



# THE TRIANGLE

## Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association

2020-2021

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*From the Desk of the National President*

As we start the new year, COVID 19 restrictions continue. I am asking the **AUXILIARY OF THE FRA LEADERSHIP** and **MEMBERS** to think out of the box for innovative ways, and new ideas to help preserve the future of the Auxiliary and to benefit ourselves. The membership continues to decline during the pandemic. It is critical for the survival of the **Auxiliary of the FRA** for the **LEADERSHIP** and the **MEMBERS** to work together to overcome the loss of membership, help members overcome the restrictions and depression brought on by the pandemic and provide support to the members by staying in touch to help each other.



Due to the limited travel and social distancing requirements many areas are unable to hold regular meetings therefore teleconferencing and zoom meetings are successfully taking place throughout each region. If the restrictions prevent regular meetings in the area, **UNIT PRESIDENTS** are requested to set up teleconferencing meetings for the Regular Business Meeting and Board of Directors Meetings This will not only serve to conduct the business of the Auxiliary, allow members confined to home to attend meetings and is wonderful time for a social get together. You can combine business and pleasure.

Regional Presidents have established a regional plan to benefit the Auxiliary of the FRA and due to COVID 19 they are unable to attend Unit meetings or assist Units overcome issues at hand or encourage activities. **REGIONAL PRESIDENTS** are requested to set up teleconferencing or zoom Regional Meetings and invite all **UNIT PRESIDENTS** to attend the meeting and report of the Unit activities. Again, it is a great time for a social get together and **UNIT PRESIDENTS** can share ideas to help the members and the Auxiliary.

To stay in touch with the membership during the unusual COVID 19 time, Units could establish a Telephone Committee to contact members to let them know they are appreciated, just to say hello, or remind them of a past due membership dues notice and send Birthday/Thinking of You/Get Well Cards.

To inform members of Auxiliary news and stay in touch with unit members, **UNIT PRESIDENTS** are requested to ask each member to provide their email address so they may receive an email copy of the monthly TRIANGLE. Send the email address to NES Vera Thomas [aquaspacev@aol.com](mailto:aquaspacev@aol.com).

**WITH THE LEADERSHIP, OF REGIONAL PRESIDENTS AND UNIT PRESIDENTS, AND MEMBERS WORKING TOGETHER WE HELP EACH OTHER AND THE FUTURE OF THE AUXILIARY OF THE FRA**

Congratulations to the members celebrating Birthdays, Anniversaries, and special events. Wishing good health and happiness for all.

Yours in Loyalty, Protection and Service  
Jackie Scarbro, National President  
Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association dba

**Membership Statistics**

JUL 1	REI	New	TI	TO	Resigned	NonPmt	Deceased	Ineligible	Other	Active
5532	248	220	88	89	1	1028	129	0	0	4853

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR DEPARTED MEMBERS**















National Presidents



Other National/Regional Officers



Members

 Marjorie Pitcher PRPNEng Unit 42	 Patricia Flotten Unit 261	 Esther Carpenter Unit 60
 Elizabeth Durham Unit 161	 Barbara Skates Unit 161	 Clara Visica Unit 74
 Helen Jones Unit 126	 Helen Tucker Unit 47	 Catherine Labatut Unit 162
 Anna Gordan Unit 230	 Marjorie Ohlmeier Unit 201	

***In loving memory of FRA Past National President Mark Kilgore (2012-2013)***

PNP Mark passed away on December 8, 2020.

Cards and condolences may be sent to his wife PRPSE Babe and family at:

107 Ruberia Ave  
Pensacola, FL 32504-2458

***Donations***

Do not send cash. Checks and money orders must be made out to LA FRA.

