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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		and aerial bombs	
		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
ARGONAUT	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost			taken prisoner, none survived
AMBERJACK	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	FLIER	Sunk by enemy mines	78 men lost, 8 survived
	and aerial bombs		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
TRITON	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost			17 army personnel
PICKEREL	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	DARTER	Ran aground	No loss of life
GRENADIER	Sunk by aerial bombs	All taken prisoner, 4 died	SHARK II	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
		in prisoner of war camp	TANG	Sunk by own torpedo	78 men lost, 9 taken
RUNNER	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost			prisoner
R-12	Sunk cause unknown	42 men lost, 3 survivors	ESCOLAR	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost
GRAYLING	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost	ALBACORE	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost
POMPANO	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost	GROWLER	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
CISCO	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	SCAMP	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
	and aerial bombs			and aerial bombs	
S-44	Sunk by surface craft	55 men lost, 2 survivors	SWORDFISH	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
		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	All hands lost
CORVINA	Sunk by enemy sub	All hands lost		and aerial bombs	
SCULPIN	Sunk by surface craft	63 men lost, 21 survivors	SNOOK	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
		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	All hands lost			
	and aerial bombs				

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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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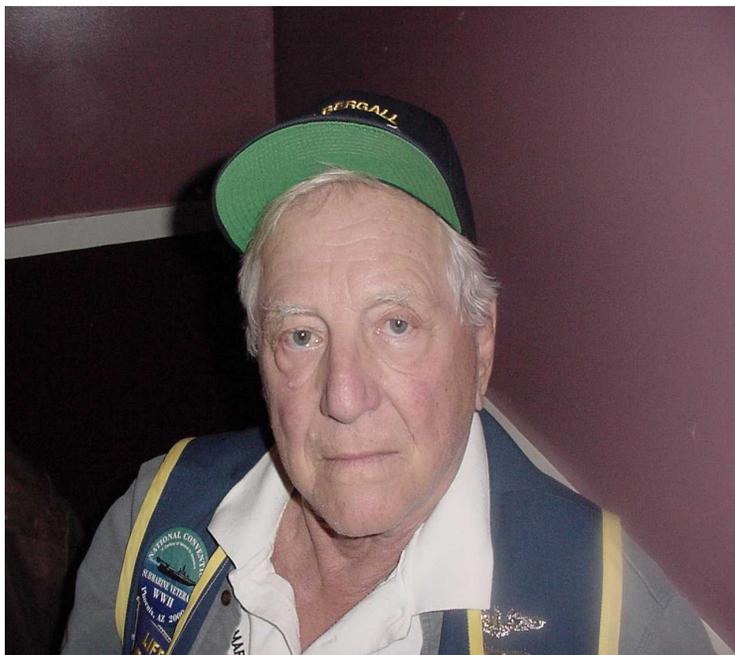
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**WEB SITE** [www.ncsubvets.org](http://www.ncsubvets.org)

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



Oh, them dog days of summer. In the winter we wish that summer would hurry up and get here, but then the days get so hot one hates to go outside. I've been taking some kind of medication that makes me very sensitive to sunlight so everything done outside has to be in the morning or evening. Other times it's long sleeves, lots of sun block, gloves, broad brim hat. It's tough to keep up with the garden and mowing the grass (read-weeds) under those conditions. Rose Mary and I were scheduled to go on the Alaska Cruise but now we have had to cancel. One good thing about summer time is that we get to see most of the family who come to their beach cottage in Kitty Hawk. This week This week I got to see my brand new great-grandbaby for the first time.

I hate to report it but the Grim Reaper is taking his toll

on our membership. Recent final patrol reports have been issued on Charles McMenemin, 4/26/07, Paul Czelusniak, 6/28/07, and Charles Dugan, 4/25/07. Leonard Jackson was a long time active member until health problems curtailed his activities went on patrol 2/07. John Herina, an Inc. member, attended the interment of Charlie Johnson and his wife Beverly in June at Arlington. Charlie passed away 06/02/06. May they Patrol in Peace.

It's dues time again. August 1 starts a new year and the National is getting more critical about this. We at the state level will carry delinquents for a while but even we have to set a cutoff time when members are drop-ped. We don't have the facility to send out reminders to members so it's up to you to remember.

