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Our Purpose: "To perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of 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.

USSVI Purpose/Creed

In addition to perpetuating the memory of departed shipmates, we shall provide a way for all Submariners to gather for the mutual benefit and enjoyment. Our common heritage as Submariners shall be strengthened by camaraderie. We support a strong U.S. Submarine Force.

The organization will engage in various pro-

jects and deeds that will bring about the perpetual remembrance of those shipmates who have given the supreme sacrifice. The organization will also endeavor to educate all third parties it comes in contact with about the services our submarine brothers performed and how their sacrifices made possible the freedom and lifestyle we enjoy today."



Lost Boats for September

"Sailors, rest your oars"

USS S-5 (SS 110)

September 1, 1920

USS S-51 (SS 162)

USS CISCO (SS 290)

September 25, 1925

USS GRAYLING (SS 209) September 9, 1943

September 28, 1943







Perscopes
Steering platform
Deck
Steering platform
Deck
Forward cargo hatch
Torpedo room
Duct heel
Schematic diagram of the S-Five.

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CO's Stateroom— Carolina Piedmont Base Commander Steve Bell



I would like to first congratulate Dale Moses. Dale received the Robert Link Award at the convention. This award is for all the efforts he has put in for our base and they are numerous. A well deserved award. As editor of the Piedmont Periscope, he also gets credit for winning the Newsletter of the Year for our Region (based on the size of our base) for the third year in a row. That is a first. And just to top that off, the Piedmont Periscope also received the Newsletter of the Year for the entire USSVI. It is kind of hard to beat that. We are really proud of the accomplishments of Dale for all he does for

our base. A big thanks to him for that.
The next BIG congratulations go to Jack
Jeffries for receiving the Meritorious Award.
This is another well deserved and overdue award. I am sure everyone knows of most of his accomplishments as well.

We once again shinned at the convention due to the awards received there. The Carolina Piedmont Base received the Golden Anchor Award (for our base size). This is the third time we have received this award. In case you did not know, this award is primarily for recruitment and retention (see paragraph below regarding recruiting and retention). And to top all of this off, our SUB-VETTES received the president's award for all of their efforts. I cannot

be more proud of all the awards our base and members received. We pretty much stole the show, again, without planning to do so. WELL DONE to all. And to add to this, the NC SUBVETS received the Meritorious Award as well. Since we at Carolina Piedmont Base are a major player within this organization, we had a part in that award as well. The good news for me on this one is that Jim Myers (the current NC SUBVETS Commander) gets to carry that around instead of me. I have enough to carry around. The convention turned out to be a very enjoyable time. I strongly recommend that if you ever get the chance to attend one, please do. It is wonderful to renew friendships, make some new ones, and just kick

back and relax (even if I did attend more meetings than I can count, but that is the hazard of my position). Next year the convention will be in San Francisco, the following year will be Pittsburgh, PA (one close enough to really think about), then in 2016 it will be in Reno (for those that like to gamble). Make your plans early.

Again, I am calling for all members that owe dues (and you should know who you are) to get them in as soon as you can. It is already September and before you know it, the New Year will be here and if not paid, you will be delinguent. As stated above, we have received the Golden Anchor is 3 of our 6 years of existence partly because of our retention. Not too many things would make

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CO's Stateroom— Carolina Piedmont Base Commander Steve Bell (con't)

me happier than to get 100% retention and to get it early. Besides, the sooner it is done, the easier the associated admin is.

But only part of the Golden Anchor is for retention. Another major portion is recruiting. USSVI membership total has sort of been flat the last few years. We seem to gain about what we lose (of course some of that loss is for members going on Eternal Patrol). Recruitment is really a responsibility of each of us. I am sure each of us knows a fellow submariner that is not a member of USSVI. If each of us would recruit just one, think of what that would do to the totals. We need more new members and you can help on that. It should not be a few that do most of the recruiting, so please help us out. It matters not if they become members of Carolina Piedmont (but that always helps), just get them in the organization. I thank each of you for helping us out

