



The Triangle

Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association

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From the Desk of the National President

Greetings from your National President

I am so proud of the National Board this year, it seems that you have been able to accomplish a great deal of business this year that has been held over from years past. The Regional Presidents are on top of the EIN situation and are getting their Units to comply. If you are one of the Regional Presidents that have worked so hard this year, I salute you and job well done. For those who have Units that are still in arrears on getting their EIN #'s or renewals, I urge you to get in touch with these Units as soon as possible and see if we can have 100% by Convention time. Thank all of you for your persistence and hard work, you have made me proud.

Not much going on right now, other than the installation of Unit Officers. I will be traveling to Crossville this week for the anniversary of their institution. I am hoping all the National Officers that helped institute Unit 294 will also be in attendance.

For those Regional Presidents that were not at Pilgrimage, you were missed. This is the LA FRA Midyear NBOD meeting and we had a lot of issues to discuss. We have a lot of unfinished business going on in the Regions and we were able to discuss and give each other advice as to how to get everything accomplished before National Convention. We had a great meeting and accomplished a great deal with an open discussion.

I expect all the Units have filled out their Officers Report by now and have mailed it to the proper persons. As soon as all the Officers Reports are in, the NES will compile the new Unit President and Secretary Roster. The NES will have all this done and ready to add the Regional Officers as soon as their elections are held. If all of this is done, we should have a current Unit President and Secretary Roster to hand out at National Convention, how awesome is that.

Please remember all the people in Hawaii that have been displaced and especially our LA FRA members. We also want to remember all the people state side that have been affected by the heavy storms and gale force winds.

I have mailed out another three 50-year certificates. I congratulate these steadfast members. The goal of each member should be to recruit new younger members to let them absorb some of the knowledge of these members who have been the backbone of our Auxiliary. I want to thank the Units that have kept up with these members and made the calls that mean so much.

I'm sure you are pleased that this article is less not more. I have not had a chance to travel much since I got back from my six-week tour of



the Mid-Years will be starting again soon.

For all those who have lost someone special, we extend our prayers and sympathy. For those having a birthday, we wish for you happiness and many more. For those with anniversaries, we congratulate you and send our warmest well wishes. For those who are ill, we send our prayers and lots of get well wishes.

In Loyalty, Protection and Service,
Jean Smith NP LA FRA

DID YOU KNOW?

For those of you who are unaware, there are membership award pins to earn. If you will check your C & BL under Standing Rule 4, it is very self-explanatory.

Any Member of the LA FRA who obtains, ten new or reinstated, members for the LA FRA shall be presented with a Gold Membership Pin. The Unit Secretary must send a letter to the NFS and a request for the award. She must send the following information to the NFS:

The name and address of the recipient of the award.
Names and addresses of the ten new or reinstated members.
Name and number of the Unit.

The Silver Anchor Award is given to a LA FRA member who obtains fifty, new or reinstated, members for the LA FRA. They will also receive a Silver Anchor Certificate and a letter of commendation signed by the National President.

Membership pins shall be awarded as follows:

Gold Membership Pin -----10 members.
Silver Star Guard #1-----25 additional members.
Silver Anchor Award-----15 additional members.

There are also longevity pins available. When you initiate a new member, you give her a membership pin which is the little Red Triangle pin that she can wear on her hat. After 5 years that person may receive another longevity pin that is gold and has 5 on it. There are pins available for every 5 years of continuous service, such as 10, 15, 20 etc.

These may be ordered from the order form sent out by the NFS. (Also available on the Website).

If you have a member who has 50, 55, or 60 years of continuous service, you may order that auxiliary member a pin which will be accompanied by a certificate of membership appreciation and a letter from the National President.

The presentation does not have to be on the exact anniversary of the year that the auxiliary member has, if it occurs sometime during that year. Some of the Units have a pin awards ceremony once a year on the anniversary of the Unit institution. They combine the Unit Birthday and members appreciation all at one meeting.

