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PRIDE RUNS DEEP



“IN MEMORY OF THE 52 SUBMARINES LOST IN WWII”

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| 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, 1 survivor taken prisoner |
| S-26 | Rammed by escort | 46 men lost, 2 survived | | | |
| SHARK I | Sunk by surface craft | All hands lost | GUDGEON | Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs | 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 |
| | | No loss of life | GOLET | Sunk by surface craft | All hands lost |
| S-27 | Ran aground | All hands lost | S-28 | Sunk cause unknown | 77 men lost, survivors taken prisoner, none survived |
| GRUNION | Sunk cause unknown | No loss of life | ROBALO | Sunk by enemy mines | 78 men lost, 8 survived |
| S-39 | Ran aground | All hands lost | | | All hands lost |
| ARGONAUT | Sunk by surface craft | All hands lost | FLIER | Sunk by enemy mines | All hands lost, plus 17 army personnel |
| AMBERJACK | Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs | All hands lost | HARDER | Sunk by surface craft | No loss of life |
| | | | SEAWOLF | Sunk by friendly destroyer | All hands lost |
| GRAMPUS | Sunk by surface craft | All hands lost | | | All hands lost, 9 taken prisoner |
| TRITON | Sunk by surface craft | All hands lost | DARTER | Ran aground | All hands lost |
| 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 |
| | | All hands lost | | | All hands lost |
| RUNNER | Sunk by enemy mines | 42 men lost, 3 survivors | ESCOLAR | Sunk by enemy mines | All hands lost |
| R-12 | Sunk cause unknown | All hands lost | 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 |
| | | | KETE | Sunk cause unknown | All hands lost |
| DORADO | Sunk by friendly aircraft | All hands lost | TRIGGER | Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs | All hands lost |
| WAHOO | Sunk by 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 |
| | | | BONEFISH | Sunk by surface craft | All hands lost |
| CAPELIN | Sunk by surface craft | All hands lost | BULLHEAD | Sunk by aerial bombs | All hands lost |
| SCORPION | Sunk by enemy mines | 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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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 WWII



Fellow Chapter Members,

Prior to the last Pearl Harbor Dinner held on December 7, 2007, Don Small held a brief meeting of the WWII Tarheel Chapter. Don Small stated that the time had arrived for him to step down from his leadership position. A motion was made and carried for me to be the N.C. WWII Subvet State Commander with Don Small serving as the National WWII Subvet point of contact for the Tarheel Chapter. I am honored to step up to this position to continue the chapter's most important mission *"to perpetuate the memory of those shipmates who gave their lives in submarine warfare"*.

As I did when I was the base commander of USSVI Tarheel Base, I will continue to use email to pass along pertinent information in a timely manner using the internet for those chapter members having email access. Presently of the 60 regular members in the Tarheel Chapter, 18 do have email access. For those chapter members who are also USSVI members of the Tarheel Base, you will still continue to receive emails from Jerry Emerson who is the new base commander. The emails that I will be sending will be more focused to the interest only of the Tarheel Chapter members.

Working with Don and Jim Myers, I developed a new Tarheel Chapter roster that will be mailed to those members who do not have email access. For those who have email, they have already received a copy via the internet. With this roster providing email and mailing addresses as well as phone numbers, I encourage everyone to communicate more with each other as many of our chapter members can no longer travel to chapter meetings.

Some other items of interest that came out of the December 7th meeting were:

1 - Al McGuire, USS North Carolina (SSN-777) Commissioning Committee member, covered the proposed schedule of events planned during the week of the commissioning of the SSN-777 this year. The date of the commissioning is Saturday May 3rd. He stated all subvets in North Carolina will receive an invitation to the commissioning ceremony. The plan is for each subvet to receive two tickets plus two additional tickets for guests, if room is available.

2 - Al McGuire discussed an event being held by the Battleship North Carolina (BB-55) Reunion Association. They have set up a dinner cruise for 400 on the riverboat Henrietta during the evening of May 2nd with Battleship Reunion folks and subvets having first priority. Cost of the riverboat ride and dinner would be \$35.00 per person with a fireworks show at 9:00 PM upon arriving back at the dock. The registration form for this is provided in this issue of the All Clear. Space is limited so if you are interested in going, don't wait to send in your registration. Also mark on the registration form "Subvet".

3 - Jim Myers covered the construction plans of a replacement trailer for the Base's MK-14 torpedo that Ollie Thompson procured from the Navy years ago. An 8 ft X 20 ft trailer painted haze grey with room to carry 12-14 subvets can be built by Kraftsman Trailer Company in Ramseur, N.C. at a cost of \$3,154. Motion was made and passed for the USSVI Tarheel Base to fund the balance of the cost after applying the \$1,850 donation from WWII Tarheel Chapter. A picture of this new trailer is in this issue of the All Clear.

4 – The Elizabeth City Meeting will be held on Saturday March 8th with the information provided in this issue of the All Clear. Also mark your calendars for the Burnsville Meeting which will be held on Saturday June 21st. Details on this meeting will be provided in the next issue of the All Clear.

5 – The SE Regional Conference will be a joint meeting with USSVI District #3 in Va. Beach, VA from Tuesday April 8th through Friday April 11th. The schedule and the pre-registration form are provided in this issue of the All Clear.

6 - Tarheel Chapter Roster Correction:

A copy of the Tarheel Chapter Roster was mailed to all chapter members not having access to the Internet. I was notified that it contained five minor errors. Please make the following underlined corrections to the chapter roster you received:

George E. Roderick 720 Beasley Road Warsaw, NC 28398 and add his email address which is groderick@netscape.com

Maurice S. Smith from Winston-Salem, NC

Walter Taverna correct zip code is 27376-0000, qualified in submarines 10-44 and plank owner on SS 322 not SS 232

Michael Thompson correct zip code 28214-1133, telephone # (704) 394-6656 his new email address csa1776@earthlink.net, DOB 07-06-55

Oliver Thompson correct zip code 28214-1188

Chuck Jensen

SUBGALLEON CORNER

Here we are already in the second month of the year. As we all know time flies. This year has been a mixed bag of good and bad. A few weeks ago our dear friend and sister Subgalleon Deane Morris went on eternal patrol. Deane was a charter member of the Subgalleons, held office and was always willing to help out in any way. We shall miss her very much. All of us send Bill our deepest sympathy.

