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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, 1 survivor taken prisoner
S-26	Rammed by escort	46 men lost, 2 survived	GUDGEON	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost
SHARK 1	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	HERRING	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
PERCH	Sunk by surface craft	All taken prisoner, 8 died in prisoner of war camp	GOLET	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
S-27	Ran aground	No loss of life	S-28	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
GRUNION	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost	ROBALO	Sunk by enemy mines	77 men lost, survivors taken prisoner, 0 survived
S-39	Ran aground	No loss of life	FLIER	Sunk by enemy mines	78 men lost, 8 survived
ARGONAUT	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	HARDER	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost, plus 17 army personnel
AMBERJACK	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost	SEAWOLF	Sunk by friendly destroyer	All hands lost, plus 17 army personnel
GRAMPUS	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	DARTER	Ran aground	No loss of life
TRITON	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	SHARK II	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
PICKEREL	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost	TANG	Sunk by own torpedo	78 men lost, 9 taken prisoner
GRENADIER	Sunk by aerial bombs	All taken prisoner, 4 died in prisoner of war camp	ESCOLAR	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost
RUNNER	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost	ALBACORE	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost
R-12	Sunk cause unknown	42 men lost, 3 survivors	GROWLER	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
GRAYLING	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost	SCAMP	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost
POMPANO	Sunk by enemy mines	All hands lost	SWORDFISH	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
CISCO	Sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs	All hands lost	BARBEL	Sunk by aerial bombs	All hands lost
S-44	Sunk by surface craft	55 men lost, 2 survivors taken prisoner	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	SNOOK	Sunk cause unknown	All hands lost
CORVINA	Sunk by enemy sub	All hands lost	LAGARTO	Sunk by surface craft	All hands lost
SCULPIN	Sunk by surface craft	63 men lost, 21 survivors taken prisoner	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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U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II (USSV-WWII) INFORMATION

ELIGIBILITY:

US SUBMARINE VETERANS WWII - Restricted to officers and enlisted men of US Navy Submarine Crews and Relief Crews, who were on active duty between December 7, 1941 and December 31, 1946. **Associate Membership** may be issued to ANY person by vote of the chapter or State Commander. NO NATIONAL DUES SHALL BE ASSESSED. Must pay \$10.00 yearly base dues. He may subscribe to national publications at the \$10 prescribed rate. Associate members cannot vote on any level higher than the local chapter nor hold any office higher than the local chapter.

WIVES OF SUBMARINE VETERANS WWII - RESTRICTED TO wives or unmarried widows of men eligible for membership. **WIDOWS MAY RECEIVE THE POLARIS FREE OF CHARGE BY LETTING THE COMMANDER KNOW OF YOUR INTEREST. TO RECEIVE THE ALL CLEAR, CONTACT THE EDITOR.**

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.

MEMBERSHIP RULES: Dues are due by July 1st of each year.

MEN: Annual Dues: \$15.00 **LIFE MEMBERS** pay \$10.00 yearly
Please make checks payable to: WWII SUBMARINE VETERANS OF NC
And mail to: Jim Myers, 4905 Reidsville Road, Walkertown, NC 27051-9774

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MEN: Base Annual Dues: \$10.00
National Dues: Non-Life Member dues are 5 Years = \$90, 3 Years = \$55, or 1 Year = \$20
Life Membership varies with age: Up to 45 years old = \$500, 46-55 = \$400,
56-65 = \$300, 66-75 = \$200, 76 and up = \$100

ELIGIBILITY:

USSVI: To have served and qualified on a United States Submarine.

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 and its Constitution.”

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ELIZABETH CITY JOINT MEETING REMINDER

Deadline for registration is this Friday, February 19th

The USSVI Albemarle Sound Base and USSV-WWII Tarheel Chapter are hosting this year's joint meeting at Elizabeth City. If you are planning on attending, it would be helpful for Albemarle Sound Base, who is providing the food for the luncheon, to know how many attendees they can expect for their planning purposes. The meeting registration form and agenda are included in this issue in case you misplaced the ones previously sent to you.

There won't be many more future joint meetings with our WWII Subvets.

2009 KINGS BAY WWII SUBVETS MEMORIAL SERVICE NOTES

Sent by Chuck Jensen

The NC Subvets attending this year's service were 9 Tarheel Base and 3 Carolina-Piedmont Base members along with many of their wives or a son. Also attending with her daughter was Dusty Lathrop. Bill Morris and Bill Whelan were the only WWII Subvets from the Tarheel Chapter in attendance. Once again the hospitality provided by the Kings Bay Submarine Base was outstanding. Master Chief of the Navy Rick West was the guest speaker and he gave a great speech about the value to the country that the submarine force continues to provide. Also speaking was Joe Cox who is now the current National President of USSV-WWII. He also presented Master Chief of the Navy Rick West a framed "Pride Runs Deep" slogan from the Submarine Force.

On a sad note, the attendance of WWII Subvets able to attend continues to decline as this year only 51 were in attendance compared to 66 in 2008. However Pete Sococo (qualified in 1940 and made 16 war patrols on the USS Stingray) and his 2 daughters were there. Again, for the second year, Superman did not show up. Don Brown stated at the low-county boil dinner that he expected Superman to be there next year.

Mark your calendars! The annual Submarine Memorial Service held in Kings Bay, GA that was scheduled to be held during the first weekend in November has moved to the week prior, 27-30 October due to Base events that will be going on.

Now Hear This!!

2010 BURNSVILLE MEETING INFORMATION

The schedule of events and registration form is included later in this issue for the upcoming Burnsville Memorial Service being held May 21-22. The actual service is May 22. I have 30 rooms set aside for us at \$57.25 plus tax. Have also set up a buffet dinner for Saturday evening (1800) and will be a home cooked meal, catered buffet style. Cutoff is May 1, so that I can either turn rooms back in and also give a head count for the meal. For those that did not attend last year, we actually had a pretty good time up in the mountains, even if there is not much there. Of course there were a bunch of sea stories being told.

Steve Bell
Carolina-Piedmont Base Commander

2009 PEARL HARBOR DINNER NOTES

Sent by Chuck Jensen

There were 54 Tarheel Subvets and their guests attending this year's dinner held at The Country Inn & Suites located in Wilson. Well done to the Peggy & Jerry Emerson along with Judy & Henry Hagwood for their efforts in making the dinner a success. Great facilities and everyone seemed to enjoy having a sit-down dinner this year. Our new SS Choir, organized under the leadership of Butterbean, made their debut and performed very well and also were part of the Tolling the Boats ceremony held after dinner. I am sure they will be performing again in the near future.



Dick Kanning swore in the base officers for 2010 all of whom were incumbents except for Spencer Combos treasurer. Also Dick presented a wooden NC Subvets Logo to Don Small, Jim Myers, Mike Burkholder, Bill Whelan, and Chuck Jensen for their efforts along with Dick in formally organizing our combined group of the state's USSV-WWII chapter with, at the time it organized, the only USSVI base in the state. Since then the three other USSVI bases in North Carolina are now also members.



Pat Collins presented Holland Club Awards to Ken Boyer and J. B. Helms in recognition of being qualified in submarines for 50 years or more. Mike and Maryann Burkholder again made the long trip from Ft. Wayne to be at the dinner. Mike presented the base a photo collage of pictures taken of base activities from the past 10 years. Jim Myers won the 50/50 raffle worth \$148.00 which he immediately donated to the Burnsville Memorial restoration fund.



Ernest Evans receives his Holland Club Award

MORE HOLLAND CLUB AWARDS

Pat and Chuck Jensen presented Holland Club Awards on 14 November 2009 to the last 2 WWII Subvets Pat had on his list. Robert Wyatt received both the Holland Club and Senior Submariner Awards and Ernest Evans received the Holland Club Award.



Robert Wyatt receives his Holland Club & Senior Submariner Awards

STATE COMMANDER'S CORNER U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS OF WWII

Shipmates,

One month is already behind us in 2010 as I guess time goes by fast when you are having fun. The upcoming joint meeting in Elizabeth City, being hosted by the Albemarle Sound Base, will be for the USSV-WWII Southeast Region Chapters and the USSVI Southeast District #1 Bases. Everyone by now should have a copy of the registration form and meeting agenda. In case you misplaced your copy, both the joint meeting registration form and agenda are provided in this issue of the All Clear. Let's have a good turnout with our WWII shipmates.

The 2010 National Convention will be a joint convention of USSV-WWII and USSVI and is schedule from August 30th through September 5th across the Ohio River from Cincinnati.