There is also a Membership award for the Unit which stands highest in membership gain during the current membership year. Membership Cash Awards of fifty dollars shall be given to the Unit of each group which has made the highest gain in membership during the current Membership year. (April 1 thru March 31)

Some of you are not aware that you may purchase past Officers pins. They are also on the Order Form. If you wish to have a past Officers pin, you may purchase them from the order form through the NFS. If you wonder, why some of the members have so many pins on their hats it is because they have held a lot of offices in their Unit and have ordered pins to show their pride. Second term Past Officers guards are sold as well.

The National Vice President has gold Rooster Pins available to any auxiliary member who recruits or reinstates 3 members. If you are into awards and pins, here is your opportunity to excel.



In Loving Memory of our departed Members

Betty J Land MAL Member since 1975	Mercedes D Rosario Unit 18 Member since 2015	Annielesa Robinson Unit 29 Member since 2005
Paula Fredeluces Unit 46 Member since 1970	Margaret M McHenry Unit 59 Member since 2004	Violet A Perkins Unit 382* Member since 1963
Isabel E Goss Unit 22 Member since 1971	Edith J Johnson Unit 126 Member since 1994	Teena G Carter Unit 346 Member since 2014
Marylyn N Kitchens Unit 61 Member since 1998	Lucy M Hall Unit 8* Member since 1963	

Bold Type * - indicated 50+ years

Membership Statistics
Beginning April 1, 2018 – April 30, 2018

Apr 1	REI	NEW	TI	TO	Resigned	NonPmt	Deceased	Ineligible	Other	Active
6053	18	41	1	1	0	62	11	0	0	6039

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

LA FRA SCHOLARSHIP

Eileen Sloyan in memory of PNVP Karen Snee
JrPNP Don and PNP Gini Larson in memory of
PNC Bobbie Pugh

NP SCHOLARSHIP

Unit 60, Unit 94, PNP Larry and PNP Pat
Boudreaux in memory of PNP Dot Maurath

WELFARE

JrPNP Don and PNP Gini Larson

NP Project 2017-2018
Alzheimer’s Foundation

Branch 11 in memory of PNC Bobbie Pugh
JrPNP Don and PNP Gini Larson, Unit 60
Christopher and NVP Christina Murray
NES Doris Fri, Unit 94, Branch 94, Unit 182
FRA National Board, National Pilgrimage
Attendees,

Pilgrimage

Unit 358, Unit 275, Unit 60, Unit 210, Unit 182,
Unit 94, Unit 230

Candidates for National

NP: Christina Murray Unit 40

NVP: Bea Parco Unit 163

NT: Linda Telly Unit 230

RPNC: Barbara White Unit 161

RPEC: Cristina Dixon Unit 4

RVPEC: Virginia Jordan Unit 24

RPWC: Brenda Horton Unit 137

RTWC: Cherita Dagang Unit 137

RVPNC: Dolores Hopkins Unit 161



July 4, 2018

COMING EVENTS

(FOR MORE DETAILS GO TO www.fra.org and check Events)

East Coast Regional Convention	July 20, 2018 – July 21, 2018	Solomons MD
West Coast Regional Convention	July 29, 2018 – August 1, 2018	Sparks NV
Southwest Regional Convention	August 3, 2018 – August 4, 2018	Laughlin NV
North Central Regional Convention	August 9, 2018 – August 12, 2018	Grand Rapids MI
South Central Regional Convention	August 16, 2018 – August 19, 2018	Shreveport LA
Northwest Regional Convention	August 17, 2018 – August 18, 2018	Boise ID
Southeast Regional Convention	August 23, 2018 – August 26, 2018	Gulf Breeze FL
Northeast/New England Convention	September 5 – September 7, 2018	Egg Harbor Township
National Convention	September 23 – September 30, 2018	San Antonio TX

