

The Triangle

Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association

March 2018 Edition

From the Desk of the National

Greetings from your National President

I don't know about anyone else, but I am so looking forward to spring and the warmth it should bring. My narcissus are about three inches out of the ground. Looking forward to the beauty that surrounds us in the Spring. As we enjoy this beauty, let us not forget those who protect us far from home and in harm's way.



If you have not made reservations for Pilgrimage, please do so soon. I am hoping to see all the NBOD at Pilgrimage. I will never tire of the beauty and reverence of the LA FRA participation in honoring all the men and women who gave all to keep us from harm. May we never forget.

I have just returned home from my visit at the National Convention Hotel site in San Antonio, TX. The Hotel is very nice, and the staff was very accommodating. You will love the Hotel but if you want to eat in the Hotel, expect to pay more than usual. There are places to eat outside the Hotel in walking distance. The meeting rooms are ample. I am very pleased with the Hotel and I know you will be too. There was no problem getting the Hotel Shuttle from the Airport to the Hotel. Seems to be plenty of parking and parking is free. I think I was most impressed with the desk staff, who seemed to be more knowledgeable about their Hotel than most.

Keep in mind that all report forms are on the LA FRA web site (LA_FRA.org). You should soon be filling out the Unit Officer's Report with the name of the newly elected officers for the incoming year. Please send it out as soon as you have elected, do not wait for them to be installed. Also, don't forget to send in a death notice report to the Regional Chaplain, National Chaplain and MSA upon the death of a member.

For those of you who are keeping up with the progress of the Northwest Region, I am pleased to report that Administrator for the Northwest, PNP Gail Doloway, has made great progress. It really looks like they will be back on track and the Auxiliary will be having its Regional Convention this year. If we have learned anything, it is that we must all learn to communicate. Units should communicate with one another as well as they must communicate with their regional officers. In turn Regional Officers must communicate with the National Officers. National Officers must communicate with the membership and the FRA. Communication! Communication!

All resolutions must be in to be reviewed 120 days before National Convention and I think that date is May 25, 2018. I will be adding how to fill out a resolution in the next Triangle in the "Did You Know" article.

2017-2018

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If you would like to change an article in the C & BL, you must write a resolution and send to the by-laws Chairman (D Loretta Roberts) for approval.

We must get back on track with doing things correctly. We must follow our own rules and guidelines (C&BL). Unfortunately, some of us have gotten lax and have been letting things go. Let us all work to insure we are on the right track. If you are unsure of how something should be done, contact your Regional President. They will help you figure out what should be done, or they will either find the answer or point you to someone who can give that to you. Do not be afraid to ask for help.

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"

We are currently in a woman's movement so this would be a good time to discuss the difference between the Branch and the Unit. The Branch must sponsor a Unit for it to become active. This shall be the end of the Branch involvement with the Unit other than socials and special events.

The LA FRA is a completely separate entity from the FRA. There is a different set of by-laws for the LA FRA but they must not conflict with the by-laws of the FRA.

The Branch members do not attend Unit meeting unless invited by the Unit. There may be a joint meeting only if the LA FRA is invited by the Branch or has made a special request and that request has been honored by the Branch.

The Branch has no legal claim on the Unit bank account. The Unit should never ask the Branch to audit the Unit books. The Unit should have a bank account in the Unit name only. Not a personal and not a joint account with the Shipmates. The Unit finances should be totally separate from the Branches. The Shipmates should not have access to the financial records of the Unit and likewise the Unit does not have access to the financial records of the Branch.

The Branch cannot tell the Unit who to elect as officers or how to conduct the Unit meeting. If you want to know how to conduct your meeting, you may go to your C & BL where it is outlined very clearly for you (the meeting agenda is also in the Unit procedure manual). The Auxiliary C & BL is much different than the Shipmates and the Auxiliary conducts its business on a different level.

The Auxiliary is not required to have their meeting at the same time as the Shipmates but sometimes it is more convenient. The Branch and Unit should meet in separate rooms so there will be no conflict in what is discussed during the meetings.

