



THE TRIANGLE

Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association
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2020-2021

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From the Desk of the National President

Members of the Auxiliary were honored to participate in the historical LA FRA National Pilgrimage at Arlington National Cemetery, June 30. Pilgrimage Chairman, PNP Doreen Huylebroeck and Pilgrimage Marshall, PRPEC Debra Washington overcame the difficulties and restrictions of the COVID pandemic to ensure the success of the Auxiliary's annual event for 2021. The National President's Tea is held to honor the National President and included special gifts, decorations, and a beautiful and delicious cake. This special event provided an enjoyable time for all come together again. Members of the FRA and the Auxiliary proceeded to Arlington National Cemetery to conduct the LA FRA Ceremony at the U.S.S. Maine Memorial. Marshall PRPEC Debra Washington presided, introducing National President Scarbro to lead the Pledge of Allegiance, and RPEC Virginia Jorden to lead the members in the LA FRA Preamble. FRA RVPEC Christopher Murray lead the FRA Preamble. The Eulogy for the U.S.S. Maine and its crew was presented by NP Scarbro. The LA FRA National Chaplain Lyn Transfiguracion offered the prayer at the Mast of the U.S.S. Maine and the FRA Two Bell Ceremony was conducted by FRA NED Christopher Slawinski. As National President of the Auxiliary, I was privileged to be escorted by the National President FRA, Michael, "Mick" Fulton and National Vice President Jim Campell to lead the Pilgrimage from the Mast of the Maine to the Tomb of the Unknown for the honor of the LA FRA Wreath presentation. The Color Bearers were Hanna Vinanneva and RVPEC Dorothy Smiley. The National Officers participating were, NVP Pat Suckow, NFS Brenda Horton, NT Nadine Fulton, JrPNP Bea Parco, RPEC Virginia Jorden, RPSE Gale Nathan, RPSC Gini Larson with NChaplain Lyn Transfiguracion and National Parliamentarian Christina Murray PNP. Other members of the LAFRA participating in the ceremonies were PNP Doreen Huylebroeck Pilgrimage Chairman, PNP Diane Hoover, PNP Doris Fri, PNC Sylvia Wainio, RVPSC John Neal, PNC, RVPNE/NEng Laurie Starkey, RVPEC Dorothy Smiley, PRPEC Debra Washington, Pilgrimage Marshall, PRPEC Margaret-Dumas Carter, Tina Baringer, Jean Gibson, Loretta Jorden, Suzye Quirk, Patricia Gray, Sandra Pitts, and Tess Taylor. The FRA members attending were NP Mick Fulton, NVP Jim Campbell, Jr PNP Donna Jansky, NED Chris Slawinski, RPNE/NEng Abe Zino, RPNW Danny Hunt, RPSE Donald Gibson, RPSW Rogelio Bacud, RVPNE/NEng Neil Ross, RPSC Ursula Gruetzner, RPWC William Hansen, RPWC William Hansen, NChaplain Paul Gunther. PNP Bob Beese, PNP Bob Washington, PNP William Starkey, and PNED Tom Snee. My thanks to Lou Transfiguracion and Chris Murray for capturing the historical events with the many photos. I sincerely thank the members of the Auxiliary and the FRA for the support and for giving me the honor and opportunity to be part of the historical LA FRA Ceremonies conducted at the Mast of the U.S.S. Maine and the Tomb of the Unknown.

Jackie Scarbro, NP

National Statistics

	1-APR	Reinstate	New	Tran In	Tran Out	Resigned	Non Pymt	Deceased	Ineligible	Active mbrs
	5032	95	122	31	11	0	237	39	0	5011

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR DEPARTED MEMBERS



National Presidents



Other National/Regional Officers



Members

Bertha Nichols Unit 12	Lorraine Arseneault Unit 20	Laura Wright Unit 22
Robert Dorman Unit 24	Rosalie Brazee Unit 126	Mary Giro Unit 156
Virginia Claude Unit 216	Naynetta Huffman Unit 289	Susan Schmidt Unit 289

Donations

National President Project

Unit 20

Unit 42 - in honor of past and present members.



August Dates to remember:

August 04: US Coast Guard Birthday

August 07: Purple Heart Day - A time for Americans to pause to remember and honor the brave men and women who were either wounded on the battlefield or paid the ultimate sacrifice.

