

Scuttlebutt

June, 2023

Branch/Unit 269

Goose Creek
South Carolina



National website: [Fleet Reserve association.org](http://fleetreserveassociation.org)

<http://facebook.com/groups/frabranh269>

Southeast region: frasoutheastregion.org

Branch President's Corner

Shipmates

Low Country Branch 269 has completed the annual nomination/election process and Lo and behold the exact same members will once again continue to represent you they will continue to do an outstanding job, However we really need fresh blood, new members to step up fresh ideas always welcome , On the 3rd Thursday of every month the board of directors meet at 1800 followed by the general assembly meeting at 1900 all members are encouraged and invited to attend,

Branch 269 has been invited to participate with VFW Post 10256 Memorial day service at McCalister Smith funeral home on 27 May at 1500, On 29 May The branch will place US Flags on Veterans graves at Plantation Memorial Gardens at 0800, Branch 269 Memorial day service will here at the Home at 1000 followed by an indoor picnic,

We need 4-8 members to volunteer to distribute food at the VA medical clinic in North Charleston on 28 June 0800-1200,Great opportunity to serve our community.

Yours in Loyalty, Protection and Service
Ken Hutchison

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

NC 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 – NC Laurie Bailey
Membership – Cindy Bryan Amer/Pat –NC Laurie Bailey
WEB Master –NC 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 – Ken Ealy Director –NC 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

UNIT OFFICERS

President – Anne Barton Treasurer – PRPSE Gale Nathan

Secretary – Marilyn Tharp Vice President – Trish Chilton

Jr. Past President – Linda Cox

UNIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jr.PNP Pat Suckow Theresa Milligan
Kathy Sorenson Linda Cox
Ann Griffith Presilla Wilbanks

LAFRA UNIT 269

Appointees & Committee Chairs

Chaplain – Theresa Milligan Amer/Pat – Ann Griffith
Sergeant-at-Arms VAVS – Theresa Milligan

Kathy Sorenson Anne Barton

Welfare/Rehab – Jr PNP Pat Suckow Ship's Store -Trish Chilton

PRPSE Gale Nathan, Hospital – Theresa Milligan

Presilla Wilbanks Membership – Trish Chilton

Publicity – Anne Barton Unit Activities -- All

Members

Parliamentarian— Linda Cox

Youth Activities—Anne Barton

Madam President Tidbits

Dear Friends of the Fleet Auxiliary,

I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President. I hope I didn't make too many mistakes. Please know that I will continue to support your work. Best to all in the future of our auxiliary.

Greetings to all my LFRA members:

Anne Barton

Unit 269 President

Yours in Loyalty, Protection and Service,
Anne Barton

WEEKLY DRAWING AT THE HOME

Names drawn lately: 5/2 – Johnny Brown, not signed; 5/9 Kevin Patton, not signed; 5/16 – Donald Heinle, not signed; 5/23 – Nancy Vella, 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 – 0
Transferred from Branch 269 – 0
Ready to renew – 18
Members past due – 19
Suspended members - 5
Transferred to the Staff of the Supreme Commander -0
Total members: 806

Membership/Retention: Ken Wallace

Total members: 808

New or reinstated: Robert Clark, Dana Disinger, Stephen Kovacs Jr., Frederick Sorenson

Ready to Renew: Bobby Beck, Donovan Bennett, Lester Callahan, Melissa Curtis, Arthur Di Filippo, Johnny Ellis, Patricia Gallagher, Joseph Giannetto, William Hayes, Dan Heath, Jr., Harold Herrington, Charles Hollowood, Larry Knutson, Michael Leclair, William Ragan, William Reed, Daniel Ryan Robert Sowards

Past Due: Lawrence Barten, Jennifer Beilstein, Ernest Chresoulis, George Fulmer, Joseph Gimenez, Jeannette Gombash, Cory Grimm, Daniel HUCKABY, Mark Johnson, James Kennedy Sr., Chris Ludwig, Wayne, McDaniel, Michael Neff, Thomas Shepard, Lyle Smith, William Stevens, Guy Stuckey, Steven Thompson, Tim Zartman

Suspended: Gerald Jackson, Danny Mills, Rita Stiegemeyer, Stephen Taylor, Todd Walker

Unit Membership and Retention

To be Renewed by June 30: Deborah Bacur, Darlene Beck, Patricia Day, Lawrence Fowler, Margaret Henshall, Curtis March, Brian Marrale, Tammy Miller, Suzanne Peters, James Tennes, Theresa White, Anita Wright.

May 30: Carol Bailey, Lori Beier, Linda Brinson, Rosemary Clark, Mark Howell, Bryan Kopczynski, Shelagh Lammers, Mona Lozen.

April 30: Gail Bolz, Elizabeth Norris.