In spite of the change of plans for the Pearl Harbor meeting everything went smoothly as the Men had their meeting in the afternoon in the main dinning room and the Subgals used the small annex that was the hospitality room for theirs. Rose Mary Small, Jocelyn Bradburn, Margaret Morgan, Dusty Lathrop, Mary Ritter, Anne Whelan and Sylvia Williams were in attendance. Our main topic was the future of our chapter. The North Carolina Chapter, Wives of Submarine Veterans World War II is in a hold mode. We have been unable to enlist any members to succeed the current slate. The by-laws clearly state; "when a chapter disbands all assets belong to the national". Since we have a significant amount of money in our bank account it was decided to wait until the March meeting before making any decisions. We had a very large turnout for the Pearl Harbor

meeting. I don't know the exact numbers but the room was filled to capacity. There were speakers, awards presentations, raffle ticket handouts and introductions. Needless to say it was a long evening. One of our senior submariner Howe Rice was present and he looks great. A beautiful quilt made by Maryann Jensen was given to Mike and Maryann Burkholder. Mike was honored for being the one who organized the USSVI Base in North Carolina. Please try to make the Elizabeth City meeting; we have lots of business on the agenda.

Rose Mary Small

USSVI TARHEEL BASE COMMANDER'S CORNER



Shipmates,

First of all, I wish to thank all hands for giving me the opportunity to be the Tarheel Base Commander for 2008. It will be a challenge to maintain the standards established by the past commanders, Mike Burkholder and Chuck Jensen.

Isn't the internet great? I went on the web to find the definition for Quartermaster and found a complete website for the QM rating. Definition of Quartermaster:

"Master of the Quarter Deck responsible for the safe steerage of the ship."

That is how I view my duties as Base Commander, responsible for the safe steerage of the Tarheel Base. You are all familiar with steering a ship. The helmsman receives

input about many different parameters, course, speed rudder changes, speed changes and so on. The helmsman reacts to these inputs to safely steer the ship.

The Tarheel Base is your ship and I will try to safely steer it. I NEED ALL YOUR INPUTS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS.

Some of the things that I would like to see started, changed or incorporate into the Tarheel base this year are:

Committees for the following:

Hospitality

Parades

Membership

Publicity

Any one interested in volunteering to be a member of these committees, please contact me via e-mail or telephone-252-289-6329.

Have more local area social meetings in between the official events. Anyone can set up a breakfast or lunch and have the information published in local newspapers.

We, as members, have to promote the USSVI and the Tarheel Base by attending other veteran's organization meetings and wearing submarine associated clothing; any thing that we can do to get a perfect stranger to ask "Are you a bubble head or stating I rode the _____ boat."

As you know, the Tarheel Base has over 150 members and North Carolina is about 400 miles East to West. With this in mind, I would encourage members to think about starting new bases in North Carolina as the Piedmont base has done. Granted this would lower the Tarheel base membership, but would probably increase overall membership in USSVI.

I will attempt to briefly summarize the Tarheel Base 2007 events:

1. The Tarheel Base participated in many parades this year--Sanford's Armed Forces Day; Thomasville's Memorial Day; Greensboro's Fun 4th Newton's Old Soldiers; Winston-Salem; High Point and the Wilson Christmas Parade. As you know, a parade is one of the best ways to promote our Base, which is one reason I think we need a parade committee. With two floats, we can be in a lot more parades throughout state.
2. One of the most significant events to take place was the dedication of the Lost Boat Memorial in Wilmington, NC in May. About 200 WWII and USSVI submariners and guests attended. This was the accumulation of a tireless effort of the last base

commander, Chuck Jensen. A Bravo Zulu to Wayne Powell for making the 3 day event in Wilmington a success.

3. We had the 4th Burnsville meeting in June, thanks to Chuck Jensen. It was great to have a fun and relaxed time after the hectic activity in Wilmington.
4. The Tarheel Base was well represented on the Alaskan Cruise for the USSVI National Convention. A well done to the Bremerton Base for hosting that event. We may want to encourage some of our East coast bases into hosting a convention on a cruise. (Maybe a northern hydrographic run?)
5. Our Pearl Harbor dinner and installation of officers was held in Cary on December 7th at the VFW post. A brief business meeting was held in the afternoon and a February business meeting was scheduled. Chuck Jensen was voted in as the State Commander of the USSV of WWII. This will allow Don Small some well deserved R&R

We had 32 members at our 9 February business meeting in Cary, NC. Thanks to the VFW POST#7383 and Paul Hiser for the lunch and the meeting room. We all had a look at the new float trailer and received many suggestions for decorations. The decoration committee will work on final decorations and Jim Myers will tow the float in the St. Patrick's Day parade in Raleigh on March 15th. Anyone interested in making a cash donation for trailer decorations, please contact Jim Myers. There are many upcoming parades and information will be sent out via all hands e-mail.

The USS North Carolina SSN777 commissioning event in Wilmington is on track. Looks like there will be good turn out. I would like to have a Lost Boat ceremony at the memorial in Battleship Park. I will send out more information on this via e-mail.

Jerry

USSVI TARHEEL BASE VICE COMMANDER'S CORNER



I am looking forward to serving the Tarheel Base as Vice Commander. With several of our base members, I have gathered over 150 names of submarine veterans in the State of North Carolina. Our base commander is also very interested in expanding our group. So keep up the good work in recruiting. Ask folks if they happen to know a bubblehead. One would be surprised at the results. If I maybe of service to anyone, at any time, please feel free to contact me.

