



FRA BRANCH 42 NEWSLETTER OCT - DEC 2013

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From Your President

On behalf of the members of Branch 42, we would like to extend our sincere condolences to family of Raymond F. Caputo, GYSGT, USMC(RET) and Ray Rochette, ADRC, USN(RET) who are now serving on the staff of the Supreme Commander.

IMPORTANT DATES - Mark your calendar

OCTOBER 14 - 20 2013 - 86th FRA 81st LAFRA National Convention, Chattanooga, TN

Tuesday, OCT 15TH 2013 - 7:00 p.m..
Regular monthly meeting at the Seabee Museum and Memorial Park, Davisville, RI.

Tuesday, NOV 19TH, 2013 - 7:00p.m.
Regular monthly meeting at the Seabee Museum and Memorial Park, Davisville, RI.

Saturday, DEC 14th, 2013. 11:30 a,m
Annual FRA/Island X-1, Davisville,

Christmas Party at the 'O' CLUB, Quonset Point, RI.

Tuesday, DEC 17TH, 2013 - 7:00p.m.
Regular monthly meeting at the Seabee Museum and Memorial Park, Davisville, RI.

Kudos to the Sea Cadets Branch 42 had four (4) Regional winners in the Americanism/Patriotism Essay Contest. All four winners were from the Sea Cadet Corps commanded by Shipmate Dave Kerwood. Grade 11 - First Place went to Mihnea Stancu; Grade 10 - First Place was Evan Bowen. Evan was also the Regional Overall winner and received a silver Bowl with his name engraved on it. Grade 9 - 2nd place winner was Cosimo D'Elia and Grade 7 - 3rd place winner was Jackson Findley. Shipmate President Senker presented the plaques to the winning recipients at the Sea Cadet regular monthly meeting September 19th. If you have grandchildren or friends and neighbors who have children in grades 7-12 looking for some adventure please contact Shipmate Dave at

kerwooddr@riseacadets.org for more information on the sea cadet corps.

Congratulations to the following shipmates who have completed 40 years of continuous membership in the Fleet Reserve Association: Shipmates James Kanes, Donald Reingardt, Arturo Flores and Ray Pritchett.

Shipmate Robert Gagne received his Fifty-year certificate & pin from Branch President Ken Senker and JRPRP Justin at the August regular monthly meeting.

Shipmates Bill Grimshaw and Joe Cormier had the privilege of going to Washington DC with the Honor Flight program which included a visit to Arlington and the WWII memorial. Shipmate Bill Grimshaw also had a visitor from the Chief of Civil Engineers. Rear Admiral Doug Morton and his aids presented Bill with a plaque, certificate and personal letter from the boss Rear Admiral Kate Gregory honoring Bills 100th birthday.

Branch 20 Groton CT. hosted the last & final New England Regional Convention on September 7th. A good time was had by all and the National President Mark Kilgore, the National Vice President, Virgil P. Courneya, Candidate for National Vice President Roger Mitchell, and Candidate for NED Tom Snee gave their presentations and asked for support in their candidacies. Also in attendance were shipmates and ladies from the Northeast Region. The newly elected Officers for the Northeast/New England Region are:

Regional President Elect: James E Brown Br 226

Vice President	Floyd Hunt	Br 214
Secretary	Mary Rauch	Br 57
Treasurer	William Starkey	Br 57
Jr Past Presidents	Paul Loveless	Br 156
	David Munday	Br 124
Chaplain	George Hyland	Br 20
Parliamentarian	William Starkey	Br 57
Membership	Robert Cambell	Br 13
Disaster Relief	David Munday	Br 124
Historian	James Clay	Br 115
Public Relations	Flyod Hunt	Br 214
Time & Place	George Hyland	Br 20
	David Munday	Br 124
Budget & Finance	John Harriger (c)	Br 258
	Robert Gallagher	Br 66
	John Kothhimir	Br 338
	Paul Loveless	Br 156
	Al Engle	Br 106
	George Hyland	Br 20
Audit Comm	Robert Burness (c)	Br 13
	Joyce Hollis	Br 20
	John Harriger	Br 258
	Carl Stepp	Br 106
	Lynn Svetland	Br 285
	Robert King	Br 66
Legislative	B Anthony (NJ)	Br 124
	M Marko (NY)	Br 285
	Vacant (PA)	
	Jim Hollis (NE)	Br 132
HWR	Pat Larose (c)	Br 1
	Wm Reese	Br 1
	Wm Dwyer	Br 338
Youth Act.	Sharron Munday (c)	Br 124
	Paul Lovless	Br 156
Americanism	Wm McLane (c)	Br 226
	George McDonnell	Br 106
	Donna Jansky	Br 31
CBL	Earl Norman (c)	Br 106
	Sullivan	Br 20
	George Hyland	Br 20

Yours in LP&S

The officers of Branch 42

UNIT 42 NEWS

The members of Unit 42 Quonset/Davisville continue to meet for lunch at Gregg's Restaurant, 4120 Quaker Lane, N. Kingstown 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. (Please note the change in email).