The next regular meeting will be the Pearl Harbor Memorial in Greensboro on Dec. 8. I haven't heard but assume it will be at the same place as before. Make your plans now to attend-lets make this the biggest and best yet.

Don

**SUBGALLEON CORNER**

There is not much news to report. Don and I did not go to Burnsville. The summer months are very busy for us. Three of our sons live quite a distance from us and they all come to see us in the summer. I don't think any Subgalleons will be going to the national in Billings MT. June Kracker will be casting North Carolina's 27 votes. Although many of our members can't make it to our meetings they faithfully pay their dues. The national treasurer thanks every one of you.

It is with sadness I report that Margie Harris died a few weeks ago.

There will not be a meeting in Rocky Mount this year. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in December.

Rose Mary Small

## **USSVI COMMANDER**

Shipmates,

We held our 4th Burnsville Meeting on Friday and Saturday (June 22nd & 23rd) with 15 members and 7 wives attending. Because of the recent Wilmington Meeting in May, we had a smaller than normal attendance. The new owner who bought the Nu Wray Inn from Rosemary Chandler (the previous owner) has begun some renovation work on the inn such as starting to paint the inn's exterior. After the luncheon on Saturday, all of the meeting attendees drove up to Chief Flowers' Memorial on Moonshine Mountain. The new owner (Tony Valovich) has been doing some renovation work on the memorial and surrounding hill side. He called me on June 25<sup>th</sup> and we discussed what other work



is planned related to the memorial. He hopes to be in Burnsville for our next year's meeting. We are looking at moving this annual meeting up to mid May next year which might make it easier for the new owner to be available to attend.

Speaking of next year's quarterly meetings, both Don and I agreed to move the location of our fall meeting to Wilmington instead of Rocky Mount. This location change will occur in 2008 as there will not be a 2007 meeting due to the Alaska Cruise. We are planning a September time frame for this meeting.

Highlights from recent parades:

Sanford's Armed Forces Day Parade - We had a better than expected turn out for Sanford's 1<sup>st</sup> Armed Forces Day Parade with 11 base members and 3 wives along with a couple of grandkids there. The parade submarine and Mk-14 torpedo float were there also. The local VFW Post did an excellent job in planning and implementing this new parade. Although the turnout by the local residents could have been better, the cause might have been due to the lack of publicity by the local newspaper. The ceremony after the parade at the downtown park was very well planned. The "Old State" National Guard Band who also marched in the parade put on a concert as part of the ceremony. They had also marched this year in the Azalea Festive Parade in Wilmington. I feel that it was worthwhile for us to be there and would recommend that we do it again next year.

Thomasville's Memorial Day Parade - We had good participation with 17 members along with the parade submarine, base bus, Mk-14 torpedo, and Bill Morris' decorated car. Deacon Kennedy is one of the oldest WWII Tarheel Chapter members and lives in Thomasville. At Bill Whelan's suggestion, we visited Deacon's home after the parade to show him our parade toys.

Greensboro's Fun 4<sup>th</sup> Parade - We had another good turnout with 17 base members participating in this year's parade. Along with those members marching we had the parade submarine, base bus, Mk-14 torpedo and Bill Morris' decorated car in the parade. One addition to our unit this year was the 1928 Graham-Page that made history by being driven from Argentina to Alaska by Herman and Candelaria Zapp. They were here in this parade in 2002 while on their way to Alaska. They are now on a book tour promoting their book "Spark your Dream" which documents their trip to Alaska. Their stay in Greensboro with the Burkholders and the birth of their first son in 2002 is part of the story. I am sure if you contact Mike, he can help you purchase a copy of the book and autograph it for you. On a parting note is that the base bus which made its debut at the 2005 parade, this was the last time it was used. With Mike closing his car lot, it is no longer feasible to use it in base activities and recently Mike sold it at the car auction.

Our next parade will be Newton's Old Soldiers Parade on Thursday August 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm.

At the present time we have 12 base members including myself who will on USSVI's Alaska Cruise. MaryAnn and I will be driving to the west coast to do some sightseeing both going out and on the way back to Greensboro. We are leaving the last week in August and plan on returning the second week in October. I will have my laptop so I will have email access. I would appreciate that you limit your emails to me to only Tarheel Base business items or items that would be the type that I do send out on my base distribution list.

