

Scuttlebutt

April, 2022

Branch/Unit 269
Goose Creek
South Carolina



Fleet Reserve Association, Low Country Branch 269

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Branch President's Corner

Good Day Shipmates,

Spring is just around the corner and the trees are showing their spring buds which suggests something we all need to do. Let us recruit! Yes, let us try to recruit some new members or get some missing members back into the building. Our membership rolls are 824 strong, yet we barely meet a quota of committee members to report. Most of you have been a member of this branch for years. It is time to fill that room. If we can increase the monthly meeting number by five each month just think of what we can do. It is up to all of us to communicate with our fellow shipmates. And there is no time like the present. Operation Grow the Ranks is now underway! Now on to some not so happy news. The Home is in a financial struggle and we need your help. If we cannot get this turned around we will need to shut down. That means we lose our meeting place and not have a place to socialize with our shipmates. So stop in, dine and enjoy the refreshments with friends and family. It is up to you.

In Loyalty, Protection and Service

Harry Nettles

Branch President

LAFRA UNIT 269

UNIT OFFICERS

President – PRPSE Gail Bolz Treasurer – PRPSE Gale Nathan

Secretary – Marilyn Tharp Vice President – Anne Barton

Jr. Past President – Linda Cox

UNIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Annie Bain Trish Chilton Benita Kinlaw
Kathy Sorenson NP Pat Suckow
Theresa Milligan RVPSE Lee Nettles

BRANCH OFFICERS

President – Harry Nettles Vice-President - Ken Hutchinson
Treasurer - PNP Don Muecheck Secretary - John Tharp
Jr. Past President – Nate Nathan

BRANCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRPSE Laurie Bailey Tim Bailey Don Barton
Cindy Bryan Skip Chilton Robert Gay
Ron Lamon Glenn Little Larry Pepper
Bobbie Sutton Ken Wallace

Chaplain - Bobbi Sutton Legislative Affairs – PRPSE Fred Bolz

Parliamentarian – PNP Don Muecheck Historian - Mike Sparks
By-Laws – PNP Don Muecheck Youth Activities –Donald Barton
Master-at-Arms-Glenn Little Ways and Means – Larry Pepper
PRelations – John Tharp Essay Contest – PRPSE Laurie Bailey
Membership – Cindy Bryan Amer/Pat –PRPSE Laurie Bailey
WEB Master –PRPSE Laurie Bailey

LOW COUNTRY HOME, INC.

99 Wisteria Road - (843) 569-2692

Home Chairman – Nate Nathan

Admin Secretary-Bobbi Sutton Financial Sec- Donald Barton
Director – PRPSE Gail Bolz Director –Cindy Bryan
Director - Linda Cox Director –RVPSE Lee Nettles
Director – John Tharp Director – Skip Chilton
Director – Marilyn Tharp Director – Tommy Wilbanks
Home Manager – PNP Don Muecheck and Larry Pepper

Hours of Operation

Mon-Thur 1000-2200 Fri 1000-2400
Sat 1000- 2400 Sun 1000 – 2000

LAFRA UNIT 269

Appointees & Committee Chairs

Chaplain – Theresa Milligan Amer/Pat – Benita Kinlaw
Sergeant-at-Arms VAVS – Theresa Milligan
Kathy Sorenson Anne Barton
Welfare/Rehab –Annie Bain Ship's Store -RVPSE Lee Nettles
Benita Kinlaw
Publicity – Anne Barton Hospital – Theresa Milligan
Parliamentarian— Linda Cox Membership – Anne Barton
Youth Activities—Anne Barton Unit Activities— All Members
PRPSE Gail Bolz

Madam President Tidbits

Hi Auxiliary Members,
Happy St. Patrick's Day and Happy
Easter!!!!!!!

We welcome our new member Marjory Gottsch
to our unit. She was initiated at our meeting on
March 15th.