Chuck Jensen
State Commander
U.S. Submarine Veterans of WWII

In looking back on the activities that occurred in the 4th quarter of 2009 were:

- The Kings Bay Memorial Service where 2 of our WWII Subvets Bill Morris and Bill Whelan were able to attend along with base members from the Tarheel and Carolina Piedmont Base. This year's memorial service will be held October 27th through October 30th. It is one week earlier than normal due Florida State's football schedule.
- At the Pearl Harbor Dinner we had 54 Subvets and guests in attendance. The new SS Choir that was formed by Butterbean made their debut and took part in Tolling the Boats after dinner.

May 21st and 22nd will be the dates for this year's annual Burnsville meeting. It will again be hosted by the Carolina-Piedmont Base at the Pinebridge Inn located in Spruce Pine. This inn is located in the old high school and has some advantages over the Nu-Wray Inn such as each room is air conditioned and there is an elevator to access the second and third floors. I expect that the memorial property owner Tony Valovich will be able to meet with us again.

Hope to see many of you next month at Elizabeth City.

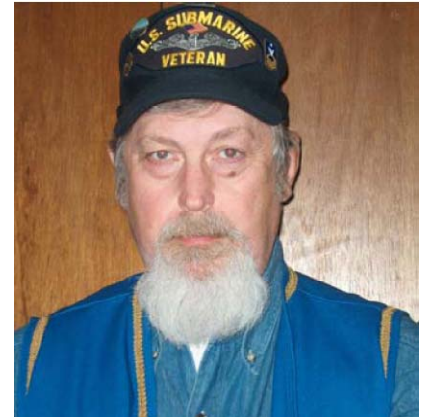
Chuck

WWII TARHEEL CHAPTER TREASURER AND MEMBERSHIP CORNER

The WWII Chapter checking account for 1/31/2009 balanced with the Bank Statement at \$3099.67 with the details as follows:

9/30/2009	Starting Total	\$2830.87
<u>DEPOSITS SINCE 9/30/2009</u>		
10/13, 11/13, 1/15. 1/28	Dues	\$ 105.00
1/15	Boosters	\$ 5.00
1/8, 1/15	Calendars	\$ 30.51
1/15, 1/28	2010 Conference	<u>\$ 375.00</u>
	Total Deposits	\$ 515.51
<u>EXPENDITURES SINCE 9/30/2009</u>		
9/14, 10/14	U.S. Subvets Nat'l Dues	\$ 80.00
12/15	U.S. Subvets Nat'l Calendars	\$ 58.10
10/16	Refund of Dues	\$ 15.00
10/30	Magnetic Sign	\$ 15.00
11/30	Transfer, USSVI Culver Dues	\$ 10.00
1/11	Cash for refund to Myers	\$ 28.61
1/21, 1/25	Refund of Dues	<u>\$ 40.00</u>
	Total Expenditures	\$ 246.71
1/31/2010	Ending Total	\$3099.67

Jim Myers
Treasurer



Jim Myers
WWII Tarheel Chapter Treasurer



Coming Up
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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

(Editor's Note: The Chaplain's Corner is now being rotated with input from the participating chaplains)

FAITH THAT TRIUMPHS

Dear shipmates,

The greatest chapter on faith, in the New Testament, is Hebrews 11, the "Faith Chapter." It begins "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. . . (2) By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible." This is followed with a series of verses that begin with, "By faith . . ." ending in verse 13 with: "These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth." Then begins again a series "By faith . . ." finishing in verse 33 with: ". . . who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword . . . etc, etc, etc." Then, in 33b we see another side of faith: "Others were tortured . . . had trial of mockings and scourgings . . . chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, sawn in two, slain with the sword . . ." ending with these words; ". . . [they] did not receive the promise . . ." Why? Because God had something better in store.



Chaplain Ray Fritz
USSVI Carolina-Piedmont Base

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER (Cont.)

On a recent trip to San Diego, CA this chapter on faith came to mind. Diana and I attended the USS Skate SSN 578 reunion to celebrate 50 years since it surfaced at the North Pole on March 17, 1959 at 1054Z; the first time in history.

As a 20 year old fresh out of Sub School it was pretty exciting. I was allowed to hold Sunday Services while at sea whenever Captain Calvert or the XO were unable to. Faith was evident in many ways: Faith in God; Faith in the people who built the submarine; Faith in the equipment; and Faith in each other. To be sure there were tense moments on that patrol when prayer was the 'order of the day.' They are described in "Surface at the Pole"; a book written by Captain James Calvert.

It was wonderful to see, once more, several Skate Plank Owners as well as the wives of two shipmates now on eternal patrol [I wasn't a Plank Owner]. It reminded me of how faithful God has been to our family all these years. I pray that is true for you as well.

We were able to tour the USS Asheville SSN 758 compliments of retired Admiral John Nickelson, who was XO of the original Skate crew. Retired Admirals still have pull! (The picture is of Admiral Nickelson)

We live in a very troubled world. I pray faith in God is a vital part of your life. Faith in God gives us real "Hope" and faith in God brings real "Change" – change you can count on. It changes us from the inside (heart) out and gives us true freedom to love others. And it moves us to reach out to help others in their time of need such as in Haiti.

By the way, Hebrews chapter 11 isn't finished - God is still writing the chapter. Will my name be included? Will yours? Only time will tell.

*In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me.
As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free
While God is marching on.*

The banner below was for the USS Skate reunion (note the interesting weights at the bottom):

Yours for a faith filled life! God bless.
Chaplain Ray Fritz
Raysabode@bellsouth.net



USSVI – CAROLINA-PIEDMONT BASE COMMANDER'S CORNER

Shipmates,

I am hopeful that all of you had a safe and enjoyable Christmas season. That time of year keeps most of us very busy with our families as it should.

But we are now into a new year and each of us has probably set new goals, resolutions, and/or plans for 2010. I do hope we can mostly hold to those that we have set. Naturally we have new goals for our base this year. We hope that we continue to grow as well as not lose members. The membership drive went reasonably well, but we still lost a few members. I guess that is to be expected. However, if you meet or know of a fellow submariner in our local area, please invite them to join us during a meeting and let them see what we are about. If they like, we can easily sign them up. All of us should keep our 'ear to the ground for new members'.



Steve Bell
USSVI Carolina-Piedmont
Base Commander

This year also looks to be a very busy year for us. Try to plan to attend as many of the Subvet events as you can. I realize it is hard for each of us to make all the events. We have several parades this year planned, a district meeting in Elizabeth City, other joint meetings throughout the year, a National convention on this side of the country, and the Georgia memorial service. Our base also has some plans for charity work, such as our KAP(SS) 4 KID(SS) efforts. Hopefully there will be some other events that we will be involved with. Stay tuned at the meetings for better details of each of these events.

This is also a Subvets National election year. The National Commander is up this year as well as a few other positions. I encourage each of you to read the resumes of each candidate and to vote for each of them. Voting will be electronic again this year and each of you can easily vote from the privacy of your own computer in your house. Last election our participation numbers were low. Let's see if we can largely improve on that. Some of this is the same old story you have heard all your life regarding elections, if you do not participate, then you have no room to complain about what is decided by our leadership. So please do your homework and vote, it really will not take much of your time.

I look forward to serving as your Base Commander this year. Please feel free to give me any comments/recommendations you might have. I cannot react to them if you keep them to yourself. Now that does not mean all those will be implemented, but if you do not let me know, they surely will have no chance. Remember, this is your base, I am just the one who tries to organize things and keep the ball rolling.

It is my honor to serve for you. Let's keep making all the attempts we can to improve our base, which in turn improves the USSVI. And thank you for all your support.

Steve Bell

2010 SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CONVENTION - APRIL 26 - 29

A golf event has been added to the convention in Panama City Beach, FL. For more information and the registration form, see the Seawolf Base "Blog" at <http://seawolfbase.blogspot.com/> and click on the links on the left side of the page.

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USSVI – CAROLINA-PIEDMONT BASE SECRETARY'S CORNER



Jack Jeffries
USSVI Carolina-Piedmont
Base Secretary

Once again the Carolina Piedmont base was invited to Kyle and Patty Petty's Victory Junction Gang Camp to present caps, certificates and museum boat pictures to the children attending the camp. This was a special time for the children as it was Halloween. Each child as well as staff members were in costume for the special evening. We were invited to enjoy supper with the children, their parents and siblings as well as the staff. After the meal, the children were presented with the presents. To see the smile on their faces and joy of their parents was unforgettable. We have been invited back to the camp during the months of April and June as well as a future date in the fall. Thank You USSVI for starting this outreach program. The smiles on their faces is something we will not forget.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

NOTE: If you do not see your name in the appropriate month or it's missing, please update your file on our rosters.

