



FLEET RESERVE BRANCH #104 SCUTTLEBUTT

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The Branch #104 Scuttlebutt

is published at the end of even numbered months for the following two months. To receive this newsletter via email, please contact the editor. Any submissions should be given to the editor no later than the 15th of the publication month.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT Please Read First:

We are moving the location of our monthly meetings to the VFW Hall in Puyallup. The address is: 120 - 2nd St NE, Puyallup, WA 98373. A map can be found on the Branch Website. Dates of the meetings will remain the 2nd Monday at 1900 hours.

Secondly, we are still sending courtesy copies of the newsletter to members of Branch 191 as we hopefully are able to merge together.



From the Branch President's Desk...

Shipmates, Back in time (January 3, 2006) there was a small roar from the veterans community to get license plate for us. That was done on that date. To date out of over 600,000 vets in the State of Washington only 11,422 have applied for them. Plates are available for the Navy, Marine Corp, Coast Guard, Army, National Guard and the Air Force.



The original cost to purchase an Armed Forces plate(s) is \$40.00 plus any applicable licensing fees. When the vehicle registration becomes due, you will need to pay an additional \$30.00 to keep the Armed Forces plate(s) on your vehicle(s), even if you have not had the plate(s) for a full year. \$28 from the purchase and renewal of each plate will be directed to the Veterans Stewardship Account and is tax deductible.

The Veterans Stewardship Account will be used for activities that benefit veterans, such as maintaining the future state veteran's cemetery in eastern Washington and providing programs and services for homeless veterans.

In Loyalty, Protection, and Service,

Shipmate PNP 'John' Johnson, Branch President

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Membership Matters

It is our honor to recognize the following Shipmates who have reached significant years of service and membership to the Fleet Reserve Association, as well as our new members to the Branch.

Congratulations to you and our thanks for such great loyalty.

45 Years - Rhoten (191) 35 Years - Bralley (191), Edwards (104)

30 Years - Plattner (104) 25 Years - Eagan (104)

20 Years - Garland (191)

New Members

Welcome aboard to our new members to Branch #104:

Shipmates: Dickinson (YN1, USN, Ret.), and Nabors (DC3, USCG)

Membership Renewals Pending or Overdue:

The following members need to contact National Headquarters in order to renew their FRA Membership:

Bicker, Buchanan, Dodd, Eagan, Elmore, Geltmascher, Kaup, Leahy, Magnussen, Manwiller, McGonigle, Nelson, Scheidt, Stansell, and Williams, J.

Upcoming Events - Please send items to be included to the Newsletter Editor

March 8th **Branch #104 General Meeting** - 1900 hrs @ the Puyallup VFW Hall, 120 - 2nd St NE, Puyallup, WA 98373 ****PLEASE NOTE NEW MEETING LOCATION****

March 11th **Pierce County Veteran's Advisory Council (PCVAC) Meeting**
1900 hrs @ American Legion Post #138 in Lakewood

April 12th **Branch #104 General Meeting** - 1900 hrs @ the Puyallup VFW Hall, 120 - 2nd St NE, Puyallup, WA 98373 ****PLEASE NOTE NEW MEETING LOCATION****

Awards Ceremony for the Essay Contest

April 15th **Pierce County Veteran's Advisory Council (PCVAC) Meeting**
1900 hrs @ American Legion Post #138 in Lakewood

April 15th **March/April Newsletter Submission Deadline** - Email items to be published to S/M Lazzaretti at: webmaster@frabbranch104.org

May 10th **Branch #104 General Meeting** - 1900 hrs @ the Puyallup VFW Hall, 120 - 2nd St NE, Puyallup, WA 98373 ****PLEASE NOTE NEW MEETING LOCATION****

May 13th **Pierce County Veteran's Advisory Council (PCVAC) Meeting**
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July 30 - Aug 1st **FRA-NW Regional Convention** - Roseburg, OR. More information Coming soon

Have a business? You can have your business card put here for one newsletter cycle at a time. Contact the newsletter editor for more details.

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Americanism Essay Contest For Grades 7 - 12

The 2009/2010 Branch winners are as follows, Their essays have been forwarded to the Regional Level for Judging. The Awards Ceremony for these winners will be at the April General Meeting, on April 12th, at 7pm

12th Grade:

1st Place: Anna McCracken, Bethel High School. \$100 Savings Bond.

At the Branch level, Anna has won three times before: 11th Grade; 2nd place, 10th Grade; 1st place, and 9th Grade; 1st Place.

2nd Place: Tiara Williams, Steilacoom High School. \$75 Savings Bond

3rd Place: Laura Venemon, White River High School. \$50 Savings Bond

11th Grade

1st Place: Carlye Meisburger, Gig Harbor High School, \$100 Savings Bond

10th Grade

1st Place: Morgan Butler-Koler, Orting High School, \$100 Savings Bond

At the Branch level, Morgan has won once before: 7th Grade, 2nd Place.

2nd Place: James Jones, Clover Park High School, \$75 Savings Bond

9th Grade

1st Place: Ashley Teal, Mount Tahoma High School, \$100 Savings Bond

2nd Place: Austin Gunn, Sumner High School, \$75 Savings Bond

8th Grade

1st Place: Kerry Burrell, Mann Middle School, \$100 Savings Bond

2nd Place: Mikayla Dion, Mann Middle School, \$75 Savings Bond

3rd Place: Alaina Burck, TAF Academy. \$50 Savings Bond

Shipmates, we need to see more of you at our monthly meetings where we discuss the affairs of the Branch and the FRA. As a Member, you have a full voice and your opinions are needed. Bring a friend who is either Active Duty, a Reservist, Retired, or a Veteran, of the Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard, and they may decide to join as a member of the FRA.

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Name: _____ Rate/Rank: _____ Previous FRA Membership No.: _____

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