

# Fleet Reserve Association

#### SAN MIGUEL BRANCH 367 East Dirita, San Antonio 2206 Zambales, Philippines

#### Board of Directors meeting 10AM, April 28, 2021

Present: Shipmates Pres Lee Vatter, Bill Bay (VP Elect), Sec Pat Winston, Treas David Johnson, John Moore, & John Stanton from the "Garage Grill".

Present Branch 367 Membership is 126.

#### Items discussed:

- 1. Thank you to the Branch 367 members that attended and participated in the Anzac Remembrance Day, held at the Palm Tree Resort on 25 April, 2021.
- 2. VA Compensation and Pension. A separate VA check is currently issued at 50% disability. Congress is considering lowering the separate VA check to 20% disability. contact your rep if this will help you.
- 3. Important note: If you get authorization for a Covid Vaccine Appointment. Be sure to take a printed copy of the authorization email with you to the appointment. There is now a separate tab on our website for **COVID and Claims** information. frabranch367.com
- 4. FRA National Convention will be held at Spokane in October. We soliciting ideas for grab bags. FRA Br 367 face masks is one suggestion. Cost would be approx. p5k for 65 participants.
- 5. A recent US Embassy email has noted that US Passports can now be completed online for adults. Another email from the US embassy was sent regarding Notarization Requirements. See the email attached.
- 6. FRA NWR dues for Branch 367 are due. A payment for approximately \$44.10 will be made prior to 1 July.
- 7. Secretary Winston submitted all required documents for 2021-2022 FRA/LAFRA Officers, as well as the Delegate forms for the National and Regional Conventions.
- 8. A very special thank you to our shipmate member donations from Thomas Lord (\$200) and Michael McEnery (\$1,000).
- 9. David Johnson has acquired two estimates for the East Dirita Elementary School overhead rain/shade areas. To be discussed at the 5 May GMM.
- 10. David Johnson has acquired an estimate for Branch 367 improved door and window security. To be discussed at the 5 May GMM.
- 11. Officer Installation will occur at the 5 May GMM for FRA Br 367 and LAFRA Br 367 Unit. (uniform is barong for officers and FRA shirts for members)
- 12. Treasurer David Johnson stated that all FRA monthly bills are up to date. John from the Garage is also up on monthly obligations.
- 13. Items discussed at the BOD meeting should be voted on so that they can be properly addressed at the GMM. Members are highly encouraged to attend both the BOD and GMM meetings.
- 14. The next GMM is 05 May. The next BOD 26 May. Both start at 10 AM.

The group discussion ended at 10:31 AM.

Submitted: Approved:

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Patrick Winston
Secretary
Branch 367

//S// William "Lee" Vatter President Branch 367

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From: ACSManilaMascot@state.gov <acsmanilamascot@state.gov>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 6 April 2021, 8:56:19 AM GMT+8

Subject: Message for U.S. Citizens: Change in Notarization Requirements for Legal Capacity to

**Contract Marriage** 



## **United States Embassy Manila, Philippines**

### United States Consular Agency, Cebu Philippines April 6, 2021

Effective immediately, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), pursuant to recently issued Memorandum Circular No. 2021-004, will allow local notarization in the Philippines of the "Affidavit of Legal Capacity to Contract Marriage."

As a result, U.S. citizens who wish to marry in the Philippines are no longer required to have their affidavits notarized at the Embassy or Consular Agency. Instead, you may have the affidavit notarized locally in the Philippines. We encourage U.S. citizens to have these affidavits notarized locally, as appointments for consular services remain limited at the Embassy and Consular Agency due to the ongoing pandemic.

Please visit the <u>PSA website</u> or inquire with the Local Civil Registry Office where you plan to be married for more information.

For more information on notary services, please see our website.



# United States Embassy Manila, Philippines United States Consular Agency, Cebu Philippines April 16, 2021

#### Launch of Online Fee Payment for Adult Passport Renewals

Beginning Monday, April 19, 2021, the U.S. Embassy and Consular Agency in the Philippines will begin accepting online fee payments for adult U.S. passport renewal applications.

Paying online allows you to mail your application to the U.S. Embassy in Manila without the need to apply in person. Please see our <u>passport renewal webpage</u> for more information and to determine if you are eligible for online fee payment. If eligible, you will be able to submit payment via U.S. or international credit or debit card, electronic funds transfer from a U.S.-based bank account, Amazon Pay, or Pay Pal.

We encourage all eligible U.S. citizens to renew their passports by mail. In-person appointments remain limited at the Embassy in Manila and the Consular Agency in Cebu as a result of the ongoing pandemic.

For questions about online fee payment for adult passport renewal applications, please visit our <u>website</u> or contact us via email at ACSInfoManila@state.gov.