We held elections at our last meeting. The saying goes: "Do it until you get it right." The "new" officers are: President-Cindy Rodham Tuck; Vice President-Audrey Schwab; Secretary-Sheila Nehring and Chaplain-Ruthe O'Shaughnessy. We have lost count how many years Ruthe has served as Chaplain but I personally appreciate that she will continue.

The New England Regional Convention was held in Groton, CT hosted by Branch and Unit 20. We had a great turnout including NP Diane Hoover, JrPNP Gini Larson, NFS Karen Smith, NT Karen Snee, PNC John Neal and RP NE Sara Piacentino. NP Diane presented longevity pins to Dot Crouch-35 years and Eileen Beno-40 years. In reality, Dot has 39 years and Eileen 44 years of continuous service.

After the convention in Chattanooga, TN, the Northeast and New England Regions will be merging. The delegates at the New England Convention voted to accept the Bylaws of the NE/New England Region as proposed. Over the next year we will be adjusting to being a new region and will amend the Bylaws as needed.

The delegates also voted to elect me as the NE/New England Regional President and PRP NE Sara Piacentino from Unit 124 Lakehurst, NJ as the Regional Vice

President. The other officers are appointed:

PNP Georgia	Unit 66	Regional
Gallagher		Secretary
PNC Ellen	Unit 42	Regional
Kotheimer		Treasurer
PRP Kathie	Unit 66	Regional
Potter		Chaplain
PRP Sue	Unit 124	Regional
Hershberger		Parliamentarian

I will be attending the National Convention in Chattanooga, TN from 12-20 October 2013. There are no resolutions to consider this year. The candidates this year are:

National	Carolyn	Unit 147
President	Whitaker	Sanford FL
National Vice	Doris Fri	Unit 161
President		MoKan

There are two candidates for National Executive Secretary: PRP NW DyAnne Tryon Unit 18 Seattle, WA and PRP SE Jean Smith Unit 194 Knoxville, TN.

My husband and I are members of the Lions Club in Easton (actually, I am the President). One of our projects is called Operation Shoebox where we send care packages or "Shoebboxes" to members of the Armed Forces who are deployed. If anyone would like to contribute: batteries, books, CDs/DVDs, coffee, lotion, razors, magazines, puzzles etc., please let me know. Also, if you know of a family member, friend, neighbor who is currently deployed, please send me the addresses before 1 November 2013. The military has a new policy on privacy and are unable to provide us with the names and addresses.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, we have been discussing getting a group together for day trips. Of course, I am always up for a trip to one of the casinos, but it doesn't necessarily have to be just to the casinos as there are many options available. I have been gathering some pamphlets and brochures and will present them at the next meeting. But, if you are interested let me know so that I can inform you what plans we make.

Another reminder: If any of you have any pictures or memorabilia from Branch & Unit 42's history and/or from the New England Region, could you possibly make it available? It would be nice to have a collection for everyone's enjoyment. If we could make copies of these items, we could come up with some kind of a history book or scrapbook. Recently I was cleaning on some boxes and found several pictures that I shared at one of our meetings so I am sure that you all must have some too.

Don't forget that the Unit is still collecting eyeglasses, box tops and soup labels. Eileen Beno and Dot Crouch are the contact persons. If any of you have American flags that need to be disposed of, I will make arrangements with the American Legion in Easton where Don is a member.

At both the Regional and National Conventions, we conduct a Memorial Service for members who have passed during the year (1 July - 30 June). A

carnation is placed in the TRIANGLE in memory as the members of the respective Unit stand. NP Diane Hoover is introducing a new tradition to the service. While the names are being called and the carnation is placed, pictures of the departed members will be shown as a video presentation with music playing in the background. This is a very moving tribute. With this in mind, would each of you send me a picture of yourself and I will keep it on file. It is a very delicate request but necessary.

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. I know it is early but from the extended Rodham and Tuck families, we wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays.

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