Butterbean

USSVI TARHEEL BASE SECRETARY'S CORNER



MINUTES OF NC SUB VETS WORKING MEETING HELD AT VFW POST # 7383 IN CARY ON FEBRUARY 9, 2008

Base Commander Jerry Emerson requested all subvets to assemble at the new parade torpedo trailer to hash over decorating ideas or suggestions. Several items were discussed- such as having a skirt or bunting around the railing with the names and or pictures of the 52 WWII lost boats.

Lunch was enjoyed by all in the main building after Chaplain Bill Whelan offered the blessing.

Jerry Emerson called the Tarheel Base business meeting to order at 12:40 PM with introductions by the 32 subvets and 1 guest present followed by all reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEMS AND REPORTS:

1. Base Secretary Bill Lowe read the minutes of the last business meeting held on December 7, 2007 at VFW Post in Cary. Minutes were approved as read with one minor change.
2. Brief treasurer reports were given as follows: balance of \$3,217.32 in Tarheel Base account per Mike Toomey and \$2,900 in WWII account per Jim Myers.
3. Dick Kanning covered items relating to the upcoming commissioning ceremony for the USS North Carolina (SSN-777) to be held at the Wilmington, N.C. State Ports Pier on Saturday May 3, 2008. Joe Hanna has been hired by the US Navy to oversee the planning for the commission ceremony. A list of the names of 270 subvets from N.C. has been submitted to the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce. Shortly each one of these subvets should be receiving two tickets to the commissioning and possibly a chance at two additional tickets per subvet. A dinner cruise on the riverboat Henrietta is planned for Friday evening, May 2 for subvets and Battleship N.C. veterans plus family members. The riverboat will leave from the downtown Wilmington waterfront and upon returning at 9:00 PM, will have a "front row" seat for a fireworks display. A luncheon for the crew of the SSN-777 is still in the planning stages. Also, the possibility of conducting a lost boats memorial meeting by NC subvets on Friday morning, May 2 at the BB-55 Park was brought up by Commander Jerry. As a note, the Battleship North Carolina Association will be holding a reunion during the commissioning weekend. Dick stated that rooms may be at a premium in the Wilmington area for this time in May and if you haven't made any reservations by now, you may be SOL.

4. Base Storekeeper Will Harvey covered the plans for a ledger and a scrapbook to be presented to the crew of SSN-777 as a commissioning gift from the N.C. subvets. Both books will be leather-bound in a top quality manner at a cost of \$450.00 for the leather work. Motion was made and seconded to spend the \$450.00 for this outstanding crew gift. A plaque for the SSN-777 was discussed and put on hold for now.
5. Jim Myers covered the details on the new trailer for the MK-14 torpedo. He stated the total cost for the trailer came to \$3,956 after including extra for rust resistant wheel rims. The trailer is registered in Jim's name in order to get a permanent tag and his truck liability insurance will cover the trailer during towing. Jerry requested the formation of a 3 to 4 men torpedo trailer decorating committee. Three subvets volunteered to do the job- Will Harvey- chairman; Frans Van Baars; and Dick Kanning. Torpedo trailer decorations donations were taken up and Jerry will send out an e-mail for donations from subvets not present at the business meeting.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

- 1- Jerry covered a request or solicitation from the Dallas Base for ads in the program for the upcoming National Convention in Dallas-Ft. Worth. After a lengthy discussion, a motion was passed for the Tarheel Base to purchase a ¼ page color ad for \$45.00. It was suggested that this ad include a logo in honor of the USS North Carolina (SSN-777) commissioning.
- 2- Brian Flynn has agreed to assume his previous position as NC Subvets web site Webmaster. Bryan says his job will not interfere with this task.
- 3- Chuck Jensen gave details on the quarterly meeting of NC subvets in Elizabeth City on Saturday March 8 at a VFW Post facility. Hospitality room will be open from 9:30 AM till 5:00 PM. Lunch will be roast beef and trimmings at a cost of \$15.00 per person. All pertinent information will be forthcoming in the All Clear.
- 4- Jerry covered the St. Patrick's Day Parade in downtown Raleigh on Saturday March 15. We will assemble at 10:00 AM. Jerry will be sending out info on a meeting point location since no personal vehicles will be allowed in the assembly area. Jim Myers will be hauling the MK-14 torpedo trailer in the parade with most of the decorations in place- hopefully.
- 5- Other parades thru the end of May were discussed: 4/26/08- Salute The Troops Parade in Raleigh (Jerry will check on this one) ; 05/17/08- Armed Forces Day Parade in Sanford (this is a go per Dick

- Kanning); and 05/26/08 (date?)- Memorial Day Parade in Thomasville. Commander Jerry would like the formation of a Parades Committee to handle planning/details for upcoming parades in which the NC subvets will "display their colors". He will be asking for volunteers for this task via the All Clear.
- 6- District 3/Southeast Regional meeting will be held in Virginia Beach from Tuesday April 8- Friday April 11 at the Sandcastle Motel on the beach per Dick Kanning. Meeting is being held during weekdays in order to get a room rate of \$55.00 per night. Info on meeting will be in the next addition of the All Clear.
- 7- Methods of handling the Tolling of the Boats Ceremony were discussed with an agreement that it should be done the "old way" with 2 or 3 men- one reading the names of the lost boats and one ringing the bell plus possibly one reading a history of that particular time during WWII.
- 8- Chuck stated the annual NC subvets meeting in Burnsville is a go for June 21 at the Nu-Wray Inn and more details will follow soon.
- 9- Dick Kanning covered the COMSUBLANT sailors of the year award. Motion was approved for the Tarheel Base to donate \$100.00 to support this worthwhile recognition program.
- 10- Jerry Emerson and Chuck Jensen presented Mike Bricker with a framed thank you letter for his helping Jim Myers with mounting the Mk-14 torpedo on the new trailer.
- 11- Tarheel Base has received a certificate of appreciation from the Boat Sponsorship Program for two sets of the American Submariner Magazine that go to the crew of the USS North Carolina (SSN-777).
- 12- Wednesday February 13th is the deadline for any articles for the All Clear per Editor Jim Myers. As a note, Jim is looking for someone to step forward and relieve him as editor of the All Clear.
- 13- Commander Jerry would like to set up a refreshment committee to handle all the food and drinks for Base meetings. Dick Kanning stated he would continue to make the "booze" run to Ft. Bragg.
- 14- Charlie has set up a library of books for Base members to check out at meetings. All you have to do is check out a book- read it and return same at a future meeting.

