



OZARK EMPIRE BRANCH – 316, INC.



# FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

*Representing Enlisted Personnel of the*  
*U.S. NAVY \* U.S. MARINE CORPS \* U.S. COAST GUARD*  
4028 S. Kentwood Ave.  
Springfield, MO 65804 \* (417) 887- 3115  
(Temporary Branch Address)

## December 2018 / January 2019 NEWSLETTER

IN CASE OF ILLNESS OR DEATH OF ANY SHIPMATE  
PLEASE NOTIFY THE BRANCH CHAPLAIN OR  
SECRETARY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

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### BRANCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

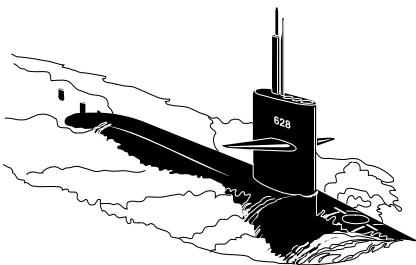
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### EVENTS DEC 2018 / JAN 2019

Dec 7 – Pearl Harbor Day  
 Dec 15 – Bill of Rights Day  
 Dec 17 – Wright Brothers Day  
 Dec 21 – First Day of Winter  
 Dec 25 – Christmas Day  
 Dec – No Branch Meeting  
 Jan 1 – New Year's Day  
 Jan 21 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
 Jan 24 – Branch Meeting  
 Jan 28 – Observance of Sinking of USCGC  
 Blackthorn

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 28 – Branch Meeting  
 Mar 24-26 Midyear Conference  
 Mar 28 – Branch Meeting



**YOU ARE WANTED  
SHIPMATES  
AT BRANCH 316'S  
MEETINGS**

### NEXT MEETING:

4<sup>th</sup> Thurs. Jan 24, 2019 (1800)  
At American Legion Post 639  
2660 S. Scenic Ave.  
Springfield, MO.



## BRANCH 316'S WEB PAGE ([frabr316.org](http://frabr316.org))

*The Meal for January 24th will be Prepared by Tom Newsom.*

**NEXT MEETING:** Our next meeting will be Thursday, 24 January 2019, which will commence at 1800. We will meet at American Legion Post 639, 2660 S. Scenic Ave., Springfield, MO. "Dinner will Commence at 1700."

**LAST MEETING:** Our meeting was called to order by S/M President at 1800 with 11 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the Preamble to the Constitution of the FRA was repeated by all members. We had one guest, Debra Adams. A motion was made by S/M Don Brunk to dispense with reading the minutes of last meeting OCTOBER 25, 2018 and approved as published in the NOVEMBER 2018 Newsletter, seconded by S/M Tom Newsom and motion passed.

### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

AMERICANISM/PATRIOTISM – S/M Norma Wright reported

- Essays are starting to come in.

HOSPITAL – S/M Don Brunk reported:

- We have one Shipmate who is in the Springfield Rehab and Health Center, Bobbie Combs, we have one member, Larry Day at home under hospice care, and we also had notification of one S/M reporting to the "Staff of the Supreme Commander", S/M Joseph Mehl.

LEGISLATIVE – S/M Robert Turner reported:

- FEDVIP enrollment for retirees in the dental program.

### MEMBERSHIP

- 0 New members, 0 Transfer-Out, 0 Transfer-In, 0 Reinstated, 2 Deletions, 0 Suspension, 2 Members past due, 120 Total active members, 2 Members Past due, 118 Members in good standing.

PUBLIC RELATIONS – S/M Secretary reported for S/M Nolan Moody:

- Activity for:
  - VFW 3404:
    - Missed Meeting
  - MCL Det. 993:
    - Attended Meeting
    - Participated in 0 Memorial Team Funerals
  - FRA Branch 316:
    - Missed Meeting
    - S/M Bobbie Combs and S/M Anthony Solari was in Veterans Day Parade
  - American Legion Post 639:
    - Attended Meeting
    - Will miss E Board Meeting.
  - Am Vets Post 188:
    - Attended Meeting
    - Attend Veteran's Day Parade
    - Attended Veterans Appreciation assembly at Willard Middle School
  - Vietnam Veterans of America:
    - Will miss meeting due to Am Vets District function
  - Joint Community Forces:
    - No Meeting
  - Misc. – Attended Veterans Connection Breakfast at the VFW, with Allen Hines as speaker.
  - Upcoming Events:
    - Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> Western Greene County Veterans Day Parade. "Honoring Ol' Glory" Theme
    - Stubby Shoot has been rescheduled for Saturday, October 6, 2018 at AMVETS Post 188

YOUTH – S/M Chuck Ewy reported: No Report

COMMUNICATIONS - S/M Secretary reported:

- Received September & October National Membership Newsletters.
- National President's Serial Letter 1-19 – 2018-2019 Officers & Committees
- NED Memo 1-19 Branch Nominating Resolution for: Michael F. Fulton for NVP for Association Yr. 2019-2020.
- NED Memo 2-19 Branch Nominating Resolution for: Christopher J. Slawinski for NED for Assoc. Yr. 2019-2022.
- NED Memo 3-19 Branch Nominating Resolution for: John R. Davis for NED for Assoc. Yr. 2019-2022.
- NCR Resolution Nominating Donald A. Watkins, Jr. for NCRP for Assoc. Yr. 2019-2020.
- Finance Officer Letter Nov 9, 2018 for: Annual Premium for Branch Liability Bond – Group IV - \$28.00
- Received new branch order forms

- Received new FRA Holiday Ornament order form.
- Received November National Membership Newsletter
- Received Letter and Form from Director of Membership to fill out if Branch Membership Chairman is other than Secretary. Branch 316 complies.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

- S/M Secretary/Treasurer read the report. All Bills Paid.

**UNFINISHED AND DEFERRED:**

- S/M Jim Grier reported that building committee has established quadrants looking for other opportunities for a permanent home.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- We discussed getting new boxes to store our items Branch 316 has in storage. We set December 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. to get together, Jim G., Chuck E., Don B., Frank P., Virginia S., Robert T., Norma W., and Tom N.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

- President Virginia mentioned that her sister that was living with her had passed away suddenly.

Next Meeting is January 24, 2019 at 1800, at American Legion Post, 2660 S. Scenic Ave., Springfield, MO.

S/M Tom Newsom made a motion to adjourn, seconded by S/M Bob Adams. Passed.

Meeting Adjourned 1910

MEMBERS WHOSE RENEWAL DATE IS ON DECEMBER 31, 2018: None

MEMBERS WHOSE RENEWAL DATE IS ON JANUARY 31, 2019: George King, Thomas McGuire, George Peck, Richard Reed, Teddy Verfurth and Willis Walker.

MEMBERS DUES THAT EXPIRED AS OF AUGUST 31, 2018: Julia Vetter. SEPTEMBER 30, 2018: Michael Hill.

OCTOBER 31, 2018: None. NOVEMBER 30, 2018: Robert Baker. We hope you will consider renewing. If you need any assistance please notify Secretary Ewy at 417-887-3115 – HM, 417-861-9926 - Cell (If no answer please leave a message) or e-mail me at: cmewy@sbcglobal.net. If you have sent in your dues and are still listed in arrears, please contact me to get it corrected.

MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN TERMINATED FOR NON PAYMENT OF DUES:

MEMBERS WHOM WE HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED REPORTED TO THE STAFF OF THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

S/M Joseph Mehl

VISITATION: Shipmates, if you are sick or confined to bed please let us know so we can make arrangements for a Shipmate to come and visit you. Contact: S/M Chaplain – Don Brunk (417-886-1146), S/M Secretary – Chuck Ewy (417-887-3115) or S/M President – Virginia Swayne (417)880-7872.

DECEMBER 2018 CONTINUOUS MEMBERS: We want to congratulate the following members of Branch 316 for their continuous membership in the FRA:

Michael Baker	33 Yrs.	Donald Doss	62 Yrs.	Carl Evans	13 Yrs.
Alan Fear	08 Yrs.	Philip Fogle	20 Yrs.	Robert Lea	44 Yrs.
Kenneth Spink	24 Yrs.	Billy Tettenhorst	21 Yrs.	John Waggoner	12 Yrs.

JANUARY 2019 CONTINUOUS MEMBERS: We want to congratulate the following members of Branch 316 for their continuous membership in the FRA:

Robert Brauch	34 Yrs.	Michael George	25 Yrs.	Charles Hartjen	24 Yrs.
George King	22 Yrs.	Thomas McGuire	33 Yrs.	George Peck	48 Yrs.
Richard Reed	25 Yrs.	Harold Singer	13 Yrs.	Dean Stack	17 Yrs.
Orsure Stokes	11 Yrs.	Teddy Verfurth	25 Yrs.	Willis Walker	33 Yrs.

WE WISH EACH OF THE FOLLOWING SHIPMATES A HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN DECEMBER 2018:

Daniel Bunch	78 Yrs.	Charles Cline	82 Yrs.	Michael George	56 Yrs.
Frank Parker	72 Yrs.	Dennis Shanklin	76 Yrs.		

WE WISH EACH OF THE FOLLOWING SHIPMATES A HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN JANUARY 2019:

Bruce Blankenship	65 Yrs.	Robert Cory	78 Yrs.	Garth Greene	89 Yrs.
Charles Hartjen	77 Yrs.	Howard Huff	75 Yrs.	James Moran	56 Yrs.
Douglas Smith	60 Yrs.	Matthew Stewart	47 Yrs.	Julia Vetter	69 Yrs.
Jimmy Wilkerson	65 Yrs.				

If any of these are incorrect please notify Branch Secretary.

*Chuck Ewy*

Secretary/Treasurer, Branch 316

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