<u>JANUARY</u>	<u>FEBRUARY</u>	<u>MARCH</u>
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Richard Ruff	Richard Graves	James Lovette
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Kenneth Stephens	Dick Kanning	James Myers
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William Whelan	Jerry Paciorek	Gene Rutter
Billy Williams	Milton Stark	Joseph Sendek
Richard Wright	David Thommarson	George Treusch
	Jim Wallace	Edward Wilson
	Bob Werner	
	William Wood	

USSVI – COASTAL CAROLINA BASE COMMANDER'S CORNER



Terry Kuhn
USSVI Coastal Carolina
Base Commander

I love this time of the year. The tourist crowds are absent and we can travel and get our work done without having to make way for the throngs of visitors. I appreciate that they keep our local economy running and the business at the Battleship North Carolina is booming. Unfortunately it isn't the best weather to schedule outside functions in, so I think we are all looking forward to spring and the chance to get some dirt under our fingernails. The Coastal Carolina Base was able to ask permission from some of the Pearl Harbor survivors at their annual meeting this past December 7th if it would be okay for us to take over maintenance on their memorial. It is about 20 feet north of the S-28 memorial in Battleship Park and would be convenient to do both at once. We will be scheduling the first of those joint cleanings for later in the quarter when we can be a little more sure of temperatures above freezing. We got our informal brunch/ coffee socials off to a start and they are a lot of fun, we plan to move the locations around the area to make it easier on some of our more remote brothers. We are planning on entering the Azalea Festival parade and have invited the other North Carolina bases to participate. The Azalea Festival is one of the premier events in Wilmington, so it should be great exposure for the Subvets.

Upcoming Calendar:

- February 18th - Business meeting at First Baptist Church activity center, 7 PM
- February 20th - Brunch at Leon's Restaurant, 7324 Market St., 10 AM
- TBA (March) - Cleaning memorials
- TBA - Hoggard High School landscaping project
- TBA - Lasagna dinner hosted by our own Dom Pacini
- April 10th - Azalea Festival Parade

THE SUB NET

Items on the Internet of Interest to Submariners

Excellent history of Pearl Harbor ... Lots of links, stories and pics.

<http://www.pearlharborsurvivorsonline.org/html/Stories%20Home%20Page.htm>

AWESOME VIDEO

<http://www.thewarriorsong.com/video.html>

A link to a picture library of the dedication of the Lost Boat Memorial at Patriots Point on Dec 7. Pictures taken by Richard Cleeve.

<http://ussvicb.org/activity-pics/091207lostboatsmemorial/index.html>

RECOLLECTIONS OF AN AFTER BATTERY RAT

<http://www.olgoat.com/substuff/abr.htm>

Live recordings from WW II aboard the Sealion. On 21 Nov 1944, Imperial Japanese Navy Battleship Kongo was sunk by USS Sealion submarine. The Sealion crew made sound recordings in the conning tower of the submarine during the attack.

http://www.soundboard.com/sb/USS_Sealion_WWII_Audio.aspx

USSVI – TARHEEL BASE COMMANDER’S CORNER

Shipmates:

Well, here we are in the dark and dreary days of winter. Thank god we're not in DC, Philly, Baltimore or New York. The onslaught of this winter weather in that region of the us just reinforced my choice to be a Tarheel and not a wolverine, where I started out seventy years ago.

2009 has been a busy year for the Tarheel base members: eleven parades, two static displays of the parade floats, plus the floats being on display in the air museum; events in Elizabeth City, Wilmington, Burnsville, and Wilson. Our members attended other events during the year, including the national convention in San Diego, and Veterans' Day in Kings Bay, GA. We continue to add new events to our schedule, which is very important for our continued growth.

2010 should and will be a very busy year. New and different parades, such as Charlotte for the St. Patrick's Day Parade, Wilmington for the Azalea Festival, national convention in Cincinnati, OH and the joint regional meeting in Elizabeth City.

Each and every member of the Tarheel base should be on the lookout for new and different events to bring to the business meetings for discussion and possible participation. We need to find new events to take part in. An example of this is that one of our members is looking into getting us into the state fair.

USSVI national election is near, read the bio's in the next American Submariner and **vote, vote, vote, vote.**

Our next Tarheel Base meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 27.

Thank you,

Jerry Emerson



Jerry Emerson
USSVI Tarheel Base Commander

USSVI – TARHEEL BASE SECRETARY’S CORNER



Bill Lowe
USSVI Tarheel Base Secretary

Minutes from the NC Subvets Working Meeting
Held at VFW Post #7383 in Cary, NC
6 February 2010

Prior to the working meeting, 18 Subvets and one wife enjoyed a get-together for the “noon meal” at the Golden Corral in Cary.

Tarheel Base Commander Jerry Emerson called the meeting to order at 12:59 PM with Chaplain Bill Whelan offering the opening prayer. Jerry led the 28 Subvets present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

While stating the name of their qual boat, brief introductions were rendered by all Subvets in attendance.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. Paul Hiser introduced Bill Cozzolino, American Legion Post 67 Commander. Mr. Cozzolino talked about the various veteran organizations in the area “mingling hats” by having members come to their Post to listen to speakers.
2. Per Pat Collins, Holland Club Coordinator, no presentations are scheduled today. Pat will continue to collect \$1.00 from each Holland Club member through July 2010.

USSVI – TARHEEL BASE SECRETARY’S CORNER (cont.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEMS AND REPORTS:

1. Paul Hiser, NC Subvets Webmaster, covered the updates that he has done to the website. It is now much easier to upload items to the site. Paul stated he has turned in the names of the Subvets and family members requesting tickets to the commissioning of the USS New Mexico (SSN-779) to take place in Norfolk, VA on March 27, 2010. All names have been approved with tickets / info to be mailed out soon.
2. Tarheel Base Secretary, Bill Lowe, read the minutes from the December 5, 2009 Base Business Meeting. Minutes were approved after making some minor corrections. Motion was made and passed to also approve the minutes from the October 17, 2009 without reading same due to a time restraint and since these minutes were previously published in the All Clear.
3. Butterbean Dixon, Tarheel Base Vice Commander stated recruitment of new Base members has slowed down. As of to date, the Base has lost 9 members for non-payment of dues and membership stands at 189. After some discussion, all agreed that, going forward; two contacts with Subvets to have them pay their dues will be enough attempts.
4. Tarheel Base Secretary, Spencer Combos, gave the following Treasurer’s checking account report (details included in the USSVI – Tarheel Base Treasurer and Membership Corner below). Spencer is now using the Quicken 2010 program to track dues payments with a bank requirement that information has to be updated every 6 weeks. Also, USSVI National has a deadline of April 1st for the Base End of the Year Report and Spencer is compiling that report now.
5. Commander Jerry gave a financial report on the 5 December Pearl Harbor meeting. Total incoming was \$1,660. Expenses were \$1,717.15. That left the Base in the hole for \$57.15. Jerry stated that we would have broken even if we had an additional three attendees. All agreed the meeting location in Wilson was “A-1” and a motion was passed to hold the 2010 Pearl Harbor meeting at the Wilson Country Inn & Suites.
6. Chuck Jenson reported on the status of the Burnsville Submarine Memorial. He hasn’t made contact with the owner, Tony, recently. The last word from Tony was that he plans to be at the next meeting of the NC Subvets in Burnsville scheduled for May 21, 2010. The use of concrete to stabilize the Memorial base is still the plan Tony wants to utilize.
7. NC Subvets License Plate Czar Jerry Leppart went over the history of his numerous trips down to the NC Legislature to prod those folks on taking action on Senate Bill 116. Our Subvets plate bill still resides in the House Finance Oversight Committee in the section dealing with a specialty plate commonality issue. This committee has a meeting planned for March and Jerry will be “in the house” then. As of February 6, 2010, Jerry has 250 names requesting a total of 363 plates.
8. Jim Myers read a letter covering a Dolphin Race Around The World Scholarship Fund. Further information about this fund will be available on the website. Jim has 20 or so old WWII Subvets calendars from 2001 and 2002 to give away to any and all takers. Jim is in search for an amplifier for the torpedo trailer. He has looked on E-Bay and Craig’s List for this item. Also, Jim has built another set of steps for the torpedo trailer.
9. All Clear Editor Patch stated he has extended the deadline for submitting articles / info for the next issue in order to cover today’s business meeting. He hopes to have the All Clear out a week from Monday.
10. Commander Jerry announced the Tarheel Base is still in need of a permanent storekeeper.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Upcoming Parades:
 - a. Chuck reported he has paid the \$50.00 entry fee for the St. Patrick’s Day Parade to be held in Charlotte, NC on Saturday March 13, 2010. Our participation in the Charlotte Parade will afford Ollie Thompson’s family the opportunity to see his torpedo “in review.”
 - b. Motion was made and seconded for the Tarheel Base to participate in the Azalea Festival Parade in Wilmington on April 10, 2010. Entry fee will be waived for Veteran groups. Coastal Carolina Base member Terry Kuhn will be the contact person for info on this parade. Chuck stated he will put out info when available.

