



The Triangle



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July 2026

2025-2026

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CONVENTION CALL

ATTENTION ALL UNITS

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution and ByLaws of the Fleet Reserve Association, the National President hereby calls the Annual Convention of the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, to be held

Las Vegas Nevada

Sept 29 – Oct 2, 2026 ORLEANS HOTEL & CASINO

To convene at 9:00 a.m. for the following purposes.

1. To hear annual reports of National Officers and National Chairmen.
2. To consider resolutions proposing amendments to the Constitution and ByLaws, Standing Rules, Rituals and General Policy.
3. To formulate plans for the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association.
4. To elect National Officers for the ensuing year.
5. To entertain suggestions for the Good of the Order.

Attest:

National Executive Secretary /s/ Doris C Fri

National President /s/ Kelly M. Pena

Date July 1, 2026



From the Desk of the National President

Dear Auxiliary Members,

As we embark on the month of July, let us take a moment to commemorate the 250th anniversary of our great nation, the United States of America. We owe a profound debt of gratitude to the brave men and women in uniform whose sacrifices have safeguarded our invaluable freedoms. As you celebrate this significant occasion, I encourage you to express your appreciation for our country in a manner that resonates personally with you.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to the newly elected unit officers for the 2026-2027 term. Your commitment and dedication are vital to our collective mission. Please ensure that your Unit Officers' Information Form has been submitted promptly. Additionally, I urge you to prepare your unit reports for your upcoming regional convention. While submission of these reports is not mandatory, I highly encourage all units to participate, as it offers an opportunity to showcase your achievements and initiatives at the unit level. If you require the necessary forms, they are readily available on our website.

Just a friendly reminder to all, the Auxiliary National Vice President and National Financial Secretary position is open. The NVP position is a one-year term and the NFS position is a 3-year term.

It is crucial that your units elect delegates for both the regional and national conventions. Please ensure that the completed delegate sheets are submitted accurately and timely, accompanied by the appropriate proxy letters. This will facilitate the voting process for proxies in the event that your elected delegates are unable to attend. I urge you to act quickly, as the regional conventions are approaching rapidly.

This year's National convention will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada at "The Orleans." I recommend that you make your travel arrangements and reservations promptly to secure your attendance. The Southwest Committee is diligently working to ensure that this event is both successful and enjoyable for all participants.

On a personal note, I had the privilege of serving as the installing officer for Unit 302 in Carson, California. I also had the pleasure of attending the Filipino Independence Day celebrations that weekend. I extend my gratitude to Unit and Branch 302 for their warm hospitality and kindness. In the coming weeks, I look forward to attending both the East Coast and West Coast regional conventions, eager to reconnect with many of you.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all who have contributed to my National President's project, "Stop Soldier Suicide." Your generosity is deeply valued. This initiative aims to create a future where veteran and service members do not face a higher risk of suicide than any other American citizen. I firmly believe that no individual who has served our country should have to face life's challenges alone. If you wish to support this vital cause, please send a check made out to the "Auxiliary of the FRA" to the National Financial Secretary at P.O. Box 706, Goose Creek, SC 29445, and kindly include "NP Project" in the memo line. Your contributions can make a significant difference in the lives of those who have served our nation.

In closing, I would like to extend my thoughts and prayers to those who are facing illness or mourning the loss of a loved one. For those celebrating a birthday or special occasion this month, may you enjoy your day to the fullest, as tomorrow is never promised. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to serving our veterans across the nation.

In Loyalty, Protection, & Service,
Kelly M. Pena, National President for the Auxiliary of the FRA

Donations

Pilgrimage: Unit 275

National Presidents Scholarship: Unit 275

Auxiliary of the FRA Scholarship: Unit 275

NP Project: Unit 275

PICTURES

If your Unit is doing Installations, Presentations, or other special events, send us a couple of pictures to be posted in the Triangle. 1 or 2 would be great. 1. **WHO** (is in the picture) **WHAT** (the Event is) **WHERE** (the event is being held). You may email them to me at doriscfri@gmail.com.