Hope to see many of you at Newton's Old Soldier Parade.

Chuck

## **USSVI VICE COMMANDER**

Not much to cover since last All Clear, Still working at B&B. Heading for Ct. for Archerfish SSN678 reunion. Looks like a good Tarheel Base turnout for the September Convention cruise. I urge everyone to consider joining the ISA, Had some good times with the British, French, Italian, Turks and other nations submariners. See many of you in September.

Jerry



## **2008**

The Dallas Base would like to cordially extend to all USSVI/WWII members an invitation to hold their NEXT boat reunions during the 2008 Convention, to be held in Fort Worth, Texas.

**Convention Dates= September 1-7, 2008**

Website- <http://www.ussvi2008.com>

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

### **CAPT. ADAMS, REST YOUR OAR**

Your chaplain has extended the condolences of the Submarine Veterans of North Carolina to the family of Retired Navy CAPT. Ollie Buford Adams, 86, of Southern Pines, NC. CAPT. Adams saw service during World War II aboard the submarines O-2, DRUM (SS-228), and TUSK (SS-426). He sailed on his eternal patrol on 21 April 2007, and was interred in Arlington National Cemetery (Section 48, Site 591).

He is survived by his daughter Sandra Bustle and a granddaughter. He had been a member of the Tarheel Chapter of U.S. Submarine Veterans of World War II since 1996.



### **S-28'S WILMINGTON ADDRESS**

Your chaplain tries to be prepared for any and all contingencies. His experience over the years with Don Small, Mike Burkholder, and Chuck Jensen has taught him to be ever-prepared for a nod of the head and the words, "And we'll now hear a word from Chaplain Bill."

It was no exception back in May when we gathered in Wilmington for the long-awaited dedication of our memorial to North Carolina's World War II lost boat, the S-28. Your chaplain, prepared as usual, waited to be called upon for a few words pertinent to the occasion. But, alas (perhaps we should add "and alack"), we were never called upon to deliver the message that we had so diligently rehearsed. To what better use can we put those words than to include them months later in our "Corner." But there is a disclaimer: the message is not original with us. It is adapted from words delivered a long time ago by a bewhiskered President of these United States. We call it, "S-28's Wilmington Address," and it goes like this.

"Three score and three years ago, after six war patrols and while training U.S. sailors--both 50 of her own crew and those aboard the U.S. Coast Guard cutter RELIANCE--the 21-year-old U.S. submarine S-28 was lost with all hands on Independence Day of 1944 in 8,400 feet of water off the coast of Oahu.

"Today, we are still engaged in great conflicts worldwide, testing whether our Nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We have come to dedicate this memorial as a poignant reminder of those S-28 sailors named thereon as well as the unnamed crews of the 51 remaining submarines who gave their lives during World War Two that our Nation and others might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

"But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate--we cannot consecrate--we cannot hallow--this memorial. The brave men, living and dead, who are memorialized here, have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it should never be allowed to forget what they did for our Nation during all wars as well as in peacetime.

"It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us--that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion--that we here highly resolve that these dead should not have died in vain--that this

Nation, under God, shall have a new birth of Freedom--and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

We hope and pray that those who read these words share their concern.

Chaplain Bill

## **From Your USSVI District Commander**

With the crescendo of and including the activities surrounding the ED3/SE Region joint meeting AND the S-28 memorial dedication, in may appear things have slowed down. NOT True: Burnsville meeting with a positive note from the new owners of the NuWray Inn wanting us back and the new owner of the property blessed with Chief Flowers memorial pledging to keep it up, the Tarheel Base continues to flourish. Newton parade, National Convention and cruise, Asheboro Parade and of course our most enjoyable Pearl Harbor program continue to be most enjoyable events. Don't let the WWII memorials Program in Kings Bay slip by without you seriously considering attending. Chuck and I have info regarding this if needed.