USSVI – TARHEEL BASE SECRETARY’S CORNER (cont.)

2. Elizabeth City Meeting - Chuck Jensen covered details on the upcoming joint meeting of the WWII SE Subvets and the SE District 1 USSVI Subvets to be hosted by the USSVI Albemarle Sound Base in Elizabeth City, NC. The meeting will be held March 4th - 6th with a hospitality room set up at the Fairfield Inn. Dinner will be served at VFW Post #6060 on Saturday, March 6, 2010 with Force Master Chief Garrison as the guest speaker. Per Jim Myers, 34 people have signed up to date with a registration deadline coming up on February 19th.
3. A lengthy debate / discussion took place concerning the pros and cons of paying Base members dues. After all was said, a motion was passed to have the Base Officers plus Chaplain Bill look at requests on a case by case basis to determine the need or legitimacy.
4. Commander Jerry led a discussion on conducting monthly Base business meetings. Jerry stated his reason for monthly meetings was to cut down on the amount of time expended covering all the agenda items. All agreed that Jerry should decide on the need for more frequent business meetings.
5. Dick Kanning covered a Battleship North Carolina (BB-55) Reunion scheduled for May 5th - 8th in Wilmington, NC. A local VFW Post will be the site for a dinner. Tarheel Base Subvets are invited with registration forms forthcoming.
6. Dick Kanning stated he has served the past three years on the selection committee for the Sailor of the Year for COMSUBLANT and has enjoyed this position. He has spearheaded a fund to award the runners-up with a monetary gift for those outstanding sailors and their families. Last year, \$250 was given to each of the two runners-up. A motion was passed for the Tarheel Base to donate \$100 to this fund matching what the Base gave last year.
7. Dick Kanning brought forth the idea of splitting the Tarheel Base with the possibility of having a base in Raleigh and one in the Greensboro area. One problem was mentioned with a split - the need for another slate of officers. Will Base members step forward to fill these positions? Chuck made a suggestion that Dick have the Bases in NC poll their Tarheel Base members in their respective areas to see if they would be willing to join a local base.
8. Jerry urged all members to cast their votes in the upcoming election of USSVI National officers. We need to have more than 15% vote this time around. Dick covered the various names on the ballot and the offices they are seeking. There three names in the hat for National Director. John Peters will be handling the election again this year. Members will be able to vote “on line” starting in June.
9. Commander Jerry has scheduled the next Tarheel Base Business Meeting for Saturday, March 27, 2010 at the “hut” at 1:00 PM with lunch at the Cary Golden Corral at 11:30AM.

OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. Dick Kanning has received a letter from the crew of the USS North Carolina (SSN-777) thanking the Tarheel Base for the gift of a shadowbox containing a wooden laser cut of their ship’s patch / seal.
2. Jerry Leppart passed around a framed picture of the first Nuclear Task Force in the Med. back in April 1964. Ships in the Task Force were USS Enterprise (CVN-65); USS Long Beach (CGN-9); USS Bainbridge (CGN-25); and last but not least as lead ship - USS Seawolf (SSN-575). Jerry was a crewmember on board the Seawolf during this deployment.
3. Dick Kanning discussed nominations for National and District awards. Dick has helped rewrite the awards manual and is asking members to submit names of Subvets for awards consideration.
4. Jerry Leppart will check on the possibility of displaying the sub and torpedo at the NC State Fair.
5. Meeting was adjourned at 15:35.

USSVI – TARHEEL BASE TREASURER AND MEMBERSHIP CORNER

The Treasurer's input for the 1st Quarter 2010 follows:

Membership is currently 189

Checking Account:

Ending Balance 3 rd Qtr 2009	\$ 3,161.42
Receipts	\$ 4,815.68
Disbursements	<u>\$-2,789.41</u>
Ending Balance 4 th Qtr 2009	\$ 5,187.69



Spencer Combos
USSVI Tarheel Base Treasurer

I still need to get all of the rest of the treasurer documents from Mike Toomey. Online banking is now set up to pay bills online and look at the account at any time. I have converted from an Excel spreadsheet to Quicken 2010 to manage the books. Working on the final year end reconciliation and provide the base end of year (EOY) financial report due to National on April 1st 2010.

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VIET NAM WAR VIRTUAL WALL

To see the virtual wall of all those lost during the Viet Nam War, go to <http://www.virtualwall.org/iStates.htm>. Click on a state, scroll through the cities, towns, and villages listed alphabetical order, with names of those lost from that hometown. Click on a name to see a picture of the person or at least his/her bio and medals.

UNIQUE LANGUAGE OF SUBMARINERS

Jargon is terminology that relates to a specific activity, profession, or group. Much like slang it develops as a kind of shorthand, to quickly express ideas that are frequently discussed between members of a group. In many cases this may cause a barrier to communication, as many may not understand (excerpt taken from <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jargon>). I hope these terms bring laughter and rekindle some fond memories.

Log Book	In the early days of sailing ships, the ship's records were written on shingles cut from logs. These shingles were hinged and opened like a book. The record was called the "log book." Later on, when paper was readily available and bound into books, the record maintained its name.
Wheel Book	A small notebook used to keep track of daily events and reminders.
Twidget	Any of the electronics / computer / communications technicians.
Nonskid	An epoxy compound applied to deck surfaces to improve traction for feet and wheels. Usually applied to all weather decks.
Cinderella Liberty	Liberty where one must be back aboard by midnight.

For more information, see Naval Slang, Jargon, and Terminology FAQ at <http://www.hazegray.org/faq/>

MILITARY AND FEDERAL EMPLOYEE DISCOUNTS

All these businesses offer military discounts; all you have to do is ask

Restaurants

Arby's
A&W
Back Yard Burgers
Burger King
Captain D's
Chick-Fil-A
Cotton Patch
Denny's
Dunkin' Donuts
IHOP (20 % discount with military ID)
Java Cafe
KFC
Long John Silver
Pancho's Mexican Buffet
Pizza Hut
Quizno's
Sizzler
Sonic
Taco Bell
Whataburger

Services

AT&T
California Cryobank
Geico
Jiffy Lube
Meineke
Sears Portrait Studio

Travel and Leisure

Blockbuster
Movie theaters
Ripley's attractions and museums
Professional Sports teams

Products

Apple Computers
AutoZone
Barnhill's
Bass Pro Shop
Bath and Body Works
Big 10 Tires
The Buckle
Champs Sports
Copeland's Sports
Dell
The Discovery Channel Store
Dress Barn
The Finish Line
Foot Action
Footlocker
Gadzooks
GNC
Goody's
Great Party
Happy Harry's
Hot Topic
Jockey
Lerner
Michael's
NAPA Auto Parts
New York & Company
Pac Sun
Payless Shoes
Play It Again Sports
Pure Beauty
Quizno's
Sally Beauty Supply
Spencer's Gifts
Suncoast
Timberland Outlets
Wilson's Leather

Cell Phone Service Discount

All Federal employees are able to get a 15% discount on their personal cell phones by calling their carrier and mentioning the "Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 - Discount to Federal Employees Past and Present."

Cingular - 800-319-6393
Sprint - 877-812-1223
T-Mobile - 866-646-4688
Nextel - 800-639-6111
Verizon - 800-865-1825

You will need to know the military member's supervisor's name, phone number, and full address, so that his/her military status can be verified.

UPDATE FROM USS NORTH CAROLINA (SSN-777)

HooYah shipmates! Dave Collins here, COB on your namesake boat, USS NORTH CAROLINA (SSN 777). I'm happy to report our fine ship is in the final stages of our modernization period up at Electric Boat Shipyard in Groton, CT. We've begun the last push in finishing up qualifications, last minute touches and tests on all equipment, and the ever present recertification process for crew and boat. Our sea trials are scheduled for mid March, and everything is on track to make that date.