Our Chaplin, Theresa Milligan paid a visit to
Mary Korinek who is recovering from surgery.
Get well soon Mary, we miss you.

On May 14, we are having a unit yard sale at the
Fleet Reserve Home. Anyone interested in
renting a table please call Gale Nathan at 843-
870-7850. If you have a table and want to rent a
space the donation will be \$5. Or if you need to
rent a table it will be \$10 donation. We also will
need you to donate 2 items to the Auxiliary.

Upcoming events:

March 27 – Bunco at the Fleet Reserve Home.

Nominations for Offices Michael – April 19th at
our next meeting

May 14th – Unit yard sale

May 17th – Elections for Officers

Thank you, National President Pat Suckow, for
attending our March meeting and telling us all
about your project K9 for Warriors.

Our next unit luncheon will be at El Jalapeno's
Mexican Grill, April 19th at 11:30. Our meeting
will be on same date at 6:00pm. All are
welcome!!!!

Yours in Loyalty, Protection and **Service**,

PRPSE Gail Bolz

WEEKLY DRAWING AT THE HOME

Names drawn lately: 2/22 - Peter Andruchowsky, not
signed; 3/1 – Marie Lutterell, not signed; 3/8 – Raymond
Cotton, not signed; 3/ 15 – Roger Gibson, not signed.

You must t be a member of the Branch or Unit in good
standing and you must be signed in the log. You can
sign up until 1800 hours, on the day of the drawing.
The drawing is held every Tuesday night at 2030
hours.

BRANCH MEMBERSHIP REPORT

New or Reinstated Members – 1
Transferred into Low Country Branch 269 – 0
Transferred from Branch 269 – 0
Ready to renew – 14
Members past due – 11
Suspended members - 7
Transferred to the Staff of the Supreme Commander – 1

Member and retention: Ken Wallace/ Advisor Jr. Past RPSE

Laurie Bailey

Active. 834

New Join Charles Moss

Ready to renew: John Aguilera Jr., Lawrence Barten, Arthur Camera,
Donald Detwiler, Jeanette Gombash, Trevor Guevara, Larry Guthrie, Eddie
King, William Mcardle, Wayne MdcDaniel,

Michael Neff, William Neira, Ray Phillips Jr., William Pilson, Sherri
Ragan, Keith Schnebel, Kevin Sedgley, Mervin Wiands

Past Due: Matthew Aguilera, Fred Busch, Scott Cook, Arthur Di Filippo,
David Dukes, Michelle Dukes, Carlos Echeverry, Randy Haas, Benjiman
Harman, Charles Hughes Jr., Gerald Jackson Jr., Jamie Johnson, Danny
Mills, Phillip Obie, Randall Rush, Rober Shurling

Suspended: William Bevis Jr, James Bishop, James Bundrick, John
Causey, Jesse Cumbee Jr, Matthew Gilbert, Robert Hookman, Kevin
Holland, Nicholas Kopanski, Warren Kratz, Benjamin Larvie,
Theresa Mullis, Matthew Ratliff, Marvin Smith Jr., Randolph Turner,
James Walker, Amy Wood, George Zinser

Unit Membership and Retention

To be Renewed by March 31: Francis Migliano, Jacqueline Paxton, Kimberly Sparkman, Michael Steele,
Barbara Berger, Kathleen Bourgeois, Danelle Carroll, Cynthia Clark, Martha Fulmer, Kelley Hall, Robert Home,
Mackenzie Keohane, Carol Mustain

February 28: Michaell Berezny, Lisa Berezny, Sierra Hood, David Hughey, Troy Pringle, Kathleen Parker,

January 31: Erica Alson, Maria Guiick, Coleen Pelloni, Steven Pelloni, Troy Pelloni, Douglas Richards, George
Wach, Robert Reynolds

PAST DUE: Connie Singletary, Tammy Robinson, Robert Samples, Kyla Singletary, Maureen Williams

