

**Branch 269
Goose Creek
South Carolina**



June 2016

Scuttlebutt

Fleet Reserve Association, Low Country Branch 269

<http://www.fra269.org> (Branch)

<http://www.fra.org> (National)

Branch President's Corner

Well, summer is upon us and families are going to the beach and having vacations. We still have a few things at the end of May to mention that I hope everyone will attend. Our Memorial Day Ceremony will be May 30th at 1000 am at Plantation Memorial Gardens on Hwy 17A towards Moncks Corner, SC. Please come and honor the memory of all our beloved heroes who have passed from our lives. June 4th will be our Installation of Officers ceremony at the FRA Low Country Home. All elected officers of the branch and unit will take the oath for the next FRA year so if you are one of those elected, please be there or let me know you won't be there so we can have a proxy stand in for you. The installation dinner will be at 5:30 pm and tickets (\$5.00) will be at the bar. Please get your tickets as soon as possible as we need a headcount NLT June 2nd. The installation ceremony will begin at 1900 pm.

June's meeting will take place on 4 June during the installation ceremony. The regular meeting night of June 16th has been cancelled. The schedule will return in July.

Yours in Loyalty, Protection and Service,
Laurie Bailey
Branch President

LAFRA UNIT 269

UNIT OFFICERS

President – Gail Bolz Vice President – Linda Cox
Secretary – Marilyn Tharp Treasurer – Gale Nathan
Jr. Past President – Roz Mathis

UNIT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Kathy Sorenson Trish Chilton Annie Bain
Benita Kinlaw Pat Suckow Mary Lopez
Maggie Morin

APPOINTEES & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Chaplain – Kathy Sorenson Amer/Pat – Linda Cox
Membership – Linda Cox VAVS – Gail Bolz
Sergeant-at-Arms–Tyler Malmgrem Parliamentarian-Gail Bolz
Welfare – Tyler Malmgrem Merry Widows-Esther Ellisor
Youth Activities – RPSE Pat Suckow Unit Activities – Linda Cox and
and Mary Lopez Mary Lopez
Audit – RPSE Pat Suckow and Hospital – Gail Bolz and
Gale Nathan Kathy Sorenson
Publicity – Amanda Reid and
Jackie Verheyen

BRANCH OFFICERS

President – Laurie Bailey Vice-President - JrPRPSE Larry Cox
Treasurer - Gerald Korinek Secretary - John Tharp
Jr. Past President – PRPSE Fred Bolz

BRANCH BOARD OF DIRECTORS

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| PNP Don Muckeck | RVPSE Chuck Hines | Tim Bailey |
| Cindy Bryan | Skip Chilton | Trish Gallagher |
| Howard Hogue | John Lookabill | Joe Lunn |
| Larry Pepper | Melody Phillips | Ray Phillips |
| Bobbi Sutton | Bryan Wright | |

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| Chaplain - Bobbi Sutton | Ways & Means - Cindy Bryan |
| Master-at-Arms-Tim Bailey | Historian - Mike Sparks |
| Amer/Pat - JrPRPSE Larry Cox | Youth Activities - Patricia Gallagher |
| Membership - Laurie Bailey | Essay Contest – JrPRPSE Larry Cox |
| By-Laws – RVPSE Chuck Hines | Parliamentarian – RVPSE Chuck Hines |
| PRelations – Melody Phillips | Legislative Affairs - PRPSE Fred Bolz |
| VAVS-PRPSE -Fred Bolz | WEB Master - James Sparks |

LOW COUNTRY HOME, INC.

99 Wisteria Road
(843) 569-2692

Home Chairman – Nate Nathan

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| Bobbi Sutton - Admin Secretary | Gerald Korinek - Financial Sec. |
| Director – PNP Don Muckeck | Director JrPRPSE Larry Cox |
| Director – Linda Cox | Director - John Lookabill |
| Director – Rick Sparger | Director – John Tharp |
| Director – Marilyn Tharp | |

Trustees: Larry Pepper- 1st Year

Darlene Hines - 2nd Year

RVPSE Chuck Hines - 3rd Year

Home Manager – PNP Don Muckeck and S/M Larry Pepper

Hours of Operation

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Mon-Thur 1000-2200 | Fri 1000-2400 |
| Sat 1000- 2000 | Sun 1000 – 2000 |
| Happy Hour – 1600 – 1900 Monday - Friday | |

BRANCH & UNIT CHAPLAINS' PEW

Deepest Sympathy is extended to the family of

FTCM Robert Grabowski and EMC William "Bill" Farmer

Who transferred to the Staff of the Supreme Commander.

