

Scuttlebutt

September,
2022

Branch/Unit 269
Goose Creek
South Carolina



Branch President's Corner

Shipmates

Not a lot to report this month ,We were forced to cancel the August meeting due to board members having covid, could not chance exposing other members. As the weather cools we hope to see increased participation both in membership and events, The branch will host an indoor picnic Labor day 5 September.

Several shipmates and ladies attended the annual Southeast regional convention , It was quite a learning experience, seeing how the FRA is organized and managed, Branch 269 was highly successful ,We were awarded 1st place in Americanism/Patriotism (chairman PRPSE Laurie Bailey), Public Relations(chairman S/M John Tharp), Veteran services (chairman PRPSE Fred Bolz), and 2nd place in Hospital,Welfare & Rehab (chairman S/M Bobbie Sutton) congratulations shipmates great work,

We need your continued support ,Come home and enjoy the fellowship of your shipmates .

Yours in Loyalty,Protection &
Service

Ken Hutchison

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

Theresa Milligan

Sandra Houle

Kathy Sorenson

NP Pat Suckow

Trish Chilton

Judy Dziedzicki

Alvin Cales

Linda Cox

Ann Griffith

Presilla Wilbanks

Fleet Reserve Association, Low Country Branch 269

National website:

<http://facebook.com/groups/frabbranch269>

Southeast region: frasoutheastregion.org

BRANCH OFFICERS

President – Kenneth Hutchison Vice-President - Donald Barton

Treasurer - PNP Don Muecheck Secretary - John Tharp

Jr. Past President – Harry Nettles

BRANCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PRPSE Laurie Bailey Tim Bailey Cindy Bryan
Skip Chilton Ron Lamon Tom Lawson
Glenn Little Larry Pepper Bobbi 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 – Skip Chilton

Admin Secretary-Bobbi Sutton Financial Sec- Cindy Bryan
Director – PRPSE Gail Bolz Director –PRPSE Laurie Bailey
Director - Linda Cox Director – Tim Bailey
Director – John Tharp Director – Trish Chilton
Director – Marilyn Tharp Director – Ken Wallace
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 – Vacant
Sergeant-at-Arms VAVS – Theresa Milligan
Kathy Sorenson Anne Barton
Welfare/Rehab - Vacant Ship's Store -RVPSE Lee Nettles

Publicity – Anne Barton Hospital – Theresa Milligan
Parliamentarian— Linda Cox Membership – Anne Barton
Youth Activities—Anne Barton Unit Activities— All Members

Madam President Tidbits



Hi Auxiliary Members,

To all members Happy September Birthday and Anniversaries!!!!!!

This will be short article due to several members being exposed to the Covid -19 virus. We were unable to have our August meeting.

Upcoming events:

September 17 – Golf Tournament

September 24 – BBQ at the Fleet for the Auxiliary National Presidents Project, K-9 Warriors. Please come out and join us to help with this worthy cause. Tickets on sale for \$12 and can be purchased at the bar area.

Next meeting will be September 13,2022 at 6:00pm and luncheon the same day at the Fleet, 11:30.

Yours, in Loyalty, Protection and Service,

PRPSE Gail Bolz

WEEKLY DRAWING AT THE HOME

Names drawn lately: 8/9 – Mark Johnson, not signed; 8/16 - Daniel Montgomery, not signed; 8/30 – Ron Linzenberger, not signed.

You must 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 – 4
Transferred into Low Country Branch 269 – 1
Transferred from Branch 269 – 0
Ready to renew – 14
Members past due – 14
Suspended members - 9
Transferred to the Staff of the Supreme Commander – 0
Active.

Membership/Retention: Ken Wallace

Total members: 813

New Join/Reinstated: Jordan Carver, Richard Muccheck, Mitchell Nappier and Nytasja Sanders

Ready to Renew: Charles Clore, Jason Cole, Michael Fusari, James Graham Sr., Rodney McKanna, Merrell Peterson, William Ribbeck, Donald Rickert, Joseph Shea, James Sherrow, Michael Sosa, William Sullivan, Mark Tracy

Past Due: David Aldrich, Scott Benson, Ralph Brown, A. B. Campbell, Darrell Frier, Harry Gray, George Labree, Waylon Sexton, Andrew Trout

Suspended: Louis Bishop, Robert Burnett, Connie Collins, James Dennis, Corinne Janny, John Morrison, Boyd Patterson, Emmett Rckley, Walter Rydzy

Unit Membership and Retention

To be Renewed by Sept 30: Jeff Barnes, Tina Bohannon, David Emerson, Jean Jones, Rosalie Lawrence, Roger Nelson, Jody Oliver, Rosie Soderlund, Kendra Sumner.

Aug 31: Anna Brown, Linda Jones, Arthur Lee, Linda Lunn, Sandra Medley, Patty Russell, Donald Whiteley.