Past Due: Diane Bahr, Diane Bahr, Beverly Shaffer, Krystal Shaffer, Bill Bradshaw, Ronald Conner, Maggie Morrin, Crissie Pringle, Carrol Sandefer, Mila Taylor, Cheryl Antley, Vicky Blihar, Laurie Douty, Tricia Hughes, Walter Spiller III, Donna Cassavaw.

Suspended: Barbara Kenney, James Miller, Maureen Williams.

BRANCH & UNIT CHAPLAIN'S PEW

Pray for Rick Wise after surgery on his arm.

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	\$ 7,565.27
Savings	\$ 4,664.36
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 11,049.20
Total	\$ 23,278.83

FRA HOME TREASURERS REPORT

Checking Account	\$ 14,830.02
Credit Card Account	\$ 7,862.07
Savings	\$ 6,425.84
Total	\$ 35,609.33

Branch 269 Continuous Membership June, 2023

Russell Hale (57)	Dwight Bain (24)	Ken Ealy (22)	Gregg Schneider (11)
John Pardo (56)	Randy Bogner (24)	Dennis Hazel (22)	Kevin Scott (11)
James Giordano (49)	Lonnie Donahue (24)	Brian Sims (22)	Elmer Feeser (9)
Roy Knight (48)	Steven Gearhart (24)	Don Kopczynski (21)	Raymond McKinley (9)
Franklin Osburn (48)	Gary Gander (24)	Robert Ladue (21)	Jeffrey Wilmoth (9)
Perry Riley (48)	Douglas Jordan (24)	Patrick Dermody (20)	Patricia Gallagher (8)
William Korbisch (47)	Grady Scott (24)	Terry Gomez (20)	Eddie Beasley (6)
Joseph Dick (38)	Robert Sowards (24)	Paul King (19)	Michael Leclair (6)
Carson Burgess (35)	Terry Sprague (24)	Keith Timmons (19)	John Thiry (6)
Jerry Frohbieter (35)	Roger Adams (23)	Bobby Beck (18)	Robert Brinson (5)
Lester Callahan (34)	Dwayne Ashline (23)	William Dunsing (18)	William Reed (5)
Maureen Gonzalez (34)	Ludwig Burkle (23)	Mike Sroka (18)	Johnny Ellis Jr. (4)
Michael Hann (34)	Joseph Giannetto (23)	James Baker (17)	Lee Lepretre (4)
James Kint (34)	Thomas Lindberg (23)	Steven Edmund Sr. (16)	William Ragan (4)
Edward Mulrey (34)	Howard Miles (23)	Larry Knutson (16)	Debra Bortell (2)
Leroy Rothrauff (34)	George Roberts Jr. (23)	Fred Sprague (16)	William Hayex (2)
Garfeld Landis (33)	Daniel Ryan (23)	Donovan Bennett (14)	Paul Close (1)
Martin Tinsley II (33)	Charles Walker (23)	Julian Lemley (14)	Arthur Di Filippo (1)
David Aldrich (29)	Robert Windrow (23)	Willkiam Maloon 12)	Joseph Weber (1)
Edward Astle (27)	Dennis Cox (22)		

Unit 269 Continuous Membership, June, 2023

Linda Brinson (54)	Susan Pardo (23)	Bryan Kopczynski (16)	Shelagh Lammers (10)
Carol Bailey (25)	Hazel Hacker (23)	Isla Janney (15)	Mark Howell (7)
Brenda Hiers (25)	Rosemary Clark (19)	Lori Beier (11)	Scott Huber (5)
Mona Lozen (23)	Linda Cox (17)	Tammy Robinson (10)	

If you are a Branch 269 or Unit 269 member, come on into the Low Country Home

on your birthday for a **FREE BIRTHDAY LUNCH**

James Gregory (1)	Donald Langdon (8)	Phillip Smith (16)	Roy Kingsom (26)
Carolyn Rose (1)	Mila Taylor (10)	David Stevens (18)	Presilla Wilbanks (26)
Sam Pennington (2)	Ronald Chambers (11)	Larry Stevens (18)	Dan Heath Jr. (27)
Ronald Vanco (2)	Tricia Hughes (11)	Raymond Cotton (19)	Charles Humbarad (27)
Nancy Vella (2)	Otto Kasdka (11)	George Johnson (19)	Robert Vehom (27)
Richard Herndon (3)	Felix Cabanting (12)	Robert Kirtley (19)	Deborah Bacur (28)
William Jenkins (3)	Tommy Hellems (12)	Robert Reynolds (19)	Lowell Mills (28)
Marvin Brigman (5)	Donald Muccheck (12)	James Graham Sr. (20)	James Nelson (28)
Angela Chapman (5)	Guy Travaglio (12)	William Roberts (21)	Angela Clark (29)
Matthew Douty (5)	Robert Simmang (14)	Dana Disinger (22)	John Flynn (29)
Judy Duncan (5)	Alfred Bauer (15)	Sandra Houle (22)	Arthur Hance III (29)
Shelagh Lammers (5)	Cynthia Hannah (15)	Allan Patton ((22)	Charles Rein (29)
Wendy Holman (6)	Donald Heinle (15)	Michael Andrews (23)	Arthur Brown (30)
Larry Tarzwwell (6)	James Hutton (15)	Michael Goas (23)	John Sloane (30)
Cacey Anderson (7)	Maryln Muccheck (15)	Ron Morgan (24)	Gloria Bolyn (30)
Nicole Nettles (7)	Albert Horne Jr. (16)	Ralph Bates (26)	