Suspended: Toby Hunter

BRANCH & UNIT CHAPLAINS' PEW

Deepest sympathy is extended to the families of: YNC James Bundrick and POCS Marvin Smith

Keep prayers for Stacy Power (fall) and Jimmy Williams (hospice care)

Anyone knowing of any illness or death among our Shipmates or Unit members please contact:

**Branch Chaplain Bobbi Sutton @ 843-879-9473 or
Unit Chaplain Thesera Milligan @ 843-535-2757**

BRANCH TREASURER'S REPORT

Operations	\$ 12,626.51
Savings	\$ 4,648.84
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,961.18
Total	\$28,236.53

FRA HOME TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account	\$ 6,400.95
Credit Card account	\$ 1,396.89
Building Fund	\$ 6,439.78
Total	\$25,853.37

Branch Continuous Membership -- April, 2022

Robert Stancik	60 yrs	Alan Lincoln	26 yrs	Joe Eudy	20 yrs	Ronald Lamon	9 yrs
Robert McNeish	58 yrs	Dale Shepperd	25 yrs	Connie Collins	19 yrs	Howard Luper	9 yrs
Donald Cady	51 yrs	Charlie Calas	24 yrs	David Horton	19 yrs	John Autrey	8 yrs
Herbert Hiatt	47 yrs	Robert Clements	24 yrs	Paul McFall	19 yrs	Michael Roth	8 yrs
William Peterson	47 yrs	Harold Crawford	24 yrs	Tommy Wilbanks	17 yrs	Ray Marshall	8 yrs
Eugene Weir	43 yrs	David Graminski	24 yrs	Gerald Ott	16 yrs	Terrence Mummert	8 yrs
Richard Koehler	42 yrs	Lynnette Jordan	24 yrs	Edward Bowles	15 yrs	Robert Yancey	6 yrs
Thomas Seay	40 yrs	Thomas Jordan	24 yrs	Fredrick Daughtery	15 yrs	Jeffrey Kirksey	5 yrs
Ronald Brunner	38 yrs	Dannis Lambries	24 yrs	Brian Steffen	15 yrs	Jericho Garcia	4 yrs
Eugene Lemieux	38 yrs	Edward Smith Jr	24 yrs	Richard Wise	15 yrs	William Lindler	4 yrs
Charles Gravley	37 yrs	Richard Bishop	23 yrs	Roy Brosseau	14 yrs	Robert Burnett	3 yrs
Gary Crozier	35 yrs	Donald Blackwelder	23 yrs	Dennis Turner	14 yrs	Lawrence Coates	2 yrs
Ralph Deeter	34 yrs	Michael Dellenbach	23 yrs	Louis Goehring	13 yrs	Louis Bishop	1 yr
William Freligh	33 yrs	James Mastin	23 yrs	Robert Massey	13 yrs	Lynn Cortright	1 yr
Lewis Flader	31 yrs	Cecil Skipworth	23 yrs	James Turner Jr	13 yrs	Ernest Culbreath	1 yr
Gerald Monnat	29 yrs	Jack Wrbanich	23 yrs	Bertil Johnson	12 yrs	Jeff Latoureile	1 yr
Hilton Hooks	28 yrs	James Delaney	22 yrs	Roy Kingdom	12 yrs	Arthur Raymond	1 yr
Frederick Bolz	26 yrs	Edward Fretschell III	22 yrs	Fredrick Wolstencroft	12 yrs	Michael Rikard	1 yr
Carter Crosson	26 yrs	John Keile	21 yrs	Jaqueline Brooks	11 yrs	William Wieties	1 yr
Allen Downs	26 yrs	Terry Trump	21 yrs	John Blanchard	9 yrs		