As the Auxiliary grows and as new Units evolve, there seems to be more curiosity as to how much involvement that the FRA can have with the Units. The Auxiliary cannot exist without the sponsorship of the FRA but the Auxiliary should not be dictated to by the FRA Shipmates.

The LA FRA cannot exist without the FRA and the Auxiliary is extremely grateful for the sponsorship, but the Auxiliary must learn to exist and grow on their own merit.

Thank you for listening.



In Loving Memory of our departed Members



Patricia McNally Unit 208	Jean M Burke PRP Unit 290	Millie J Dellarco Unit 294
Member since – 1986	Member since - 1975	Member since – 2012
Emilia F Freedle Unit 47	Nadja A VanZandt Unit 289	
Member since – 1988	Member since – 2016	

Bold Type * - indicated 50+ years

Membership Statistics

Apr 1	REI	NEW	TI	TO	Resigned	NonPmt	Deceased	Ineligible	Other	Active
83	174	488	160	159	8	846	99	1	0	6092

"Through the generosity of our members, all things are possible"

LA FRA SCHOLARSHIP

Christopher & Christina Murray NVP in memory of PNVP Karen Snee.

Note from the National Financial Secretary:

If you are interested in the new LAFRA Membership Brochure, it is now available. Please contact me and I will be happy to send them.

NP Project 2017-2018 Alzheimer's Foundation

Unit 40, Unit 91, Unit 49, Bea Parco, Unit 175, NFS Pat Suckow, PNP John Ippert, Unit 46, Branch 46, NP Jean Smith, PNT Bill and PNP Arlene Hemmingway

Pilgrimage

Unit 40, Unit 90, Unit 137, Unit 42, Unit 175

WARNING SENT TO LA FRA NP BY TOM SNEE NEDFRA – PLEASE READ

Just wanted to pass along some IT info to pass on to your members, and Auxiliary members as well. When you open your emails, be very, very careful. There are some "hackers" out there that will entice you to further open with innocence as is to their sites. Associations and Organizations of all types, including schools now, are open to the public. Rule of thumb, if you do not recognize, or it appears to be suspicious, **DO NOT OPEN.** It is an open invite to invade your computer and access. It is getting worse by the day.

To give you an example, there was an email sent to the staff with my name on it, and yet, was **NOT** from me, but just a click away to open into our files. The best "firewalls" in the world it appears are now opening up. Please tell your members **DO NOT** open if suspicious. Always call the person it may be from before, to verify. Again, just a hint. One Shipmate opened it, and his entire computer filing "crashed". To recover all his files etc,,,, is still under review. Just a warning.

FYI

The Auxiliary C&BL changes that were sent to the FRA for ratification, were approved except for Article 7 (Leave of Absence) due to a conflict with our C&BL. The wording will need to be changed and re-submitted later.

A Message from South Central Regional President Pauline Wampler

It is an honor to serve as the Regional President for another year! I am available by phone or email at any time and I am looking forward to visiting all the South Central Units. At this time, I have visited three of the Units in our Region. The Units in the South Central may be small, but they work hard assisting the Veteran's and the active duty personnel and families in their community.

The South Central Mid-Year Meeting will be held March 15 – 18, 2018 at the Wyndham Garden in Shreveport, LA at 1419 E. 70th Street. The phone number is 1-800-843-6654. The room rate is \$89.00 plus tax and is available for up to two days before and after, Breakfast is included. Please say you are with the FRA South Central. The welcome aboard party will be held on Friday, March 16, 2018 and the theme will be St. Patrick's Day – so bring your Irish!

All Unit Chaplains are required to submit the annual Chaplain's report to their Regional Chaplain to ensure that they are able to complete their report to send into the National Chaplain.

Please notify the MSA, National Chaplain and Regional Chaplain when a member passes. This will enable them to recognize the deceased member at the National & Regional conventions.

Yours in Loyalty, Protection & Service, Pauline Wampler, RPSC

WHAT IS GOING ON WITH OUR MEMBERS

We had two Auxiliary Members who received their <u>50 Year Pins</u> Neta Fewox Unit 269 January 2018 and Rhejeanne B Neeley Unit 201 May 2017. Congratulations Ladies!!!!!