Several Shipmates have on going health issues, we need to keep them in our prayers

Anyone knowing of any illness or death among our Shipmates or Unit members please contact:

**Branch Chaplain Bobbi Sutton @ 879-9473 or
Unit Chaplain Kathy Sorenson @ 568-7668.**

WELCOME ABOARD SHIPMATES

Charles Gaines Mitchell Kessler Billy Lewis
Mitchell Nappier Olin Thomas Joseph Whinihan
Robert Yancey

BRANCH MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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| New or Reinstated Members | 7 |
| Transferred into Low County Branch 269 | 0 |
| Transferred to the Staff of the Supreme Commander | 2 |
| Suspended members | 5 |
| Members past due | 14 |
| Transferred from Branch 269 | 0 |
| TOTAL MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING AS OF 2 MAY 2016 | 940 |

BRANCH 269's DINK LIST

Past due: Evan Barnard, Cris Davidson, Dennis Doerr, Donald Donofrio, Doug Huffine, Debra King, Michael Mercer, Dennis Pierce, Frank Potts, Keith Schnebel, Patrick Scott, Douglas Wickenhoefer, John Zedo

Suspended: Lee Roy Coats, Val Daschie, Carl Hollis, Richard Kaminsky, Tony Williams

BRANCH 269 MENTORING PROGRAM

Beginning on 1 July, the FRA Low Country Branch 269 Mentoring Program will be changing from a few volunteer mentors for new shipmates to having the individual that recruited the shipmate being that persons mentor. If a shipmate is recruited by a unit member, then the mentor for that shipmate will be the Branch Secretary. Each new member will get from the Branch President a welcome aboard letter, brochure and blank application to encourage them to sign up new members. Mentor should then call new shipmate to invite them to our meetings and events at the home.

BRANCH TREASURER'S REPORT

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| Operations | \$ 4,654.36 |
| Savings | \$ 4,583.41 |
| Certificate of Deposit | \$10,140.90 |
| Total | \$19,378.67 |

FRA HOME TREASURER'S REPORT

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|----------------------|-------------|
| Building Fund | \$21,865.25 |
| Savings | \$ 19.58 |
| Checking | \$17,059.81 |
| Credit Card Receipts | \$ 599.88 |

MERRY WIDOWS LUNCHEON

The Merry Widows Luncheon will be on June 14, at 11:30 a.m. at the FRA Home.

UNIT 269 LUNCHEON

The next Unit lunch will be held Tuesday, June 21, at 11:30 a.m. at the FRA Home

MADAM PREZ'S TIDBIT

Not only did we enjoy the company of 17 ladies at our May lunch we also were happy to see a nice large group at the meeting that evening. Thanks to all for attending. The Rocking Chair Raffle tickets are still on sale, the drawing will be held at the "Tween" Breakfast at the Fleet on June 12. Weather permitting, the Ladies Auxiliary will be on hand to help out with the golf tournament registration and lunch on May 21st. The Unit will be participating in two Memorial Day Ceremonies – May 28 (3:00) at Whispering Pines Cemetery; and May 30 (10:00) at Plantation memorial Gardens. There will be an indoor picnic at the Fleet immediately after the ceremony. Elections of Officers and Board of Directors was held. Results were: President – Gail Bolz, Vice President – Linda Cox, Secretary – Marilyn Tharp, Treasurer – Gale Nathan, Board of Directors- Kathy Sorenson, Trish Chilton, Annie Bain, Benita Kinlaw, Pat Suckow, Mary Lopez, Maggie Morin and Immediate Past President – Roz Mathis. The Joint Branch/Unit Installation of Officers Dinner will be held June 4 at the Fleet. Southeast Region Conference will be August 25-27 in Gatlinburg, TN. The Unit is to supply two door prizes. The next Merry Widows" Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, June 14, at 11:30 at the FRA Low Country Home. The next Unit lunch will be held Tuesday, June 21, at 11:30 at the Fleet. The next regularly scheduled General Assembly meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m. There will be NO June meeting. Happy Birthday and Anniversary to all members having one in June.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have not yet submitted your Participation Log, please do so quickly. They are essential to those who are writing our annual reports. Thanks