15- Mike Burkholder conducted the 50/50 raffle drawing and Bill Baldwin was the lucky winner of \$75.00. Pat Collins has handled ticket sales for the 50/50 raffle and door prizes for several years and wants to "retire" from this job. Who wants to relieve Pat?? Meeting adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Bill Lowe

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER



RECRUITING, RECRUITING, RECUITERING!

As always, when we're in a quandary, we go to the Good Book for guidance. This time was no exception, we found where to start and, more importantly, where to head. We left last week's Working Meeting in Cary, much impressed with us. Don't get us wrong. Your Chaplain found himself impressed not with himself, but with the Submarine Veterans of North Carolina. What started our feeling good was the way Base Commander Jerry Emerson took charge. Jerry didn't mince words. "This is how I'm going to run our meetings," were his opening words, and he didn't let up, "There'll be time before the meetings for fellowship and sea stories, but in between, it'll be strictly business. We'll go by the book."

Our interpretation of Jerry's introduction is that he isn't planning a one-man show. He's simply acting like a leader ('cause that what he is). He is remembering his days as a Chief of the Boat. With orders in hand, he's letting his crew (us) know exactly what's expected of them. He is also delegating authority, specific authority. He spelled out specific areas where he expects his crew to volunteer their individual areas of expertise (after all, submariners are traditionally volunteers).

Continuing our good feeling was input from Vice Commander Bill Dixon (better known as Butterbean). He

was unusually subdued during the working meeting. But when called upon, he uttered just four words, "Recruiting, recruiting, and recruiting."

And that was the connection to the Good Book, believe it or not. Acts 1:8 reads: "...you will receive power to testify...with great effect, to the people in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth...."

Translated into language we can understand, that means:

"we have the power to testify...with great effect to submarine veterans in Cary, throughout Wake County, and throughout North Carolina, from Manteo to Murphy...."

Our newly elected officers have big shoes to fill. Theirs and ours is the goal of keeping alive the memories of submariners of the past, of supporting the efforts of those underway throughout the world today, and of encouraging those of the present who hope some day to wear silver or gold dolphins.

We pledge our individual support to them and keep them in our prayers.

RESPECT OUR ELDERS!

Ever since we were knee-high to grasshoppers, we have been taught to respect our elders.

Think about that word. Think, too, of the experience reflected by those elders. We Submarine Veterans of North Carolina have four elders for whom to be most grateful. In order of seniority they are:

Leonard Respass of Greenville, 95 years old;

Jones Kennedy of Thomasville, 93 years old;

Robert Black of Greenville, 91 years and 10 days old; and

Howie Rice of Walkertown, 91 years old.

HETEROGENEOUS

We're not sure what prompted us to use the word "heterogeneous" at our recent working meeting to describe our group. Incidentally, Jim, the word means "consisting of dissimilar ingredients or constituents."

Frankly, we're delighted that our group is heterogeneous: what a disaster if all of us were torpedomen! Or officers! Or yeomen!

GOSPEL ACCORDING TO BUTTERBEAN

Since Butterbean has given us our marching orders of "Recruiting, recruiting, recruiting," we would suggest the following scripture as his theme:

Matthew 22:9 says it all: "Now go out to the street corners and invite everyone you see."

Of course, we gotta be selective. The rest of that scripture says: "So the servants did, and brought in all they could find, good and bad alike...."

On second thought, we needn't be concerned: there's no such thing as a bad submariner.

Bless you.

Chaplain Bill

From Your USSVI District #3

Commander

News and Info for ED3 Dec 2007

USSVI Awards: ED3 with 8 National Awards presented to bases and/or individuals in the District, You should all be proud. The winners are
HADD0 Base: Newsletter and meritorious
Tarheel Base: Silver Anchor and Robert Link to
Chuck Jensen

Tennessee Base: Jon Jacques-Robert Link
North Virginia Base: newsletter and meritorious
Virginia Base: website

Impressive, to say the least! These are awards for YOUR efforts. While I do get to vote on the Anchor and Meritorious, as do all the DC's, this years candidates were super.

I also get to submit nominations and did so for many. You are not restricted from nominations for any award, so keep your pens sharp and get the recognition you so well deserve by timely submission for them.

SubLant Sailor of the Year (CSL SOY): I again have the honor of being on the Selection Board this year. Again, SubLant will be the only force to recognize Jr. and Sr., Shore and Sea entrants and make an Award in each category. As I stated previously, The Sub Force really shows up the other forces, in both categories, Awards, recognition as well is the only one to have a Vet on the Board. Of course, no other force has a unified organization like USSVI that supports this event. USSVI is again a major sponsor and has committed \$1000.xx for the cause.

Last year, I put out a plea, asking for the bases in ED3 to contribute to the cause. I'm proud that \$760.xx was raised, and presented as a gift from ED3. The monies were given to each candidate as a cash card, for them to use as the individual saw fit. This was well received by all the recipients and appreciated by SubLant.

Again, I'm asking each Base to again support me in this endeavor. If your Base so elects to contribute, please send me the check, and I'll consolidate them into one gift and purchase Cash cards again for each candidate. Why this way? The winners are well recognized and awarded, so I feel that each candidate is a winner and should be so awarded. The entire program is funded by the SubLant CPO Association

SubLant/USSVI Caring & Sharing: national has again contributed \$3000.xx to this worthy cause, used to help lower rated Sub Force personnel have a boost during the Holiday Season. Considering all the organizations out there soliciting for your funds, this is one where WE know who and where our money is going, with NO overhead/admin costs associated.