If you only attend one meeting a year, the September meeting is the one. It is our annual picnic at Jack and Carol's place and each year it just seems to get better. Food will be served around 1300 (or maybe 1330) followed by our meeting at 1500 (or so). Once the meeting is over, the Bilge Rat Productions crew will put on our 2013 show for you. You will not want to miss that. And of course, once that is over, Al Westbury will crank up the Karaoke for party time. There is no charge for this meal. The women have their instructions for what to bring (glad they were told as I am sure I would forget). Of course if you do not have that significant other, it would be appreciated if you would bring something (rolls, chips, etc.). What you need to bring is whatever you may want to drink. As always, since we are way out there somewhere, I caution on how much of the spirits you consume. Use you better judgment there. We really look forward to seeing as many of you there as can come. Again, this is always a great time. The VFW has planned a dinner for us (and them

too) on the 14th of De-

cember. Note that this is

the second Saturday vice

the 3rd of even 4th. The choice of date was beyond my control. The menu will be Roast Beef, loaded potato, a vegetable medley, roll, and dessert. I trust they will have something to drink for those that may not want spirits (i.e., water or tea, but don't bank on it). We do not plan to hold an official meeting unless there is something of dire importance (never has been in the past so don't expect that to happen). We will do our Tolling of the Boats for December. The kicker on this event is that they need to have a count for planning purposes. I will have a signup sheet for those planning on attending. The cost is \$10 per person. I will collect when you sign up. This will give us three meetings to get people signed up for this. You can sign up at the VFW (and pay there) but all must be in by 11 December. I will be turning my head count (as I will have the money for that count as well) in after our November meeting. Anyone wanting to join us that has not signed up by the November will have to sign up at the VFW. They said that they will

not take any on the night of the meal. So you must sign up prior to then. I think signing up and paying me by the November meeting is the easiest way to go. I would also like to congratulate Glenna Hubbell for now being the Vice President of the SUB-VETTES on the National level. And add to that, Sandra Myers will continue on being the **SUBVETTES National** Chaplain. Ray Fritz will also continue on being the National Chaplain for USSVI. I think we are well represented on the National level, not to mentioned known. I want to thank all who had anything to do with all the new positions, their part in any of our awards (it takes all of us to make these happen). I am very proud to be your Base Commander. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Monica and Howard Dachs for relieving us (Ma Bell and me) with taking the responsibility of the "bucket" for our meetings. The "bucket" contains all the paper plates, napkins, eating utensils, and the like that we use for our meals at our meetings. I feel like I am missing something

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CO (con't)

now when I pack up for a meeting. May God bless America, the USSVI, our Base, and each of you. Oh by the way, I was fortunate enough to receive the District Commander of the Year for USSVI. That means I am a voting member of the Board of Directors of USSVI for the next vear. I want to thank all members within the District as I would not have received that without everyone's help.

<u>The Supply Shack-</u> Jeff Nieberding

Carolina Piedmont Jackets are still available to order, several members have ordered theirs already. USSVI vests are also available to order thru the SK.

Patches, the SK is now able to order patches from BC Patch LLC at wholesale prices. This is usually \$2 - \$3 less per patch than we normally see. Let the SK know what you need.



Flag Trivia—Where did this Flag fly in our Nation's history? See Page 13

XO's Stateroom — Vice Commander Jack Jeffries



Carolina Piedmont REALLY rocks. What a great time at the National Convention and as Steve has pointed out, our base really did well in the awards department. These awards are the result of a super membership that is dedicated to improving our base and living up to our Creed.

We have two Kaps4Kids events coming up. Levine Children's Hospital on the 16th of October where we can have a total of 10 people visiting with the patients, if you would like to be included in this worthwhile event please contact me. It is scheduled for 2PM and usually last about 1 hour. We also have Victory Junction scheduled for 19 October.

Carol and I are looking forward to the upcoming gathering here at our place, this has become better and better with each passing year. We hope that you are planning on attending.

Annual Base and National dues are now being collected. We are shooting for 100% retention as well as gathering

as many new members as possible.

While Rick Petitt and I were attending the drag races (no not men dressed as ladies running) but really fast cars and were approached by a couple of potential members, when you are in public I find that iust wearing a Sub Vet cap or shirt will draw attention, when this happens, AL-WAYS GET THEIR CON-TACT INFO and you can pass it on to me. They may not live in our area but you can always find a base close to their area. I would once again Thank You for all that each of you do for our base, GREAT MEM-BERS make a GREAT BASE.— Jack

A neutron walks into a bar and asks "How much for a drink?"