August 29: Marine Forces Reserve Birthday

Unit information: 1- Unit Officer Information forms **not received** by the NES.

East Coast - 60, 67, 93, and 293

North West - 97 and 154

Southeast - 210

Southwest - 90

South Central - 11, 92, and 371

Beyond the consequence of publishing an incorrect Unit Roster, LA FRA C&BL Article 8, Section 810, Sub-Section 810(c) states in part that: 'The National Treasurer shall also withhold the PCT checks due to be mailed to the Units in July, for all Units which have not complied with Article 14, Section 1405, Sub-Section 1405(e)'.

2- Delegate Sheets - **received** by the NES. See the web site for the form 'Who What and Where Info' listing the persons you need to send a delegate sheet.

NE/NEng - 31

South Central -201

East Coast - 40, 41, 182

North West - 382

Southeast - 22, 91, 126, 183, and 194

West Coast - 185

North Central - 161

Southwest - 84

Candidates Resolutions Received for National Offices

National President: **Pat Suckow**

National Vice President: **Nadine Fulton**

National Treasurer: **Lee Berrier**

Candidates for Regional Presidents:

West Coast: **Linda Telly**

Southwest: **Georgina 'Gi Gi' Hermes**

National Board of Directors Resolution Review - 20 October 20 - 07 June 2021

NBR #07/20-21 Issued 02 July 2021

Subject: LA FRA C&BL Article 9 - Finance Policy, Section 904 General Funds, Subsection 904(c) Fidelity Bond.

Resolved, The LA FRA National Board of Directors presents to the delegates for ratification that C&BL Article 9, Section 904 General Funds, Subsection 904(c) Fidelity Bond shall state: National Officers that have custody of Auxiliary funds shall be bonded under a Position Fidelity Bond. The National President, National Vice President, National Treasurer, and National Financial Secretary shall be bonded for an appropriate amount as recommended by the National Budget and Finance Committee to the NBOD. Premiums on the bond shall be paid from the funds of the Treasury.

Votes 14 Affirmative 13 Abstain 1

NBR #08/20-21 Issued 02 July 2021

Subject: LA FRA C&BL Article 14, Section 1409.

Resolved, The LA FRA National Board of Directors presents to the delegates for ratification that C&BL Article 14 Unit Organization, Section 1409 Fidelity Bond *be deleted* from the LA FRA C&BL and, be it further

Resolved, That with the deletion of Section 1409 the following be renumbered to continue consecutive numbering with 1410 renumbered to 1409 and 1411 renumbered to 1410, etc.

Votes 14 Affirmative 13 Abstain 1

NBR #09/20-21 Issued 02 July 2021

Subject: LA FRA Standing Rule 16 Fidelity Bond, Section SR-16(a).

Resolved, The LA FRA National Board of Directors presents to the delegates for ratification that SR-16 Fidelity Bond SR-16(a) shall state: The National President, National Vice President, National Financial Secretary, and National Treasurer shall be bonded under a position fidelity bond provided for by the Auxiliary. Premiums on the bond shall be paid from the funds of the Treasury.

Votes 14 Affirmative 13 Abstain 1

NBR #10/20-21 Issued 02 July 2021

Subject: LA FRA Fidelity Bond Renewal

Resolved, That the LA FRA National Board of Directors vote to approve the over expenditure of \$154 (one hundred fifty-four dollars) on the budget line item "Insurance Fidelity Bond", ensuring no lapse in coverage.

Votes 14 Affirmative 14

NBR #11/20-21 Issued 02 July 2021

Subject: Pursuant to SR-27 Commercial Use of LA FRA Emblem by Branch and Units 289 and 90.

Resolved, Permission is granted to Branch and Unit members of 289 and 90 to use the LA FRA emblem on a challenge coin as a fund raiser for the 2020-2021 Southwest Regional Convention in Las Vegas for purchase. With the profits to be shared between Branch and Unit 289 and Branch and Unit 90. The authorization for use is for the calendar time period of one year starting the day after the FRA Secretary Branch 289 Imperial Beach, acting for the Branch and Unit 289 and Branch and Unit 90, is notified that the NBR was voted in their favor.