Past Due: Carol Eustace, Gina Horne, Linda Odell, Jacqueline Verheyen, Linda Doll, Faye Graham, Brian Marrale, Sheila Shea, Theresa Gavin, Mona Lozen, Lori Marshall.

Suspended: Martha Fulmer, Robert Home, Mackenzie Keohane, Francis Migliano, Kimberly Sparkman.

BRANCH & UNIT CHAPLAIN'S PEW

Shipmates or Unit members please contact

Branch Chaplain Bobbi Sutton @ 843-879-9473
Unit Chaplain Theresa Milligan @ 843-535-2757

BRANCH TREASURER'S REPORT

Operations	\$ 12,647.79
Savings	\$ 4,656.60
Certificate of Deposit	\$10,991.29
Total	\$28,295.68

FRA HOME TREASURERS REPORT

Checking Account	\$ 8,179.63
Credit Card Account	\$ 1446.27
Building Fund	\$ 6,420.32
Total	\$23,416.22

Branch 269 Continuous Membership – September, 2022

Benjamin Kluth (57)	William Sullivan (23)	Wade Reid (16)	Donald Langdon (7)
Donald Hanley (51)	Charles Clore (22)	Donald Heinle (15)	Jason Cole (6)
Kenneth Cowles (48)	Merrell Peterson (22)	Herbert Franklin (14)	Jason Anderson (5)
David Mueller (48)	Kenneth Seal (22)	Michael Fusari (14)	Mark Tracy (5)
Donald Rickert (38)	Franklin Shoenberger (22)	Rodney McKanna (13)	James Bellemare (3)
Joseph Shea (34)	Ron Workman (22)	Michael Hadbavny (12)	Charles McAhon (3)
William Ribbeck (31)	James Sherrow (21)	Michael Sosa Jr (10)	James Graham Sr. (1)
Robert Chrenshaw (26)	Jack Collier (20)	William Cox (9)	Clarence Peifer (1)
William Martin II (26)	Ronald Litzenberger (17)	Vernice Smith (9)	Earl Spurlock (1)
Michael Clemens (23)	Sam Pennington (17)	Dale Brannen (7)	Jim Wilson (1)
George Durity (23)	Parke Manuel (16)		

Unit 269 Continuous Membership – July 2022

Gloria Allen (45)	Linda Jones (17)	Sandra Medley (11)	Karen Hubert (3)
Barbara Moyer (35)	Anna Brown (14)	Robin McKeown (8)	Janice Highberger (3)
Wanda Seay (30)	Susan Lee (12)	Donald Whiteley (5)	Georgia Cathart (1)
Patty Russell (23)	Kathy Sorenson (11)	Linda Lunn (5)	Arthur Lee (1)
Caarmela Day (18)	Charles Schuster (11)	James Highberger (4)	

YOUR BIRTHDAY IS IN SEPTEMBER- 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

Thomas Irvine (1)	Charles Gravley (7)	Thomas Jennings (14)	Donovon Bennett (22)
Edward Fisher (1)	Richard Hair (7)	Tammy Miller (14)	Bob Browning (22)
Jeffrey Hamm (1)	Kenneth Hutchison (7)	James Willcutt (14)	Holly Gordon (22)
Robert Richardson (1)	Danny Trapp (7)	Robert Mixon (15)	Clarence Hall (22)
Paul King (2)	Byron Couch (8)	Darrell Frier (16)	Cynthia Young (22)
Carla Passmore (2)	Robert Hedin (8)	Ernest Sweat (16)	Gail Bolz (23)
Deborah Rullmann (2)	Judy Higgins (8)	Christian Beilstein (17)	Annie Bain (24)
Joseph Shea (2)	Robert Kring (8)	Walter Johnston (17)	Benita Kinlaw (24)
Robert Windrow (2)	Robert Stancik (8)	Linda Vinson (17)	Curtis March (24)
Dennis Lanier (3)	Darlene Beck (9)	Thomas Chilton (18)	Michael Mercer (23)
Alan Lincoln (3)	Paul McHugh (9)	Anna Brown (19)	Michael Fremen (24)
Rosemary Mansfield (3)	John Glass (10)	Don Pace (19)	Raymond McKinley (24)
Cecil Skipworth (3)	Robert Lopez (10)	Wayne Suckow (19)	William Mcardle (25)
Charles Szad (3)	Daniel Mckieman (10)	Anthony Dye (20)	Everette Coates (26)
Kimberly Vandiver (4)	Nancy Sandefer (10)	Walter Mabe (20)	Bruce Tucker (26)
Jimmie Gambrell (5)	David Greeno (11)	Michael Markiewich (20)	Oscar Diano (27)
Scott Huber (5)	Robert Stodola (11)	Donald Snead (20)	Thomas Evans (28)
Jessica Murphy (5)	Tim Cowan (12)	James Turner Jr (20)	Louis Goehring (28)
Wanda Seay (5)	William Lindler (12)	Milton Willoughby (20)	Mary Johnson (28)
Robert Curtis (6)	Michael Steele (12)	Robert Bear (21)	Joseph Perillo (28)
Allen Katen (6)	Cheryl Antley (13)	Michael Clemens (21)	Donald Blackwelder (30)
Larry Knutson (6)	Randall Bollin (13)	Robert Ingebretson (21)	Earl Goodell (30)
Kenneth Adam (7)	Bill Bradshaw (13)	Robert Rose (21)	Danny Mills (30)
Robin Buell (7)	Don Kopczynski (13)	Julian Villegas (21)	
Dennis Cox (7)	Kevin Scott (13)		
William Dunsing (7)	Mike Sroka (13)		
	Jason Anderson (14)		
One mistake last month	Harold Starn birthday	Was left off. Birthday -August 16	

