

OZARK EMPIRE, BRANCH - 316, INC.



FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

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AUGUST 2024 NEWSLETTER

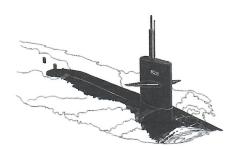
IN CASE OF ILLNESS OR DEATH OF ANY SHIPMATE PLEASE NOTIFY THE BRANCH CHAPLAIN OR SECRETARY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

BRANCH OFFICERS

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NEXT MEETING:

4th Thur., AUGUST 22, 2024 (1700)American Legion Post 639 2660 S Scenic Ave. Springfield, MO. 65807

EVENTS AUG 2024

Aug 4 - US Coast Guard B-day (1790) Aug 4 - Vietnam Conflict Began (1964) Aug 7 - Purple Heart Day Aug 14 - VJ Day Jap Surrender (1945) Aug 14 - Nat Navajo Code Talkers Day Aug 16 - Nat Airborne Day Aug 18-22 - NCR Convention Stone Castle, Branson, MO Aug 21 - Senior Citizens Day Aug 22 - Branch Meeting Aug 29 - USMC Reserves Founded (1916)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 26 - Branch Meeting Oct 12 - Armed Forces Gala (See Insert) Oct 26 - Branch Meeting Nov 12-15 - National Convention



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



BRANCH 316'S WEB PAGE (frabr316.org)

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be Thursday, AUGUST 22, 2024, and will commence at 1800. We will meet at American Legion Post 639, 2660 S. Scenic, Springfield, MO, 65807. There will be a meal provided at 1700.

LAST MEETING: S/M President Robert Turner called Branch 316's meeting to order at 1800 IAW Article 12 Sec 1214 National C&BL. Members in attendance were: Chuck Ewy, Don Weiss, Don Brunk, Mell Johnson, Bernie Daum, Frank Parker, Nolan Moody, Teri Jeske, Virginia Swayne, Jim Grier, Belinda Brown, Robert Turner, Michelle Gallion, and Richard Seiferd. We had four guest David Velten, Lon Jeske, Brandi Brown, and Melinda Gordrey. S/M Chaplain opened the Bible and gave the opening prayer. All Shipmates repeated the "Pledge of Allegiance" to the flag and the "Preamble to the Constitution of the FRA". A motion was made by S/M Don Brunk to dispense with reading the minutes of last meeting, JUNE 27, 2024, and approve as they were published in verbatim in the JULY 2024 Newsletter. Motion seconded by S/M Teri Jeske and passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

AMERICANISM/PATRIOTISM – It was reported:

• S/M Secretary stated that Norma had picked up the letters and envelopes for the mailings to the Schools for the 2024-2025 Essay contest.

HOSPITAL – S/M Don Brunk reported:

• S/M Virginia Swayne is recuperating from her surgery and was in attendance at our meeting.

LEGISLATIVE - S/M Chuck Ewy reported:

No report

MEMBERSHIP – S/M Chuck Ewy reported:

May's Report - 1 New member, 0 Transfer-Out, 1 Transfer-In, 0 Reinstated, 0 Deletions, 0 Suspension, 0
 Members past due, 105 Total active members, 0 Members past due, 105 Members in good standing.

PUBLIC RELATIONS -

No Report

VETERANS SERVICE – S/M Belinda Brown reported:

• Our committee helped 101 members for the year.

YOUTH – S/M Sheldon Pryke reported:

No Report

COMMUNICATIONS - S/M Secretary Chuck Ewy made available to all hands:

- S/M Secretary read NAT Board Resolution 28-24 (That Branch 112 allowed to use the FRA Triangle Logo.)
- NP Serial Letter 1-24 Revision 3 (2023-2024 Officers and Committees
- Director, Membership Development (First Qtr. 2024-2025 Membership Report

TREASURERS REPORT -

 S/M Frank Parker gave the report. All bills paid. S/M Teri Jeske made a motion to accept the Treasurers report. Seconded by S/M Virginia Swayne and passed. The meal was \$97.14. Meal donations was \$67.00.

UNFINISHED AND DEFERRED:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- S/M Nolan Moody mentioned they are collecting money to buy wreaths for both National and State Veterans Cemeteries. Belinda Brown made a motion that Ozark Empire Branch 316 donate \$500.00 to purchase 20 Wreaths. Motion seconded by Teri Jeske and motion passed.
- S/M Frank Parker talked about Branch 316's involvement with the Price Cutter Charity Championship golf Tournament. Branch 316 was in charge of driving the Vans and Shuttle Bus and the following Shipmates participated: Frank Parker, Chuck Ewy, Don Brunk, Robert Turner, Belinda Brown, Keith James, Richard Seiferd, Teri Jeske, and Lon Jeske.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- S/M Secretary requested S/M to volunteer to go to Mt Vernon Veterans Home in August to help present a 60 Year Continuous Membership Pin and Certificate to our S/M Bob Adams. Don Brunk, Robert Turner, Frank Parker and Chuck Ewy will go.
- S/M Nolan Moody mentioned the Elks will be having a car show July 27 to raise money for Wreaths.
- S/M Frank Parker said our final meeting for PCCC will be Tuesday August 20, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

Motion by S/M Nolan Moody to adjourn the meeting, seconded by S/M Teri Jeske and passed. Chaplain did the closing Prayer and closed the Bible.

