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PRIDE RUNS DEEP



“IN MEMORY OF THE 52 SUBMARINES LOST IN WWII”

SEA LION	Sunk by aerial bombs	4 men lost	TROUT	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
S-36	Ran aground	No loss of life	TULLIBEE	Sunk by own torpedo	79 men lost,
S-26	Rammed by escort	46 men lost, 2 survived			1 survivor taken prisoner
SHARK 1	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	GUDGEON	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
PERCH	Sunk by surface craft	All taken prisoner, 8 died in prisoner of war camp	HERRING	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
S-27	Ran aground	No loss of life	GOLET	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
GRUNION	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost	S-28	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
S-39	Ran aground	No loss of life	ROBALO	Sunk by enemy mines	77 men lost, survivors taken prisoner, none survived
ARGONAUT	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	FLIER	Sunk by enemy mines	78 men lost, 8 survived
AMBERJACK	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost	HARDER	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
GRAMPUS	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	SEAWOLF	Sunk by friendly destroyer	All hands lost, plus 17 army personnel
TRITON	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	DARTER	Ran aground	No loss of life
PICKEREL	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	SHARK II	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
GRENADIER	Sunk by aerial bombs	All taken prisoner, 4 died in prisoner of war camp	TANG	Sunk by own torpedo	78 men lost, 9 taken prisoner
RUNNER	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost	ESCOLAR	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost
R-12	Sunk cause unknown	42 men lost, 3 survivors	ALBACORE	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost
GRAYLING	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost	GROWLER	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
POMPANO	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost	SCAMP	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost
CISCO	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost	SWORDFISH	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
S-44	Sunk by surface craft	55 men lost, 2 survivors taken prisoner	BARBEL	Sunk by aerial bombs	All hands lost
DORADO	Sunk by friendly aircraft	All hands lost	KETE	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
WAHOO	Sunk by aerial bombs	All hands lost	TRIGGER	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost
CORVINA	Sunk by enemy sub	All hands lost	SNOOK	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
SCULPIN	Sunk by surface craft	63 men lost, 21 survivors taken prisoner	LAGARTO	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
CAPELIN	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	BONEFISH	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
SCORPION	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost	BULLHEAD	Sunk by aerial bombs	All hands lost
GRAYBACK	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost			

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Purpose

Organized to perpetuate the memory of those shipmates who gave their lives in submarine warfare, to further promote and keep alive the spirit and the unity that existed among crewmen during WWII, to promote sociability, general welfare and good fellowship among its members, to pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America.

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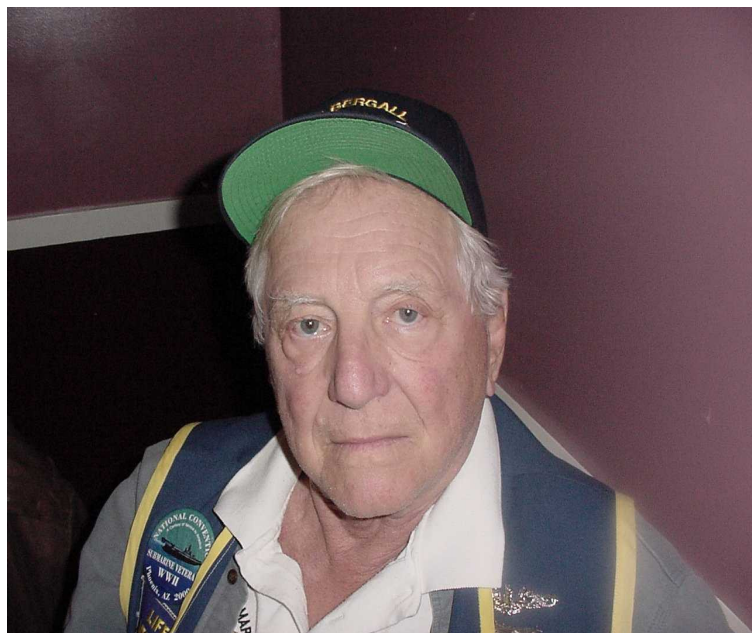
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OUR CREED

“ To perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country. That their dedication, deeds and supreme sacrifice be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments. Pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America.”

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STATE
COMMANDER'S CORNER
U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS OF N. C,



Do you remember where you were and what were you doing on December 13, 1944? I do, and this is the story of why I remember that at this time.

On that date I was on the USS (Lucky 13) BERGALL on a mission of war. Bergall was scheduled to lay mines off the Indochina (now Vietnam) coast and the aft torpedo room was full of mines, no torpedoes. The full complement of fish was carried in the forward room. Late in the afternoon of that day enemy ships were sighted in the distance. All engines were bent on to maneuver for a good firing position.