From the Secretary's Desk

John Tharp - tharpi@sc.rr.com

Motion: Motion by S/M Sparks, seconded by PRPSE Bolz during Board of Directions meeting to donate the \$80, made at the Branch car wash, to the Summerville High School JROTC for their hard work washing cars. Voice vote and carried

Motion: S/M PRPSE Bolz, seconded by S/M Nathan to allocate \$210 for membership for the 6 Navy and 1 Marine that attended the Victory House Veteran's Appreciation Dinner. Voice vote and carried.

Motion: S/M Nathan, seconded by S/M Gallagher to allocate \$300 for the food for the installation of officers on June 4th. Voice vote and carried.



Officer Installation Dinner will be on Saturday, June 4 with dinner beginning at 5:30 pm and ceremony at 7:00 pm. Tickets are on sale at the bar for \$5.00.

Come out and watch your new 2016-2017 Officers for the Branch and the Unit be installed for the upcoming year.

Branch Continuous Memberships – June, 2016

| | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------|-------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|----------------------|-------|
| William Luttrell, Sr. | 61 yrs | David Menefee | 23 yrs | Ludwig Burkle | 16 yrs | Larry Knutson | 9 yrs |
| Grover Fewox | 53 yrs | David Aldrich | 22 yrs | Joseph Giannetto | 16 yrs | Vincent Tamburrino | 8 yrs |
| John Pardo | 49 yrs | Kevin Davidson | 22 yrs | Dennis Hazel | 16 yrs | William Bailey | 7 yrs |
| Delbert Howell | 47 yrs | Richard Bellemare | 18 yrs | Thomas Lindberg | 16 yrs | Donovan Bennett | 7 yrs |
| Thomas Wieda | 45 yrs | James Dewitt | 18 yrs | Howard Miles | 16 yrs | George Labree | 7 yrs |
| Charles Rider | 43 yrs | Randolph Turner | 18 yrs | George Roberts, Jr. | 16 yrs | Julian Lernley | 7 yrs |
| Dan Heath, Jr. | 41 yrs | Dwight Bain | 17 yrs | William Roberts | 16 yrs | Robert Schuessler | 6 yrs |
| Roy Knight | 41 yrs | Randy Bognar | 17 yrs | Daniel Ryan | 16 yrs | Pete Catalano | 5 yrs |
| Franklin Osburn | 41 yrs | Eric Bourgeois | 17 yrs | Gene Simpo | 16 yrs | Roy Kimzey | 5 yrs |
| William Korbisch | 40 yrs | Joey Carnley | 17 yrs | Robert Windrow | 16 yrs | Kelly Price | 5 yrs |
| Charles Kuck, Sr. | 36 yrs | Arlie Cunningham | 17 yrs | Ken Ealy | 15 yrs | Gregg Schneider | 4 yrs |
| Herbert Harden | 35 yrs | Gary Gander | 17 yrs | Lee Heitner | 15 yrs | Glenn Gunnis | 3 yrs |
| Ronald Henderson | 33 yrs | Steven Gearhart | 17 yrs | Robert Mallery | 15 yrs | Phillips Balem | 2 yrs |
| Richard Schommer | 33 yrs | Robert Hulsey | 17 yrs | Brian Sims | 15 yrs | Natale Colitte | 2 yrs |
| Carl Hancock | 32 yrs | Douglas Jordan | 17 yrs | Don Kopczynski | 14 yrs | Elmer Feeser | 2 yrs |
| James Kenney | 32 yrs | Robert McCollem | 17 yrs | Robert Ladue | 14 yrs | Raymond McKinley III | 2 yrs |
| Joseph Dick | 31 yrs | Alan Roberts | 17 yrs | Patrick Dermody | 13 yrs | Ben Wallace | 2 yrs |
| Carson Burgess | 28 yrs | Donnie Robinson | 17 yrs | Frederick Morast | 13 yrs | Jeffrey Wilmoth | 2 yrs |
| Edward Mulrey | 28 yrs | Grady Scott | 17 yrs | Terry Gomez | 13 yrs | Thomas Cyrek | 1 yr |
| Lester Callahan | 27 yrs | Robert Sowards | 17 yrs | Paul King | 12 yrs | William Dean, Jr. | 1 yr |
| Maureen Gonzalez | 27 yrs | Terry Sprague | 17 yrs | Bobby Beck | 11 yrs | James Deaton | 1 yr |
| Leroy Rothrauff | 27 yrs | Gary Theriault | 17 yrs | Mike Sroka | 11 yrs | Trish Gallagher | 1 yr |
| David Sincebaugh | 27 yrs | Roger Adams | 16 yrs | James Baker | 10 yrs | James Oxendine | 1 yr |
| Harold Herrington | 26 yrs | Dwynne Ashline | 16 yrs | Samuel Caughey | 10 yrs | | |
| Gareld Landis | 26 yrs | James Bradsberry | 16 yrs | Meredith Sapp | 10 yrs | | |
| Martin Tinsley II | 26 yrs | Larry Burkhart | 16 yrs | Steven Edmund, Sr. | 9 yrs | | |

