



Shipmates' Report

FRA Branch 99 Newsletter



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INSTALLATION/DINNER



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Shipmates:

On Wednesday, 10 June, 2009, another Administrative year came to an end with the Installation of Officers and Directors for the ensuing year. As newly elected President, I would like to thank you for the confidence you have shown by re-electing me for yet another term of office. Also, I thank those Officers and Directors that served on the past Board of Directors, and those newly elected, that came forward to serve for the ensuing year. Shipmates, over the years, Branch 99, has become a legend within the Fleet Reserve Association. To say the least, Branch 99 is well known, and highly respected. As I have said many times before, and will continue to say, it is you, the members that have made this possible. Shipmates, I salute you.

Charlie

The monthly meeting and installation of Branch 99 Officers was held at 2000 hours on 10 June, 2009 at the Roma Lodge, 3097 Magic Hollow Boulevard, Virginia Beach, Virginia, with Shipmate President Charles Baldwin presiding. The proper opening ceremony was observed.

The following Shipmates were introduced: **PRPEC** James W Scarbro , **PRPEC** Robert Washington, and **EPEC** Ray Santee.

S/M Ray Santee EPEC, was the Installing Officer. The New Officers are:

- **Shipmate Charles Baldwin, President**
- **Shipmate Edward Rainey, Vice President**
- **Shipmate Martin G Wood, Secretary**
- **Shipmate Gerald Jeffers, Treasurer**

The Board of Directors: Shipmates:

Richard Dempsey	Edward Filipowski
Alvin M. Morean	Paul White
John H Thumma	Robert Long
Dave Moser	Ronald J Sybers

Two Bell Ceremony was held by **S/M Chaplain** Adrian Knight and **S/M MAA** John Schweers.

Benediction by **S/M Chaplin** Adrian Knight.

MEMBERSHIP

48 past due members, 4 new joined, 17 terminated, 3 transferred in and 2 transferred out for the total active members 1,351 in good standing.

New Members

A Warm Welcome to all new members of Branch 99. Come to the next Branch meeting on July 8th to meet your new Shipmates. Meetings are held at 1900 on the second Wednesday of each month. Please Check your calendar. If you come you may win a **free meal**.

Daniel P. Carriere, Patrick Connors, Samuel A. Dent, Alfred Gardner, William T. Gillespie, Daniel Glass, Robert E. Gosset, Marvin L. Hall, Jorge A. Hodgson, Steve Kelley, Richard S. Laxa, Joshua Lukacovic, Paul W. Major, John P. Michalski, Stephen J. Moffett, Daniel Negron, Shondrica A. Pulphus, Walter L. Reed, Terrence L. Smith, Forrest R. Vaughn, Jamie A. Williams, Samuel Winston and David Yee.

Past Due Members

If you see any of these Shipmates, kindly remind them since they may have forgotten their dues:

Marcelo Anongos, Philip Bargy, Wiley Barnes. Phyllis Bautista, William Behan, Nedeo Blanco, Robert Bowers, Robert Brooks, William Carter, Francis Castellano, Pamela Cooper, Justin Darnall, Robert Dedominick, Douglas Eichinger, Donald Galloway, Jose Garcia, Brian Gimbel, Russel Guyer, Robert Henriques, Kenneth Jones, Harry Kenyon, Kenneth Lacy, Jason Lawson, Joseph Lucy, Eric Lynch, Michael Manlove, Justin Martin, Charles Mcneely, Henry Melendez-Mejia, Ellen Miranda, Stephen Montgomery, Peter Murphy, Herman Nickson, Eduardo Pabalan, David Patty, Kenneth Price, James Reynolds, Joseph Rivera, Joseph Sabol, Robert Slack, Nicholas Swann, Paul Swofford, Gerald Terrell, Harry Warren, Gilbert Whitten and Kevin Williams.

TAPS:

Marion F. Baker	DCC	USNRET
Miles E. Coles	AE1	USNRET
Donald N. Galloway	STCS	USNRET
Robert L. Goodwin JR	CAPT	USNRET
Ernest D. Jordan	MRCS	USNRET

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Americanism/Patriotism Committee**
S/M Hefty reported that the East Coast Regional winner for 8th grade is Adam Miller. He will receive his certificate at a future meeting.

- **BINGO Committee**
Shipmate Gapter reported that **BINGO** is back to Normal, still in need of Volunteers, please see him for more information.

- **Budget and Finance**
The Budget is balanced and the Branch is in Good Financial Shape.

- **Communications Committee**
- A Thank You Card from Mothers Against Drunk Driving for our Donation.