Votes 14 Affirmative 14

AUXILIARY of the FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION
National Treasurer 2021 – 2024

National Treasurer 2021 – 2024

NOMINATING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it is the duty and responsibility of the delegates assembled at the 88th National Convention of the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association scheduled for October 2 - 9, 2021 in Spokane, Washington, to elect a dedicated, experienced, knowledgeable and respected member to serve in the office of National Treasurer for the Association Year 2021-2024; and

WHEREAS, it will be the duty and responsibility of those delegates to elect members who demonstrate leadership, integrity and knowledge as well as dedication to the three cardinal principals of Loyalty, Protection and Service to all aligned with the Auxiliary and the Fleet Reserve Association; and

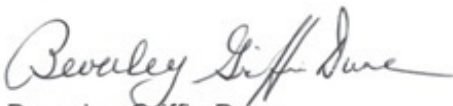
WHEREAS, North Shore Unit 31 in Peabody, Massachusetts is proud to have within its membership a member, Lee Berrier, who has been a member of the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association since 2007, and who demonstrates the required qualifications, dedication and willingness to serve the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association by practicing our three cardinal principals; and

WHEREAS, this member is currently serving as the Secretary / Treasurer of the North East / New England Region while possessing extensive organizational experience from serving in a comparable organization dedicated to serving veterans and their families having held multiple positions over multiple decades and on multiple levels from the local unit through the National level; and

WHEREAS, this member has a career in the field of finance having spent the past 17 years employed as a budget analyst with the Federal Government, as well as additional previous experiences which include the categories of bookkeeping, accounts payable and receivable, payroll, taxes, inventory, investments and real estate; be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the members of North Shore Unit 31 Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association at a special meeting held on June 24, 2021, with a quorum present and voting, did unanimously and proudly move, second and pass a motion to place the name of Lee Berrier in nomination for the office of National Treasurer of the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the year 2021 – 2024; and be it further

RESOLVED that the members of North Shore Unit 31 Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association earnestly solicit the support and endorsement of each unit for the candidacy of Lee Berrier for the office of National Treasurer of the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the Association Year 2021 – 2024.


Beverley Griffin Dunne
President, North Shore Unit 31


Laura J Parsons
Secretary, North Shore Unit 31

Correction to previously published NBR:

NBR 05/20-21 Issued 31 March 2021

SUBJECT: Proposed changes to LA FRA C&BL Article 3, Section 301(a). Eligibility for membership

Resolved, The LA FRA National Board presents to the delegates for ratification the following changes to comply with the IRS Regulations: Section 301(a) to read “Membership in the LA FRA shall be limited to spouses, widows, widowers, parents, grandparents, sisters, brothers, children, and grandchildren not less than sixteen years of age; of members of the FRA, or of deceased FRA members., and, *be it further*

Resolved, That children are defined as biological, adopted or legally recognized sons or daughters of the service member.

Votes 14 Affirmative 14

Comment: Unless it would jeopardize compliance with IRS, would consider a resolve included 'that stepchildren who are currently members may retain their membership as long as their dues remain current0

All Units submitting a ‘Unit Report’ for judging should send the report to your Regional Chairman with a copy to your Regional President, if your region does not have a different procedure for turning in reports.



Only the 1st place winners of the Unit Report, in each group, will be taken to National Convention for judging.

Unit Chaplain’s report should be sent to your Regional Chaplain & Regional President. This report is not judged, but information is compiled and sent to the National Chaplain for the national report.

Sierra-Tahoe says "We're Back!"



Returning Bingo night since COVID for Br/Unit 137. Preceding Bingo was a BBQ Rib & Chicken dinner with all the trimmings.

Unit 302 Carson Installation - JrPNP Parco was the Installing Officer



Unit 302 Carson Branch and Unit Presidents.

Installation was a great celebration, this was their first large group meeting since the mandates.

