



TO ALL BRANCH, UNIT AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Board of Governors: Tuesday September 3rd @ 9 AM FRA
Board of Directors: Monday September 9th @ 4 PM FRA
Branch Meeting: Wednesday September 11th @ 5 PM FRA
Unit Meeting: Thursday September 12th @ 5 PM FRA
National website: <http://www.fra.org/>

August is about done September is here. The days continue to warm, but fall is almost here, come on in take a break from the heat have a drink with us and enjoy one of the many activities at the club. I want to thank everyone for coming out and joining us at American Legion Park for our annual picnic. We had a great time! Thank you to all that helped set it up and made it a fun time for everyone.

Branch continues to host dinner on Friday nights during paddwheel. The unit has volunteered to host a Friday night dinner to help us out, Thank you! It is becoming increasing difficult to come up with ideas of easy to handle dinner ideas without repeating the same old thing over again. As we continue to try and find a cook, we would really like to hear from you, is this something we should continue? Do you have some ideas of simple things you may want to see served? Do you have 20-30 minutes to help out a little? Let us know. This is your FRA club a lot of what is done, is done by volunteers it doesn't take much to help out and make your FRA and fun relaxing place to be.

As a reminder the FRA Regional Convention is September 6-8, 2019 at the Delta Hotel, 310 Pine St, Everett WA. (right in our back yard) we encourage all to stop in for this. Come by the club and we can get you more information.

We are moving to the end of summer and that means that our kids, grandkids, and great grandkids will be headed back to school soon. The National FRA is hosting its annual Americanism Essay Contest. This contest is for grades 7 through 12, the deadline for entry is December 1, 2019. Requirements are 350 words or less about "What My Vote Will Mean to Me". National grand prize is \$5000, along with 18 national awards and Regional and local prizes. Branch 170 will be providing local prizes (to be determined). All entries will be submitted to our club along with the cover sheet. Further information can be found at the club and on the national website. Essay cover sheets and entry forms will be available at the club.

I want to thank you for being a part of FRA Club 170, Come on in, relax and have some fun!!

Semper Fidelis, Semper Fortis, Semper Paratus
Steve Sears
President, Branch 170