Unit Continuous Memberships – June, 2016

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|------------------|--------|----------------------|--------|-----------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|
| Linda F. Brinson | 47 yrs | Connie B. Roup | 15 yrs | Joseph Beneventano | 7 yrs | Sandra K. Holt | 4 yrs |
| Carol W. Bailey | 18 yrs | Kimberly L. Malmgren | 13 yrs | Margarita Beneventano | 7 yrs | Patricia A. Rein | 4 yrs |
| Brenda M. Hiers | 18 yrs | Romsemary A. Clark | 12 yrs | Theresa A. Gavin | 7 yrs | Rita L. Johnson | 3 yrs |
| Yachiyo Bauer | 16 yrs | Val L. Coggins | 11 yrs | Donna M. Gaither | 5 yrs | Shelagh M. Lammers | 3 yrs |
| Hazel N. Hacker | 16 yrs | Linda L. Cox | 10 yrs | Robert Becker | 4 yrs | Tammy Robinson | 3 yrs |
| Mona L. Lozen | 16 yrs | Bryan Kopczynski | 9 yrs | Lori R. Beier | 4 yrs | Tyler C. Malmgren | 2 yrs |
| Susan M. Pardo | 16 yrs | Isla M. Janney | 8 yrs | Julia D. Farmer | 4 yrs | Joan Shoenberger | 2 yrs |

**SEA STORY BY SHIPMATE CHIEF SANFORD
“THE FORGOTTEN BATTLESHIPS AT PEARL HARBOR”
THE USS ARIZONA (BB-39)**

We are all familiar with the story about the USS ARIZONA (BB-39) which was sunk at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 with the loss of 1,177 of the ship’s crew.....

**BUT DID YOU KNOW THAT?
THE USS OKLAHOMA (BB-37)**

How about the USS OKLAHOMA (BB-37) which was also hit by Japanese fighter planes and rolled over and sunk with the loss of 429 of the ship’s crew.

During recent years many of the crew have been removed, identified and family members notified. Some were recovered but not identified and are buried in suitable sites in Hawaii.

The ship was righted, stripped and sold for scraps.

THE USS UTAH (BB-31)

The USS UTAH (BB-31) had been stripped down to the main deck and assigned the number AG-16. It was to be a radio controlled target ship so our planes could practice bombing.

The deck was covered by large wood timbers so that practice bombs would not penetrate the steel deck causing internal damage or casualties.

The Japanese mistook it for an aircraft carrier, hit it with two torpedoes and the ship started to roll over.

Chief Watertender Peter Tomich was 48 years old. Knowing it would cost his life, he went down to the boiler room, told his men to evacuate. Doing what he was trained to do, he secured the boilers preventing them from blowing up that would have caused more casualties. The ship finally rolled over and he died. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his heroism.

Now if that did not inspire you, try this: Also on the USS UTAH, Chief Albert Wagner was assigned. He had two daughters, Nancy Lynn and Mary Wagner. Nancy died at birth and she was cremated. Chief Wagner took the copper urn aboard the ship intending to have the chaplain perform a funeral service on the next trip where he would have her ashes scattered. The Japanese attack changed that. Chief Wagner passed away in 1975. He is interned in the ship with his daughter. The copper urns are in his locker in the Chief’s quarters.