Unit 269 Continuous Membership –April 2022

Nancy Sandefer	32 yrs	MaryIn Muecheck	9 yrs	Michael Steele	5 yrs	Charlotte Johnson	2 yrs
Linda Harris	31 yrs	Martha Fulmer	9 yrs	Rebecca Bower	5 yrs	Francis Migliaro	2 yrs
Cynthia Clark	22 yrs	Diane Bahr	6 yrs	Kelley Hall	4 yrs	Barbara Berger	2 yrs
NP Patricia Suckow	20 yrs	Connie Chinn	5 yrs	Kimberly Sparkman	4 yrs	Danielle Carroll	2 yrs
Erin Giannetto	18 yrs	Anne Barton	5 yrs	Michael Dubay	4 yrs	Robert Horne	1 yr
Deloris Cox	18 yrs	Kathleen Bourgeois	5 yrs	Carol Mustain	3 yrs	Mackenzie Deohane	1 yr
Gloria Bolyn	11 yrs	James Vinson	5 yrs	Therese Masterson	3 yrs	Jacqueline Paxton	1 yr
Mary Johnson	10 yrs						



Welcome aboard to Unit 269:
Marjorie Gottsch



Theresa Milligan presented Mary Kornick with her 10 year continuous membership pin. Congratulation

YOUR BIRTHDAY IS IN APRIL - 2022

If you are a Branch 269 or Unit 269 member, come on in to the Low Country Home **on your birthday** for a

FREE BIRTHDAY LUNCH

Linda Jones	04/01	Jason Tatge	04/08	Randy Haas	04/17	Robert Block	04/24
Mildred Koscianski	04/01	Charles Schuster	04/09	Jimmy Kimbrell	04/17	George Bradstreet	04/24
Dianne Carroll	04/01	Gina Horne	04/09	Douglas Richards	04/17	Charles Ethridge	04/24
Arthur Raymond	04/01	Charles Walton	04/09	Gordon Stevenson Sr	04/17	Karen Hightower	04/24
Joe Eudy	04/02	Gordon Gingras	04/11	Paul Misuraca	04/18	Susan Lee	04/25
Roger Gibson	04/02	Teresa Hagan	04/11	John Priest	04/18	William Peterson	04/25
Richard Roebuck	04/02	Edward Mulrey	04/11	Ronald Redondo	04/18	Elsie Sexton	04/25
Maureen Williams	04/02	Richard Sparger	04/11	Ron Workman	04/19	Duane Henricksen	04/26
Charles Ivey	04/04	Marion Hall	04/12	Trevor England	04/20	Majorie Gottswch	04/26
Harry Nettles	04/04	Linda Odell	04/13	Phillip Nunnally	04/20	Jay Duncan	04/27
Larry Pepper	04/04	Judy Dziedzicki	04/13	Tammy Robinson	04/20	Richard Jones	04/27
Bob Segal	04/04	Lisa Berezny	04/14	Ken Ealy	04/21	James Mastin	04/27
Richard Brown	04/05	Lee Heitner	04/14	Glenn Little	04/21	Raymond Montminy	04/27
Lillian Kurtz	04/05	Carol Traynor	04/14	Randy Reed	04/21	Joseph Brace	04/28
Lori Beier	04/06	Richard Carlson	04/15	Andrew Trout	04/21	Marilyn Tharp	04/28
Joseph Giannetto	04/06	William Reed	04/15	Mary Ann Chinners	04/22	Scott Cook	04/29
Jason Reifsnyder	04/06	Lynn Cortright	04/16	Margaret Benjamin	04/22	William Martin II	04/29
Dawna Latourelle	04/07	Joseph Gimenez	04/16	William Hayes	04/23	Kathleen Bourgeois	04/30
Donald Detwiler	04/08	Hazel Hacker	04/16	Michael Roth	04/23	Larry Walton	04/30
Brenda KRAUS	04/08	Daniel Montgomery	04/16	Connie Singletary	04/23	Eugene Weir	04/30



Our own Unit member (LAFRA National President) Pat Suckow spoke to the Branch on here project for her year as President.