Membership Stats as of May 31, 2026

MEMBERS As of 4/1/26	REI	NEW	TI	TO	RES	NP	DEC	INE	OTHER	ACTIVE MEMBERS As of 5/31/2026
4227	32	72	3	2	0	84	9	0	0	4239
REI – Reinstated		TI – Transfer in		TO – Transfer Out		DEC – Deceased				
RES – Resigned		NP – Non-Payment								
INE – Ineligible										

In Loving Memory of Our Departed Members

 National Presidents	 Other National/Regional Officers	 Members
 Peggy Seagrist, Unit 94	 Hilda Peters, Unit 94	 Frances Rugeley, Unit 94
 Patricia Curry, Unit 94		

July 2026 Dates to Remember

July 4	Independence Day
July 27	Korean War Veterans Armistice Day

ANNUAL REPORTS

REMEMBER! Annual Conventions, Regional & National, are approaching rapidly. All the Report forms are on the Website. **National Officers, Committee Reports, Unit Chaplain, Generic Regional Delegate Form, National Delegate Form, Regional President & Vice President Reports, Regional & National Chaplain's Report etc.** **NOTE!** If you do not see the report you need in the Forms Section, **BE AWARE** There are two layers of forms, if you do not see the Report you need "Click On" **NBOD ANNUAL REPORT FORMS** at the top of the right hand column. Be sure you download the form to **your computer, and save it, before you attempt to fill it out, save it, and print it.** **DON'T FORGET** ALL forms require the signature of the President and Secretary. Forms received without the proper signatures **will be returned.**

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE 2026

NATIONAL PRESIDENT
NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL FINANCIAL SECRETARY
REGIONAL PRESIDENT HL REGION

NVP Laurie A Starkey Unit 31
Stephen Toulotte, Unit 24
RPNE/NEng Cindy Rodham-Tuck, PNP
RPHL Joseph Neal Unit 162

Happy 250th America!



COMING EVENTS

Southeast Regional Convention: July 27-July 31, 2026, Marriot, 589 Carl Vinson Parkway, Warner Robbins GA. Contact Bill Thornton billmail101@gmail.com

Heartland Regional Convention: August 23-27, 2026, University Plaza Hotel & Convention Center, 333 S John Hammons Pky, Springfield MO 65806 – 417-864-7333. Contact Chuck Ewy, Branch 316, cmewy@sbcglobal.net.

East Coast Regional Convention: July 23-July 26, 2026, Hilton Garden Inn, 4050 Cox Road, Glen Allen VA – 757-633-5994/757-439-6135. Contact Paul Phelps – paulphelps57@gmail.com or Christina Murray – christinamurray.lafra@gmail.com.

Northwest Regional Convention: August 6 – August 9, 2026. Baymont by Wyndham, 5640 Kitsap Way, Bremerton WA. More to TBA – Contact Robert Bean rpnw@fra.org.

West Coast Regional Convention: July 27 – July 28, 2026, Rolling Hills Casino & Resort, 2655 Everest Freeman Way, Corning CA. Contact RP Ed Labao labaoe@yahoo.com.

Northeast/New England Regional Convention: August 17- August 18, 2026, Municipal Building, 295 Meridian Street, Groton CT. Contact Joyce Harris RPNENENG@FRA.org.

FRA/Auxiliary of the FRA, National Convention: September 29 – October 2, 2026. Orleans Hotel & Casino, 4500 W Tropicana Avenue, Las Vegas NV. Contact Ed Labao labaoe@yahoo.com or Mick Fulton cmcusnret@gmail.com



From the Desk of the National Financial Secretary

An interesting article was given to me, and I would like to share a brief part of it:

"Margaret Brewer is one of the few surviving females of World War II veterans in the US. It is a story of a woman who answered the call to serve her country then spent the decades that followed serving the people she loved. As she stated that she is proud to be American and the US Navy. She never regretted her service. Now living in Fort Mill she still finds joy in life's quieter gifts. Among her favorites are flowers. There is something poetic about a woman who has lived through war, loss, and nearly 102 years of change, still finding beauty in what blooms. When she was asked what she is most proud of she did not hesitate. I am proud that I served my country during the time of War. When asked what wisdom she would leave for the younger generations, I think it is good for the young people to serve even if it is only for a few years.

Now 102, it looks like a young woman leaving the farm to wear the uniform of her country."

**AUXILIARY of the FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION
NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT 2026-2027**

ANNAPOLIS UNIT 024

NOMINATION RESOLUTION

Whereas, it will be the duty and responsibility of the delegates assembled at the 93rd National Convention of the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, to elect a dedicated, experienced and qualified member to serve in the office of National Vice President for the Association year 2026-2027; and

Whereas, the assembled delegates realize that the member elected must possess the leadership, integrity, knowledge and dedication and its prerequisites of Loyalty, Protection, and Service to fellow Auxiliary members, their families, and the Fleet Reserve Association; and

Whereas, Annapolis Unit 024 has within its membership a member, Junior Past Unit President Stephen Toulotte who possesses these traits, who is qualified and who has consistently dedicated himself as a member of the Auxiliary with 13 years of continuous service at Annapolis Unit 024; and