WEEKLY DRAWING at THE HOME

Names drawn lately: 5 – 3 – Emma Moulden, not signed; 5-10 - William Weaver, not signed; 5-17 – Dorthy Brace, not signed. You must be a member of the Branch or Unit in good standing and you must be signed in the log. You can sign up until 1800 hours, the day of the drawing. The drawing is held every Tuesday night at 2030 hours.

NATIONAL MAILING LIST

Shipmates, if you do not want any mailings from our National Office either by regular mail or electronic mail, you can call National Headquarters and they will check the block on your profile to stop these mailings.

YOU SAY IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY IN JUNE!!

If you are a Branch 269 or Unit 269 member, come on in to the Low Country Home **on your birthday** for a **FREE BIRTHDAY LUNCH**. It's your choice from the lunch specials of the day. If your birthday falls on a weekend, stop by Friday or Monday.

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| James Gregory | 06/01 | Eugene Allen | 06/07 | Maryln Muckeck | 06/15 | Teresa Everwein | 06/27 |
| Joan Ramsey | 06/01 | John Niland | 06/07 | Kamrin Singletary | 06/15 | Dan Heath | 06/27 |
| Carolyn Rose | 06/01 | R. Scott Freligh | 06/08 | Fred Bombelyn | 06/16 | Albert Reagin | 06/27 |
| Sam Pennington | 06/02 | Donald Langdon | 06/08 | Phillip Smith | 06/16 | Ester Ellisor | 06/28 |
| Ronald Vanco | 06/02 | Nancy Rosen | 06/08 | Randolph Turner | 06/16 | Jerry Morgan | 06/28 |
| Nancy Vella | 06/02 | Walter Scott Jr. | 06/10 | William Pitts | 06/17 | James Nelson | 06/28 |
| Eldon Carson | 06/03 | Charles Bell | 06/11 | George Williams | 06/17 | Joan Shoenberger | 06/28 |
| Richard Herndon | 06/03 | Ronald Chambers | 06/11 | David Stevens | 06/18 | John Tully | 06/28 |
| William Jenkins | 06/03 | Teresa Gray | 06/11 | Robert Kirtley | 06/19 | Randy Cherry | 06/29 |
| Richard Moore | 06/03 | Otto Kaske | 06/11 | Robert Reynolds | 06/19 | Angela Clark | 06/29 |
| Willie Thompson Jr. | 06/03 | James Lawrence | 06/11 | Aneth Vega | 06/19 | Arthur Hance III | 06/29 |
| Eugene Bovino Jr. | 06/04 | Richmond Smith | 06/11 | James Graham | 06/20 | Charles Rein | 06/29 |
| John Phillips | 06/04 | Vedonna Sutton | 06/11 | Gordon Hope | 06/20 | Michael Quigley | 06/29 |
| Marvin Brigman | 06/05 | Felix Cabanting | 06/12 | Allan Patton | 06/22 | Gloria Bolyn | 06/30 |
| Angela Chapman | 06/05 | Tommy Hellems | 06/12 | Michael Andrews | 06/23 | Arthur Brown | 06/30 |
| Gilbert Downer | 06/05 | Donald Muckeck | 06/12 | Robert Barnes | 06/24 | Doug Huffine | 06/30 |
| Judy Duncan | 06/05 | Robert Mallery | 06/13 | Ron Morgan | 06/24 | Gerald Pothier | 06/30 |
| Warren Kratz | 06/05 | Rafael Santiago-Moralet | 06/13 | John Romagnano | 06/24 | John Sloane | 06/30 |
| Shelagh Lammers | 06/05 | Robert Laird | 06/14 | James Williams | 06/24 | Suzanne Smith | 06/30 |
| Robert Jonason | 06/06 | Alfred Bauer | 06/15 | Robert Cragg | 06/25 | Melody Phillips | 05/31 |
| Larry Tarzwell | 06/06 | Cynthia Hannah | 06/15 | Leroy Peck | 06/25 | ↑Above missed in May↑ | |
| William Teague | 06/06 | Donald Heinle | 06/15 | John Sabo | 06/25 | | |
| Cacey N. Anderson | 06/07 | James Hutton | 06/15 | Wendy Holman | 06/26 | | |