GOOD NEWS: Jon JACQUES, NAT'L Treasurer, and USS Tennessee/Volunteer Base CDR managed to obtain a liability insurance policy. Details are not out yet, but it is a done deal! I know a lot of members, myself included had a lot of heartburn over this issue, as it appeared that national let us 'grunts' on the deck plates down. Jon, like I do NOT like to smokestack, but will make a statement only when the deal is solid! A big THANK YOU to Jon for all his efforts!

New Base: The Carolina Piedmont Base is now reality. The Charter and Officer swearing-in occurred 7/28. It was good to see Don Morton and Mike Toomey join this base, as well as the Attendance of ED4 CDR Jerry Stout (Chas'n Base) and Dick Helm (Hampton Roads Base CDR) attend. Dick and Glenn Harris (CP Base CDR) are shipmates from many moons ago! Jerry Stout and I both are happy with the CP Base location, as it fills a gap in a location for a base in both Districts. Jerry is helping Glenn locate and recruit members from the uphills area of South Carolina.

A late Zap Note from national announced the winners of the USSVI Scholarships. It is encouraging to see these outstanding students vie for and win these awards. I hope each of you consider your children and grandchildren for these awards in the future.

One of my pleasant duties is to serve on the National Awards Committee Selection Board. I feel there are members of OUR base who should win, plus additional nominations from within the District! While serving in this capacity, it is encouraging to have input from you, the Base members. Keep the pressure on me to recognize those who contribute so much to our well being.

See you in Newton!

Yours in Service  
Dick

## WWII TREASURER'S CORNER

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

July 31, 2007 is the dead line for Renewal of WWII Sub Vet 2008 dues. Anyone delinquent in dues since 2006 will be dropped from the POLARIS and ALL CLEAR Mailing list. If you have questions call Jim Myers or Don Small.

### EDITOR'S NOTES

**Remember look at your mailing address on the front of your ALL CLEAR and look at the year beside your name, if it is 2008 or above you are up to date in dues but if it is 2007 or less you OWE DUES.**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY APRIL, MAY, JUNE

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.

### APRIL

ROBERT ANDREWS  
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WILLIAM GOLLEHON  
THOMAS HOLLAND  
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### MAY

ALLEN ASHDOWN  
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ALFRED BREMER  
PAUL CZELUSNIAK  
BARRY DANFORTH  
WOLFGANG FRIEDRICH  
KENNETH GUSTAFSON  
ROBERT E. HOPKINS  
ROBERT HUIE  
WILLIAM LANE

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MIKE RUNKLE

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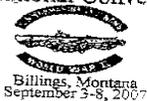
# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL AND TO ALL A GOOD DAY

## BOOSTER CLUB 2007

NAME	DATE	AMOUNT
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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
ARTHUR RAWSON	10/24/06	52.52
ROBERT BLACK	10/24/06	10.00
WILLIAM CULVER	11/7/06	25.00
WALTER TAVERNA	11/8/06	5.00
BILL MORRIS	11/11/06	20.00
KARL EVANS	11/15/06	10.00
JOHN & GAIL SHAFFER	12/5/06	25.00
ROBERT E. WHITE	12/9/06	20.00
JOHN BLOM	1/12/07	25.00
LARRY TRAVIS	3/23/07	15.00
PAUL GREENE	5/15/07	20.00
BILL MORRIS	6/23/07	20.00
J.L. KENNEDY	6/23/07	20.00
DAN COBB	6/27/07	20.00
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RAFFLE ( 100% pay out ) _____ Each Ticket	\$5.00	_____
Men's Beer Bust _____	\$20.00	_____
Ladies Luncheon _____	\$22.00	_____
Western Fun Night ( buffet with entertainment) _____	\$20.00	_____
Widow's Luncheon _____	\$16.00	_____
Banquet with Music & Speaker _____	\$25.00	_____
Choice: Roast Turkey _____ Roast Pork _____		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	_____

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 Full page 8x10 \$100.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Half Page \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter Page \$25.00  
 Mail to: Deborah Maguire address listed above. Cut off date: June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007

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**MAIN HOTEL: Billings Hotel and Convention Center**  
1223 Mallowney Lane  
Billings, Mt. 59101

Phone: 406-248-7151 or 406-867-8148

Room Rate: \$64.00 per night plus tax.

There are only 200 rooms available at main Hotel so book early.