Dues: Yes, I know: Not a nice subject, BUT; annual national due that are not paid by March will make the individual dink, and dropped from membership. Also, base dues are in your hands. You should not have to beg, plea nor carry someone who won't ante up. I ask you to get the dues collected and submitted in a timely manner.

Annual Financial Reports: Last year, ED3 was the only District in the Region to have 100% base reporting. I realize that to some of you, there was some confusion and bum dope put out regarding these reports that was not professionally presented. I thank you for their and your timely submissions, and ask that you can again set the example by having the EOY financials submitted early!

USSVI Elections: 2008 is an election year .All national, region and ED3 positions are up for voting. Thus far, NC is being pursued by John Carcioppolo, present ERD, and Pat Householder, present NJVC. NSVC is being pursued by Jon Jacques, present NT. Al Singleman present NS is again pursuing that position. T.Michael Bircumshaw, present Editor of AS, is seeking NJVC. Other positions, to date, have no nominations yet.

I ask you to consider stepping up to the plate and get involved. We are a volunteer organization, and as such we only survive due to our service for the betterment of the Organization.

Our Creed: I hope you've noticed the subtle change displayed in our creed. With the simple word "We" added to the last sentence, there is now a commitment, rather than an order to unknown person(s). I've pushed for this for some time.

One ED3 Base has their creed end with the sentence "Pledge loyalty to the United States and its Constitution". A nice alternative that carries a valid commitment.

Unification: USSVWWII Tarheel Chapter formally turned over their State CDR position to Outgoing USSVI Tarheel Base CDR, Chuck Jensen. The Tarheel Base has been fulfilling the position(s) of membership, treasurer, newsletter editor and COB for several years. Most of the WWII folks are USSVI

members, and since the formal 'marriage' of the two groups into NCSubVets in 2004, a solid bonding has been prevalent. Chuck relieved Don Small, (Bergal 44) on 7 Dec during the joint Pearl Harbor Memorial program, held in Cary, NC. I mention this as I feel it OUR responsibility to assist and assume a more active role in support and continuity with and for the WWII heroes. BZ Chuck and Tarheels!

Holland Club: I purchased some Holland Club Challenge coins via the Groton Base, and have given them out to those bases/individuals that I was aware of being so indoctrinated. Because of their size, Groton Base (Tom Connor) gets a real good price on them. I'll continue this practice as long as I can. If you want to get your own, contact Tom.

North Virginia has a beautiful program in their presentations. NoVA Base member Lou Maruzo has made up framed certificates, with a picture of the qual boat and pertinent info that are outstanding! Cost is approx \$50.xx with approx 2 month lead, but well worth it. Lou is at Lou@subshipstore.com.

Bits & Pieces: Haddo Base dedicated a submarine memorial on 13 Oct in the Chattanooga Nat'l Cemetery. It is located on the hill of the Circle of Honor, and is dedicated to all lost Boats. With a crowd of 200, a solemn Tolling of the Boats, and impressive presentations (including your DC) it was a memorable experience. Haddo Base solicited for all the funding and ancillaries with no assistance and succeeded! Atta boy Haddo Base!

USS Louisville base has finally got their submarine memorial, complete with Mk-14 torpedo well displayed in Jeffersontown KY. A long tumultuous undertaking, only successful by perseverance and drive! Nice Job, bubbleheads!

SSN-777: The newest Sub, USS North Carolina will be commissioned 3 May 2008 in Wilmington NC. The NCSubVets along with the Battleship North Carolina (BB-55) Ass'n will be prominent in the festivities. Those SubVets that attended the christening met with some of the BB-55 Ass'n and have established a rapport with them for a joint get-together.

CSS Hunley: I raised a question during the Nat'l Convention regarding the appropriateness of honoring it during memorials. The response was "have at it". Even though the Hunley was a Confederate ship, many USSVI SubVets partook in the dedication and internment of the crew in Charleston SC a few years back. Hunley was a submarine, and was lost, so my take is it is appropriate. (Initiated by Carolina-

Piedmont Base).

Liability Insurance: A hornet's nest if there ever was one. USSVI legal feel we have such coverage, as grandfathered by the National Policy. Hartford Insurance says no. my take is, we are all part of ONE organization and National would not exist without each base. As a group, we only file one tax return exemption with the IRS as we are one organization. I wish I could give you some good news, but I, myself, can't. I do know Jon is working on resolution.

I serve to serve you. Your concerns and needs are mine. Share, care and communicate!

Dick Kanning

WWII TREASURER'S CORNER

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

It was reported to the State Commander in November that the Tarheel Chapter Membership was paid up til July 2008.

WE HAD 100% RENEWAL OF ALL MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATES DUES FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 5 YEARS KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

Per Don Small instructions the WWII CD was cashed in on 11/8/07. This money was used for the purchase of the new trailer for the Parade Torpedo. After the purchase of the trailer and reimbursement from USSVI's part of the purchase the WWII Checking account stands at \$2940.42.

TO ALL THE WWII NORTH CAROLINA SUB VETS

As you can see there has been a change in the Command of WWII Sub Vets Tarheel Chapter. This does not mean DON SMALL is no longer in the chain of command; He is still the Secretary and the contact point between Tarheel Chapter and WWII Sub Vets National Headquarters. Chuck Jensen having been the Tarheel Base Commander is well qualified to step in and do the things that Don Small wants to get accomplished but like all of us is getting burnt out with all the leg work that it takes to accomplish this strenuous task. I ask that you support this new COMMAND so that nothing is changed as far as

WWII Sub Vets are concerned until it is **absolutely necessary** to do so.

Jim Myers
Treasurer WWII Sub Vets Tarheel Chapter

EDITOR'S NOTES

The All Clear is your newsletter, we are always looking for articles from the members of stories of their career in the NAVY and especially while on Submarines. The articles in the Polaris and American Submariner are examples of what could be written. Don't worry about spelling, diction or editorially correct we can help with that as we put it in. The articles by our Chapter and Base Officer are directed to information needed by all and not Submarine stories. This needs to be enhanced with member input.