The bartender says, "For you, no charge."

A Joke for us Nukes! - From Jim Schenk

CP Color Guard Update

Well, it looks as if the Carolina Piedmont Base Color Guard will NOT being presenting Colors at a Panthers game this year. I was informed that we did not get our information in on-time. Even though we made our video on March 2 in the snow.

Oh well, we'll keep practicing, as we hope they do, for a chance in the post-season. We'll continue to practice and stay fresh as possible.

I'll start bothering the Charlotte Knights for opening day at the new stadium, as I told them last year, we want to be the first to present the Colors there.

We may limp a little, but we range in age from 45 to 72. If you are interested in joining our team, please contact me. My



"...ask not what your country can do for you — ask what you can do for your country." - John F. Kennedy

To me, the same applies to your Community— Moe(SS)

contact information is on Page 2. We really could use some extras. — Yours in Service, Moe (SS)

This space left blank to Honor the POW/MIAs on September 20th.

Please just stop and think about them for a moment

Remember Jack **Needs** A Head Count For the Meeting At his Place On the 28th. **Please Contact Him And Let** Him Know **How Many You Have Coming!** See ya' there!

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Machinery One — Mike Hubbell, Base Secretary

Carolina-Piedmont Base Minutes For August 17, 2013



-Call meeting to Order.

1900 hours, Base Commander Steve Bell brought the meeting to order.

-Invocation

The Invocation was given by Walt Sealy.

-Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of Allegiance was led by Steve Bell.

-USSVI Creed

The USSVI Creed was recited by Steve Bell.

-Tolling of the Boats

The Tolling for August was given by Walt Sealy and Rick Petit.

-Member Introduction

18 members were present.

-Reading of the last Meeting Minutes

The motion was made to accept the July Minutes as published in the August issue of the Piedmont Periscope. The Motion carried.

-Reading of the Treasure's Report

The Treasures report for August was given by Base Treasurer Raymond Zieverink.

Current Balance	\$6,	,783.85
Kaps-4-Kids	\$1,	,809.67
Memorial Restoration	\$	542.50
Scholarship Fund	\$	236.80
General Base Funds	\$4,	,194.88

-Old Business

None

-New Business

-The Loss of the USs R-12

Base Minutes (con't)

The USS R-12 was lost of the coast of Key West, FLA. The USSVI National Office has decided to contribute funds to a documentary film of the loss. Steve Bell brought up for discussion the possibility of a donation from the Base. After open discussion it was decided by the membership to table this. No action will be taken at this time.

-Store Keeper's Report

Jeff Neiberding reviewed items currently available thru the Ship's Store.

-Good of the Order

-USS Scorpion Challenge Coin

Steve Bell took orders for the Scorpion Challenge Coin. Proceeds will be used to help fund the 50th Anniversary memorial of the loss of the USS Scorpion. Steve stated that the orders would be placed during the week following the August Meeting, he expects that the coins should be available to those who ordered them by the September Meeting.

-Kaps-4-Kids Update

Jack Jeffries reviewed the Base visit to the Jeff Gordon Foundation at the North East medical Center in Concord, NC. Jack informed the membership of the upcoming visit to Victory Junction Camp on October 19th. Jack also reported on planning another visit to the Levine Children's Hospital in Charlotte later this year. Emails for all dates will be sent to the membership.

-Bilge Rat Productions

Dale Moses requested that anyone with unused music stands, donate them to BRP for the use of our musicians and singers. Dale also asks than anyone with ideas for a "Hee-Haw" show please forward their ideas to him. BRP will be preforming on Sept 21st at the Salisbury VA, on Oct. 12th at Gastonia and Nov. 19th at Planation Estates.

-Kings Bay WWII Memorial Service

Steve Bell reminded all that this year's memorial service will be held on Oct 31st thru Nov 2nd this year.

-CPB Christmas Party

Our Annual Christmas party will be held on Dec 14th, The VFW will again be providing the meal at a cost of \$10.00 per person. The VFW House Committee requests that all attendees make their reservations no later than Dec 11th, the Wednesday before. This is to ensure that the proper amount of food will be prepared.