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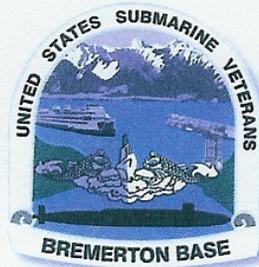
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*Dear Shipmates and guests,*

September 15th is fast approaching and the 2007 USSVI National Convention Committee, led by Carl "Bud" Berg, looks forward to welcoming you aboard for this unique adventure. The Bremerton Base committee and AAA Washington will be on hand at the pier to greet you and guide you through the process of checking in.



This year we will combine our 44th annual national convention with a superb vacation on board one of the newest and most elegant Holland America cruise ships, the ms Oosterdam. Our cruise will take in the picturesque towns and breathtaking scenery of the Alaskan Inside Passage, America's last frontier.



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At our cruise news web site, [www.up-scope.org/cruiseneews](http://www.up-scope.org/cruiseneews), you will find up to date information concerning parking, airfare discounts, boat reunions, etc. There is also a list of your shipmates attending the convention, so be sure to take a look.

Should you have questions about the ship board facilities, travel or hotel arrangements, please contact Kim Boekennoogen, our AAA agent at 1-866-802-6894 or by email at [kimboekennoogen@aaawin.com](mailto:kimboekennoogen@aaawin.com).



Sincerely, *The Bremerton Base 2007 National Convention Committee*



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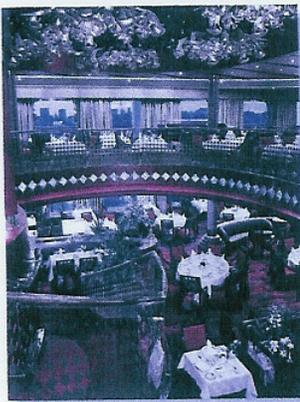
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## **"YOU WORRY ME!"**

**By American Airlines Pilot - Captain John Maniscalco**

I've been trying to say this since 9-11, but you worry me. I wish you didn't. I wish when I walked down the streets of this country that I love, that your color and culture still blended with the beautiful human landscape we enjoy in this country.

But you don't blend in anymore. I notice you, and it worries me. I notice you because I can't help it anymore. People from your homelands, professing to be Muslims, have been attacking and killing my fellow citizens and our friends for more than 20 years now. I don't fully understand their grievances and hate, but I know that nothing can justify the inhumanity of their attacks. On September 11, nineteen ARAB-MUSLIMS hijacked four jetliners in my country. They cut the throats of women in front of children and brutally stabbed to death others. They took control of those planes and crashed them into buildings killing thousands of proud fathers, loving sons, wise grandparents, elegant daughters, best friends, favorite coaches, fearless public servants, and children's mothers.

The Palestinians Celebrated, the Iraqis were overjoyed as was most of the Arab world. So, I notice you now. I don't want to be worried. I don't want to be consumed by the same rage and hate and prejudice that have destroyed the soul of these terrorists. But I need your help. As a rational American, trying to protect my country and family in an irrational and unsafe world, I must know how to tell the difference between you, and the Arab/Muslim terrorist. How do I differentiate between the true Arab / Muslim-Americans and the Arab Muslim terrorists in our communities who are attending our schools, enjoying our parks, and living in OUR communities under the protection of OUR constitution, while they plot the next attack that will slaughter these same good neighbors and children? The events of September 11th changed the answer. It is not my responsibility to determine which of you embraces our great country, with ALL of its religions, with ALL of its different citizens, with all of its faults. It is time for every Arab/Muslim in this country to determine it for me. I want to know, I demand to know, and I have a right to know, whether or not you love America? Do you pledge allegiance to its flag? Do you proudly display it in front of your house, or on your car? Do you pray in your many daily prayers that Allah will bless this nation, that He will protect and prosper it? Or do you pray that Allah will destroy it in one of your Jihads? Are you thankful for the freedom that only this nation affords? A freedom that was paid for by the blood of hundreds of thousands of patriots who gave their lives for this country? Are you willing to preserve this freedom by also paying the ultimate sacrifice? Do you love America?