NP Project-- Unit 91 First Coast, Unit 227 Ozark, and the East Coast Region

LA FRA Scholarship-- Unit 101 Santa Clara in memory of Phyllis Jones and Sandra Gedling,  
and Joan Matteson in memory of Patricia Flotten

A reminder for all Regional and Unit Presidents, Secretaries and/or Treasurers about filing the IRS form 990-N. The National Treasurer files the 990-N for National LA FRA, but it is a responsibility for the regions and units to file as well. The date a region or unit file is individually based on the original or latest filing with the IRS.

***Several tips to help you prepare Form 990:***

**Know the version of the Form 990 your Unit files**

**Assemble key information from Unit records**

**Know the Unit's deadline for filing**

**Ensure the Unit files the Form 990 for this year**

**It is suggested that the updated 990 information be sent to the National Treasurer**

**Each Region/Unit must have EIN Number**

**Banks/investments must have same name as on EIN letter**

**Bank Accounts should have 2 signatures on transactions**

**Accounts should have 2 or 3 authorized signers**

**Checks should correspond to budgeted line item**

**All payments require a source document, drawn voucher and paper check**

***LA FRA History*** - excerpt from the History book

On May 21, 1931, the Auxiliary's incorporation was granted by the New York Secretary of State. This would be costly and there was no money in the treasury.

Lawyer Solomon, himself a Marine Corps veteran and ever a sympathetic and understanding friend, gave his legal services free and the cost of the incorporation simmered down to the actual cost of \$37.50. This money was borrowed from the Brooklyn's Unit's Treasury and returned soon after, from the proceeds of an activity conducted by the National Officers.

Now the work started in earnest. The National President and the National Secretary traveled many, many miles at their own expense, selling the Auxiliary idea to the Branches in the New York Metropolitan area and then reached out into the neighboring States, New Jersey, Connecticut and Pennsylvania.

Reading about the travels of the NP and NS, it seems as if 'what was' needs to be 'what is.' Following the example of these ladies, we all need to encourage each other to 'sell the Auxiliary idea' to the people we know or meet.

Note - The LA FRA History book supplemental is being compiled and should be available for download from our website during the first part of 2021. When available after production, orders for the print supplemental and/or the complete history version can be ordered from NFS Horton - address is listed on the front page of the Triangle.

**LADIES AUXILIARY, FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION  
National President 2021-2022**

**National President 2021-2022**

**NOMINATING RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, it is the duty and responsibility of the delegates assembled at the 88<sup>th</sup> National Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association to be held on September 27-October 4, 2021, in Portland, Oregon, to elect a dedicated, experienced, knowledgeable and respected member to serve in the office of National President, for the Association Year 2021-2022; 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** this member has served on the Unit level as President, Jr-Past President and BOD several times, and various committees. On the Regional level she has served as Regional President (Twice) Regional Vice-President, attended all Mid-year meeting and several Regional Conventions, co-chairing (3) three, and attended National Conventions. Also served three years as the National Financial Secretary 2017-2020. Now serving as the National Vice-President 2020-2021 and

**RESOLVED**, that the members of LOW COUNTRY, UNIT 269, Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve at a scheduled meeting held on November 17, 2020 a quorum being present, did unanimously and proudly place the name of Patricia Suckow, in nomination for the office of National President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, for the Association Year of 2021-2022 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 President for the Association Year 2021-2022



Gail Bolz  
Unit 269, President



Marilyn Tharp  
Unit 269, Secretary

Dates to Remember:

February 2 - Groundhog Day  
(I wonder if he will be wearing a mask?)  
February 3 - Four Chaplains Day  
February 12 - Lincoln's Birthday  
February 14 - Valentine's Day  
February 15 - President's Day  
February 22 - Washington' Birthday

***Four Chaplains Day*** - Military Chaplains Clarke Poling (Baptist), John Washington (Catholic), Alexander Goode (Rabbi), and George Fox (Methodist). February 3, 1943, when the troop ship USAT Dorchester was torpedoed the life vests were passed out to men, but the supply ran out before each man had one. The four chaplains gave their own life vests to others and helped as many men as they could into the boats, then they linked their arms together, saying prayers and singing hymns and went down with the ship.