-CPB Annual Picnic

This year's picnic will again be held at Jack Jeffries' home in Monroe, NC. Dinner will begin at 1330 hours and the meeting will start at 1500 hours. There will be a post meet performance by Bilge Rat Productions and karaoke by Al Westbury. Those needing directions are asked to contact Jack by E-mail.

-Next CPB Meeting

The next meeting of the Carolina-Piedmont Base will be at the Jack's House on September 28th.

-Benediction

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The benediction was given by Walt Sealy.

-Motion to Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was made and passed.

Respectfully Submitted

Michael Hubbell - CPB Base Secretary

Autism Speaks for 2013

All:

As we at Carolina Piedmont Base have done for the past four years now (I think), we have again coordinated the effort for the NC Subvets for 2013. Time has slipped up on us for the walk which happens on 9/28/13 at the Z-Max Dragway next to the Charlotte Motor Speedway. They moved the date up on us this year. With such short notice as well as other NC Subvet things going on that day, I really expect very little participation from our group at the drag strip itself.

However, that does not preclude individuals from making contributions to the program. I am sure each of you will agree that this is a worthwhile program. It is for one of those unfortunate issues that many of our children have today and they can use all the help they can get. You can easily go online and make a contribution to our effort for this program. Go to the following site: http://www.walknowforautismspeaks.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=1059166 then on the left side of the page click on "Join or Support a Team" and type in Carolina Subvets", this will take you to our page. Then just click on the blue "Carolina SUBVETS". This takes you to the team page. You can join the team if you desire or just click on "Make a General Donation" and just follow through to make your donation (I think that page is easy enough to navigate through, I did it so I am sure the rest can too). It will be too difficult for us (Carolina Piedmont Base) to receive your donation and to get it in, so please just use the website. We have a team goal of \$2000.00. Right now we are not doing well, but that is because the word was not out. I apologize for that.

I am asking each of you to try your best to support this cause and contribute whatever you can. We have missed our goal the last couple of years and it would really be nice to hit our goal. So please help out on this cause. This is NOT a Carolina Piedmont effort, but a NC SUBVETS effort, we are just doing all the leg work in hopes you will help out the cause.

I thank each of you for your contribution.

Steve Bell

Commander, Carolina Piedmont Base

Commander, District One, Southeast Region

Thank You Phil, 25th Hour MC, and SE Freightlines

A Special Thanks— You know there are many good people still left in the world, people that will do a favor to a complete stranger. I can't tell you how many tires I helped people change over the 14 years I lived in Kansas between the Emporia and US 75 on I-35. Maybe I was just "Paying it Forward" as they say. Heck, one night I spent two hours helping some guy who had something to do with the Muppets who had to be in Wichita the next morning with an electrical problem with his MG. He ended-up at the bus station in Emporia, but we gave it a try.

Well I was returning from a ride in the mountains with my best friend of 50 years from Michigan who rode down and met me in Hendersonville at his friends home. On my way back I was about ready to pull into Engle's in Shelby when my bike just died, no electrical what-so-ever. A nice man in a dump truck helped me push it into their parking lot, he saw the Dolphins on my back and the words Submarine Veterans. I thanked him and he thanked me for my service.

I did roll it down the hill and got it started, there was enough juice to fire it up, but it would not stay running. Electronic fuel injection needs juice. I went in the store and used the phone book and called the auto parts. The had a battery, but no one to bring it out. I got a drink and waited by the door. My feet were sore so I'm on my cane. And I'm asking people if they are headed anywhere near the auto parts store. Finally, after about 20 people, I get Mr. Phil Dauble, a Wal-mart Distribution Center employee who actually lives in Lake Wiley. He not only takes me to the auto parts, but brings me back. We had a great conversation about all that Walmart does for Veterans. Thank you Phil for you kindness to a total stranger.

I put the battery in and off I went. I was going great until I was exiting on to I485 then the speedometer went to zero, the turn signals when off and I knew what was going to happen next. I stopped right above US74 dead again. I waited a few minutes, pushed her down the exit ramp and started her up. Did a u-turn at the bottom and back on I485 and head for home.