From the Unit Secretary

Last month I reported the death of NFS Brenda Horton. At that time it was requested that you NOT send dues renewals or new membr applications. I also stated that there would be a general hiatus on lapsed memberships and printed copies of the Membership Roster.

I am happy to say a new National Finance Secretary has been appointed. JrPNP Pat Suckow has assumed these duties. Please forward dues renewals to either the newly elected Unit 269 Secretary, Dee Wallace, or to NFS Pat Suckow.

Pat's address is

Ladies Auxiliary of the FRA
PO Box 706
Goose Creek, SC 29445
Phone 8r43-452-4719

Unit Secretary, Dee Wallace

Please leave renewals and new member applications in the Pass Down log at the Fleet Home



The Branch and Unit 269 will participate in the VFW 10256 memorial service at Mcalister Funeral Home at 1500 on May 27.

The Branch/Unit will have a Memorial Service at 1000 on Monday, May 29 at the Home



PRPSE Fred Bolz presented the "Hard Charger Award"

(Right) Vice President Donald Barton gives instructions to new member Kenneth Murphy.

Welcome Aboard Kenneth!!!!



Above: Center, Ronald Henderson was awarded his 40 year continuous membership pin

Mei President Ken Hutchison received his 20 year continuous membership pin

Cash Audit For the month of May has the following balances. Our checkbook balance \$14,830.02, the credit card account \$7862.07, the savings account \$6,425.84, there is \$1,560.75 in pending deposits. Our total cash on hand \$36,178.68.

Financial Audit: As of 4 30 2023 we have the following balances; our cash on hand \$5,848.62, checking account \$14,292.10, credit card account \$8,778.91 savings account \$6425.31. Our net profit for the month of April was \$8,659.85.

Building and Grounds/Managers Report: All the yearly bills have been paid except the liquor liability insurance, the last installment will be paid soon.

Special Events: Memorial Day will be a celebration on the 29th of May. At 0800 we will place flags at Plantation Gardens, 1000 we will have a ceremony at the home and at 1130 we will have an indoor picnic. Deserts are welcome.

The next golf tourney will be on the 17th of June. We will also have an indoor picnic on the fourth of July.

Our next meeting will be the 12th of June.

One reminder: If you bring in a non-member to the Home insure you sign them into the guest log. If you see someone you believe to not be signed in, question them. This is my last report.

Skip Chilton

Home Committee Chairman

From the Branch Secretary: John Tharp- 843-709-8520// tharpj@sc.rr.com

There is a new membership application which is on line at the Fleet Reserve Association

There are copies above the ATM on the wall, so ensure you use these. This new one has the name of the sponsor so ensure you put your name with membership number. Cut off the bottom of the application and give to the new member.

FRA National Headquarters put new members, as well as renewals into the system regularly, however, the quickest way to get your renewal updated is to contact Headquarters, either by phone or by the national website. I contacted them last week on Friday and all of the renewals which were past due were updated Friday afternoon.



The Summerville Elks Lodge #2719 (105 Elks Lodge Lane, Summerville) will perform a Flag Day Ceremony on Sunday, June 11 at 2 pm. The Elks prompted President Woodrow Wilson to recognize the Order's observance of Flag Day for its patriotic expression. The public is invited to this event.

Mark your calendar, watch for
 details, watch for additions

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

Military Appreciation Month May, 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 SubVet Eboard meeting	2	3
4 Free Pool	5 VVA Meeting 	6 D-Day 1944 Sons of the Confederacy 1830	7	8 SubVet mtg 	9 FRA/Unit Installation Dinner of Branch/Unit 269	10 DAV 1000
11 Free Pool	12 Home Committee 1800 Women Veterans Day	13 NO Auxiliary Meeting	14 Purple Heart Meeting 1900 Flag Day Fly your flag	15 MTG Mtg	16	17 Golf Tournament)
18 Happy Fathers Day Free Pool	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Free Pool	26	27 Sojourners Meeting 1900	28	29	30	

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WE'VE GONE GREEN!!!
NEWSLETTERS ARE SENT EVERY MONTH
Shipmates AND auxiliary members, if you WISH or MUST have the monthly newsletter by "pony express" you MUST request it.
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