Submerged attack was no option due to shallow water so night surface attack was planned. Radar contact was made at 26Kyd and by nightfall range had closed to 3.3Kyd. Six fish were fired at the larger target, a heavy

cruiser, escorted by a destroyer. Several hits were observed and radar indicated that now there were three targets instead of two. The cruiser had been mortally wounded. The destroyer made no attempt to engage and Bergall opened range to 10Kyd while torpedoes were being reloaded in order to reengage the enemy. Bergall then closed range to about 3Kyd at which time the destroyer opened fire with a two gun salvo, one of these shells hitting the forward torpedo room loading hatch. This hit blew the cover off of the trunk and did major damage to that area. Fortunately the shell did not detonate and exited the starboard side of the superstructure. If that shell had exploded you would not be reading this account today. Why?-----because I was there.

I was an RT (radio technician), and my battle station on surface attack was in the forward torpedo room reloading crew. We had just finished reloading the tubes and I was standing in the aft part of the well where the fish for #5 tube had been stored on the starboard side. That's pretty close to being under the loading trunk. When the shell hit it sounded like a tremendous explosion, scared the you know what out of me, and I scrambled to the forward part of the compartment. Bergall got the hell out of there -fast! Couldn't dive and had to go 2000 miles back to Australia on the surface. What a daunting prospect but it was successful.

Now, why did I remember that which happened 62 years ago? Here's why.

There was a Bergall boat reunion (320 and 667) at Little Rock during the Inc. convention which I attended. We had 4 SS320 plank owners there. Seeing those old shipmates was fine but the "coup de grace" was the tour of the Razorback, SS394, which is tied up across the river from our hotel. Along with NC members Jim Myers, Pat Collins, Bob Werner, Bill Lowe and Glen Harris, we started the tour from the forward torpedo room. This was the first WWII sub I had been on since 1945. Can you imagine how I felt when I was able to stand in that same location and tell the others what happened. The rest of the tour was just as nostalgic, flooding me with memories of times long in the past.

Incidentally, Bob Werner was a crew member of the Razorback post war. What an experience that must have been for him.

The ships the Bergall encountered were the heavy cruiser MYOKO and the destroyer USHIO. The Myoko wasn't

sunk but was so heavily damaged it was never repaired and the efforts to save her tied up other IJN (Imperial Japanese Navy) units that then were not available for other warfare operations. Bergall was repaired and went on to complete three more patrols until forced to return to the states for major overhaul. Lucky 13 was attached to the Bergall because much of the action encountered was always on the 13th of the month! If anyone is interested in a more detailed of this account go to www.bergall.org, click on the USS BERGALL SS320 on the first page, then in the selections that are presented select "a historians report on patrol #2". It's fascinating reading.

See you at Greensboro.

Don

USSVI COMMANDER



Shipmates,

We had a great turnout for the Soldiers Reunion Parade in Newton with 23 members participating and also 3 wives coming along as spectators. This parade by far has the greatest number of spectators of any of the parades we participate in. It is part of a patriotic tradition for the last 117 years associated with the weeklong Soldiers Reunion. The first Soldiers reunion was July 4, 1889, on the steps of the county courthouse in Newton. At that time, Civil War veterans in Catawba County joined a statewide effort to recognize their wartime service and to receive pensions.

The Rocky Mount Meeting this year was held on Saturday September 23, 2006 with around 50 members and wives attending. Many thanks go to Jerry and Peggy Emerson for arranging this year's meeting at the Gateway Holiday Inn. An excellent facility with plenty of room and a good lunch was also provided. Don Small presented Randy Denson with his Senior Submariner Award. Some of our WWII friends from Virginia were also able to attend.

On Friday October 20th, we held our first working meeting at VFW Post 7383 in Cary and it is a great facility. Many thanks go to Paul Hiser for setting this facility up for our meeting. The women of the post prepared an excellent meal that was enjoyed by all. We had 22 members present for this meeting. The Cary H.S. Naval Jr. ROTC Color Guard presented the colors at the beginning of the meeting. Our guests included the new CO (Commander Mark Davis) of the PCU North Carolina (SSN 777) along with the present COB and his replacement. Also attending was Teresa Bythewood who is the Chairman USS North Carolina (SSN 777) Committee Navy League of the United States. She wanted to meet us as she is looking for volunteers to assist in the commissioning activities for the USS North Carolina (SSN 777). Captain Davis gave a very interesting presentation on the submarine force of today and the capabilities of the various classes of submarines currently in operation. Major items discussed during the business part of this meeting were:

1. We are ready to proceed with the S-28 Memorial and it should be in place by this Christmas at the memorial park adjacent to the Battleship North Carolina located on the Cape Fear River in Wilmington. USSV-WWII National Office donated \$2,000.00 and along with the \$500.00 donation that the Tarheel

Chapter WWII wives made in June has covered a major portion of the cost for this memorial.