A Message from Southeast Regional President Gail Bolz

Hi Auxiliary Members, I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year! Thank you for electing me as your Regional President for 2017-2018, It will be my pleasure to serve you. We are so glad o ur winter snow has come and gone, it is nice to see snow falling but after that we are ready to watch it melt as fast as it fell.

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I would like to send a big thank you to Benita Kinlaw from Unit 269. She wrote and sent out 1700 Christmas cards to our military this year, she certainly outdid herself from the 600 she wrote last

year. Benita wanted to make sure those that were serving our country over the holidays knew how important they are to us.

Our JrPRP Vera Thomas (Unit 126) will be leading our workshop for the Mid-Year, which is being held in Alabama.

A little birdie mentioned we might be starting up a new unit, so please pray that it will become a reality. Congratulations to Unit 91, they will be celebrating their 71st year as a unit this February.

In Loyalty, Protection, and Service

Gail Bolz RPSE

MEMORIAM



Karen Habina Snee PNVP 2015-2016

Past National Vice President Karen Habina Snee was called from this life to one in the Great Beyond on Thursday, January 25, 2018, at her home, surrounded by her family.

Karen was born on June 7, 1948 in McKeesport PA and raise in Willoughby OH. She was preceded in death by her parents Frank and Agnes Habina, and two brothers Ron and Bob Habina.

She is survived by her husband of 46 years Thomas J Snee NED FRA and their four children Janet (Barry) Basselgia, Denise (Mick) McCready, Captain David & Molly Snee, and Timothy & Connie Snee. Part of her legacy continue with six grandchildren: Katheryn McCready, Michael McCready, Brooke Snee, Jake Snee, Elizabeth Snee, and William Snee

Karen also leaves four siblings: Skip & Jennifer Snee, Joyce Habina, Jack Habina, Michael & Sandy Habina. Karen was a devoted mother and Navy wife and traveled up and down the East coast to her husbands duty stations and finally settled in Burke VA, where Tom retired from the Navy in 1996. Karen was a staff assistant and worked at the Navy Federal Credit Union for over 24 years.

Karen participated in many organizations including: Navy Wives Clubs of America, Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association (where she served as ECRP, National Treasurer, National Vice President. She was a member of Unit 181.

Karen was an active member of Nativity Catholic Church, where she taught CCD and worked in the Parish Bookstore. Karen had many jobs over the years, while moving from place to place and her most memorable one was being a licensed Funeral Director from the state of Tennessee.

Visitation was at Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home on Thursday February 1, 2018 and services were held at the Nativity Catholic Church, in Burke, on Saturday February 3, 2018. Karen will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date to be determined.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to one of the following charities.

Navy Wives Clubs of America – Scholarship fund (<u>www.navywivesclubsofamerica.org</u>)

Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association – Scholarship fund (www.la-fra.org)

MEMORIAM



FAYE HATFIELD National President 1978-1979

Past National President Faye Hatfield was called from this life to the one in the Great Beyond on Saturday, January 13, 2018, while in the hospital being treated for the flu. Faye was a lifelong resident of Chicago IL, until she moved to Des Moines IA, to be closer to her children. Faye is survived by her son Ron (Karen), grandson David (Hayley): great-grandchildren, Caleb, Emma, and Ryan, Granddaughter Liz (Charles Maples), daughter-in-law Candi and grandchildren, Brian, Danny, and Emily and Granddaughter Sarah and great grandson Benjamin.

Faye presided at the 47th National Convention, held in Minneapolis MN. Pre-Convention Board Meeting was held on the 1st of September 1979. The National Convention was held September 1 through September 7, 1979. Faye's National President's project was the Bonnie Bastian Scholarship Fund.

Faye's counterpart was FRA NP Roderick "Charley" Wiley. (deceased)

Prior to serving as National President, Faye served as National Vice President. She was a member of Unit 12, Chicago, and served as the Unit Secretary until 2017. Faye attended many National Conventions and served the Auxiliary on many levels. Faye later returned to the National Board, where she served as National Executive Secretary 1993-1996.

