

TO ALL BRANCH, UNIT AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Board of Governors: Tues Apr 4 @ 9AM Board of Directors: Monday Apr 10 @ 4 PM FRA National website: http://www.fra.org/

Well all, here we are in April. The year seems to be flying by. Hard to believe sometimes how fast time really does pass by. We have all had good and bad times, but I hope that the year so far has found you blessed and prospered.

With that being said, Shipmate Peebler, Greenwood and myself recently visited a Shipmate that was in the hospital. That is a function of the Branch, to ensure all of our members are looked after. Our 3 cardinal principles are Loyalty, Protection and Service. I encourage all of you to reach out to us so in times of need we can be of assistance.

Not sure if you all are aware, but we have a suggestion box in the Club. That is used to make any suggestions, criticisms or praises, all alike. Please feel free to use it to let us know how we are doing and what changes you would like to see. We take all of them to heart.

Leadership is not something that comes easy to many people and for many it is a trait that is learned and honed over many years. I am very proud of our leaders of our Branch, Directors, Auxiliary, and Governors. One of those leaders I would like to recognize this month is Rick Burke. He is our Branch Master at Arms, the keeper and safe guarder of the Branch. His job is to keep the peace and let people express themselves without fear or ridicule. He does this well, helps lead our meetings and is available to assist with outside meetings when necessary. He is also a good soul, always having a good thing to say I would like to charge everyone to go up to him and say thanks for the great job and if able buy him a round, he sure deserves it. Kudos Rick-keep up the great work!!

Don't forget, May 5th is award night at Everett High. I will be reading a citation and having Jan Craigan present the scholarship and check to an award winner. Looking forward to seeing some of you there.

Kyle Greenwood has been appointed again as our Membership Chairman. His return is a welcomed breath of fresh air (just ask Shipmate Tim Peebler). Thanks Kyle for returning!!

We will be holding nominations in the April meeting for Officers, so please come out and step up. Your Branch needs you!!

As I wrap up this letter I want to thank you all for reading it, coming to the Branch, Auxiliary, and Club 170 and participating and enjoying spending your time with us. Be kind to each other and let's continue to make this year special. May God bless all of you, our wonderful city of Everett, our Armed Forces, and the United States of America.

In Loyalty,
Protection and Service
Irving Salsbury
President, Branch 170