2. The election of base officers for 2007 was discussed. All of the current base officers have agreed to serve another year if elected with the exception of Wayne Powell our current Base Vice Commander. Jerry Emerson has been nominated to replace Wayne as the Base Vice Commander if elected. The election procedure and ballot are in this issue of the All Clear.
3. The plans for the Joint Meeting we will be hosting for the Southeastern Region of USSV-WWII and District #3 of USSVI were discussed. It will be held in Wilmington starting with check-in on Thursday May 3, 2007 and lasting until Sunday May 6, 2007. The business meetings for both USSV-WWII and USSVI will be held on Friday May 4, 2007. On Saturday morning May 5, 2007, we will hold the dedication ceremony for the S-28 Memorial at the memorial park adjacent to the battleship USS North Carolina (BB 55). That evening we will have the meeting banquet. Our meeting headquarters and location of the hospitality room will be at the Ramada Inn. More details are provided in this issue of the All Clear in the USSVI Vice Commander's Corner.

Remember that we have 3 Veterans Day Parades to participate in November on consecutive weekends. The details of these parades are in a separate article in this issue of the All Clear.

Hope to see many of you at the upcoming parades and our Pearl Harbor Dinner in Greensboro on Saturday December 9th. Once again, Mike Burkholder is setting this dinner up for all of us to enjoy.

Chuck

USSVI VICE COMMANDER



Shipmates

I enjoyed the meeting on 10/20/06 at the VFW Post in the VFW has a very nice building with plenty of parking and large meeting area and the VFW Ladies Auxiliary provided lunch. I am sure we will consider their facility for future Cary meetings. I will leave the meeting info to the Base Commander discussion.

For my part of the meeting, we discussed preliminary information I had collected for the combined WWII South East Regional/ USSVI District 3 meeting and dedication of the S 28 Lost Boat Memorial at the Battleship North Carolina. I greatly appreciate the volunteers who will be pulling this event together.

The combined subvet meeting will be held in Wilmington, NC on May 3, 4, and 5 at the Ramada Inn Conference Center. The overview schedule is below for initial planning purposes only. More detailed information and registration forms will be provided in the next issue of ALL Clear. There are many details to be worked out but at least this can be used to reserve time on your calendar.

Thursday - arrival/registration
Friday - business meetings and free day to tour etc
Saturday - morning memorial dedication at Battleship NC and evening banquet
Sunday - depart

The following persons volunteered to organize/coordinate the meeting.

Wayne Powell /Bill Whelan/Jerry Emerson/Charlie Cross/Robert Hopkins/Will Harvey

Other volunteers and general info

Don Small – S 28 Lost Boat Memorial dedication ceremony

Rosemary Small/Subgalleons – registration and hospitality

Will Harvey – ship's store

Bill Whelan – chaplain duties - WWII coordination – memorial speaker

Pat Collins – half and half drawing

Dick Kanning – Banquet speaker and USSVI District 3 meeting

Chuck Jensen – NC Subvets meeting – patch – name tags

This is a one-time opportunity to participate in a ceremony/dedication of a WWII submarine memorial at the Battleship North Carolina and we would like to have a good turnout so put it on your calendar. The

S 28 is the North Carolina WWII Submarine Veteran organization's sponsored boat lost during WWII.

More to follow.

Wayne

SUBGALLEON CORNER

In my last article I said we would have more information about the S.E. Regional after the Rocky Mount meeting. I am sure you will get all the facts about time and place somewhere else in this All Clear. My job is to tell you that I volunteered the Subgalleons to be in charge of the hospitality room. As I mentioned in the last All Clear, Mary Mullaney, Cheryl and Ramona Yost have offered to help. This will probably be the last Regional North Carolina will host so lets make it a good one. We had 43 persons at our meeting in Rocky Mount. The food was good and there was plenty of it. The men had lots to discuss about the Regional and the Lost Boat Memorial. The Subgalleons did not have a meeting. Subgalleons at the lunch were Rose Mary Small, Theo Denson, Doris Le Duc, Sylvia Williams, Dusty Lathrop and her daughter Kathy. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in Greensboro.