I made my exit 4 (Rt 160) and to Dixie Hwy before she died again. Then another biker from 25th Hour MC stopped and said he had a portable jumper and would be right back. About 10 minutes latter and after another Veteran stopped to help, he and 2 of his club members were there. They gave me a jump and I was on my way.

Well, I didn't make it to far, and ended up pushing it about 600 yards before I could find a good spot to stop. Once I did, here come the 25th Hour guys again to jump me. They jumped me about 5 times before I decide just to leave the bike in the South Eastern Freightlines parking lot after getting their permission. And I need to thank them also for letting me park there overnight.

I took the battery home and put it on my battery "tender". I should have charged it, which it did then the light should have turned green, but it never did. I may have a faulty battery (which I hope) or the bike is not charging. I knew the old battery was on it's way out, since it's been in there since I bought the bike.

The point of the story is that there are great people in this Country that are still willing to help. God Bless them, and let me help someone that needs help as I used to when I was younger and not be so untrusting of everyone.— Moe(SS)

New members

None this month—But don't forget your 2014 dues

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Chaplain's Corner - Ray Fritz, National Chaplain



Sojourns and homecomings

In August and September we traveled almost 10,000 miles, most by plane, some by car. Part of our journey took us back to the small country church that I had the blessing of serving for 22 years. These homecomings always remind me of the homecomings I had while serving in the U.S. Submarine service. Those homecomings are still going on today as our men and women serve around the world. May God bless them, keep them safe, and hurry their safe return to their loved ones. In a novel by Thomas Wolfe he proclaimed "You Can't Go Home Again." But he was wrong. The saga of mankind is filled with the homecomings of people who did go home again, and in many cases, recognized what home was really about for the very first time.

In contrast, Rod Serling, the playwrite, wrote:

"Everybody has to have a hometown... In the strangely brittle, terribly sensitive makeup of a human being, there is a need for a place to hang a hat, or a kind of geographical womb to crawl back into, or maybe just a place that is where you grew up."

Regardless of where we're from or where our respective hometowns might be located today, we can all relate to the idea of a "geographical womb" to crawl back into from time to time in order to experience the emotions of coming home. One of those annual "Homecomings" can be experienced at our outing at Jack and Carol's home on the 28th.

At your gatherings, wherever that may be, take time to recognize the familiar faces of those who have journeyed alongside you for many years. Also, take time to reconnect with God. Take time to remember those experiences and moments in times past that made you smile again and again. By the way, where are

you going? Where is your home? Where are you headed? Spiritually speaking.

The early Christians were suffering persecution and were thinking of going back to old Judaism rather than stay with the Christian faith. They were discouraged. Life had trampled them to the point of rejecting their faith in Christ. Today, some of you may feel trampled by this world's cruelty and tempted to walk away from your faith. I urge you to press on.

I have never been good at sports but I know that while the winner is smiling the loser is not feeling so well. It is discouraging to get trampled. Perhaps you feel trampled by life. Maybe you have been trampled by a boss or a co-worker or by somebody you thought was your friend. We have all met people who have been trampled on, and so did the writer to the Hebrews. To encourage these "trampled" Christians,

"trampled" Christians, the writer of Hebrews 11 presents to us what we might call "a spiritual

homecoming." He gathers together the names of those who have faithfully passed the legacy of faith on to the next generation. Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. ²For by it the elders obtained a good testimony. ³By 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. Hebrews 11:1-3 The writer of Hebrews reflects on the lives of these heroes and heroines of the faith. He talks about Abel. Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Rahab, Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, and Samuel. Time and space does not permit him to write about all the different ones who kept faith alive in their generation, even though it meant great personal sacrifice to each one of them.

In the middle of this long list of the heroes of faith, there is a momentary pause in the person-by-person account in order to show us five rich spiritual qualities that were obvious in their lives.