- Branch 40 is having hunter safety classes at their Branch home 27 June; 25 July; 29 August; and 26 September. If interested contact S/M Jim Campbell at 244-4717

- An acknowledgement letter from Gary Blackburn for Branch 99's endorsement for the office of National President **FRA** for Association Year 2009-2010

GOOD OF THE ORDER.

- The Fourth of July Picnic S/M Joe Porambo reports that ticket will be on sale **1 June to 30 June**. No tickets or admission after that for the picnic.

- S/M Bob Long states that Bayside Hospital is looking for volunteers for a mass casualty drill at Bayside hospital see him after the meeting.

- S/M Betty Mace states that she has tickets for the **USMC League** see her after the meeting.

- S/M Vice President Jim Griffin says breakfast is the last Sunday of the month. We are always in need of volunteers to help out.

- S/M Richard Dempsey is starting up a Pinochle Tournament 3rd Sundays 1400 until ?? Signups on the bulletin board in the Branch Home or contact him at 463-4432.

- S/M Frank Chebatar stated the Airport Museum on Princess Anne Rd in Virginia Beach is free to active duty and retired members. The fee is **\$10** for others.

Coming Events:

- 04 Jul Independence Day- Branch Picnic
- 08 Jul- Branch Meeting
- 25 Jul- Flea Market
- 26 Jul- Breakfast
- 27 Jul- Korean War ended (1953)
- 28 Jul- World War I began (1914)
- 04 Aug- Coast Guard Established (1790)
- 07 Aug- Purple Heart Medal Established (1782)
- 12 Aug- Branch Meeting
- 14 Aug- Japan surrenders ending WWII (1945)
- 29 Aug- Flea Market
- 30 Aug- Breakfast

Local Restaurants Support FRA Branch 99

In a program initiated by our Branch President, Charlie Baldwin, local Restaurants are providing donations of dinner meal gift certificates to encourage attendance at monthly Branch General Membership meetings. These certificates are presented as prizes in drawings held at Branch meetings. The restaurants' support of our non-profit veterans association is greatly appreciated. Those that are currently participating are:

- Aberdeen Barn Steak House**
5805 Northampton Blvd. Va. Beach
- Abuelo's**
1712 Ring Road Chesapeake, VA 23320
- Applebee's (Kempsville)**
1426 Kempsville Road, Virginia Beach
- Applebee's ((Loehmann's Plaza**
4040 Virginia Beach Blvd. Virginia Beach
- Bubba's Deli & BBQ**
3600 Dam Neck Road, Virginia Beach
- Bubba's Crab House & Seafood**
3323 Shore Drive, Va. Beach
- Carrabba's Italian Grill**
1217 Battlefield Blvd. N. Chesapeake
- Carrabba's Italian Grill**
739 Lynnhaven Pkwy. Virginia Beach
- Cheeseburger In Paradise**
739 Lynnhaven Pkwy. Virginia Beach
- Frankie's Place For Ribs**
3333 Virginia Beach Blvd. Virginia Beach
- Keagan's**
Town Center – 244 Market St. Virginia Beach
- Lynnhaven Fish House**
2350 Starfish Rd. Virginia Beach
- Max & Erma's**
4512 Virginia Beach Blvd. Virginia Beach
- Ruby Tuesday**
4488 Virginia Beach Blvd, Virginia Beach
- Smackwater Jack's**
3333 Virginia Beach Blvd. Virginia Beach
- Texas Road House**
1546 Sam's Circle, Chesapeake, Virginia

TGI Friday

796 Lynnhaven Pkwy. Virginia Beach, Virginia

TGI Friday

110 Volvo Pkwy. Chesapeake, Virginia

The Raven Restaurant

1200 Atlantic Ave. Virginia Beach

We appreciate the support of these participating restaurants, so when you are dining out, patronize them. And if you go to one of them with a free meal coupon, remember to tip the waiter for the full value of the check, before the discount. (He/ She is working hard for a living and is not the one donating the free meal.) Remember to thank the manager when you leave, on behalf of Kempsville Branch 99, FRA.



**KEMPSVILLE BRANCH 99
FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
10 JUNE 2009**

Kempsville Branch 99 Officers

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| President | Charles Baldwin |
| Vice-President | Ed O. Rainey, Jr. |
| Secretary | Martin Wood |
| Treasurer | Gerald Jeffers |

Kempsville Branch 99 Board Members

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| Alvin M. Morean | David Moser |
| Edward Filipowski | Ronald J. Sybers |
| John Thumma, Jr. | Paul White |
| (Jr. Past) Ralph Preston | |



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Recruiting new members is a never-ending requirement for a successful Branch.

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