Rose Mary

READY TO DIVE:

IN EARLY 1962 WHILE TRANSITING ON SURFACE FROM NEW LONDON TO THE BAHAMAS TO CONDUCT TEST AND EVAL OPS ON BOARD USS JALLAO SS 368. WE HAD MANY CIVILIANS ON BOARD FOR THE TEST. STEAMING ON THE SURFACE AT ABOUT 15 KNOTS ON A BEAUTIFUL DAY, THE CO CAME INTO THE CONNING TOWER WHILE I WAS THE QMOW AND ASKED ME HOW MANY MEN ON THE BRIDGE, WHEN I REPLIED THIRTEEN (13), HE IMMEDIATLY RANG THE DIVING ALARM. AFTER A MAD SCRAMBLE TO GET EVERYONE DOWN AND THE UPPER HATCH SECURED, HIS COMMENT WAS "JALLAO IS ALWAYS READY TO DIVE" DONT KNOW WHAT HE SAID TO THE OOD?

JERRY EMERSON

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Everything's Gonna Be Alright!

We never cease to be surprised at our sources of inspiration. We get most of ours from the Lord, either directly or indirectly. Here's an inspirational message that came our way a week or so ago. It was a song called, "The Farmer and the Lord," written (we assume) and sung by Jim Reeves. The only thing was that, as we listened to it, we imagined it to be a conversation between a submariner and the Lord. Read it carefully and see if you don't find your problems getting more and more bearable, whether you are hobbling around on a bum leg, recently lost your Mom, or whatever.



"While restin' one evening by the side of the road, I saw an old farmer in a field he'd just hoed; His face was all brown and wrinkled by the wind, And he was talkin' to the Lord, just like he'd be talkin' to a friend. "Well, sir, he said, in a voice calm and quiet, Them corn tassels need sackin', but I got no string to tie it; Had no rain in so long that the fields are mighty dusty, It's been so unbearable hot, that the kids are even gettin' fussy. "Now that grass down in the pasture should be knee high, If we could just have a little shower, Lord, it might keep the cow from goin' dry; Ah, but listen to me talkin', you'd think I wasn't grateful, Why, if you didn't know me so well, Lord, you'd think I was downright hateful. "You'd think I'd forgot about the new calf that you sent, And the money in the mail that took care of the rent; Ma's cold is better and Johnny's home from the Navy, And that good Sunday dinner of chicken, dumplin's, and gravy; "The new preacher you sent us, Lord, he sure is a fine young man, Why, he's just convertin' them sinners to beat the band! Well, I guess I'll be moseyin' along, Lord, won't take no more of your time, Guess there's plenty of folks hereabouts waitin' to ring your line. "Evenin' to you, Lord, and watch over us tonight; And don't you worry about us none, Lord, 'cause everything's gonna be alright."

Sign Vandalized

Talk about sad! We just got home from a perfectly wonderful North Carolina SubVets working meeting at the Cary VFW Hall. We'd enjoyed the food, fellowship, and excellent briefing by USS NORTH CAROLINA PCO Mark David and his two COBs. We checked our e-mails and discovered the following message from John Anderson: "Submarine Capital" Sign Vandalized Groton - Yellow paint was splattered across the submarine-shaped sign on the east side of Interstate 95 sometime last night, state police said. The sign, which stands in a thicket of trees and announces Groton as the "Submarine Capital of the World" because of the nearby Naval Submarine Base, also had an anti-war slogan and profanity spray-painted along its lower half. Police are investigating The "low" we felt after reading that news was doubly felt, coming after such a "high."

Changing e-Mail Addresses

Within the past week we changed our e-mail server, and consequently our e-mail address. It's the first time ever we'd made such a change. We should've done it a long time ago: one of the benefits is the number of messages we received from guys 'n gals we hadn't talked to in years. In announcing the change, we explained that we were working through "some technical issues." One of the best responses we received was from a submarine buddy of ours from the Groton area who replied: "Never knew a torpedoman who had technical issues. Didn't you use your usual 24-inch Stillson wrench and the 20-pound sledge. You know, for your 'delicate' work." We're considering changing addresses every year or so. We love those responding messages.

Good Up! Bad Down!

The Lord speaks to us in the most unusual ways. For example, during physical therapy following breaking our left femur (look it up, guys) last August, the therapist was teaching us how to navigate stairs. He coached us patiently, saying, "Now, going up stairs, you raise your good leg first. Then, coming down stairs, you lower your bad leg first." Responding to our complaint that we couldn't remember which leg went before the other, he said, "Just think of it in terms of heaven and hell. If you're bad, you're going down to hell, and if you're good, you're going up to heaven." He summarized, "On stairs, think 'bad leg down and good leg up'." So each time we navigate stairs, we find ourselves "sermonizing" to ourselves. So far so good!