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS RESOLUTION

C & BL COMMITTEE

Article 8, Section 804 – Duties of the National Vice President

Whereas, Article 8, Section 804, Sub-Section 804(a) States; The National Vice President shall be Chairman of the National Membership And Retention Committee, and

Whereas, Due to having a Membership Service Administrator and the fact that the applications for the Membership-at-Large are no longer sent to the National Financial Secretary, and

Whereas, This year we have a member of the Membership-at-Large roll that has served for 65 years and should be recognized with a Certificate and a Service Pin, and the Membership-at-Large the Life Membership roster needs to be reviewed for longevity, for presentation of pins, and or certificated, and

Whereas, The National Vice President is the National Membership Chairman and the Membership-at-Large Roster and Life Membership should be part of the duties to check out longevity, pins, welcome letters, and certificates, now therefore be it

Resolved, That a new Sub-Section be added that of 804(b) to be amended to read,

The National Vice President will be in charge of the Membership-at-Large roll and Life Membership, to keep check on longevity of the members of the MAL and the Life Membership pins to be presented, welcome letters to new MAL members, and any certificates that should be presented.

Old 804(b) to (c), (c) to (d), (d) to (e), (e) to (f), (f) to (g), (g) to (h), (h) to (i)

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NOTE FROM NES, Doris Fri

I am happy to say that as of May 13, I have received 20 Unit Officers Information Sheets and 2 National Delegate Sheets. I am updating the 2018-2019 President/Secretary Roster as they come in and adding the Delegates/Proxies to my spreadsheet. I want to send out a BIG THANK YOU, to the Unit Secretary for getting these forms in and so far, they have all been legible so hopefully we will not have too many corrections later. THANK YOU, Regional Presidents, for sharing the ones you have received with me. 100% is our goal.

Standing Rule Resolution

Unit 126, W. Jacksonville, FL

SR – 3 Grouping for Awards

Whereas; SR 3, C&BL, states “In the GROUPING for all competitive purposes, Units shall be divided into five groups according to the final Membership Service Administrator’s printout for the Membership Year 1 April through 31 March, and remains unchanged for twelve months. New Units instituted after 31 March are automatically put in Group Five regardless of number of members.” and,

Whereas; Overall membership in the LA FRA has declined over the past years, and

Whereas; Membership in the units has also declined over the same period and we have lost many of the units, and,

Whereas; The current groupings do not coincide with the actual unit membership and puts many of the units at an unfair advantage when the judging is done, which in turn causes the units to stop submitting reports, and therefore be it,

Resolved, That SR 3 be changed to read: “In the GROUPING for all competitive purposes, Units shall be divided into four groups according to the final Membership Service Administrator’s printout for the Membership Year 1 April through 31 March, and remains unchanged for twelve months. New Units instituted after 31 March are automatically put in Group Four regardless of number of members.” and therefore be it further

Resolved, the following changes to the Groupings

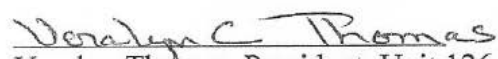
Group One – No Change


Group Two – All Units with fifty-one members, but less than ninety-nine members.

Group Three – All Units with twenty-six members but less than fifty members.

Group Four - All Units with less than twenty-five members.

This is to certify that this resolution was read, debated and adopted at a regular meeting of Unit 126, a quorum being present, held the 6th day of April, 2018.


Veralyn Thomas, President, Unit 126


Deborah Wirth, Secretary, Unit 126

RESOLUTION PROPOSAL
SR-8(c) USS COLE MEMORIAL

WHEREAS, the USS COLE (DDG-67) , a United States Navy guided-missile destroyer while being refueled on 12 October, 2000, in Yemen's Aden harbor, was bombed and considered an act of terrorism; and

WHEREAS, seventeen American Sailors were killed and 39 injured in the deadliest attack against a United States naval vessel since 1987. The terrorist organization al-Qaeda claimed responsibility for the attack; and