FRA BRANCH BY-LAWS REVIEW

**ARTICLE V
MEETINGS**

- Section 501(a) - The regular business meeting of the Branch will be held at 1900 hours on the second Thursday of each month at the FRA, Low Country Home, Goose Creek, South Carolina.
- Section 501(b) - No business may be conducted at a regular meeting of the Branch unless a quorum of no less than ten (10) Branch members are in attendance.
- Section 501(c) - Branch meetings shall be conducted as prescribed in Rituals Article 25, 26, & 27, C&BL of the FRA.
- Section 502(a) - The Board of Directors shall meet at least once each month at a time and place to be designated by a vote of the Board of Directors at the first meeting following the Installation of Officers. The initial meeting to be designated by the Branch President.
- Section 502(b) - A quorum of not less than a majority of the Board of Directors and the Presiding Officer must be present to convene a meeting of the Board of Directors.
- Section 502(c) - Members of the Branch and invited guests may attend the Board of Directors meeting, but shall have a voice only when recognized by the Presiding Officer. Under no circumstances shall they have a vote during a Board of Directors meeting.
- Section 503 - The time and/or place of any single regular meeting of the Branch may be changed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, provided the membership is notified in writing at least 24 hours prior to the time of the regular meeting or the time designated in the change, whichever is earlier.
- Section 504 - A log book shall be maintained where all shipmates and visiting guests will register prior to attending a legally convened Branch meeting.
- Section 505 - No alcoholic beverages shall be sold or purchased within the meeting hall nor shall an attendee be permitted to leave to make said purchase and return to the meeting during the time that the Holy Bible is opened at a regular meeting.



(Left to Right) President Bailey presenting continuous membership pins to Darlene Hines (20 years), PRPSE Fred Bolz (20), Michael Welch (15 years) and Gerald Ott (10 years)



The Miracles performing at the VA sponsored Vietnam Veteran's Welcome Home.



Congratulations to new member Ray Phillips being initiated into Branch 269.



Widows Annual Tea at the Fleet with Unit 269 and Branch President



Branch 269 member Mike Hadbavny gave the POW/MIA briefing at the VA's Welcome Home Vietnam Veteran's



The Cooks taking a break at the annual SUBVET/FRA picnic



VVA President Marty Solvberg leads the motorcycle escort for the beginning of the VA's Vietnam Veteran's Welcome Home



Everyone enjoying the fellowship and great food at the SUBVET/FRA picnic

NOTIFYING THE BRANCH WHEN A SHIPMATE PASSES AWAY

Our Chaplin, Bobbi Sutton is very good about searching for the passing of shipmates on the internet and arranging for our Two Bell Ceremony with the family. We want to honor our departed shipmate but sometimes we don't get the notification from the family until there isn't enough time to arrange the ceremony and get the word out to all our members. We are just requesting our branch members as they make their final arrangements to advise their wives or husbands to make a note in their wishes to notify our branch Chaplin as soon as possible our their passing so we can arrange for this honor to be performed at the church or funeral home. You can leave a note for her at the Home or call her at (843) 879-9473.

UP COMING EVENTS

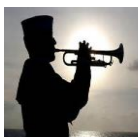
Mark your calendar, watch for details, watch for additions.

Friday nights – 1930 hrs – Scotch Doubles, 8-ball Tournament

Saturday nights – 2000 hrs – In House 8-ball Tournament

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| NO GENERAL NO GENERAL | ASSEMBLY MEETING IN THE MONTH OF JUNE FOR THE BRANCH |
| | ASSEMBLY MEETING IN THE MONTH OF JUNE FOR THE UNIT |
| May 28 | Memorial Day Service with VFW Post 10256 (Whispering Pines – Goose Creek) 3:00 pm |
| May 28 | Vegas Show at the Fleet – Doors open at 1730 |
| May 30 | Memorial Day Service (Plantation Memorial Garden) 10:00 am |
| May 30 | Memorial Day Indoor Picnic at FRA Low Country Home 12:00 Noon |
| June 4 | Installation of Officers dinner |
| June 9 | Submarine Veterans Meeting |
| June 11 | Field Day at the Home – 0900 |
| June 12 | “Tween” Breakfast (0900 – 1130) |
| June 13 | Vietnam Veteran’s Association Meeting |
| June 14 | Purple Heart Meeting |
| June 23 | Marine Corps League Meeting |
| August 25-27 | Southeast Region Convention, Gatlinburg, TN |
| October 9-16 | 2016 FRA/Auxiliary National Convention, Jacksonville, FL |
| Month of June | There will be no BOD or General Assembly Meeting. Officer Installation will be the counted as the monthly meeting. |

ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Memorial Day Services



Saturday, May 28 – VFW Post 10256 sponsoring a Memorial Service at Whispering Pines Cemetery, 3044 Old Highway 52, Moncks Corner beginning at 1500 (3:pm).