S-28 Memory

If you haven't read your recently received October **Polaris**, turn to page 10. There's an excellent piece on our state lost boat (USS S-28) by Melvin Smith. Entitled, "Close Encounter Remembering S-28," the piece was triggered by a recent issue of the newsletter we (the SubVets of North Carolina) publish for folks related in some way to the S-28. While we're talking about the S-28, we gotta commend efforts expended by several NC SubVets in putting together plans for the lost boat (including S-28) memorial that will be located in Battleship Park in Wilmington and is scheduled for dedication in May 2007. We purposely aren't mentioning names, 'cause we don't trust our memory and know we'll inadvertently omit a couple.

Rest Your Oar, Ed!

Retired Chief Engineman Edmund J. McCue set sail on his eternal patrol on 12 May 2006 from his home in Lady Lake, FL. He wasn't a North Carolina SubVet, but a coworker with us back in our 1958-1971 technical writing days at Electric Boat in Groton. Ed claimed the R-12 and FLOUNDER as his boats.

Rest your oar, Ed!

Bless you.
Chaplain Bill

USSVI TREASURER'S AND MEMBERSHIP REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership is now: 136

DUES RENEWAL TIME For all who owe either National or Base
Dues for 2007 Nat'l and Base DUES are due on or before January 1st.

National ANNUAL Memberships are **\$20.00** per year.
Discounts are offered for terms of: 5 yrs. (\$90), 3 yrs. (\$55).

TREASURER'S REPORT

3rd Quarter – 2006

Balance From 2 nd Qtr	\$5,056.67
Income:	683.00
Expense:	<u>950.38</u>
Balance	\$4789.29

[Save a little money and a lot of paperwork]

Tarheel Base Dues for USSVI Membership—*Excluding WWII Members*—are **\$10** per yr.

Please make ONE check for the total amount (Nat'l & Base) Payable To:
USSVI TARHEEL BASE

Mail To: Robert Werner
150 Wood Wedge Way
Sanford, NC 27332

If you are not sure about what you owe, PLEASE call or email me and I will tell you your status.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Werner
(919) 499-2210 bobwerner150@hotmail.com

WWII TREASURER'S CORNER

At the Reno Convention the WWII Executive Board voted to increase all ASSOCIATE and SUBSCRIBER member dues to \$10 verses \$5 in order to defer the cost of the POLARIS.

Subject: Life Membership is \$50, except Members w/10 years tenure are \$25.00

At Convention it was voted to accept \$25 for **Life** Membership from those members who belonged to our WWII org ten (10)consecutive years or more. This was not in the last Polaris, thus there is some misunderstanding by some members. They believed all Life Dues are now \$25.00. Not true. We have about 4 Members who took our 10 Year + offer of \$25 Life. Life Membership is growing, and only with your help can we come as close to 100% , which would be very comfortable for lots of people, State & Natl. Record keepers need a break, as does Robbie Robertson and myself.

July 31, 2006 was the dead line for Renewal of WWII Sub Vet 2007 dues. National decided that anyone delinquent in dues starting 11/1/04 would be dropped from the Polaris Magazine per an Email from John Anderson National Secretary/ Treasurer and National President L.W. Speed on November 23, 2004. If you have questions call Jim Myers or Don Small. The following personnel are presently delinquent in dues for 2007. Please contact Jim Myers or Don Small for resolution. If anyone knows of the status of anyone on the delinquent list please let us know.

OLLIE ADAMS	\$15	OLLIE THOMPSON	\$10
FRANK AUERBACH	\$15		
MILT STARK	\$20	IRVING SWANSON	\$15
CHARLES DuGAN	\$15		
LINWOOD RESPESS	\$15	RICHARD THOMAS	\$15

CALENDARS, CALENDARS
2007 WWII SUBVET CALENDARS

There will be 23 2007 WWII Calendars for sale at the Dec. Pearl Harbor Meeting for \$8.00 each.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Remember look at your mailing address on the ALL CLEAR and look at the year beside your name, if it is 2007 or above you are up to date in dues but if it is 2006 or less you OWE DUES.

The 2007 USSVI Convention - Cruise Alaska - Sept. 15-22, 2007

On Saturday, September 15, 2007, the *ms Oosterdam* will depart Seattle with the 2007 USSVI Convention onboard. The ship has 900 cabins that can accommodate about 1800. Over half the cabins are booked. **You do not have to be a USSVI member to join the fun. All submariners, their families, and friends are invited. Don't wait---register now!**

A \$350 dollar per person deposit is due when booking your cabin. It is fully refundable until September 2006 when the balance is due. Insurance is available that will refund most of your money in case you are unable to sail in 2007. The price includes: A seven night cruise, all shipboard meals and entertainment, port tax, gratuities, and registration for the 2007 convention.