**National Financial Secretary
3rd Quarterly Report**

April - June, 2021

RECEIPTS:	April	May	June	Total
PCT DUES -Unit	\$4,910.00	\$2,320.00	\$2,210.00	\$9,440.00
PCT DUES -MAL	\$420.00	\$420.00	\$140.00	\$980.00
PCT Advance Units	\$2,040.00	\$1,140.00	\$1,060.00	\$4,240.00
PCT Advance MAL	\$160.00	\$240.00	\$ -	\$400.00
Resale	\$192.00	\$458.00	\$919.50	\$1,569.50
Triangle Subscription	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$50.00	\$120.00
Pilgrimage	\$95.00	\$75.00	\$ -	\$170.00
NP Project 2020-2021	\$425.00	\$150.00	\$400.00	\$975.00
NP Scholarship	\$25.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$25.00
LAFRA Scholarship	\$40.00	\$500.00	\$ -	\$540.00
Int. General Fund #6022	\$0.08	\$0.10	\$0.11	\$0.29
Int. PCT # 8193	\$0.09	\$0.09	\$0.10	\$0.28
NFCU START UP #1724	\$0.74	\$0.72	\$0.74	\$2.20
Int NP Project #1732	\$ -	\$ -	\$0.20	\$0.20
Int NP Scholarship #1740	\$7.53	\$7.29	\$7.55	\$22.37
Int. LAFRA Scholarship #1757	\$5.98	\$5.82	\$6.07	\$17.87
PCT Advance #2866	\$6.51	\$7.01	\$7.86	\$21.38
Int NFCU \$80,238 CD 12 mo #3307	\$4.80	\$4.64	\$4.81	\$14.25
Int NFCU \$3,168.57CD 15 mo #3309	\$1.54	\$1.49	\$1.54	\$4.57
Int NFCU 20,000 CD 6 mo #3310	\$10.30	\$9.97	\$10.31	\$30.58
Int NFCU \$43,715.96CD 9 mo #3311	\$16.99	\$16.44	\$17.00	\$50.43
Sub total receipts less welfare	\$8,391.56	\$5,396.57	\$4,835.79	\$18,623.92
Welfare Receipts:				
Int Welfare/Rehab NFCU # 3567	\$5.82	\$5.64	\$5.83	\$17.29
Welfare Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Total Welfare Receipts	\$5.82	\$5.64	\$305.83	\$317.29
Total All Receipts	\$8,397.38	\$5,402.21	\$5,141.62	\$18,941.21
Disbursements:				
National President				
Allowance	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,500.00
Travel /Per Diem - Pilgrimage	\$ -	\$ -	\$238.00	\$238.00
Postage/Supplies/Printing				
National Vice-President				
P/S/P	\$198.57	\$ -	\$ -	\$198.57
National Executive Secretary				
Allowance	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$900.00
Postage/Supplies/Printing (non triangle)	\$11.55	\$ -	\$71.00	\$82.55
Triangle Printing	\$344.00	\$ -	\$367.65	\$711.65
Triangle Postage (Bulk Mail)	\$47.23	\$ -	\$20.00	\$67.23
Triangle Return Mail	\$1.26	\$ -	\$3.15	\$4.41

April - June, 2021

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National Treasurer 2020-2021 3rd Quarter Report

<u>RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS</u> 2020-2021 3rd Qtr	<u>APR</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
PCT Dues - Unit Members	\$ 4,910.00	\$ 2,320.00	\$ 2,210.00	\$ 9,440.00
PCT Dues - MAL	\$ 420.00	\$ 420.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 980.00
PCT Dues - Advance -Unit Members	\$ 2,040.00	\$ 1,140.00	\$ 1,060.00	\$ 4,240.00
PCT Dues- Advance-MAL	\$ 160.00	\$ 240.00	\$ -	\$ 400.00
Resale	\$ 192.00	\$ 458.00	\$ 919.50	\$ 1,569.50
Triangle Subscriptions	\$ 30.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 120.00
Pilgrimage	\$ 95.00	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ 170.00
National President Project 2020-2021	\$ 425.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 975.00
National President Scholarship Fund	\$ 25.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 25.00
LA FRA Scholarship Fund	\$ 40.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ 540.00
Interest General Fund -#6022	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.29
Interest PCT-#8193	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.28
Interest NFCU Savings Escrow - #1724	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.72	\$ 0.74	\$ 2.20
Interest NP Project - #1732	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20
Interest NP Scholarship Fund - #1740	\$ 7.53	\$ 7.29	\$ 7.55	\$ 22.37
Interest LA FRA Scholarship Fund - #1757	\$ 5.98	\$ 5.82	\$ 6.07	\$ 17.87
Interest Savings #2866	\$ 6.51	\$ 7.01	\$ 7.86	\$ 21.38
Interest Welfare\Rehab WF - #3567	\$ 5.82	\$ 5.64	\$ 5.83	\$ 17.29
Interest NFCU CD #3307	\$ 4.80	\$ 4.64	\$ 4.81	\$ 14.25
Interest NFCU CD #3309	\$ 1.54	\$ 1.49	\$ 1.54	\$ 4.57
Interest NFCU CD #3310	\$ 10.30	\$ 9.97	\$ 10.31	\$ 30.58
Interest NFCU CD #3311	\$ 16.99	\$ 16.44	\$ 17.00	\$ 50.43
TOTAL RECEIPTS Subtotal	\$ 8,397.38	\$ 5,402.21	\$ 4,841.62	\$ 18,641.21
Welfare/Rehab receipts	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
TOTAL Adjusted RECEIPTS	\$ 8,397.38	\$ 5,402.21	\$ 5,141.62	\$ 18,941.21
Welfare Rehab Distribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (300.00)	\$ (300.00)
National President Project 2018-2019	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
General Fund	\$ (2,522.71)	\$ (4,030.65)	\$ (3,333.97)	\$ (9,887.33)
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ (2,522.71)	\$ (4,030.65)	\$ (3,633.97)	\$ (10,187.33)