I have been the editor of the All Clear for numerous years now and I feel that new eyes and thoughts are needed. Therefore I am asking if someone would be willing to take over the All Clear Editors Job. I would help in any way for the transfer and now that we are no longer in need of a mailing permit it is going to be easier with nothing but editing, publishing, printing and regular mailing stamps. Anyone interested or having questions please contact me at sublobo@triad.rr.com or 336 595 8616.

USSVI TARHEEL BASE
TREASURER & MEMBERSHIP
CHAIRMAN



National ANNUAL memberships are \$20.00 per year.

Discounts are offered for terms of: 5 yrs. (\$90), 3 yrs: (\$55). 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:

Michael Toomey,
10414 Woodview Circle.
Charlotte N.C. 28214

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

Mike Toomey---704 846 7517 ----

mttoomey@carolina.rr.com

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH

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.

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| STEPHENS | KENNETH | JAN 26 1938 |
| WRIGHT | RICHARD | JAN 02 1936 |
| WHELAN | WILLIAM | JAN 03 1926 |
| STILES | LOUIS | JAN 03 1932 |
| RUFF | RICHARD | JAN 09 1941 |
| WILLIAMS | BILLY | JAN 31 1925 |
| KANNING | DICK | FEB 03 1940 |
| BAZZLE | HAROLD | FEB 06 1939 |
| WOOD | WILLIAM | FEB 07 1931 |
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| WERNER | BOB | FEB 09 1933 |
| BRAME | ROBERT | FEB 10 1928 |
| DAVIS | JAMES | FEB 10 1939 |
| PACIOREK | GERALD | FEB 13 1962 |
| THOMAS | DON | FEB 17 1949 |
| HENGEVELD | BILL | FEB 20 1956 |
| STARK | MILTON | FEB 20 1942 |
| ABBRUZZESE | WILLIAM | FEB 25 1941 |
| THOMMARSON | DAVID | FEB 26 1949 |
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| GREEN | ROBERT | MAR 14 1956 |
| RODERICK | HUGH | MAR 15 1926 |
| TREUSCH | GEORGE | MAR 17 1927 |
| LOVETTE | JAMES | MAR 20 1926 |
| WILSON | EDWARD | MAR 21 1945 |
| GOVERN | ROBERT | MAR 25 1942 |
| MYERS | JAMES | MAR 27 1943 |

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- MARCH 8-----N.C. SUBVET MEETING
ELIZABETH CITY (Details in this issue)**
**MARCH 15-----ST.PATTY PARADE IN
RALEIGH (Contact Jerry Emerson)**
**APRIL 8 THRU 11---DISTRICT
3/SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL JOINT
MEETING IN VIRGINIA BEACH
(Detail in this issue)**
**APRIL 26-----SALUTE THE TROOPS
PARADE IN RALEIGH (Contact Jerry Emerson)**
**MAY 3-----USS NORTH CAROLINA
SSN 777 COMMISSIONING IN WILMINGTON
(Discussed in this issue)**
**MAY 17-----ARMED FORCES DAY
PARADE IN SANFORD (Contact Dick Kanning)**
**MAY 26(??)-----MEMORIAL DAY PARADE
IN THOMASVILLE (Details later)**
**JUNE 21-----U.S. SUBVETS of NC
MEETING IN BURNSVILLE (Contact Chuck
Jensen)**

**THE NEW S-28 NEWSLETTER HAS
BEEN INCORPORATED INTO THE ALL
CLEAR**

Due to the late notification of the publication of the All Clear there will be no S-28 newsletter, look forward to having one next issue.

BOOSTER CLUB 2008

NAME / DATE / AMOUNT

- HAROLD STEED / 8/15/2007 / 15.00
NORMAN SKILES / 8/20/2007 / 15.00
BILL DRESSEL / 8/22/2007 / 5.00
CHARLES TOLBERT / 8/23/2007 / 20.00
EDWARD LLOYD / 8/28/2007 / 15.00
TARHEEL BASE REFUND FOR ALL CLEAR /
8/29/2007 / 1339.84
DONALD LeDUC / 9/3/2007 / 25.00
RAMONA YOST / 9/25/2007 / 20.00
WALTER TAVERNA / 10/23/07 / 5.00
TARHEEL BASE REFUND FOR ALL CLEAR
PRINTING & MAILING / 10/27/07 / 180.00
ART BARKER DONATION FOR TRAILER /
11/5/07 / 105.00
KARL EVANS / 11/8/07 / 15.00
TOM RICHEY / 11/30/07 / 15.00
DICK KANNING / 12/7/07 / 40.00

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS / 1814.84

NEW TRAILER PICTURES





Bolting down the torpedo

Dear Base Commanders & Shipmates.

YOUR SUBVET CHARITY NEEDS YOU!

This foundation is the charitable arm of the United States Submarine **Veterans**, Inc. and was formed to further the creed of **USSVI** by assuming the responsibility of some of our **USSVI** activities which are charitable in nature. The foundation was approved for tax exemption under Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code on December 5, 2000.

Your **USSV** Charitable Foundation is administered by a Board of Directors who serve without compensation, consisting of the **USSVI** National & Region Officers plus others appointed by the National Commander and confirmed by the Board each year. Expenses incurred by your Charitable Foundation are normally paid for by **USSVI**, so virtually all of the funds received are utilized for the charitable purposes for which they were donated.

All donations made to the US Submarine Veterans Charitable Foundation are tax deductible as allowed by the IRS Tax Code.

Your Charitable Foundation supports your Scholarship Program, Memorials and Museum Submarine Support, the **SUBLANT** and **SUBPAC** Caring and Sharing Program, Subvet Disaster Relief, **Kap(SS)4Kids(SS)** and our Submarine Library.

Ways that you can help.

Send us a gift or make a pledge by completing the attached donor card and mailing it in with your check now.

Three levels of planned giving include \$100 payable at \$10 per year, \$500 payable at \$50 per year or \$1,000 payable at \$100 per year. Of course you can always opt for a one time cash donation of any size.