Our Sonar and Fire Control divisions just completed training on the newest and most advanced Fire Control/Sonar suite ever put to sea on any submarine. It's so new the software developers and engineers just finished development of the software in the fall, and the last few months have been spent ironing out all the kinks. As a Fire Control technician myself, I'm feeling like a dinosaur looking at this whiz-bang stuff, but the young technicians take to this stuff with the same enthusiasm and skill that they take on the newest Xbox game. They're true masters of their craft, and have taken to this new gear at an amazing rate. They make me proud every day to be their COB. The entire crew for that matter inspires NORTH CAROLINA's leadership with their can-do, WILL-DO attitude in everything they attack. Vice Admiral Donnelly, the Commander of all Submarine Forces, recently recognized an accomplishment which we're all very proud of, it may not seem like a big deal, but consider this: We just passed 2000 days as an organization of 140 sailors with not a single DUI. In a time when the average boat has one DUI per year, as sad as that is, we've gone over five years now without one. A strange thing to celebrate, but we're proud of it, and proud of each other in our ability to do the right thing, even when out of eyesight of me or the skipper.

We're actually moving back onto the boat out of the crew support building we had to work out of during the shipyard period as I write this. Eating chow on the mess decks and feeling the sway of the ship as a barge rolls by on the Thames gets us all fired up and ready to go to sea once more. The next time you hear from us we'll have sea trials and our initial Post-Shipyard certifications behind us and we'll be back in the groove, out at the pointy end of the spear. We're very proud to carry the name of the Tarheel state with us wherever we go, whether it be on our brow banner showing a North Carolina state flag blowing in a stiff breeze, or the ship's logo patches we all have on both our in-port and at-sea uniforms. We're all EXTREMELY proud to be NORTH CAROLINA sailors, and the "Hoo-Yah!" cry we all belted out at the commissioning can be heard wherever we gather, whether it be at all-hands quarters in the morning or at the local bar for a cold beer after a long day.

As I sign off I want all of you to know that we take our ship's name, and the legacy that it represents very seriously. We're extremely proud to have you as brother submariners, and we're constantly mindful of those who've paved the way, gone before us, and in some cases, paid the ultimate sacrifice in maintaining our freedoms here in the United States, and in helping to maintain order and freedom across the globe. Going deep!

Dave Collins, COB
USS NORTH CAROLINA

VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

Anyone interested in taking over duties of Tarheel Base Storekeeper, contact either:

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HOLLAND CLUB INFORMATION

USSVI National Office is automatically inducting Subvets of WWII into the Holland Club and sending the credentials to the base commander, who then gets them to me either by mail or by bringing them to a function. I provide the frames for the presentations. I notify the recipient and ask him to attend the next meeting either by e-mail or by phone. I ask the recipient to please respond to my request for information. If for any reason you cannot attend, let me know and we will try to make other arrangements. If you think you are due for induction into the Holland Club, contact your base commander before contacting me, and we'll find out your status and let you know.

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Tarheel Base Holland Club Coordinator
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USS NORTH CAROLINA TO HOMEPORT IN PEARL HARBOR

Story Number: NNS100107-01, 1/7/2010

By Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Ronald Gutridg, Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet Public Affairs

PEARL HARBOR (NNS) -- Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet announced Jan. 6 that USS North Carolina (SSN 777) will be the third Virginia-class submarine homeported at Naval Station Pearl Harbor.

Rear Adm. Douglas McAneny announced that North Carolina will join fellow Virginia-class submarines USS Hawaii (SSN 776) and USS Texas (SSN 775) at Submarine Squadron 1 in summer 2010.

North Carolina's keel was laid May 22, 2004, and the submarine's official commissioning ceremony was held May 3, 2008.

Measuring 377 feet long, weighing 7,800 tons when submerged and with a complement of more than 130 crew members, she is the fifth ship to be named in honor of the Tar Heel State. North Carolina's crew is excited to represent the namesake state both at home and abroad.

The state-of-the-art submarine is capable of supporting a multitude of missions, including anti-submarine warfare, anti-surface warfare, strike, naval special warfare, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, irregular warfare and mine warfare.

Recognizing the importance of the Pacific region and the increased threat posed by the proliferation of submarines in the western Pacific, the 2006 Quadrennial Defense Review mandated that 60 percent of the U.S. Navy's submarines be homeported in the Pacific by the end of 2010.

NCDMV SPECIALTY PLATE NEWS

Sent in by Jerry Leppart
Tarheel Base Member

Our Subvet plate sits in the House finance Committee after passing the Senate and 1 reading in the House. All Bills must pass 3 readings each in the House & Senate and be approved by any other Legislative "Committees" that are deemed necessary. I sent a note to Rep. Pryor Gibson (Anson & Union County Rep.) who is one of the Co-chairman of the Finance Comm. asking when the Committee would meet on the Bill containing the Specialty Plates, S116. He replied "after the Transportation Oversight Committee (TOC) meets on the Specialty Plate "Commonality" issue. They were supposed to meet in the 2009 Oct / Nov timeframe to discuss this issue....they never did. I've attended the Dec & Jan TOC meetings hoping they would discuss the Plates....they didn't, only discussed what great things the DOT & DMV have done in '09 and are planning in '10.



On Jan. 19th, I sat down with House Speaker Joe Hackney, told him a little about the NC Sub Vets and asked for his support and to see if he could get the TOC & Finance Committees going. He said he would "put it on my Radar Screen." While there, I also picked up the support of Rep. Marilyn Avila who is the Rep. in my voting district in N. Raleigh.

I've sent a note on Jan. 19th to Senator Steve Goss (Alexander, Ashe, Watauga, Wilkes counties) and Rep. Nelson Cole (Rockingham County) who are the Co-chairmen of the TOC, asking if they had any idea when the Specialty plates would be heard. No response as yet.

The next TOC meeting is scheduled for sometime in March but no agenda has been set.

On Feb 4th, I sent a note to Senator Neal Hunt who originally submitted the Bill for the plate last Feb 3, 2009. Sen. Hunt is a member of the TOC. I asked him to "stir the pot" to get the Bill heard in the March meeting. He replied within 7 minutes of my note to him saying he would.

NCDMV SPECIALTY PLATE NEWS (cont.)

So we continue to wait. I fully intend to keep this item in front of our Senators & Representatives and will continue to send updates via e-mail.

I urge all who want to see this plate become reality to go to this website, http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/gascripts/Committees/Committees.asp?sAction=ViewCommittee&sActionDetails=Non-Standing_468 and if any of these members are your Senators / Reps., send them a note asking that Senate Bill S116 be discussed in the March TOC meeting and make them aware of the Subvet Specialty Plate contained in that Bill.

NOT DEFEATED, JUST DELAYED!

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PARADES, PARADES, PARADES

For more pictures and information, navigate to <http://ncsubvets.org>



Wilson Christmas Parade

21 November 2009 - We had 9 Tarheel Base members participate using the Mk-14 Torpedo Float pulled with Jerry Leppart's truck. The group picture identifies those who were there. Jerry Leppart reported that it was a great parade with a lot of area residents as spectators.

Williamston Christmas Parade

3 December, 2009 - We had 6 NC Subvets participate in this parade. There was a good turnout on local folks who came to watch this parade.



MORE PARADES, PARADES, PARADES

Charlotte's St. Patrick's Day Parade

The NC Subvets will be marching in this year's St. Patrick's Day Parade in Charlotte on Saturday March 13th. To find out more general information about the parade go to the following website

<http://www.charlottestpatsday.com/>

Regarding specific information related to the NC Subvets about the parade this is all we know at this time:

The staging will be at the Hal Marshall Building (County Government Building) at 10th Street and Tryon between 9:30 - 9:45 AM on Saturday morning. The parade starts at 11:00 AM.

Parking is an issue. The "official" parking lot for parade participants is at 3rd and Church Street (end of parade route) with a double-decker bus transporting participants to the staging area starting at 8:45 AM. Parking is \$5.00 a vehicle so we may want to find a place off site to park our cars and shuttle people to the parade and then only a couple of people will have to pay for parking or either that or car pool to the max.

Glenn Harris is working on the details for this plan and will provide additional information as it becomes known.

Azalea Festival Parade

The NC Subvets will be marching in this year's Azalea Festival Parade on Saturday, April 10th. We will have both the parade submarine and torpedo float in the parade. Terry Khun (Coastal Carolina Base Commander) has registered us for the parade. At this time he doesn't have the location and time for us to muster for the parade. Since the parade starts in the morning, most of us will probably want to arrive in Wilmington on Friday, the day before.