WHEREAS, a small fiberglass boat carrying explosives and two suicide bombers approached the port side of the destroyer and exploded, creating a 40-by-60 foot gash in the ship's port side; and

WHEREAS, a Memorial to the those sailors who lost their lives as victims as a result of the attack, was dedicated at Norfolk Naval Station in Virginia on 12 October, 2001; and

WHEREAS, LA FRA Unit 60 Ocean View, Norfolk, VA membership had unanimously agreed on January 3, 2018 with the concurrence of the East Coast Region to facilitate this memorial; now therefore be it

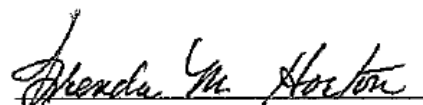
RESOLVED, that a memorial for the USS Cole be added as a LA FRA National Memorial that is held on October 12th of each year in Norfolk, Virginia and is participated by the members of Unit 60; and be it further

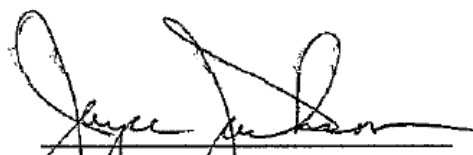
RESOLVED, that a new section be added to the Standing Rules that of SR-8(c) and to read as follows:

SR-8 (c) USS COLE MEMORIAL – Norfolk, Virginia. Flowers for the Memorial Service on 12 October shall be purchased and paid in accordance with the budget line item. Funds for flowers shall be forwarded to LA FRA, Unit 60.

CERTIFICATION: This is to certify that this resolution was proposed at a regular meeting of Unit 137 held on 10th day of January, 2018 and read, debated and adopted by unanimous vote at a regular meeting of Unit 137 held on the 10th day of January, 2018 there being a quorum present.

Date: January 10, 2018


Brenda M Horton, President
Unit 137 Sierra-Tahoe
LA FRA West Coast Region


Joyce Jackson, Secretary
Unit 137 Sierra-Tahoe
LA FRA West Coast Region

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C & BL COMMITTEE

Article 8, Section 809

Whereas, Section 809, Sub-Section 809(q) states; In matters pertaining to the Membership-at-Large roll, the responsibilities shall be limited to maintaining the application files and providing new members with a welcoming letter and a membership pin, and

Whereas, The information is sent to the Membership Service Administrator and should be the responsibility of the National Membership Chairman, therefore be

Resolved, That this Section 809, Sub-Section 809(q) be deleted, and that Section 809(r) be changed to 809(q), 809(s) to 809(r), 809(t) to 809(s), to 809(u) to 809(t)

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C & BL COMMITTEE

Article 301, Section 301

Whereas, Article 3, Section 301, Subsection 301(c) states; Application in a Unit of the Ladies Auxiliary shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Unit, or if the applications are for membership on the Membership-at-Large Roll, to the National Financial Secretary of the LA FRA for certification that the applicant meets the requirements of this Article, and

Whereas, This Article as stated regarding the membership of the Membership-at-Large Roll is incorrect as all applications are sent to the Membership Service Administrator and the person who completes the application makes their own certification, and now therefore be it

Resolved, That Article 3, Section 301, Subsection 301(c) be amended to read as follows:

Section 301, Subsection 301(c). Application for membership in a Unit of the Ladies Auxiliary shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Unit along with membership to the Membership-at-Large Roll, the applications shall be sent to Membership Service Administrator for processing.

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Units

Please send some pictures of what your Unit is doing. Installations, Pin Presentations, Special Events, etc. We want to share what our members are doing and give the Auxiliary Members some recognition for the good work that you are all doing for our Veterans, our Elderly, our Homeless, and all of those who are in need. I would love to have at least one page in each Triangle dedicated to "What the Unit Members are doing". We know you are doing good things, we just want to brag on you some.

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

REPORT OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR TRIANGLE

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Name: _____ Member No: _____

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City, State, ZIP: _____

NEW ADDRESS

Street: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

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