Monday, May 30 – Branch 269 and Unit 269 sponsoring a Memorial Service at Plantation Memorial Garden Cemetery, 3375 S. Live Oak Drive, Moncks Corner beginning at 1000 am.

Come out and help us remember all of our Members that has passed during this past year!

Officers for 2016-2017 for Branch 269 and Home Committee

President – Laurie Bailey; **Vice President** – JrPRPSE Larry Cox

Secretary – John Tharp; **Treasurer** – Gerald Korinek

Board of Directors: PNP Don Muccheck, RVPSE Chuck Hines, Tim Bailey, Cindy Bryan, Skip chilton, Patricia Gallagher, Howard Hogue, John Lookabill, Joe Lunn, Larry Pepper, Melody Phillips, Ray Phillips, Bobbi Sutton and Bryan Wright.

Home Chairman: Nate Nathan; **Financial Secretary** – Gerald Korinek;

Admin Secretary – Bobbi Sutton

Directors: PNP Don Muccheck, JrPRPSE Larry Cox, Linda Cox, Rick Sparger, John Lookabill, John Tharp, Marilyn Tharp

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE BRANCH AND HOME COMMITTEE OFFICERS FOR 2016-2017

DO YOU HAVE A SEA STORY OR FIELD STORY TO TELL?

Every Sailor, Marine or Coastie has a memorable event or two that they love to tell to another shipmate at the bar or dinner table and we would love to hear those stories if you wish to tell them. Please send us a story or two of your best memories and we will print them in our newsletter and read one at a monthly meeting. Write a short paragraph or two and e-mail them to lbailey009@sc.rr.com with the subject line SEA/FIELD STORY FROM (NAME). You can also mail the stories to our home address (FRA Low Country Branch 269, Attn: Laurie Bailey, 99 Wisteria Road, Goose Creek, SC 29445) or leave in the pass down log at the FRA Home in an envelope marked Attn: Laurie Bailey. These stories are history and we want to honor your memories by preserving them.

| June 2016 | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| | | | 1 Pizza Night | 2 1800 Sub-Vets Board Meeting | 3 | 4 Installation Of Branch Officers & Home |
| 5 Free Pool | 6 | 7 Sons of the Confederate Veterans 1900 | 8 Pizza Night | 9 1900 Sub Vets Meeting | 10 2000 Karaoke with Red Fraley | 11 Field Day 0900 |
| 12 Free Pool | 13 Vietnam Veterans Chapter 780 Meeting 1800 | 14 Merry Widows Luncheon 11:30 FRA Home Wing Night | 15 Pizza Night | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 Free Pool | 20 | 21 Unit 269 Luncheon 11:30 FRA Home | 22 Pizza Night | 23 Marine Corps League Meeting 1900 | 24 2000 Karaoke with Red Fraley | 25 |
| 26 Free Pool | 27 | 28 Sojourners 1830 | 29 | 30 | 29 | 30 |

Unit 269 currently has a raffle for a rocking chair.
 Winning this great chair you can have a cold drink and
 sit on your front porch and observe all the neighbors.
 Tickets are \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5.
 Will be drawn at the "Tween" Breakfast on June 12.



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WE'VE GONE GREEN!!!!

NEWSLETTERS ARE ONLY MAILED IN APRIL & OCTOBER UNLESS YOU REQUEST YEAR ROUND MAILING

Shipmates AND auxiliary members, If you **WISH** or **MUST** have the monthly newsletter by "pony express" you **MUST** request it. The Branch has voted to cut printing and mailing expenses. Our monthly newsletter is available online at www.fra269.org. If you don't own a computer, you obviously cannot see the newsletter online. To receive it via "pony express", you **MUST** submit **IN WRITING** your request to have it mailed.

What is **IN WRITING?** Put your name on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at The Home or mail your request to the Branch Secretary.