Terry has arranged for us, two options for spending the Friday night in Wilmington. He has checked with the Fairfield Inn and they currently have 10 rooms available at \$79, two queen beds or a single king at a group rate for us. This is the motel where we stayed at last year's September Wilmington meeting. So the 1st option would be booking a room there. The address and phone number is:

Fairfield Inn & Suites Wilmington/Wrightsville Beach
307 Eastwood Road
Wilmington, NC 28403
Phone 910-791-8082

When you call for a reservation, identify yourself as a North Carolina Submarine Veteran to get the reduced room rate. Don't wait too long before making reservations as the motels fill up fast for the Azalea Festival. Also you need to have made your reservation before March 23, 2010 to get the reduced rate.

The 2nd option is to stay Friday night on the Battleship for free; the only hitch is the overnight deal is for volunteers. So to stay on the Battleship you would have to be willing to trade a little sweat equity Friday evening, but it would be free and an experience. If everyone can start arriving in the afternoon on that Friday we can do a bit of work, light cleaning, paint chipping, whatever. Then eat dinner and watch a submarine movie in the auditorium or in the Crews' Mess, Run Silent Run Deep, etc.

For those Subvets interested in the 2nd option, you need to let Terry know so he can plan on how many Subvets will be staying onboard the battleship Friday night. Terry's email address is etkfixr@bellsouth.net or call him at either 910- 686-1086 (home) or 910-231-5013 (cell).

Also please let Terry know if you **plan on participating** in the parade even if you don't want to stay Friday night on the battleship. We need to know how many participants we will have in the parade.

CHECK THOSE PEPSI CANS!

Some of our shipmates have experienced leakage from their commemorative cans from the North Carolina Commissioning - leaking through a pin hole in the bottom of the can. It might be a good idea to check yours if you have some sitting on a shelf or a table!

LIST OF CORE PARADES FOR THE TARHEEL BASE

March – St. Patrick's Day Parade in Raleigh (held Saturday before St. Patrick's Day)

NOTE: We will not participate this year, as we will be in the Charlotte Parade.

May – Armed Forces Day Parade in Sanford (held closest Saturday to Armed Forces Day)

NOTE: We will not participate this year, as Sanford will not have this parade this year.

May – Thomasville's Memorial Day Parade (held on Memorial Day Federal Holiday)

June – Annual Iredell County Independence Celebration Parade in Troutman (held last Saturday in June)

July – Faith's 4th of July Parade (held on 4th of July)

August – Old Soldiers' Parade in Newton (held on 3rd Thursday in August)

November – Asheboro's Veteran Day Parade (held on Veterans Day)

November – High Point and Winston-Salem Veterans Day Parades usually on weekends closest to Veterans Day (can conflict with Kings Bay Memorial Service)

IT'S OFFICIAL; DD-214s ARE NOW ONLINE

Here's a new way to get a copy of your DD-214 if you have "misplaced" it.

The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has provided the following website for veterans to gain access to their DD-214s online: <http://vetrecs.archives.gov/>

This may be particularly helpful when a veteran needs a copy of his DD-214 for employment purposes. NPRC is working to make it easier for veterans with computers and Internet access to obtain copies of documents from their military files.

Military veterans and the next of kin of deceased former military members may now use a new online military personnel records system to request documents.

Other individuals with a need for documents must still complete the Standard Form 180, which can be downloaded from the online web site. Because the requester will be asked to supply all information essential for NPRC to process the request, delays that normally occur when NPRC has to ask veterans for additional information will be minimized. The new web-based application was designed to provide better service on these requests by eliminating the records centers mailroom and processing time.

Please pass this information on to former military personnel you may know and their dependents.

THINKING OF FLOYD CRISP

Sent in by Chaplain Bill Whelan

Cine,

After our regular Subvets meeting here in Cary on Saturday, a couple of the guys asked about Floyd. I had to admit that, other than his being on my prayer list, I hadn't heard from/about him in a while.

I hope Floyd is doing OK and that he may consider meeting with us again.

Our next regular meeting will be Saturday, 27 March, at the VFW Hut in Cary.

If you think that you and Floyd may attend, please give me a growl. We sure would be delighted to see you both again.

If you don't think you'll be able to make the meeting, please let us know how you're doing.

Floyd remains on my prayer list.

Keep a zero bubble.

Chaplain Bill

Thanks so much for your e-mail. We are hanging in there. Crisp is still slowly going downhill, but he seems to be able to keep his spirits up. He has some bad days. It is difficult for him to get out these days. Going to the doctor takes a lot out of him. We moved into an apartment not far from our house which we put on the market recently. We have only our cell phones. My number is 804-761-8198 and his is 919-451-3148. He does read all his emails so he may send you another response. Thank you so much for thinking of us. Take care.

Cine

FROM YOUR SOUTHEAST REGION DISTRICT 1 (SED1) COMMANDER

District CDR Relief: As stated earlier, I continue as your DC until Darryl Moyers is fully up to and willing to step in. Darryl continues to heal well, albeit with a few hic-cups. Considering what he went through with the surgery and reconstruction of his jaw, he remains positive. We are in communication and I'm confident that if he should not feel up to the task, I'd be the first to know. A call or email to him would be appreciated. drmoyers@cox.net or 757-467-4135 (H) or 757-439-7510 (cell).



Dues and Membership: By the time you read this, the January "dink" drop date will have passed. Approximately 9% of members nationally have thus far not renewed. Sad, but reality. The reasons may be many, but one factor is lack of feeling a part. Ask yourself when the last time you communicated with a base member who has not always been present or a participant. Sometimes, just a call to converse is a catalyst for a shipmate to continue to be a part.

National Elections: This year promised to be interesting, with 3 candidates for NC (Carl Schmidt CRD, T Michael Bircumshaw, NJVC & AS Editor, and John "Gumba" Carcioppolo, Past ERD and Groton Base CDR) For Nat Sec, Tom Conlon (PNSec & PNC), and John Theotonio, (NJ South Base)

For Nat Treas: John Markiewicz (NT), Richard McPherson, (LA Pasadena Base), and Tom Barnes (CD2 CDR) John Jacques (NSVC) is unopposed thus far

SERD has one candidate, Bill Andrea, presently SED5 (S. FL) CDR

Nominations and declarations of offices remain open until 30 April. To toss your hat in the ring, submit a 100 word statement about yourself and that you'd accept the position if elected to John Peters at: jpeters@hawaii.rr.com. John is the election master and has assured that the voting, either electronic or via snail mail, will be squeaky clean, with measures already in place to prevent such incidents as during the past election.

CSL SOY: In years past, I've solicited donations from the membership in SED1 for the SOLE purpose of providing to the runners-up each a monetary gift. It is my desire to continue this, but I need your generosity to make it happen. The SOY selection process is the week of March 15th with the awards luncheon on the 18th at the Little Creek VA Officers Club.

I solicit support from you and Your Base! Any donations should be made out to me and sent to me. With all the different donors, I then combine them and get bank cashiers' checks made out to the recipients the day of the awards luncheon. Please support me in this endeavor!

FORCM Jeff Garrison will continue to have a USSVI SED1 SubVet on the Selection Board as I have in the past.

Any Subvet desiring to attend the awards luncheon is more than welcome. If so inclined, please notify Dick Helm at: dick.helm@1966.usna.com of your intentions.

110th Sub Ball: Not a better way to join in this Anniversary than attending the gala events in Norfolk at the Waterfront Marriott on April 16th. Subvets get a discounted ticket price of \$40.xx and a reduced room rate. This is always a great gathering and a wonderful time by all in attendance, especially considering the VIP treatment the Subvets receive. Again, contact Dick Helm if interested, but don't ponder, as the hotel will fill up fast!

USSVI National Awards: In a few short months, the cut-off date for submission of awards will pass. The awards manual has been totally re-written and has clarified numerous criteria and requirements. I actually enjoy writing up nominations BUT: they do NOT have to come from me. They should come from YOU, the core of our members. Do your Base, Base members and our District honors by submitting nominations for many of the awards available. The Awards manual is available on the USSVI web. I will assist you in write-ups if needed, but I can't without your asking. There are a LOT of unheralded members in our District that are more than worthy so hone your thoughts and get them submitted!

MORE FROM YOUR SED1 COMMANDER

SED1 Meeting: Thanks to Chuck Jensen and the Albemarle Sound Base, we'll be meeting with the SE Region SVWWII heroes in Elizabeth City, NC on 4-6 March.

Registration form is attached. Some added incentives for attending is a presentation by Force MC Jeff Garrison at the luncheon and an opportunity to participate in the raffle for a SSN-777 plaque shadowbox, similar to the one I made for the 777. A picture of that is attached. All the proceeds from the raffle are destined for the Burnsville Memorial restoration. Don't delay, as the Motel slots for out discounted rate close soon!

