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From the President



Good day, Chapter 3 FMA Family!

As we come to the end of another busy summer, I want to take a moment to recognize some of the great things we've accomplished together as FMA Chapter 3.

One of the things I'm especially proud of is our scholarship program. This year, we awarded five \$500 scholarships to dependents of Chapter 3 members. The awards were presented at our Annual Crab Feast in August, which was another great event and a wonderful opportunity for our members, families, and friends to come together.

Congratulations to our scholarship recipients:

- Amaria Tynes — Sponsored by Shawnta & Colby Tynes
- Tariq Jones — Sponsored by Tabitha Jones
- Nasir Johnson — Sponsored by Tayari Johnson
- Taylor Puckette — Sponsored by Nicholas Puckette
- Akiva Senthill — Sponsored by Monica Senthill

We also saw great participation during our July and August recruitment campaign, with numerous new members joining Chapter 3. Thank you to everyone who continues to spread the word about FMA and encourage your coworkers to get involved.

Tides, Apprentices & Advocacy

Our July FMA Tides Game was another huge success, with a record turnout of more than 125 people for the doubleheader. It was great seeing so many members and families enjoying the day together.

On September 24th, we'll also have the opportunity to celebrate our apprentices at their graduation. Chapter 3 will present an award to an apprentice who demonstrates outstanding leadership, academic achievement, and trade theory performance. We look forward to recognizing their hard work and accomplishments.

I also want to thank everyone who participated in Action Letter August. Through FedManagers.org, we have an important opportunity to make our voices heard and advocate for the rights and benefits of federal employees. Every voice matters, and our collective participation makes our message stronger.

Chapter Elections Are Coming!

Before we know it, November will be here, and that means it's time for our FMA Chapter 3 elections.

The positions up for election are:

- President — currently held by Jeris Smith
- Legislative Secretary — currently held by Jonathan Echols
- Financial Secretary — currently held by Larry Williams
- Trustee — currently held by Anthony Britton

We will be accepting nominations by email and from the floor during our September and October monthly meetings.

If you've ever thought about becoming more involved in the chapter, this is a great opportunity. We're looking for members who are interested in serving, contributing their ideas, and helping move Chapter 3 forward.

Candidates must be members in good standing and have attended at least six of the last nine-chapter meetings.

Thank You!

When I look at everything we've accomplished over the past few months, I'm reminded that the strength of Chapter 3 comes from all of you.

I truly appreciate everything you're doing and how you continue to stay engaged. Please keep spreading the word about what FMA is doing and how we're advocating for the rights, benefits, and interests of our federal employees.

Let's continue to support one another, stay involved, and keep moving forward together.

Thank you for everything you do for FMA Chapter 3!

Jeris Smith

President, FMA Chapter 3 & Vice Director, FMA Region 2

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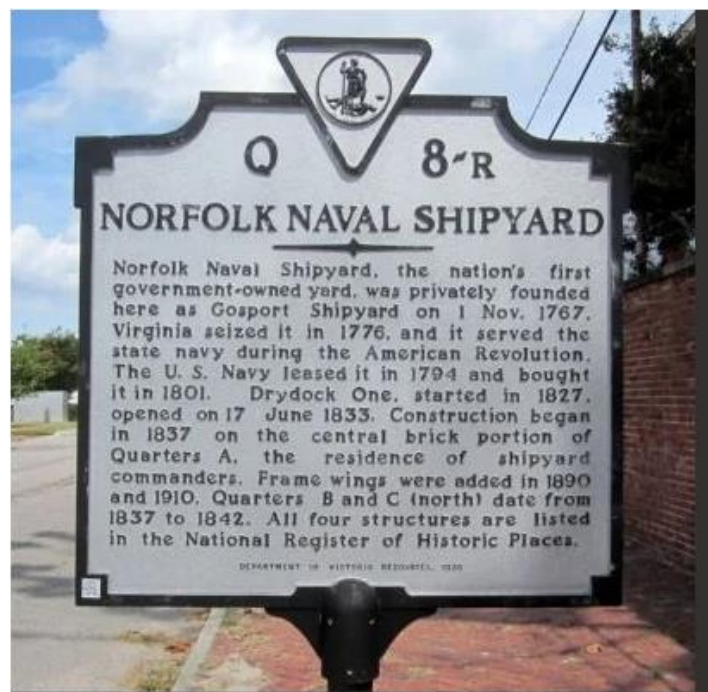


A Note from Steve

A historical sign worth noting

By Steve Milner

Some Yardbirds over the years who were walking along Portsmouth's Lincoln Street on their way to Norfolk Naval Shipyard's Gate 3 at the start of their work shift, possibly never paid attention to a shipyard historical marker located in front of the wall separating Quarters A.



This sign, in place since its dedication in 1996, is a State of Virginia Historical Marker that the late 45-year NNSY employee, Hunter Brantley, created and paid for personally.

In doing so, Hunter navigated Virginia's various legal and sometimes cumbersome other requirements to make this sign a reality, and a permanent public reminder of NNSY's importance to our nation since 1767.

As a 19-year-old NNSY shipfitter trainee at the start of World War II, the Portsmouth native was eventually drafted into the Navy during this hostility. After the war he was reemployed by NNSY at the start of his highly successful career that included serving as administrative Assistant to the Production Officer. Years later he became the Administration Officer for our Production Department, Code 900.

Even after he retired from our shipyard in 1986, it was never far from his thoughts and actions. For example, Hunter became the City of Portsmouth's NNSY liaison as the executive assistant to the City Manager for several years.



Throughout the years, he was active in many community activities and was president of the Portsmouth Rotary Club. Here, he started and ran its popular First-Responder-Awards Program for 10 years. After which he asked me, as a fellow Portsmouth Rotary Club member, to coordinate this program which I did for 10 more years.

In 1997 Hunter was named Portsmouth's First Citizen in recognition of his continuous community service.

When I pass this Lincoln Street historical marker I think of Hunter and his lasting contributions to NNSY and the City of Portsmouth.

Thank, you, Hunter!

Steve Milner
Former PAO NNSY

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FOR PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION DUES



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Home Address (Include 9-digit zip code. This can be found on your Driver's License):		
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I hereby authorize the above-named agency to deduct from my pay each pay period, \$10.00, the amount certified as the regular dues of the Federal Managers Association, Chapter 3, Norfolk Naval Shipyard and to remit such amounts to that employee organization in accordance with its arrangements with my employing agency. I further authorize any change in the amount to be deducted, which is certified by the above-named employee agency as a uniform change in its dues structure.		
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M Regular Monthly Meetings

\$ Paydays

Saturdays, Sundays and (Non-Work)