maintaining and hopefully increasing the membership. On April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 the LA FRA had 6,383 members. The October reports indicate 6,213 members, a loss of 170 members. We have many Units who are maintaining their membership numbers, congratulations and thank you. There are four Units who are leading the way in membership gains. Bravo Zulu Units 24, 70, 91 and 170.

Keeping the meetings positive, doing charitable work, and providing positive social interactions are all ways to maintain membership and encourage new members. LA FRA members can make a difference one person at a time. By publicizing your community involvement and being seen representing the organization. Ask Unit 93 about the "Out of the Darkness Walk", Unit 24 about the "Vet Dogs annual event or monthly membership information sessions, or Unit 163 about the impact of yearly parade participation. There are many other Units who are actively involved in the community, share your story and let others know about your events.



The National Vice President Project for 2017-2018 is "Honoring our Heritage and Forging the Future". Twenty years ago, during PNP Barbara Sherwood's Vice-Presidential year she asked the members to Crow about the LA FRA. Today, I am asking you to Crow about the Auxiliary and reach those eligible for membership or reinstate those who let their membership lapse. The first 165 members to recruit 3 new members or reinstate 3 members will receive a beautiful Gold Rooster pin. Remember according to SR 4(g) if someone recruits 10 new members they should receive a Gold pin and for 25 additional members a Silver Star guard. A Silver Anchor pin is awarded when the member recruits 50 members and for each additional 25 members they should receive a corresponding Silver Star. **Let's all Crow**, the Future of this Auxiliary depends on each of us.

**Membership Statistics**

Apr 1	REI	NEW	TI	TO	Resigned	NonPmt	Deceased	Ineligible	Other	Active
6383	118	385	134	133	6	570	67	1	0	6213

**"From the generosity of our members, all things are possible"**

**NP Project 2016-2017**

**LA FRA**

Units 194, 289, 40, 4, 269, 42, PNP Diane Hoover, Terry Grisham in honor of her mother Patricia Grisham., PNP Cindy Rodham-Tuck & Hazlett family in memory of their mother., Jackie Scarbro PRPEC, Gale Nation NChap & Pat Suckow NFS, PNP Dot Maurath, PNP Carolyn Whitaker, NED Tom & PNVP Karen Snee, Aida Littlejohn PRPEC, NE/NEng Region, WC Region Beer Club, Teresa Norton, Juanita Longtong, JrPNP Helen Courneya Grab & Go Cash mystery gift bags, NP & Telephone fines during the Convention.

**NATIONAL PRESIDENT PROJECT 2017-2018**

**ALZHEIMER FOUNDATION**

Joan Labbe, NP Jean Smith, PNP Cindy Rodham-Tuck, PNP Doris Fri, PNP Club

**LA FRA SCHOLARSHIP**

Llewellyn Kalai

Hi Everyone: Well, I have been at this "new" job now for about a month and a half. What was I thinking when I said I wanted to do this again?? I must have been drinking heavily at the time. But, no, seriously I am enjoying myself. I am the first to admit though, I've made a "few" errors. In a future TRIANGLE, I send in an article to give all of you some updates.

In the meantime, anyone who has received a dues notice in the last two months will notice that the membership card is attached. THIS CARD IS NOT VALID UNTIL THE DUES ARE PAID. Please send in your payment. Once your check is cleared, your card is valid.

With that said, as I have been opening the mail recently, I have noticed that the printing on many of them is smudged in some cases unreadable. When I ordered the new supply, I mentioned this to the printer and we are working to find a solution. Anyone who has received a renewal notice will still receive a new card when I receive the payment. Anyone who has a membership card that is smudged and/or unreadable, please email/call/write me and I will send you a new one even if your dues are current. Please **DO NOT SEND CASH**. Also, the check should be to **LA FRA**. Thank you for your patience. It has definitely been fun trying to get back in the swing of things. Thank you PNP Cindy Rodham-Tuck MSA

**In Loving Memory of our departed Members**

Frances I Reichard Unit 182	Mary Ann Galinski Unit 124	Beulah M Patterson Unit 183
Ruth Boggs PNC Unit 90	Hatsuko T Coover Unit 8	Bernadette M Mogan Unit 230

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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 FRINES. 139 W Peoria St Apt 202. Paola KS 66071**

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

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