Yours in service;

Dick



SUBMARINE LIFEGUARD LEAGUE MEMORIAL

Sent in by Clif Snow
Tarheel Base Member

Submarine Lifeguard League Memorial on the grounds of the Wall South at Veterans Memorial Park, Pensacola, Florida.

Least we should forget, there is a web site dedicated to Veterans Memorial Park with a page showing photos and providing the history of the Submarine Lifeguard League Memorial.

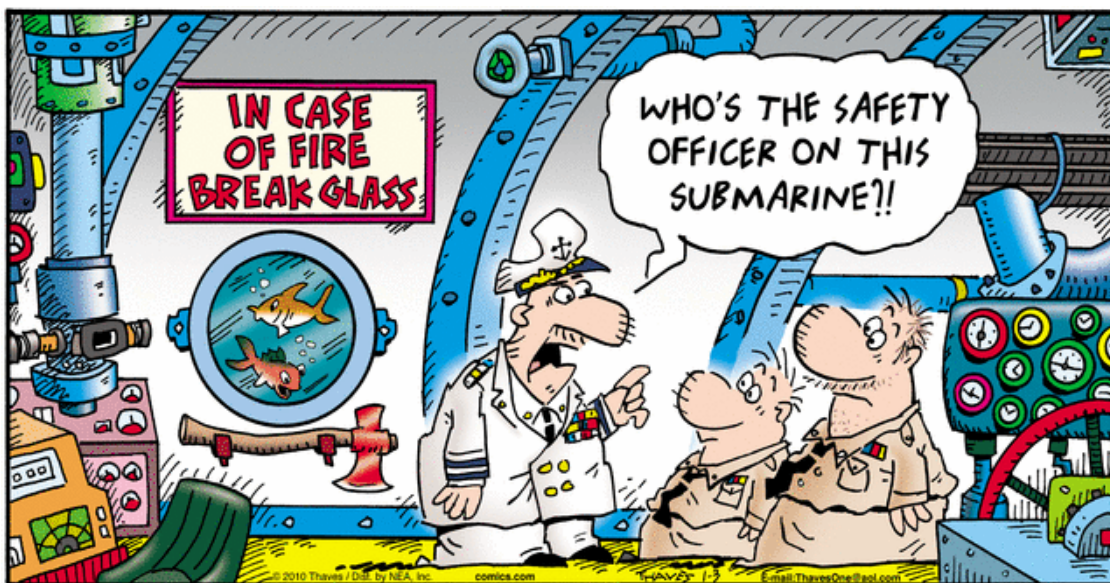
View the page at <http://www.pensacolawallsouth.org/sub.html>

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BIOGRAPHY CARL SCHMIDT NATIONAL COMMANDER CANDIDATE 2010 ELECTION

Shipmates,

I wish to introduce myself to you throughout USSVI. I have been married for 47 years to Bonny, my best friend. We have 4 children, three daughters and one son. We have 4 grandsons, and one great grandson and one great granddaughter. I retired from the Submarine service in 1979 as an Electronic Technician CPO. I was in the Navy at an exciting time. I qualified on the USS Triton SSRN 582 in 1961. I made three patrols on SSBN USS Casmir Pulaski 633(G) crew. I also served on the following diesel submarines during my 22 years of service USS Cubera SS-347, USS Tang SS-563, and the USS Sailfish SS-572. I attended college to become a Registered Nurse after retirement. I retired from the Veterans Administration in North Little Rock, Arkansas in 2005. Serving veterans medical needs when hospitalized was a most rewarding experience.

I only found out that we had a Submarine fraternity in July 2000 and became a USSVI member. I became a life member in 2004. My wife joined USSVI in 2001 and became a life member in 2004. One of the first things I wanted to do was form the first base in Arkansas, with the help of submariners in Arkansas the USS Arkansas Base was chartered October 28, 2000. I was voted by the USS Razorback to be their Base Commander in 2000 thru 2002. Today there are 3 USSVI bases in Arkansas. It was exciting to have had a small part in helping to bring the USS Razorback SS 394 to North Little Rock, Arkansas.

I have received the following recognitions from shipmates and I have been humbled when the Shipmates selected me to receive these recognitions.

USS Razorback Base Commander 2000 thru 2002

Shipmate of the year 2001 District 5

Central Region District 1 Commander 2002 thru 2004

National Memorial and Ceremonies Chairman USSVI 2005 thru 2007

Central Region Commander District 1 2006

National District Commander award 2007

Central Region Director 2006 till September 2010

USS Razorback Chaplain

National Commander Robert Link award 2009

Communications is what I believe will make our organization stronger. I believe in an open door policy that the Commanding Officer that many of us remember in the cold war years when we served on submarines. USSVI belongs to the membership and if elected as the next National Commander I will have an open door policy to all the members of USSVI. Enclosed is my phone number 501-843-7855 my email address is bonnynclyde@classicnet.net.

Base Commanders, please ask your base newsletter editor to please post this biography in your next base newsletter. There will be more than 1 candidate running for the following national officer position, National Treasurer has three candidates. National secretary has 2 candidates and National Commander has 2 candidates. There are also 2 candidates running for Western Region Director, 2 candidates running for Central Region Director. The nominations don't close till April 30, 2010. Your base Commander has received the nominations for National officers and regional directors via a POC message

Shipmates please vote in the 2010 USSVI elections for the National Commander and Regional Directors for the candidate of your choice. Your vote is important; USSVI belongs to the membership not the USSVI board members. I wish everyone good health in 2010. I look forward to seeing many of you at the USSVI convention in Cincinnati.

Fraternally,

Carl Schmidt

FROM THE YANKEE DOODLE DANDY S-28 NEWSLETTER

S boat habitability was always trying. Here are some excerpts of the S-28s War Patrol Reports.

First War Patrol

Habitability was poor for the following reasons:

- (a) Air was always cold and damp.
- (b) Heaters were available on board, but conservation of the battery during the long daylight hours precluded their general use. Air was circulated through the main induction in an effort to dry it out, and one heater was placed at the discharge from the induction into the boat.
- (c) Daylight dives were inordinately long, averaging about eighteen hours.
- (d) Limited availability of oxygen and lack of availability of CO2 absorbent at Dutch Harbor dictated a conservative use of these air purifiers.

The limited capacity for making fresh water with the Clarkson Boiler and short periods of availability on surface required rigid limitations on use of fresh water.

A persistent skin rash, identified upon return to port as scabies, broke out and spread to about 1/3 of the crew.

Third War Patrol

Canned butter was used for the first time on this patrol, and was found to have far superior qualities to fresh butter. Its taste is considered better, and the fact that it does not require refrigeration is important in providing more space in the ice box for other fresh foods.

Fourth War Patrol

Port lookout suffered broken nose, minor laceration on chin, and a badly bruised leg when heavy seas flooded the bridge and threw him from port after corner to forward starboard corner.

Fifth War Patrol

All gloves now on board very quickly fill with water, and as soon as it becomes necessary to raise the hands this water is discharged up the arms inside the sleeves of the jacket.

Sixth War Patrol

Living conditions were poor. This was because of excessive condensate dripping from the overhead and pipe lines. After the first week most bunks were damp and uncomfortable. All clothing, books, records and equipment not used or open to circulating air mildewed. This was combated to some extent by rigging canvas screens over the bunks with suitable drainage to the waterways.

Seventh War Patrol

Jacobs, Raymond John MoMM2 USN, while wiping down motor room allowed rag to be caught in air compressor gears which dragged in his hand and caused severe mangling of thumb and first and second fingers. Treated by Parrish, Jim CPhM, USN who did a commendable job in amputating mangled fingers.

Please send any S-28 stories or family news to:

yddeditor@gmail.com or,

Terry Kuhn
165 Graystone Road
Wilmington, NC 28411



THE SEABAG

Sent in by Bob Hopkins
Tarheel Base Member

There was a time when everything you owned had to fit in your seabag. Remember those nasty rascals? Fully packed, one of the suckers weighed more than the poor devil hauling it.

The damn things weighed a ton and some idiot with an off-center sense of humor sewed a carry handle on it to help you haul it. Hell, you could bolt a handle on a Greyhound bus but it wouldn't make the damn thing portable.

The Army, Marines and Air Force got footlockers and we got a big ole' canvas bag.