Whereas, during his tenure at Annapolis Unit 024, he served two consecutive terms as Unit President and 4 years on the Board of Directors. Serving as the Auxiliary Liaison to Branch 024 and the Fleet Reserve Club's Board of Governors, he assisted in many matters pertaining to rebuilding and strengthening the connections between the three related entities; and

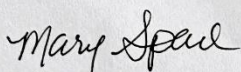
Whereas, on a Regional level he served as the Central Liaison Committee Vice Chairman; attended numerous Mid-Year and Regional Conventions including acting as Credentials Chairman and regional essay contest judge; and

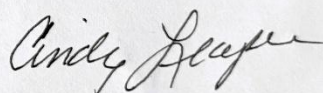
Whereas, on the National level he has worked on the Tally committee, Audit committee and Constitution & Bylaws committee. At this year's Pilgrimage he acted as a member of the Color Guard and attended the shipmates "Storm the Capitol" legislative lobbying effort in support of multiple bills that address our veterans needs visiting 7 Congressman's offices and 2 Senator's offices; and

Whereas, he spent 40+ years as an Assistant Service Manager (primarily with Toyota) achieving Master level in 1994 and held that honor until his retirement in 2020, he also received multiple achievement awards and attended numerous continuing education training schools ; be it

Resolved that Annapolis Unit 024 at a regularly scheduled meeting on May 5th, 2026, with a quorum being present, with great pride and pleasure, did vote to place the name of Stephen Toulotte in nomination for the Office of National Vice President, Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for the Association year 2026-2027; and be it further

Resolved, that Annapolis Unit 024 sincerely solicits the support and endorsement of each Unit of the Auxiliary for the candidacy of Stephen Toulotte for the office National Vice President for the Association year 2026-2027.


Mary Spare
President, Annapolis Unit 024


Cindy Leaper
Secretary, Annapolis Unit 024

LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

National Financial Secretary 2026-2029

North Shore Unit 31

Nominating Resolution

WHEREAS it will be the responsibility and the privilege of the delegates assembled at the 93rd National Convention of the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association held in Las Vegas, NV on September 29, 2026, to elect one of its outstanding members to the office of National Financial Secretary for the association years 2026-2029; and

WHEREAS the duties of the office require the person elected must possess leadership, integrity, executive and administrative abilities; and,

WHEREAS North Shore Unit 31 in Peabody, Massachusetts has a member, Cynthia Marie Rodham Tuck, who has demonstrated all the required qualifications, as well as dedication to the three cardinal principles of Loyalty, Protection and Service of the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association, and,

WHEREAS, she has been a member for 43 years; on the unit level, served for 25 years as the Unit President until Unit 42 disbanded; and is currently the treasurer for Unit 31 North Shore and,

WHEREAS, on the regional level, served as the Regional President for New England and then again when the Northeast and New England merged in 2013 and is currently serving another term and,

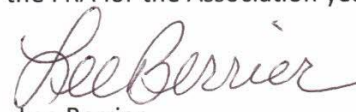
WHEREAS, on the National level, served as National Financial Secretary, National Vice President, and National President; served as National Parliamentarian for 2 terms; served as Budget Chairman for 2 years; served as Member Services Administrator for 8 years was responsible for the recording members' dues, accounting for all the monies and making reports; served on 4 National Convention Committees twice as co-chairman for the Auxiliary and served as the co-chairman and treasurer for the 2024 Convention and Centennial; and,

WHEREAS she worked for the State of Rhode Island for 30 years where for the last 15 years of her career, she worked as a supervisor for 28 motor vehicle clerks. Daily, as part of her job duties, was required to balance and reconcile the financial transactions of the clerks, make reports, and deposits to the bank and now therefore it be

RESOLVED, that North Shore Unit 31, at a regularly scheduled business meeting held on May 27, 2026, with a quorum being present, by a majority vote, did place in nomination the name of **Cynthia Marie Rodham Tuck** for the office of National Financial Secretary of the Auxiliary of the FRA for the Association years 2026-2029.

RESOLVED, that the members of North Shore Unit 31 do earnestly solicit the endorsement and support of each Unit in the Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association for candidacy of **Cynthia Marie Rodham Tuck** for the office of National Financial Secretary of the Auxiliary of the FRA for the Association years 2026-2029.


Beverley Griffin-Dunne
President


Lee Berrier
Secretary

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Remember to also notify Pat Suckow, NFS, of any change of address: LA FRA, PO Box 706, Goose Creek, SC 29445	