If this is your commitment, then I need YOU to start letting ME know about it. Your Muslim leaders in this nation should be flooding the media at this time with hard facts on your faith, and what hard actions you are taking as a community and as a religion to protect the United States of America.

Please, no more benign overtures of regret for the death of the innocent because I worry about who you regard as innocent. No more benign overtures of condemnation for the unprovoked attacks because I worry about what is unprovoked to you. I am not interested in any more sympathy. I am only interested in action. What will you do for America - our great country - at this time of crisis, at this time of war? I want to see Arab-Muslims waving the AMERICAN flag in the streets. I want to hear you chanting "Allah Bless America " I want to see young Arab/Muslim men enlisting in the military. I want to see a commitment of money, time, and emotion to the victims of this butchering and to this nation as a whole.

The FBI has a list of over 400 people they want to talk to regarding the WTC attack. Many of these people live and socialize right now in Muslim communities. You know them. You know where they are. Hand them over to us, now! But I have seen little even approaching this sort of action. Instead I have seen an already closed and secretive

community close even tighter. You have disappeared from the streets. You have posted armed security guards at your facilities. You have threatened lawsuits. You have screamed for protection from reprisals. The very few Arab/Muslim representatives that HAVE appeared in the media were defensive and equivocating. They seemed more concerned with making sure that the United States proves who was responsible before taking action. They seemed more concerned with protecting their fellow Muslims from violence directed towards them in the United States and abroad than they did with supporting our country and denouncing "leaders" like Khadafi, Hussein, Farrakhan, and Arafat. If the true teachings of Islam proclaim tolerance and peace and love for all people, then I want chapter and verse from the Koran and statements from popular Muslim leaders to back it up. What good is it if the teachings in the Koran are good, and pure, and true, when your "leaders" are teaching fanatical interpretations, terrorism, and intolerance? It matters little how good Islam SHOULD BE if huge numbers of the world's Muslims interpret the teachings of Mohammed incorrectly and adhere to a degenerative form of the religion. A form that has been demonstrated to us over and over again. A form whose structure is built upon a foundation of violence, death, and suicide. A form whose members are recruited from the prisons around the world. A form whose members (some as young as five years old) are seen day after day, week in and week out, year after a year, marching in the streets around the world, burning effigies of our presidents, burning the American flag, shooting weapons into the air. A form whose members convert from a peaceful religion, only to take up arms against the great United States of America, the country of their birth. A form whose rules are so twisted, that their traveling members refuse to show their faces at airport security checkpoints, in the name of Islam.

We will NEVER allow the attacks of September 11, or any others for that matter, to take away that which is so precious to us: Our rights under the greatest constitution in the world.

I want to know where every Arab Muslim in this country stands and I think it is my right and the right of every true citizen of this country to demand it. A right paid for by the blood of thousands of my brothers and sisters who died protecting the very constitution that is protecting you and your family. I am pleading with you to let me know.

I want you here as my brother, my neighbor, my friend, as a fellow American. But there can be no gray areas or ambivalence regarding your allegiance and it is up to YOU, to show ME, where YOU stand. Until then. "YOU WORRY ME!"

### **"SAILOR, REST YOUR OAR"**

THIS WEEK'S HONORARY UNSUBSCRIBE goes to Eugene B. Fluckey. A career Naval officer, Fluckey served on various ships until April 27, 1943, when he was given command of Barb, a submarine. He became one of the most accomplished submarine skippers of the war, credited with sinking more tonnage than any other submarine captain during World War II, including a Japanese aircraft carrier, a cruiser, and a frigate.

Fluckey was also responsible for another wartime milestone: he commanded the only landing of U.S. forces on the Japanese Home Islands, sending a landing party ashore to blow up a train line, taking a supply train at the same time. He ordered that the raiders consist of representatives from every division on his submarine (and divided between regular Navy and Reserve sailors) to help spread the credit, and specified that as many of the men as possible be ex-Boy Scouts since he figured they'd be better equipped to find their way in enemy territory.

Fluckey received four Navy Cross Medals for extraordinary heroism, and the Medal of Honor for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity". His proudest accomplishment during the war was that all of his men not only survived, but came home without any combat-related injuries. He retired as a Rear Admiral in 1972, and died on June

28. He was 93.



