After you warped your spine jackassing the goofy thing through a bus or train station, sat on it waiting for connecting transportation and made folks mad because it was too damn big to fit in any overhead rack on any bus, train and airplane ever made, the contents looked like hell. All your gear appeared to have come from bums who slept on park benches.

Traveling with a seabag was something left over from the "Yo-ho-ho and a bottle of rum" sailing ship days. Sailors used to sleep in hammocks. So you stowed your issue in a big canvas bag and lashed your hammock to it, hoisted it on your shoulder and in effect moved your entire home and complete inventory of earthly possessions from ship to ship. I wouldn't say you traveled light because with one strap it was a one-shoulder load that could torque your skeletal frame and bust your ankles. It was like hauling a dead linebacker.

They wasted a lot of time in boot camp telling you how to pack one of the suckers. There was an officially sanctioned method of organization that you forgot after ten minutes on the other side of the gate at Great Lakes or San Diego. You got rid of a lot of issue gear when you went to the SHIP..Did you ever know a tin-can sailor who had a raincoat? A flat hat? One of those nut hugger knit swimsuits? How about those roll your own neckerchiefs... The ones the girls in a good Naval tailor shop would cut down and sew into a 'greasy snake' for two bucks?

Within six months, every fleet sailor was down to one set of dress blues, port and starboard undress blues and whites, a couple of whitehats, boots, shoes, assorted skivvies, a peacoat and three sets of bleached out dungarees. The rest of your original issue was either in the pea coat locker, lucky bag or had been reduced to wipe down rags in the engine room. Underway ships were not ships that allowed vast accumulation of private gear. Hobos who lived in discarded refrigerator crates could amass greater loads of pack rat crap than fleet sailors. The confines of a canvas back rack, side locker and a couple of bunk bags did not allow one to live a Donald Trump existence. Space and the going pay scale combined to make us envy the lifestyle of a mud hut Ethiopian. We were the global equivalents of nomadic Monguls without ponies to haul our stuff.

And after the rigid routine of boot camp we learned the skill of random compressed packing... Known by mother's world-wide as 'cramming.' It is amazing what you can jam into a space no bigger than a breadbox if you pull a watch cap over a boot and push it in with your foot. Of course it looks kinda weird when you pull it out but they never hold fashion shows at sea and wrinkles added character to a salty appearance. There was a four-hundred mile gap between the images on recruiting posters and the actual appearance of sailors at sea. It was not without justifiable reason that we were called the tin-can Navy.

We operated on the premise that if 'Cleanliness was next to Godliness', we must be next to the other end of that spectrum... We looked like our clothing had been pressed with a waffle iron and packed by a bulldozer.

But what in the hell did they expect from a bunch of jerks that lived in the crews hole of a 2250 Gearing/Fletcher can. After a while you got used to it... You got used to everything you owned picking up and retraining that distinctive aroma... You got used to old ladies on busses taking a couple of wrinkled nose sniffs of your peacoat then getting up and finding another seat...

Do they still issue seabags? Can you still make five bucks sitting up half the night drawing a ships picture on the side of one of the damn things with black and white marking pens that drive old master-at-arms into a 'rig for heart attack' frenzy? Make their faces red... The veins on their neck bulge out... And yell, "What in god's name is that all over your seabag?" "Artwork, Chief... It's like the work of Michelangelo... My ship... Great huh?" "Looks like some damn comic book..."

Here was a man with cobras tattooed on his arms... A skull with a dagger through one eye and a ribbon reading 'DEATH BEFORE SHORE DUTY' on his shoulder... Crossed anchors with 'Subic Bay 1945' on the other shoulder... An eagle on his chest and a full blown Chinese dragon peeking out between the cheeks of his butt. If anyone was an authority on stuff that looked like a comic book, it had to be this Chief.

Sometimes I look at all the crap stacked in my garage, close my eyes and smile, remembering a time when everything I owned could be crammed into a canvas bag.



2010 USSV-WWII SE Region & USSVI SE District #1 Joint Conference

March 4 – 6, 2010 at Elizabeth City, NC

Thursday March 4th

Noon to 8:00 pm
1:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Registration @ Fairfield Inn
Hospitality Room Open @ Fairfield Inn

Friday March 5th

8:00 am to 4:00 pm
11:00 am to 10:00 pm
10:00 am to 11:00 am
1:00 pm to 2:15 pm
2:30 pm to 4:00 pm
6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Registration @ Fairfield Inn
Hospitality Room Open (except during business meetings)
SE Regional Women's Business Meeting
SE Regional Men's Business Meeting
SED #1 District Business Meeting
Bingo at VFW Post 6060

Saturday March 6th

8:00 am to 9:00 pm
9:30 am to Noon
Noon to 1:30pm
1:45 pm to 2:15 pm
2:15 pm to 4:00 pm

Registration @ Fairfield Inn
Hospitality Room Open @ VFW Post 6060
Luncheon @ VFW Post 6060
Memorial Service @ VFW Post 6060
Hospitality Room Open @ VFW Post 6060

**U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS OF WW II – U.S. SUBMARINE VETERANS, INC.
 2010 SOUTHEAST REGIONAL CONVENTION – SE DISTRICT ONE MEETING
 MARCH 4-6, 2010 – ELIZABETH CITY, NC
 PRE-REGISTRATION FORM – CUTOFF DATE: FEBRUARY 19, 2010**

NAME: _____ NICKNAME: _____

STREET ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

CHAPTER-BASE/STATE: _____

SPOUSE / GUEST NAME _____ NICKNAME: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT/TELEPHONE: _____

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REGISTRATION FEE (Non-Refundable)	PER PERSON	\$10	_____	_____
LUNCHEON, SATURDAY MARCH 6	PER PERSON	\$15	_____	_____

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 MAIL CHECK TO: Jim Myers 4905 Reidsville Road Walkertown, NC 27051

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HOST HOTEL:

Fairfield Inn & Suites 1640 City Center Blvd Elizabeth City, NC 27909
 Website <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/orfec-fairfield-inn-and-suites-elizabeth-city/>
 Phone – 252-333-1003

DIRECTIONS TO HOTEL:

Coming from either North or South take exit 258 off of US 17 Bypass on to Halstead Blvd Extension. The hotel will be on the left about 3 miles from the exit.

RESERVATIONS:

Reservations at the Fairfield Inn & Suites are the responsibility of the individual (1-252-333-1003). A special rate of \$89.00/room is available under U.S.SUBVETS. **Deadline for special rates is February 3, 2010.** When calling the hotel to make your reservation be sure you tell them you are a Subvet to get the special room rate.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
2010 BURNSVILLE MEMORIAL SERVICE

FRIDAY, MAY 21

1500-1800 Registration at Pinebridge Inn (just let Bell know you are there)
1600-?? Hospitality Room Open
Evening Meal will be on your own.

SATURDAY, MAY 22

1000 NC SUBVET Meeting
1130 Lunch at Western Sizzlin (on your own)
1400 Memorial Service on Moonshine Mountain
1800 Catered Meal @ Pinebridge Inn Hospitality Room

- We will caravan to the Memorial Site from Western Sizzlin after lunch is complete
- Hospitality Room will be open during the day Saturday.
- Evening meal is a **home cooked meal** and will consist of: Roast beef and chicken, mashed potatoes, two veggies, salad, rolls, desert, tea, lemonade, water and/or coffee.

COME OUT AND ENJOY SOME GOOD FELLOWSHIP, A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR OUR LOST WWII SUBMARINES, AND A GOOD HOME COOKED MEAL

2010 NC Subvets Burnsville Memorial Service
21-22 May 2010
Pre-Registration Form – Cutoff Date 1 May 2010

Name: _____ Nickname: _____
 Street Address: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____
 Base: _____
 Spouse/Guest Name: _____ Nickname: _____
 Emergency Contact/Telephone: _____

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Registration Fee (Non-Refundable)	Per Person	\$ 5	_____	_____
Catered Meal, Saturday May 22	Per Person	\$15	_____	_____

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Host Hotel: Pinebridge Inn, 207 Pinebridge Ave., Spruce Pine, NC

Phone: 1-800-356-5059

Directions to Hotel: I-40 Exit 86 (Route 226). Take this bending, curving road all the way to Spruce Pine. Cross over US 19, turn right on W. Tappan St. Stay on Tappan, a ballpark will be on the left, shortly after that on the right is the hotel. It is an old school building.

Reservations: Reservations at the hotel are the responsibility of the individual (1-800-356-5059). A special rate of \$57.25 (plus tax) is available for U.S. Subvets per night. We have 30 rooms set aside for us. **DEADLINE FOR SPECIAL RATE IS 1 MAY 2010.**