Matching Gifts: Contact your Human Resources Office to see if your company sponsors a matching gift or payroll deduction program

Planned Gifting: Planned gifts include bequests, gifts of Life Insurance or gifts of Appreciated Stock. The easiest type of planned gift is a bequest to the United States Submarine Veterans Charitable Foundation. You simply add an amendment or "codicil" to your will, naming the **USSVI-CF** as a beneficiary of your estate. A bequest in your will allows you to pass on any amount you wish to the Foundation free of estate tax. You can give cash or specific property, a dollar amount or percentage of your estate, with restrictions or without.

Most outright gifts to the Foundation are gifts of cash. But there are tax benefits for contributing gifts of appreciated stock or real estate, and it's just as easy as writing a check. If you have securities or have properties that have grown substantially in value, you can gift them to the Foundation and not only qualify for an income tax deduction, but also avoid long-term capital gains taxes.

Other Planned Gifts. As opposed to outright planned gifts, many donors wish to help guarantee the Foundation's future through estate-plan gifts, which have no affect on the donor's current assets. Through proper planning, you can ensure that your assets are distributed according to your wishes and that your heirs aren't hit with unexpected estate taxes. Turn surplus life insurance policies into a charitable gift, or designate the Charitable Foundation as a beneficiary of your retirement plan. Donors who want to make a lasting gift to the Charitable Foundation, but are concerned about their current financial situation, should consider a life income gift. There are various

charitable trust options that pay income to a donor during his or her lifetime, with the remaining assets transferred to charity when the trust term ends. Life-income gifts provide donors with flexibility--you can choose the trustee and investment strategy; the type, amount and timing of payments; as well as the trust beneficiaries.

Please note that the information presented here is not intended to be legal or tax advice. Please consult your attorney or other professional advisor when considering a planned gift

10 YR PLANNED GIVING: I wish to pledge (\$100/\$500/\$1000) _____ and enclosed is my first year's pledge for \$ _____. I understand USSVCF will invoice me annually at this rate over the next nine years.

I prefer to make a one-time donation in the amount of _____ and enclosed is my check for that amount.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIPCODE: _____

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TEL: _____ EMAIL: _____

Please make your check payable to USSV Charitable Foundation

Mail to USSVI National Office
PO Box 3 870
Silverdale WA 98383-3870

Thank you for your support of our SubVets Charitable Foundation

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
For a COMBINED 2008
U.S. Submarine Veterans WWII &
U.S. Submarine Veterans, Inc.
SE Regional Convention / District 3 Meeting

08 APRIL 2008: *Tuesday - Registration / Check-in.*
REGISTRATION OPEN 1:00PM – 5PM HOSPITALITY ROOM Open until 10:00PM

09 APRIL 2008: *Wednesday - Registration / Business Meetings*
Free Continental Breakfast 7:00AM – 10:00AM

REGISTRATION OPEN 9:00AM – 5PM (*In Hotel Banquet Rooms, 2nd Floor*)

BUSINESS MEETINGS: (*Will be held in Hotel Banquet Rooms, 2nd Floor*)

.. 10:00AM WWII Sub Vets Wives

. 11:00AM - 12:00 Noon WWII Submarine Veterans

. 1:30PM - 2:30PM USSVI Submarine Veterans

HOSPITALITY ROOM: Open 10:00AM - 10:00PM

10 APRIL 2008: *Thursday - Sub Vets WWII Memorial Service / Banquet*

Free Continental Breakfast 7:00AM – 10:00AM

.. **2:00PM** *Sub Vets WWII Memorial Services in Banquet Room at Sandcastle Hotel. All Hands invited.*

. **7:00PM** *A Combined Banquet (at Sandcastle Hotel Banquet Room)*

HOSPITALITY ROOM: Open 10:00AM - 10:00PM (*Closed During Memorial Service*)

11 APRIL 2008: Friday, *Checkout*

This will conclude the planned events/activities for this “combined” SE Regional Convention & District 3 Meeting. You-all have a safe journey home.

**U.S SUBMARINE VETERANS OF WW II – U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS, INC.
2008 SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CONVENTION – DISTRICT THREE MEETING
APRIL 08 - 11, 2008 – VIRGINIA BEACH, VA**

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM – CUTOFF DATE: March 26, 2008
NICKNAME FOR NAME TAG,

NAME _____ IF DIFFERENT _____

STREET ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

CHAPTER-BASE/STATE _____ CURRENT OFFICE _____

BOATS SERVED IN _____

WIFE'S NAME _____ NICKNAME _____ OFFICE _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ TELEPHONE _____

ADDRESS AT CONVENTION, IF NOT AT HOTEL _____

NO. TOTAL

REGISTRATION FEE (Non-Refundable) PER PERSON \$10 _____

PRIZE DRAWING DONATION EACH TICKET \$1

1st Prize 30%, 2nd Prize 15%, 3rd Prize 5% OR 6 FOR \$5 _____

BANQUET, Thursday Evening, APRIL 10th PER PERSON \$30 _____

Roast Beef Au Jus _____ (Number)

Chicken Marsala _____ (Number)

White Fish in Lemon & Butter Sauce _____ (Number) TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

DIRECTIONS TO HOTEL:

If arriving via Interstate 64 East, take the Interstate 264 right exit toward Virginia Beach. Proceed to the end of Interstate 264 until reaching Atlantic Avenue at the oceanfront. Take a right turn onto Atlantic Avenue and proceed to the Sandcastle Oceanfront Resort Hotel@ 1307 Atlantic Avenue. The Hotel will be on your left.

If arriving via Interstate 64 West, take the first right Interstate 264 exit toward Virginia Beach. Follow the same directions for Interstate 264 as above.

RESERVATIONS:

Reservations at the Sandcastle Oceanfront Resort Hotel are the responsibility of the individual (1-800-233-0131). A special rate of \$55.00, plus tax, per night is available under U.S.SUBVETS. Deadline for special rates is March 10, 2008.