At <http://www.aaawa.com/submarine/index.htm>, you will find the cruise itinerary, port info, onboard experiences, deck plans, pricing, photos, contacts, and FAQ. View the **deck plans** and **pricing** then contact our **AAA Travel Agent Kim** either by email at www.aaawin.com/submarine or toll free at (877) 802-6894 and book your cabin and Boat Reunion **before September 2006**. For current (updated weekly) 2007 Convention News and the Cruise Roster go to <http://gertrude-check.up-scope.org>. Click on the Cruise Roster to see if you have shipmates attending.

There are several SUB VETS from NC that are signed up for the cruise, PLEASE JOIN US FOR A GREAT TIME.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY OCTOBER, NOVEMBER,
DECEMBER

NOTE: If you do not see your Name in the appropriate month or missing please update your file on the Rosters of WWII and USSVI.

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

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KRIS BRIDGES
GEORGE CATALDO
JOE CLARK
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PAUL CROSSLAND
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BRUCE FENSLEY
PAUL HISER
ROBERT F. HOPKINS
RICHARD KREH
GARY LEW
EDWARD LLOYD
ERNEST MORGAN
EVERETT MORGAN

HOWIE RICE
JOE RITTER
CHARLES STEVENSON
ROBERT WILSON
ROBERT WYATT

WAYNE POWELL
WILLIAM SCHNEIDER
JAMES STANFORD
ALAN STEINER
THOMAS VANDENHEUVEL
GILBERT WARREN
FENTON WELLS

BOOSTER CLUB 2007

NAME	DATE	AMOUNT
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JOE RITTER	8/20/06	10.00
NORMAN SKILES	8/20/06	25.00
JONES KENNEDY	8/20/06	10.00
JOSEPH MORGAN	8/20/06	5.00
EVERETTE ERB	8/21/06	10.00
BILL WHELAN	8/28/06	20.00
ROBERT WYATT	8/28/06	10.00
DONALD LeDUC	9/23/06	25.00
HAROLD STEED	9/30/06	25.00
	TOTAL	140.00

Sign of the times

The Memorial Day observance is dedicated to those that climbed the hill and paid the price. Our mothers, fathers, sisters, and brothers which makes up the American family. As far back as I can remember the veterans who made it home seemed to behold the gift of life so precious, for the shadow of war has followed in their footsteps.

This time of year as summer nears we try to get our priorities in order, of course watching the annual events unfold are at the top of our list. The Indy 500, schools graduating, baseball, and even football, not to mention golf, tennis, and bull pucky (whatever makes you happy). What a country where the list of leisure is never ending, the only issue is your pocket book and the greed that's trying to get it.

Watching the news on tv a small segment on a wreath laying ceremony for the "Flying Tigers" and the annual "Rolling Thunder" motorcycle rally for this nations "Pow-Mia's", a constant reminder of war digs deep into the soul, almost a wave of emotion clouds the visions you reflect on as the day progresses. Turning off the beaten path seems to be the only avenue when you are taking this nations sons and daughters dying and celebrating with the fruits of liberty and freedom to choose the way you use the day. Families united only separated by competition of sports are constant reminders of how well things are. Old reruns and documentaries are overpowered by video games and how old fashioned gramps is that he shot down 8 jap zero's in real combat and you shot down 80 for the medal of honor and the highest score. Only in the USA!!!!

I called to check on an old friend from my Submarine Veterans group and found that it's only a matter of time (days) before he makes his final eternal patrol. Jeanna, Charles Johnson's daughter told me that he was fighting the same fight in hospice as he did as a POW in Japan for 886 days going down on the USS Grenadier in 1942, then being captured after all means to save her (the sub) were

exhausted. This triggered my imagination and the list of veterans started to grow as different ones popped up. My dad John Herina, Don Small , Bill (Gunner) Morris, Johnny Soule, Uncle Herb Heipertz, Aunt Helen Herina, Uncle Chip Herina, Uncle's Charlie, Jimmy, and Bill Pinnix of the WW2 era, Tommy Vancampen, Jake Newberry, Cecil Lewis, and Bobby Schmitt of Vietnam era, those that are living and those that have passed all the way back to my fifth and sixth generation grandfathers who fought in the Revolutionary War. Those the living who witnessed the supreme sacrifice of their comrades have kept their memory alive, and this great nation celebrates their honorable deeds to preserve our way of life. Sometimes I wonder what we have learned with their dying when I hear of the casualty report from Iraq then try to compare it to the "Doolittle Raid" in 1942. I come up with the same answer "they died doing their duty ".