SUMMARY OF ALL ACCOUNTS

ESCROW SAVINGS #1724	4/1/2021	\$ 3,482.02
Interest		\$ 2.20
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$ 3,484.22
NATIONAL PRESIDENT PROJECT #1732	4/1/2021	\$ 1,981.18
Donations NP Project 2020-2021 - Scarbro		\$ 975.00
Interest		\$ 0.20
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$ 2,956.38
NATIONAL PRESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND #1740	4/1/2021	\$ 19,704.63

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Donations		\$	25.00
Interest		\$	22.37
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	19,752.00
LA FRA SCHOLARSHIP FUND #1757	4/1/2021	\$	15,722.89
Donations		\$	540.00
Interest		\$	17.87
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	16,280.76
ADVANCE PAY SAVINGS #2866	4/1/2021	\$	17,694.63
Deposit PCT Advance Pays		\$	4,640.00
Interest		\$	21.38
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	22,356.01
WELFARE/REHABILITATION FUND #3567	4/1/2021	\$	15,236.40
Donations		\$	300.00
Welfare-Rehab Check Distribution		\$	(300.00)
Interest		\$	17.29
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	15,253.69
12 Month CD - NFCU #3307 Rate 1.980% Mature 02/02/2022	4/1/2021	\$	10,266.25
Interest		\$	14.25
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	10,280.50
12 MONTH CD-Navy Federal CU #3309 Rate 1.980% Matures on 1/26/2022			
Beginning Balance	4/1/2021	\$	3,290.92
Interest		\$	4.57
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	3,295.49
3 MONTH CD-Navy Federal CU #3310 Rate .50% Matures on 5/2/2021			
Beginning Balance	4/1/2021	\$	30,322.73
Interest		\$	30.58
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	30,353.31
6 MONTH CD-Navy Federal CU #3311 Rate .750% Matures on 8/02/2021			
Beginning Balance	4/1/2021	\$	44,439.05
Interest		\$	50.43
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	44,489.48
CHECKING ACCOUNT - PCT Interest #8193	4/1/2021	\$	133.56
Interest		\$	0.28
Ending Balance	6/30/2021	\$	133.84
CHECKING ACCOUNT - GENERAL FUND #6022			
Balance	4/1/2021	\$	10,070.49
Receipts = Resale, Triangle, Pilgrimage, Bake Sale, Book Mem, Conv Min.		\$	1,859.50
PCT - General Membership		\$	9,440.00

National Treasurer 2020-2021 3rd Quarter Report

Cancelled check Recruiter of the Year	\$ 200.00
PCT - MAL	\$ 980.00
Interest	\$ 0.29
Disbursements	\$ (9,887.33)
Membership recruiting U20 was not paid Sept 2020	\$ (50.00)
Overpayment of Recruiting bonus to U94 Sept 2020	\$ (25.00)
Ending Balance	6/30/2021 \$ <u>12,587.95</u>

INVESTMENTS

American Funds (Capital Group)	\$ <u>50,000.00</u>
Original Cash Investment 10/22/2002 \$50,000.00	
Portfolio Value 9/01/2020	9/1/2020 \$ 169,136.91
Portfolio Value \$25.88 PerShare-Total Shares 7,796.793	6/30/2021 \$ 201,781.00
Total Portfolio Gain/(Loss)	\$ 32,644.09