Faye served in the Navy (WAVES) from 1944-1946, where she met her husband PNPFRA Royce Hatfield 1977-1978. She joined after graduating High School, against her father's warning "she would be sorry". Faye met her future husband Royce when they were both stationed in the St Louis area. They married April 16, 1946.

Full Military services for Faye will be held in the chapel at Arlington National Cemetery, at date to be determined, where she will be buried with her husband Royce near the Mast of the Maine. We will miss and always remember our sister Faye – May she rest in peace and perpetual light shine upon her. It is requested that all units of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association drape their charters for a period of thirty (30) days in accordance with a mandate of the 1965 National Convention.

MEMORIAM



DOROTHY MAURATH

National President 1998-2000

Past National President Dorothy Maurath was called from this life to one in the Great Beyond on Friday February 9, 2018, while in the hospital.

Dot presided at the 68th National Convention held in Kansas City MO. Pre-Convention Board Meeting opened on the 29th of August 2000. The National Convention was held August 29, 2000 through September 3, 2000. Dot's National President's project was the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society.

Dot's counterpart was FRA NP Marvin W. Johnson.

Prior to serving as National President, Dot served as National Vice President 1997-1998. She was a member of Unit 296 and currently a member of Unit 230. Dot attended many National Conventions and served the Auxiliary on many levels. Dot served as National Executive Secretary 1995-1997.

Services will not be performed until she is laid to rest with her dear "Red" in Dixon, Ca National Cemetery sometime in the next month. We will let you know the exact date.

Cards can be sent to her Daughter, Vicki Janek @ 9069 Wisteria Way, Orangevale, CA 95662-4736.

In addition to daughter Vicki (David) Janek, Dot leaves behind a son Richard Maurath of the home, and Charles (Shelly) Maurath of Ramona CA, two (2) grand-daughters, one (1) grand-son, three (3) step grandchildren, and seven (7) great-grandchildren.

We will miss and always remember our sister Dot – May she rest in peace and perpetual light shine upon her.

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LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION NATIONAL TREASURER

Livermore Unit 287

Nominating Resolution

WHEREAS, it will be the responsibility and the privilege of the delegates assembled at the 86th National Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association held in San Antonio, TX, on September 23-30, 2018, to elect a loyal and dedicated member to serve as National Treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the three-year term of 2018 - 2021, and

WHEREAS, the duty of the office requires that the person elected must posses leadership, integrity, executive and administrative abilities and

WHEREAS, Livermore Unit 287, is proud to have within its membership West Coast Regional President, LINDA A. TELLY, who has demonstrated all the required qualifications, as well as dedication to the three cardinal principles of Loyalty, Protection, and Service of the Ladies Auxiliary and

WHEREAS, she has served as Regional Vice President and at the Unit level, she has served as Chaplain, and Treasurer. She has attended Mid-Year Meetings/Conventions/Regional Conventions/ and National Conventions for the past few years and

WHEREAS, she has at least 30 years' experience of performing Treasurer duties, as well as extensive Accounting procedures. Her professional history includes, Accounting Manager, Office Manager, Payroll Clerk, Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable, and Bank Reconciliations, which included converting foreign currency to US currency. Her education at West Valley Jr. College- Saratoga CA in Accounting/ Computers/Office Mgmt/Business, qualifies her for the office of National Treasurer. She retired from a 47-year professional career in 2013, which will provide her the time to dedicate to the National Treasurers position and therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Livermore Unit 287, at a regularly scheduled business meeting held on November 3, 2017, a quorum being present, by a majority vote did place in nomination the name of **LINDA A**. **TELLY**, for the office of National Treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the year 2018-2021 and be it further

RESOLVED, that the members of Livermore Unit 287 do earnestly solicit the endorsement and support of each unit in the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the candidacy of **LINDA A. TELLY**, for the office of National Treasurer of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the association year 2018-2021.