From Bunker Hill to Bagdad we remember on this day the price paid. When a flag draped casket passes take time to thank god for our fortune. When veterans gather to pay homage to the fallen keep a place in you heart for them, for without them you would not have that choice.

John Marc Herina
5/29/06

Election of USSVI Base Officers for 2007

It is time for us to elect the four USSVI base officers for next year. All of the current base officers have agreed to serve another year if elected with the exception of Wayne Powell our current Base Vice Commander. Jerry Emerson has been nominated to replace Wayne as the Base Vice Commander if elected.

Below is the ballot that will be used this year for the election. All base members are eligible to vote. In addition to the slate of officers running there is a space for a write-in candidate for each office. If you desire to name a write-in candidate on your ballot, **please verify** that the person you are submitting as a write-in candidate will accept the position if elected. If you are voting for nominee listed on the ballot just circle the name.

Once again, Mike Burkholder will be the election master, so all ballots should be submitted to him. He will count the ballots that he receives and will announce the results at the Pearl Harbor Dinner. The new base officers for 2007 will be sworn in at this meeting by our District Commander Dick Kanning. You can either mail your ballot to Mike at his home address or email your vote to him at grahamfan@webtv.net

Mike Burkholder
3201 Center Street
Greensboro, NC 27407

2007 Tarheel Base Officer Ballot

Commander – Chuck Jensen or _____

Vice Commander – Jerry Emerson or _____

Secretary – Bill Lowe or _____

Treasurer – Bob Werner or _____

Submitted by: _____

PARADES, PARADES, PARADES

2006 VETERANS DAY PARADES

The NC Subvets will be participating in 3 Veterans Day Parades again this year. They will occur on 3 consecutive weekends. They are:

1. The High Point parade on Sunday November 5th starts at 3:00 PM. We need to form up at 2:00 PM on South Main Street. Our parade positions are 170,171,172 which will be behind the National Chief Petty Officers contingent. Coming from either the Raleigh or the Charlotte area take I-85 to exit 111. Turn North on US-311 and stay on this road which becomes South Main Street at High Point. We will be using the parade submarine and the Mk-14 Torpedo float for this parade.
2. The Asheboro Parade on Saturday November 11th starts at 2:00 PM. We need to form up at 1:00 PM on Church Street in Asheboro. This is the same place that we have always met at past parades. The directions coming from Greensboro on US 220 are to take the Charlotte exit (US 64 / NC 49). Left at the end of the exit ramp and then go through two traffic lights and than left at stop sign. We will be using the parade submarine and the Mk-14 Torpedo float for this parade. Also Mike will be bringing the base bus. I will send out the details about riding the bus down from Greensboro as soon as Mike gets back in town in early November.
3. The Winston- Salem parade on Saturday November 18th starts at 10:00 am and the parade route will be from Spring Street to Corpening Plaza along West 4th Street and Liberty Street. We need to form at our staging area located at the corner of 4th Street and Spring Street at 09:00 AM. We will be using the parade submarine and the Mk-14 Torpedo float for this parade. Also Mike will be bringing the base bus. I will send out the details about riding the bus down from Greensboro as soon as Mike gets back in town in early November. For those not riding the bus, you need to take Bus-40 either East or West depending on the direction you are coming from and get off at exit #5B which is South Broad Street. You would then make a right turn on to Broad Street at the end of the exit ramp. Follow Broad Street to 4th Street and take a right on to 4th Street and go one block to our staging area

DOPHIN INSIGNIA

On 13 June 1923, Captain E.J. King, Commander submarine Division Three (later Fleet Admiral and Commander in Chief, U.S. Fleet, during WWII), suggested to the Secretary of the Navy that a distinguishing devise for qualified submariners be adopted. He submitted a pen-and-ink sketch of his own showing a shield mounted on the beam ends of a submarine, with dolphins forward of, and abaft, the conning tower. Over the next several months the Bureau of Navigation (now known as BuPers) solicited additional designs from several sources. A Philadelphia firm, which had done work for the Navy in the field of Naval Academy class rings, was approached by the Bureau of Navigation with the request that it design a suitable badge. Two designs were submitted by the firm, and these were combined into a single design. It was a bow view of a submarine, proceeding on the surface, with bow planes rigged for diving, flanked by dolphins in a horizontal position with their heads resting on the upper edge of the bow planes. On 20 March 1924, the Chief of the Bureau of Navigation recommended to the Secretary of the Navy that the design be adopted. The recommendation was accepted by Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Acting Secretary of the Navy March 1924.