QUARTER GRAND TOTAL \$ 231,223.63

PCT - 3rd Quarter Distribution

Membership Deposits	\$ 28,620.00
Minus PCT Paid to Units	\$ (12,620.00)
Minus PCT to General Fund - Members; MAL	\$ (10,420.00)
Minus PCT to Advance Pay Savings	\$ (4,640.00)
PCT Monthly Adjustments (Unit Holds & PI Adj)	\$ (720.00)
	\$ 220.00

Bank reconciliation form on file

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE BOOKS OF THE NATIONAL TREASURER WERE AUDITED,
AND FOUND TO BE IN ORDER AND ALL MONIES ACCOUNTED FOR AS OF 7/6/2021

Linda Mowry 7-20-21
NT Audit Committee Chairman

Date NT Audit Committee

Linda Mowry, Unit 289

PNP Ruth Eblen, Unit 289

Date 7/20/2021

Jo Anne Dougherty 7-20-21
NT Audit Committee

Date National Treasurer

Jo Anne Dougherty, Unit 289

Nadine Fulton

Date 7/20/21

HELP SUPPORT

THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION VIA AMAZONSMILE

AmazonSmile is a program that supports non-profit
charitable/education organizations by contributing 0.5%
of qualified Amazon.com sales to approved organizations.

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Fleet Reserve Association Education Foundation
and 0.5% of you qualified Amazon.com
purchases will be contributed to the Foundation.

There is no additional cost to Amazon.com customers.

Thereafter, go to smile.amazon.com to access Amazon.com
products and services to ensure that 0.5% of qualified purchases support the

FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

WHAT IS A MEMBER?

Dictionary definition: *noun*

1. A person, animal, or plant belonging to a particular group. "interest from members of the public"

Similar: constituent, element, component, part, portion, piece, unit, factor, feature, attribute
a constituent piece of a complex structure.

"the main member that joins the front and rear axles"

Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve has different types of "Members" too. All members of the **LA FRA** pay yearly dues. Each member decides the type of member they choose to be.

1. Joins a local Unit and attends monthly meetings
2. Gets involved in Unit activities
3. Becomes an officer of the Unit
4. Attends meetings, but does not get involved in projects etc.
5. Offers ideas of community events the Unit might do or get involved in
6. Shows up to meetings each month but does not voice an opinion
7. Does not attend meetings but renews membership yearly.
8. Becomes a Member at Large and does not get involved, but renews membership yearly
9. Joins, attends meeting, gets involved in all aspects of the Unit, attends Mid-Year Conferences, Regional Conventions, and National Conventions
10. Serves on Regional and National committees
11. Runs for office and becomes a Regional or National Officer
12. Pays Dues to stay informed and have their collective voice heard

Of the 12 examples listed above, we may ask ourselves WHO are the most important members.

Answer: All of the above!!!!

No matter how much or how little a member may do, ALL members who join the Auxiliary are equally important. Every organization, from Churches, Schools, Veterans Organizations, PTA's, etc.... have the same groups of members.

The Joiners, the Participating, the Non Participating, the Leaders, the Followers, the Dues payers, the occasional attendees, the "show up every month" attendees.

ALL OF THE ABOVE ARE EQUALLY IMPORTANT AND HAVE THE SAME RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES.

AS A MEMBER YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

1. Attend all meetings
2. Attend no meetings
3. Attend meetings occasionally
4. Speak
5. Not Speak
6. Question everything
7. Question nothing
8. Participate in all events
9. Participate in no events
10. Voice an opinion or not
11. Run for Office or not

DO NOT let your lack of being able to attend meetings, participate in events, speak up, etc., keep you from becoming a member of the **LA FRA**. When our **FRA** Shipmates go to the "Hill" (Congress) to speak on behalf of the FRA, to protect **our** Health Care, pay raises, and other things important to all of us, we, as Auxiliary members need to stand behind them. The **FRA** success is **our** success.

Bottom Line: Money counts too! Because of the dues we pay, 50% goes to the Unit, this allows the Units the ability to be active in their community, work with Veterans Groups, local Charities, Food Pantries, the Homeless and all the other things available to us.

50% goes to the **LA FRA** General Funds, 100% of Members-at-Large roll goes to **LA FRA** General Funds. This gives the **LA FRA** the ability to help our Members when needed (Welfare Fund, helps members when they suffer losses from Tornadoes, Hurricanes, Fires, and other unforeseen disasters.) and provide supplies to our National Officers, so they may carry out the duties of their Office.

ALL MEMBERS COUNT
JOIN TODAY