Meeting Adjourned 1837

Next meeting will be August 22, 2024 at 1800.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

FRA 2024 NCR Convention, hosted by Branch and Unit 161, August 18-22 2024. Held at Stone Castle Hotel and Convention Center, Branson, MO.

MISSOURI ARMED FORCES BALL: FRA Branch 032 is putting on an Armed Forces Ball at the Inn at Grand Glaize to help fund the FRA National Centennial Celebration. All Regions, have been asked to help raise money, to fund the National Centennial Celebration. More information will be forthcoming.

FRA 2024 National Convention will be held in Annapolis, MD 12-16 November 2024. This will be our Centennial Convention celebrating FRA's 100th Anniversary.

FRA 2025 National Constitutional Convention, hosted by Branch/Unit 161 and Branch/Unit 032. More information to be forthcoming.

SHIPMATES OF BRANCH 316: The 2025 Mid-Year Conference, will be held, April 26 – 29 in Bloomington, Minnesota, and will be hosted by Viking Branch 136. More information will be forth coming.

TRANSFER IN: Welcome S/M Richard Baehr

MEMBERS WHO ARE PAST DUE: None

MEMBERS WHO ARE READY TO RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP AS OF JUN 30, 2024: Billie Christy, and Johnny Christy

MEMBERS WHO ARE READY TO RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP AS OF JUL 31, 2024: Adam Miller MEMBERS WHO ARE READY TO RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP AS OF AUG 31, 2024: Patrick Cashin

Shipmates we need you to renew your membership. If you need any assistance. Please notify Secretary Ewy at 417-861- 9926. (If no answer please leave a message) or e-mail me at cmewy@sbcglobal.net Please contact me if you have sent in your dues and are still in arrears, so I can get it corrected.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS ARE TERMINATED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES: NONE

THE FOLLOWING MEMBER HAS REPORTED TO THE STAFF OF THE SURPREME COMMANDER: NONE SHIPMATES IN GOOD STANDING, WITH 50 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP NO LONGER HAVE TO PAY DUES:

VISITATION: Shipmates, if you are sick or confined to bed, please let us know so one of the following S/M can come and visit you. Contact: S/M Chaplain – Don Brunk (417-840-4717), S/M Secretary – Chuck Ewy (417-861-9926) or S/M President – Robert Turner (417-838-4991).

AUGUST 2024 CONTINUOUS MEMBERS: We want to congratulate the following members of Branch 316 for their continuous membership in the FRA.

Robert Adams 60 Yrs. Patrick Cashin 01 Yr. Patricia Cooper 16 Yrs.

Raymond Larson 37 Yrs. Dennie Whittaker 25 Yrs.

WE WISH EACH SHIPMATE, WHO HAS A BIRTHDAY IN AUGUST, A HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Richard Bowen 58 Yrs. Robert Brauch 88 Yrs. Patrick Bryan 72 Yrs. Billie Jo Christy 82 Yrs. Richard Feyerabend 72 Yrs. Billy Harris 91 Yrs.

James Jenkins 85 Yrs. Arnold Moldenhauer 85 Yrs.

If any of these are incorrect, please notify Branch Secretary.

Chuck Ewy,

Secretary, Branch 316



APPRECIATION GALA

We pay honor to the women and men who serve this

great Nation with heroism and valor.

SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER 2024 - DINNER & DANCE- 6pm -12am
No Host Cocktail Hour: 5-6 PM

Hosted by

Fleet Reserve Association Lake of the Ozarks Branch 32



In Celebration of FRA's 100th year anniversary!

For Tickets Call:

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5142 Osage Beach Parkway Osage Beach, MO 65065 1-800-348-4731



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Armed Forces Appreciation Gala

The Lake of the Ozarks Armed Forces Appreciation Gala will be held at the Inn at the Grand Glaize, 5142 Osage Beach Parkway, Osage Beach, MO on October 12th, 2024. The event will take place from 5 pm until 12 midnight. The gala is sponsored by the Fleet Reserve Association Lake of the Ozarks Branch 32. The Fleet Reserve Association has been supporting the US Navy, the US Marine Corps, and the US Coast Guard for almost a century. Our centennial will be celebrated on 11 November 2024 in Annapolis, Maryland.

You can call the inn at 1-800-348-4731 to reserve a room for the evening. Use the Code **FLE100** for the room rate of \$89 per night* the hotel will extend the discounted price for two days prior and two days after if you would like to extend your stay in the beautiful Lake of the Ozarks area.

The Evening's Dinner choices:

8 oz. Prime Rib with Aus Jus Sauce

Baked Potato with Sour Cream and Butter Broccoli with Cream Sauce Chef's Choice Dessert

Chicken Piccata with Lemon Caper Sauce

Rice Pilaf Green Bean Almandine Chef's Choice Dessert

*There is a \$5 Resort Fee per room and all rooms are subject to 11.25% sales and lodging tax. Inn at the Grand Glaize is a 100% non-smoking hotel.

The GALA is open to the public.

Tickets are required.

One need not be a service member, or veteran to attend.

Black Tie welcome, optional - Mess Dress, Military Uniform, Tuxedo, Business Suit, Formalwear, Cocktail Dress, dressy slack suit.

Please, no jeans and "tennies" for dinner.

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