From Your President

On behalf of the members of Branch 42, we would like to extend our sincere condolences to the families of CPO Edward Campion, USN(RET), AWC Lanny Patterson, USN(RET) and AE1 Jerry Hendershott, USN(RET) who are now serving on the staff of the Supreme Commander.

IMPORTANT DATES – Mark your calendar

Tuesday, JUL 15, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Regular monthly meeting at the Seabee Museum and Memorial Park, Davisville, RI.

Tuesday, AUG 19, 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Regular monthly meeting at the Seabee Museum and Memorial Park, Davisville, RI.

Saturday, SEP 6TH, 2014 - Annual Regional Convention - Newburg, New York

Tuesday, SEP 16TH 2014 – 7:00 p.m. Regular monthly meeting at the Seabee Museum and Memorial Park, Davisville, RI.

FRA ESSAY CONTEST

Congrats are in order for Braeden Wilson and Kayla Albin, two North Kingstown High School Students who were selected as winners in the Fleet Reserve Association's nationwide Americanism Essay Contest for 2014.

Wilson, a Naval Sea Cadet from NCBC Battalion, Quonset Point, was the regional winner, landing in third place in the New England/Northeast region. Albin was selected for the region's second place award.

The theme for the essay contest was "What the Bill of Rights Means to Me" and each winner will get a $100 cash award from the Fleet Reserve Association for their essays.

The Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 42 Davisville, is the founding sponsor of NCBC Battalion of the Naval Sea Cadet Corps. NCBC has been providing leadership training and establishing core values for Rhode Island youth at Quonset Point/Davisville since 1986.

FRA Branch 42 (http://www.fra42.org) meets monthly at the Seabee Museum in Davisville. For more information on the 2015 FRA Essay Contest, please visit the national FRA web site at http://www.fra.org/Content/fra/AboutFRA/EssayContest/. For more information on the Naval Sea Cadets in Rhode Island, visit the web site at http://www.riseacadets.org.

ANNUAL REGIONAL MEETING

The FRA Northeast/New England Region will hold its 2014 Regional Convention on September 5-6, 2014 at the Hudson Valley Hotel and Conference Center, 90 Route 17K, Newburg, New York 12550. Room rates are $80.00 per night plus NY tax. All rooms will be on the first floor. Rooms facing into the Hotel and pool have 2 beds and the rooms facing the back parking lot have double beds. All rooms have covered or enclosed walkways. The Hotel will accept reservations commencing February 15, 2014. Phone the Reservation Desk at (845) 564-9020. Inform the clerk that you are with the Fleet Reserve Association Regional Convention.

CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Congratulations to the following shipmates who are eligible for continuous membership awards during July, August & September,
Valentino M. Almeida, July 1, 40 years. Nicholas Delicandro, August 1, 55 years. James Flyntz August 1, 40 years. Raymond E. Gauvin, Sep 1, 10 years. William F. Hannan Aug 1, 40 years. Lawson A. Musicik, July 1, 30 years. Dana O'Neill, August 1, 40 years. John T. Perchman August 1, 30 years. Edward M. Ponte, July 1, 40 years. John F. Pulver August 1, 40 years. David Sherlock, August 1, 45 years. Cheri Thompson, August 1, 5 years. Ralph E. Turnbull, July 1, 30 years. Sammy Vaughan, July 1, 40 years. Ellsworth E. Witmer, August 1, 30 years. Francis E. Zizza, July 1, 20 years.

BIRTHDAY WISHES

A very Happy Birthday to the following shipmates who's birthday is in July August or September.


Officers of Branch 42

UNIT 42 NEWS

The members of Unit 42 Quonset/Davisville continue to meet for lunch at Greg’s Restaurant, 4120 Quaker Lane, N. Kingston on the third Monday of every month at 11:30 AM. Hope more of you will be able to participate. Remember, I am very willing to pick anyone up, just give me a call – (401) 439-5329 or email cindyrodhamtuck@gmail.com. We make every attempt to contact everyone if a meeting is cancelled, but when in doubt, feel free to call.

National President Carolyn Whitaker’s project for this year is Fisher House Foundation. Carolyn’s goal is to raise $30,000 so that they can “continue to provide a “home away from home” to the families of wounded veterans and their families and the families of veterans with catastrophic illnesses.” Donations can be made through www.teamfisherhouse.org/goto/nationalpresproje ct and follow the directions. You also can send a check to: LA FRA; %NFS Karen Smith; 5820 Wonder Drive; Fort Worth, TX 76133 and notate NP Project in the memo line.

The delegates voted at the Convention last year to have a “Bake-less Cake Sale” as a fundraiser for the National Treasury. If you would like to participate, please make the check to LA FRA and notate in the memo line: Bake-less Cake Sale. Send to NFS Karen Smith; 5820 Wonder Drive; Fort Worth, TX 76133. Please try and support this project.

We would like to hear from you and know that you are doing okay, if you need help or just a hello. Please give your family members the Unit information so they can contact us if necessary. To all those who are sick, get well soon; if you are celebrating a happy occasion, all the best; and if you have experienced a loss, our prayers are with you always. IN LPS

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