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### **Scholarship Information - Standing Rule 5**

Three Scholarships are established in the amount set by the annual budget, to be paid from the Scholarship Reserve Fund.

LA FRA Scholarship –To be 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. Contributions will be accepted.

Sam Rose Memorial Scholarship – To be 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 in the name of the LA FRA. Contributions will be accepted.

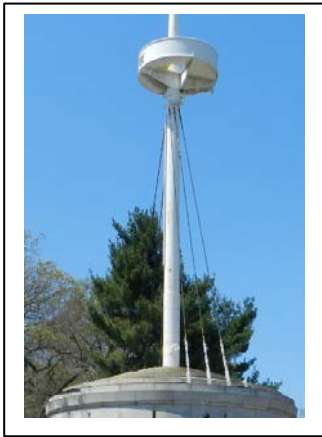
Allie Mae Oden Memorial Scholarship –To be awarded to the candidate chosen from the children or grandchildren of members of the LA FRA or FRA by the National President and her committee in the name of the Auxiliary. Contributions will be accepted.

Details are at the direction of the LA FRA, National President, as follows:

- (1) This scholarship award shall be given to an applicant on the basis of scholarship proficiency, character, and need of financial assistance for further education.
- (2) The applicant shall be a graduate, or prospective graduate, of an accredited high school, or its equivalent. A student currently attending an accredited school of advanced education, or university, may be considered for this award.
- (3) Other factors being equal, preference will be given to an applicant who is a dependent of a member of the Fleet Reserve Association and/or LA FRA.
- (4) These scholarships shall be used for tuition, registration or other fees at an accredited school of advanced education, or university designated by the student concerned, for the next year. If for any reason, the scholarship award cannot be used as specified, it shall be returned by the school concerned, to the LA FRA, for award to the alternate applicant. In no case is this award to be given to the applicant for other use.
- (5) Previous winners are eligible to apply for scholarships in subsequent years.
- (6) All application forms are obtained from FRA Headquarters or the FRA Website ([www.FRA.org](http://www.FRA.org)). Completed applications shall be forwarded to the National Executive Director, Fleet Reserve Association, 125 N. West Street, Alexandria, VA 22314 by 15 April of year in which applicant plans to enter the school or continue education.

# LA FRA Pilgrimage April 24, 2021

## Arlington National Cemetery



**April 24, 2021**

**11:00 AM - 12:30 PM National President's Tea**

### **Laying of the Wreath Ceremonies**

2:00 PM - Depart for Arlington National Cemetery from Hotel

3 - 3:40 PM Ceremony at the USS Maine Memorial (Mast of The Maine)

3:45 - 4:30 PM Laying of the Wreath - Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

**Wear Whites, Caps, and Gloves. Flags for Mast of the Maine Ceremony.**

(FRA National Board Midyear will be Friday April 23, 2021. (Day before Pilgrimage.)

Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel

900 South Orme Street, Arlington, VA 22204

AIRPORT Washington, DC (DCA-Ronald Reagan Washington National Complimentary Hotel shuttle service (Airport and Shopping Mall) Room Rate \$139.00 + 12% tax per night  
Code LAFRA Call 703-521-1900 Cut Off Date - March 30, 2021

*NOTE:* Please contact PNP Doreen (703-801-8984) Pilgrimage Chairman if you are planning on attending or for more information.

RPSE Nathan's visit to Unit 126's 66<sup>th</sup> Birthday - left to right PNP Whitaker-126, PNP Robbins-91, Deborah Winn-126, RPSE Nathan, NES Vera Thomas-126 Pres, Marsha Feezor -126, RVPSE Horvath-290, and NVP Suckow. SM Thomas Photographer-BR 126.



Brenda Hiers, Unit 269 doing Operation Christmas Child Boxes.



NVP Pat Suckow with SM Wayne Suckow after 'hatting' 2020-2021 'zoom' Installation.



RPSE Nathan attending 'zoom' Installation 2020-2021.