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U.S.S. NORTH CAROLINA (SSN 777) COMMISSIONING CEREMONY

Henrietta Riverboat Dinner Cruise & Fireworks Show

May 2, 2008, 6:30 - 9:30 pm; \$35 a *person*;

Deadline is March 15, 2008

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

How many tickets requested: _____ Total amount: \$ _____

If mailing a check, please make payable to *Battleship North Carolina*.

Direct your check to: Danielle Wallace, Program Director

Battleship North Carolina, P.O. Box 480, Wilmington, NC 28402

Credit card #: _____ Exp. _____

Email any questions or special requests to: programs@battleshipnc.com or call: 910-251-5797 ext. 3024

SUBVET

NC SUBVETS

Elizabeth City Meeting

March 8, 2008

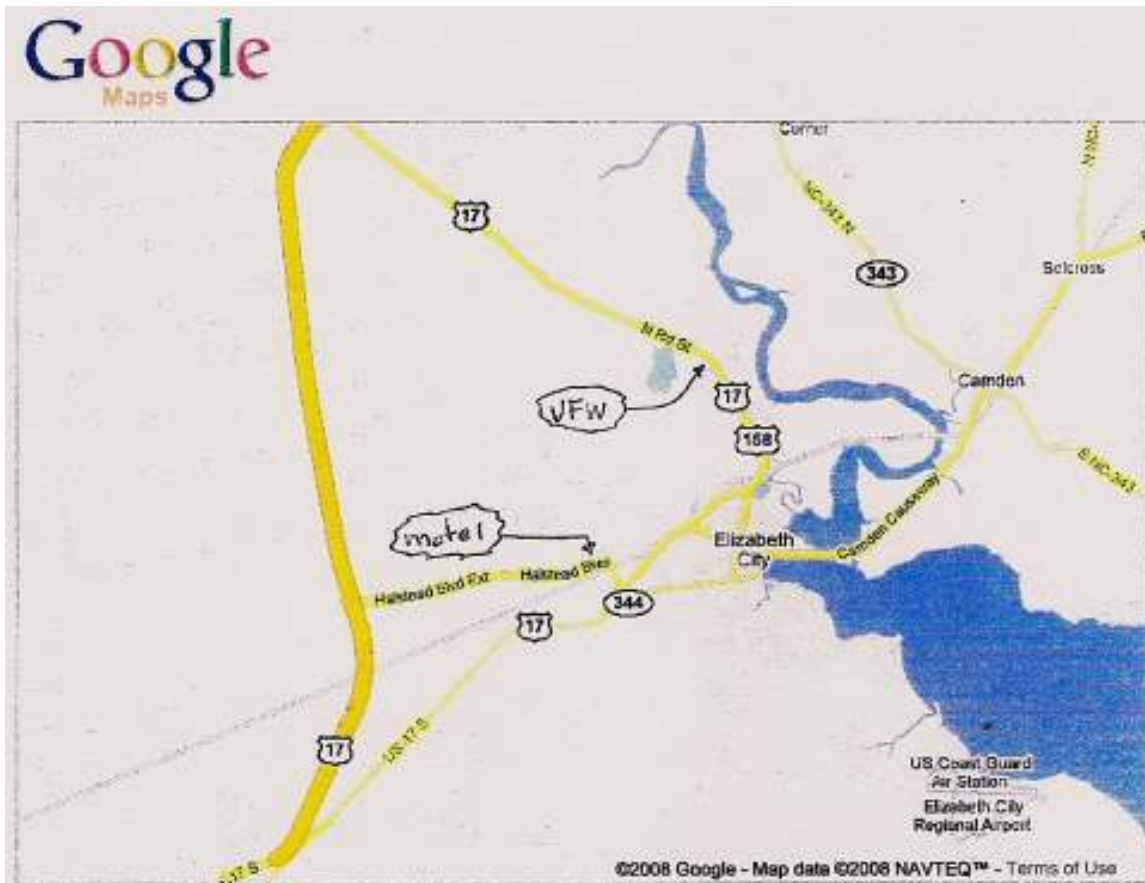
The next joint meeting of the NC Subvets will be in Elizabeth City, NC on Saturday March 8, 2008. The meeting location this year will be VFW Post #6060 located at 1433 N. Road Street (US 17 / NC 158), Elizabeth City, NC with directions provide below. This again will be a luncheon meeting with a hospitality room being provided from 9:30 am until 5:00 pm. The price for this luncheon will remain the same as the 2006 meeting at \$15.00 per person and will consist of roast beef, baked potato, garden salad, California vegetable melody, desert, coffee, and tea. After lunch, we will have a brief business meeting followed by more socializing in the hospitality room. We will have alcohol and wine available in the hospitality room **at no charge** with the post providing beer at \$2.00 a bottle and soft drinks (mixers) with 3 bottles in a bucket for \$3.00.

For those needing motel accommodations the Fairfield Inn is the newest motel in town and will give us group rates of \$89.00 + tax for a double that includes a continental breakfast providing we book 10 or more rooms. Call 252-333-1003 and tell them you are a subvet.

Please make your luncheon reservations with Jim Myers either by email sublobo@triad.rr.com or phone (home) 336-595-8616 (cell) 336 971-0496.

Jim's mail address to send your check payable to "U.S. Subvets" for the meal is:

Jim Myers
4905 Reidsville Road
Walkertown, NC 27051



Directions to the Fairfield Inn and VFW Post #6060:

If you are coming up US 17 from the south take the new US 17 bypass (towards Chesapeake, V A). Get off at Halstead Blvd exit towards Elizabeth City and motel will be on right. From the motel to the VFW Post get back on Halstead Blvd towards Elizabeth City turn left on to US 17 at the stop light and go approximately 4 miles and the VFW Post will be on the left just past Action Auto.

If you are coming from the north stay on US 17 south to exit 264 (US 17 Elizabeth City) after exiting go through 3 stop lights and the VFW Post is about 1000 yards on the right past the 3 rd stop light.

See the above map for an overall view of the area and location of the motel and VFW Post.