2006
DECEMBER PEARL HARBOR
MEMORIAL MEETING
NC SUB VETS

The annual Pearl Harbor memorial meeting will be held this year on Saturday December 9th, two days after the 65year anniversary of that day of infamy. Our guest speaker this year will be Captain Jerry Burroughs. Captain Burroughs is the former skipper of the USS Albuquerque and is now at the Pentagon working with submarine seals.

Our meeting this year will be held in Greensboro at the America's Best Value Inn (formerly know as the Ramada Inn) located at exit 210 off I-40 (airport exit). This is the same motel that we have held our meetings at in the past few years. The motel is easy to find on the South side of I-40 on the service access road. Our special Subvets room rate will be \$56 plus tax. Please make your own reservations directly with the motel and specify you are with the Submarine Veterans group. The phone numbers for the motel are (336)-668-3900 or 1-800-574-7770. The hospitality room will be open at noon on Saturday. The Oakwood suite (207) is the name of our hospitality room. Refreshments and fellowship there from noon till 6pm.

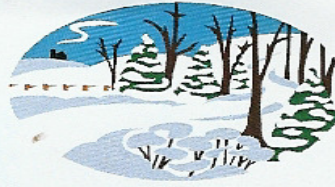
At 6pm we will move down the hall to the Ballroom for the dinner/meeting. Dinner will commence at 6:45pm following opening remarks and introductions. Dinner will be Beef Tips and Chicken CordonBleu with all the trimmings. Following dinner we will have our annual tolling of the lost boats ceremony followed by our guest speaker.

Please make your dinner reservations with Jim Myers WWII Treasurer. The cost this year for dinner per person is \$24 and this includes all taxes and gratuities. When making dinner reservations, make your check out to Subvets and include the names of who will be coming. Mail toJim Myers 4905 Reidsville Rd. Walkertown, NC 27051. Looking forward to seeing you there this year as we always have a good turnout for this special meeting.

Questions? call Mike Burkholder (336)-854-3730 evenings or(336)-292-8331 daytime.

LITTLE ROCK ARK.

Three submarine comrades took off for Little Rock Ark. to go to the USSVI Annual Convention on Sun. Sept. 3rd. They had to stop over in lower Missouri to drop off a Grandson that had been visiting all summer and was ready to go back home (or was granddad ready). They were traveling in a truck with a large slide in camper so they got a camp site on the Mississippi River of all places but a CASINO. Have no fear we were not corrupted, but we observed one of the most beautiful Sun Rise over the Mississippi that only a submariner can appreciate after a time at sea. Black birds were flying for migration by the 10's of thousands. We then left for Little Rock arriving in about 4 hours and finding our camp ground and meeting some of our submarine buddies from Ohio. We set up camp by unloading the Slide In Camper and put a pup tent up under the overhang of the camper (we have pictures to prove this). The convention was topped off by a visit to the USS RAZORBACK. Talk about memories, first time on a boat since 1974 and it even had the old Diesel smell. 6 NC submariner's made a tour and had some great stories to tell and I think I even shade a tear for all our Buddies on Eternal Patrol. We said our goodbyes at the Sun. Breakfast on the 10th and made an uneventful trip home stopping in Tenn. overnight to pick up an AUNT for visitation to my Mother. Arrived home Sept 11th and we are still talking about our trip.



The Tidewater Chapter,
Wives of U.S. Submarine Veterans of World War II
Cordially invite you to join us for

'Christmas in Virginia Beach' Annual Christmas Party

Virginia Beach, VA – December 6th – 7th, 2006
Sandcastle Resort Hotel
1307 Atlantic Avenue, Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Special SubVets room rates of \$39.00 + tax per night for one or two persons.

For reservations, call: 1-800-233-0131 or (757) 422-3184.

Please make reservations No Later Than November 23rd, 2006.

Check in time for rooms is 3:00 PM, so if you arrive early, the
Hospitality Room will be open for waiting.

A complimentary deluxe Continental Breakfast is served from 07-10 AM.

A hospitality creation table will be available containing assorted
Cheese, crackers, fresh fruit, vegetables and dip, cocktail meatballs,
and holiday party mix.

Our Christmas Dinner (Buffet) will be held at the Hotel
on Thursday, December 7th at 6:00 PM.

Cost information will be published when determined.

Please send check for dinner to:

Tidewater Chapter, Wives of U.S. Submarine Veterans of WWII
No later than November 23rd, 2006

Mail check to:

Mrs. Dee Pauls, 601 Cambria Court, Virginia Beach, VA 23455.

HOSPITALITY ROOM

Open December 6th & 7th, 2005.

Bring Your Own Favorite Drinks for Hospitality Room.

Donations of \$5.00 per person will be accepted for the VA Hospital
(Please mark your calendars NOW. Schedule us on your 2006 "Things to do" List.)