This project is K9 for Warriors. This is an American tax-exempt 501c (3) nonprofit organization, which provides a PTSD service dog of the highest quality at no coast to those in the program. With each graduate pair, they save two lives. They rescue the dog and the dog rescues the Warrior.

The Branch donated \$1,000 to this project. Good luck to Pat this year.

April, 11 (1900)

National Submarine Day



National Submarine Day is on April 11 and it celebrates the purchase of the USS Holland, the first modern commissioned submarine. This day is important to the submarine community as it honors the US Navy's purchase of their first modern submarine, but life underwater isn't all that glamorous. Often, crews are out at sea for months at a time and return when food supplies run low. Subs can be cramped with tedious tasks to complete daily, and some might not always be the best of friends with everybody on board. It's not just enemies and the sea they have to contend with.

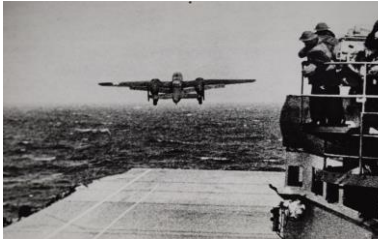


It is a sure bet that one of the proudest days in an enlisted individual's naval service is the date on which a first class petty officer dons the uniform and is accepted into the Chief Petty Officer community. At this time, the PO1's leadership and professional abilities are recognized by superiors. These qualities continue to be honed with experience and maturity until retirement.

This article covers the history of the grade of Chief Petty Officer. April 1, 1993, marked the 100th anniversary of the creation of that grade. It is necessary, however, to look back to the origins of the Continental Navy to establish the foundation of relative grades and classifications that led to the ultimate establishment of the CPO grade. During the Revolutionary War, Jacob Wasbie, a Cook's Mate serving on board the Alfred, one of the first Continental Navy warships, was promoted to "Chief Cook" on June 1, 1776. Chief Cook is construed to mean Cook or Ship's Cook which was the official rating title at that time. This is the earliest example of the use the Term "Chief" located to date by the author



Happy Easter



The **Doolittle Raid**, also known as the **Tokyo Raid**, was an air raid on 18 April 1942 by the United States on the Japanese capital **Tokyo** and other places on **Honshu** during **World War II**. It was the first air operation to strike the Japanese archipelago. Although the raid caused comparatively minor damage it demonstrated that the Japanese mainland was vulnerable to American air attacks. It served as retaliation for the 7 December 1941 [attack on Pearl Harbor](#), and provided an important boost to American morale. The raid was planned by, led by, and named after Lieutenant Colonel **James Doolittle** (later a Lieutenant General in the US Army Air Forces and the US Air Force Reserve).



USS Frank Petersen will be commissioned in Charleston May 14

To get tickets go to the web site:

Ddg 121 for tickets



The day "recognizes the professionals who keep an office running smoothly every day," according to [National Day Calendar](#).





"The day recognizes the work of secretaries, administrative assistants, receptionists, and other administrative support professionals.

"Central to any business, these professionals keep an office organized and efficient."

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendar, watch for details, watch for additions
 Friday nights-1930 hrs – Scotch Doubles, 8-ball Tournament
 Saturday nights – 2000 hrs – In House 8 Ball Tournament

April, 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 Free Pool	4 VVA Mtg 1800 	5 Sons of the Confederacy 1830	6	7 SubVet eboard meeting	8	9 DAV 1000
10 Free Pool	11 Home Committee 1800 Submarine Day	12 Unit 269 Meeting 1800	13 Purple Hearts	14 SubVet mtg 	15	16
17 Free Pool	18	19 Sojourners Meeting 1900	20	21 Branch mtg 	22	23
24 Free Pool	25	26	27	28 MCL mtg 	29	30

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Put your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at The Home or mail your request to the Branch Secretary: tharpj@sc.rr.com

NEWSLETTERS ARE SENT EVERY MONTH

WE'VE GONE GREEN!!!!