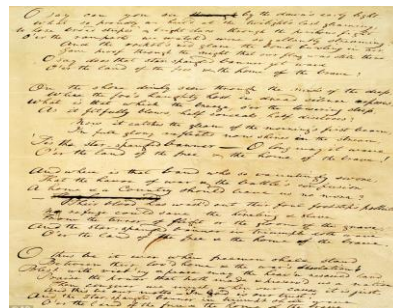
Had so much fun at Welcome Aboard party at FRA Southeast Regional Convention last night in Jax, FL. It was Movie Theme night and I dressed up as one of the Pink Ladies in Grease. We had a game of Musical (Chairs) Stars with stars on the floor vice having chairs and a game of Movie Trivia. Julie Fogel of Unit 294 was awarded Best Costume with her cowgirl costume.



Due to lack of signups for the Branch/Unit Fall Family picnic the picnic will be cancelled/ postponed until the Spring



Gold Star Mother's and Family Day falls on September 25 this year and is traditionally observed on the last Sunday in September. The day is for honoring families of those who have received The Gold Star – the military award no one wants. The award commemorates the tragic death of a military member who has perished while in the line of duty and hopes to provide a level of comfort to the parents and families that are left behind. Since World War 1, a “Gold Star Family” has signified a family that has lost one of its members in combat. The family can display a Gold Star Service Flag for any military family members who have died from any honorable cause – each gold star on the flag signifies a death. Though today only around 1% of the country is involved in military service, as compared to the 12% during other times of war, like World War 2, there are still a significant number of surviving Gold Star families – not to mention, a Gold Star lives on in a family's legacy.



September 14 (1814) Francis Scott Key wrote “The Star Spangled Banner” and its initial verse on the back side of a letter while watching the large American flag waving over the fort that morning. Back in Baltimore, he continued working until he had completed four verses (only one of which is commonly known today).



POW/MIA Recognition Day is observed on the third Friday of September, on September 16 this year, to recommit to full accountability to the families of the more than 80,000 veterans captured or still missing from wars that the United States has participated in. According to accounts, during the first ceremony of POW/MIA Day at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., fighter airplanes from the military base in Virginia flew in the 'missing man formation' in their honor.

Constitution Day (or **Citizenship Day**), is an [American](#) federal [observance](#) that recognizes the adoption of the [United States Constitution](#) and those who have become U.S. citizens. It is normally observed on September 17, the day in 1787 that delegates to the [Constitutional Convention](#) signed the document in [Philadelphia](#).^[1]



Finally, Autumn will be here in September!!





As per the Gregorian calendar, 1 st September marks the official beginning of Autumn but some astrologers consider **23rd September** as the First Day of Autumn and this beautiful season lasts till 21 st December. It is in this season that leaves change their colours and ultimately fall thereby marking the arrival of new leaves and new season.

Mark your calendar, watch for details, watch for additions

Friday nights – 1930 hrs – Scotch Doubles, 8-ball Tournament

September, 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 SubVet Eboard mtg	2	3
4 Free Pool	5 Labor Day Indoor Picnic 1200 - 1400	6 Sons of the Confederacy 1830	7	8 SubVet Mtg 	9	10 DAV 1000
11 Patriot Day Grandparents Day Free Pool	12 Home Committee 1800	13 Unit Lunch 1130 Unit Mtg-1800	14	15 Branch Mtg 	16 National POW/MIA Recognition Day	17
18 Free Pool	19	20	21 Purple Hearts 1900	22 MCL Mtg 	23	24
25 Free Pool	26	27 Sojourners Meeting 1900	28	29	30	30

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The Branch has voted to cut printing and mailing expenses. If you don't own a computer, you obviously cannot see the newsletter online. To receive it via "pony express", you MUST submit IN WRITING your request to have it mailed.
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!!!