Unit President, Kelly Pena

Unit Secretary/Treasurer, Polly Stonich

NOMINATION FOR LA FRA NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

VALLEY OF THE SUN UNIT 163

NOMINATING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it will be the duty and responsibility of the delegates assembled at the 86th National Convention of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, being held in San Antonio, Texas September 23-30, 2018; to elect a loyal and dedicated member to serve as National Vice President for the term October 2018 through September 2019; and

WHEREAS, it will be the duty and responsibility of the delegates assembled to elect a member who continuously demonstrates leadership, integrity, dedication, commitment and has the desire to successfully serve for the best interest of the members of the LA FRA; and

WHEREAS, Valley of the Sun Unit 163 is proud to have within its membership, LA FRA National Treasurer, Beatrice "Bea" Parco who exhibits these qualifications; and

WHEREAS, she has been a member in good standing since 2010, at the Unit level she served as Unit 163 President 2015-2016; Unit Chaplain and Board of Directors for 5 years; as the Unit wreath presenter at the Phoenix National Cemetery for several Memorial Day Services; Unit event historian photographer; writes, designs and prints Unit Newsletters, get well cards, condolences cards and appreciations of service; assists at all levels for the unit when needed; and she also participated in the Phoenix Veterans Day Parades; attended two USS Arizona Memorials in Tucson, attended Phoenix World War II memorial dedication December 2013; and as a LA FRA Wreath presenter at Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day December 2014 at the Phoenix WWII Memorial Park; and

WHEREAS, She served as Regional President Southwest 2014-2015; and as Regional Vice President, 2013-2014 she created monthly analytical spreadsheets for Southwest membership standings, sent out all Past Due RVPSW post cards and communicated to units to increase membership for the region; attended eight Southwest Regional Conventions; served as a Credentials, Registration, and Audit Chairman; as well served on various committees including, Youth Activities, Unit Reports, and Audit committees; and

WHEREAS, on the National level she is currently serving as LA FRA National Treasurer 2015-2018. As National Treasurer she has completed required reports and met all deadlines; revised all reporting processes to maintain full accountability for the National LA FRA, including PCT, General Fund and Savings Accounts, has documented and created step by step processes and procedures for PCT, Banking, Disbursement processing with NFS, LA FRA 990 Income tax reporting, Monthly, Quarter and Annual Reporting, attended seven National Conventions; and

WHEREAS, she has over 40 years of work experience; 27 years in computer Technology, which required having the passion to serve others by having self-motivation with the ability to learn quickly to teach and support corporate staff and their computer systems and technicians; she has over 10 years of Accounting experience; was appointed as an interim Chief Fiscal Officer for a Junior College working with Private, Federal and State auditors. She has Leadership training earning a Community College Human Resources Supervisory certificate and participating in Leadership development courses for 5 years, then for two more years with the same Personal Development Company she became a personal Coach\Team Leader for various professionals, whom she guided to meet their business goals. She participated as a volunteer with St. Vincent DePaul, St. Mary's Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, Child Crisis Nursery, Maggie's Place and the Wounded Warrior Project; and be it

RESOLVED, the members of Unit 163, Valley of the Sun, at its regularly scheduled meeting on Saturday, November 18, 2017 a quorum being present, voted unanimously to place the name of Beatrice "Bea" Parco in nomination for the office of National Vice President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, for the term October 2018 through September 2019, therefore be it also

RESOLVED, that Unit 163, Valley of the Sun, earnestly solicits the endorsement and support of each unit of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the candidacy of Beatrice "Bea" Parco for the office of National Vice President of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association.

Sherry Murphey, Unit 163 Vice President Serving as Unit 163 President Pro Tem on 11-18-2017

Sherry murphy

Carole A. Curtis

Secretary, Valley of the Sun Unit 163

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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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Street:					
City, State, ZIP:					
NEW ADDRESS					
Street:					
City, State, ZIP:					
MAIL TO: DORIS FRI NES. 139 W Peoria St Apt 202. Paola KS 66071					
ALSO REMEMBER TO NOTIFY THE MSA OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS					
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