



**Fleet Reserve Association
Inland Empire Branch 38, Inc.
Spokane, Washington**
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JUNE 10, 2023 - LUNCHEON MEETING MINUTES

Introduction of non-member guests and visiting shipmates:

The Blessing of God was given by Chaplain Dennis McCully.

The Meeting was declared convened at 12:30 p.m.

Unfinished or Deferred Business

2023 Northwest Regional Convention – will be held August 18-19, 2023, at the Holiday Inn in Nampa, ID. It will be sponsored by Gem State Branch 382. **See Branch Website for Updates**

2023 FRA/LAFRA National Convention will be held September 23-30, 2023, at the Nugget Casino Resort, Sparks, Nevada. **See Branch Website for Updates**

New Business

NWR Nominating Resolutions

RPNW Rex Faubion running for another term in 2023-2024.

Branch 38 President is running for NW Region Vice President in 2023-2024.

We have nothing from the incumbent RVPNW as yet.

FRA National Officer Nominating Resolution

NVP John Handzuk is running for NP in 2023-2024.

PRPNC Maria Behm is running for NVP in 2023-2024 (Branch 038 signed sponsorship for her).

PRPNW Pete Lazzaretti running for NVP in 2023-2024.

FRA National 2022-2023 Essay Contest Winners

7th Grade:

1st Place – Elizabeth Schlatter – NE/New Eng Region

2nd Place – Benjamin Wu – NW Region, Br 104

3rd Place – Genevieve Miranda – Southwest Region

8th Grade:

1st Place – Brynn Gullin – NE/New Eng Region

2nd Place – Katie Labao – Southwest Region

3rd Place – Jalen Meads – East Coast Region

10th Grade:

1st Place – Anna Dollar – SE Region

2nd Place – Sophene Avedissian – SW Region

3rd Place – Justin Glasgow – East Coast Region

11th Grade:

1st Place – Ariana Perez – Southwest Region

2nd Place – Erin Stenros – NE/New Eng Region

3rd Place – Bayleigh Guidry – S. Central Region

9th Grade:

- 1st Place – Molly Neal – Southeast Region
- 2nd Place – Annabel Marshall – East Coast Region
- 3rd Place – Lilly Anna Flygare – S. Central Region

12th Grade:

- 1st Place – Morgan Davis – West Coast Region
- 2nd Place – Charlotte Wallace – NWR, Br 055
- 3rd Place – Caleb Gargus – N. Central Region

Good of the Order

Shipmate Burke, who is also the NW Region Secretary/Treasurer and a PRPNW, spoke about the possibility of combining three regions consisting of the Southwest, West Coast, and Northwest Regions. A straw poll is being conducted of each region to see how many of their branches are in favor of it. If a branch does not reply back to the Regional Presidents from that branch will be considered a YES vote. Think about this until next month’s meeting when we will need to make a decision and report back to RPNW Faubion.

Shipmate Ralph Bean, past out business cards with the message “Stop Experimenting on Veterans, Shut Down the EHRM – Revert to Vista. (<https://chng.it/GSTTcmJckG>). This is about the fiasco of the Electronic Health Records that the VA has been experimenting with in the VA Hospitals in Washington State. Multiple veterans have had their medications fouled up by this system, as per reports from the Congresswoman and Senators for Washington State. *Please Ensure Patient Safety Is At The Heart of the Hippocratic Oath: First, Do No Harm. To care for those “who shall have borne the battle” and for their families, caregivers, and survivors.*

Closing Prayer – **Chaplain**

Meeting Adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Margret “Peg” Burke, Branch Secretary

Robert Bean, Branch President

2022-2023 Branch Officers

President	Robert Bean
Vice President	Michelle Davis
Sec/Treasurer:	Peg Burke
	(2021-2023)
Chaplain	Dennis McCully
Master-at-Arms	James Robertson

Board of Directors

Plus Branch Officers:
 Anna Martin (2018-2023)
 Rick Baldwin (2020-2025)
 Harold Young (2021-2026)

2022–2023 Branch Committee Chairs

Americanism	Anna Martin
HW&R	Michelle Davis
Public Relations	Peg Burke
Veterans Services	Dave Lord
Youth Activities	James Grisham

Revised Calendar Year 2023 Meeting Locations

All meetings, beginning in April 2023, are on the Second Saturday of the month.

4th Quarter FY 2022 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings (Changes)

June 10th 2023 Luncheon Meeting at NOON at *The Onion – NORTH* 7552 N. Division St, Spokane, WA

1st Quarter FY 2023 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings (Changes)

July 8th 2023 Qtrly Meeting at 10:00 AM at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

August 12th 2023 Monthly Mtg at 10:00 AM at the VFW Post_1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

September 9th 2023 Luncheon Meeting at NOON at *El Charrito – SOUTH*, 4303 S. Regal, Spokane, WA

2nd Quarter FY 2023 VFW Post 1474 and Luncheon Meetings (Changes)

October 14th 2023 Qtrly Meeting at 10:00 AM at the VFW Post 1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

November 11th 2023 Monthly Mtg at 10:00 AM at the VFW Post_1474, 2902 E. Diamond Ave, Spokane, WA

December 9th 2023 Luncheon Meeting at NOON at the *Longhorn BBQ – WEST / XMAS Party*
7611 W. Hwy 2, Spokane, WA