Hebrews 11:13-16 (NKJV)

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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. ¹⁴For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland. 15 And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them. Their Confidence 11:13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them... All of these heroes died with an unfulfilled dream, but confident that God would keep His word. Therefore they died, not in rebellion, but in the faith. God's promises for a better place were deeply engraved on their hearts. They dreamed of a place where sin, separation, and death could not plague them anymore. But they did not have the joy of seeing this

fulfilled in their lifetimes. Nevertheless, to their dving breath, they died with complete confidence that God would keep His promises to them. Their Witness 11:13 ... and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. These heroes and heroines are part of this life's sojourners traveling and living in conflict with the cultures that surround them. Their values and priorities were not the values and priorities of those among whom they lived. This world was not their home. They belonged to another world. They lived their lives in obedience to that which was to come. Top of Form They refused to become permanently entangled

with the earthly. The apostle Peter wrote to followers of Christ... 1 Peter 2:11-12 (NKJV) Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, ¹²having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation. Their Quest Hebrews 11:14 (NKJV) For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland. These exiles and strangers were seeking a home. Their hearts were set on heaven where their true citizenship was. From Genesis to the

never allow us to lose sight of the idea of traveling... a journey... a sojourn.

In the Old Testament the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph journeyed from one place to the next, seeking a permanent dwelling. Then the nation of Israel journeyed into Egypt thanks to Joseph and journeyed back out again thanks to Moses and then journeyed through the wilderness for 40 years because of disobedience to God. These heroes and heroines are part of this life's sojourners traveling and living in conflict with the cultures that surround them. They eventually jour-

neyed into captivity because they ignored the (Con't on page 12))



I started writing this segment on September 11th. Twelve years ago we were attacked in a most cowardly and vicious manor. I am sure that all of us remember that day and we felt the same way. At first I was extremely upset and then afraid that Charlotte would be next on the target list since it is such a

From the COB - Rick Petitt

large financial center. That fear immediately turned into anger and frustration. September 11th changed our lives forever. Twelve years and thousands of casualties later I am still angry at the senseless deaths of our citizens.

Revelation, the Scriptures

Despite the horror of the acts of terrorism on September 11th, it brought out the best in our country. Today, I am proud

to be an American and thank God for our young brave military men who are on the front line. They make us proud. Our brothers are sacrificing daily and for us and I, for one, am always in awe of their bravery and courage.

God Bless America and God Bless our Troops.
COB

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Chaplain's Corner - (con't)

prophetic calls to repentance and some of their offspring even journeyed back home again with Nehemiah's leadership. When we get to the New Testament, this image of a journey continues onward.

Jesus journeyed from heaven to earth. John says in his Gospel that once Jesus got here, he "tabernacled" or "tented" among us... He lived among us! His parents were even on a journey when he was born. They had to journey into Egypt to protect Him, after which, they journeyed to Nazareth. From there, Jesus journeved from place to place preaching the gospel, and telling stories about prodigal sons who wander away and journey back home again. Finally, Jesus journeyed to Jerusalem, where he accomplished salvation for all who would place their trust in Him, and then He journeyed back to heaven. From there, he called Paul to be one of his chief spokesmen, who took three missionary journeys' to spread the Good News. But the journey is not complete yet because Jesus is going to journey

back to earth where His

people will then journey with Him into eternity. People of faith realize that they're on a journey, that this world is simply one little phase of this journey that extends into the eternal realms. This world is not your home: it's a place of temporary residence.

Their Discernment Hebrews 11:15 (NKJV) And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return.

They did not just merely anticipate heaven; they evaluated the things of earth in light of that hope. Looking at the things that were seen, they quickly discerned that all the marks of transience, impermanence and perishability were upon them. To give their lives to these things was to misplace their time and ability. They never looked back. Their Security Hebrews 11:16 (NKJV) Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them. God is not ashamed to be called our God and He has prepared a city for us! This is our security.

What more can I say? Hopefully these men and women of faith will challenge the things and/or people in which we place our confidence; confront our cowardice by the bold confession they made to their faith in God; rebuke our materialism; and inspire our obedience to God. My prayer is that God will help me to live my life for the things that really matter, to extend the legacy of faith to our children and grandchildren, and to live in light of the world to come. May God bless you all with His abiding grace. Chaplain Ray

Still Looking for Volunteers for Next Season

Bilge Rat Productions is looking for volunteers for our forth season which will start next year. Our theme will be the old TV show "HEE-HAW".

We had a member suggest something one time that might be a great idea for us, but we have to go with some that our audience remembers. And we think HEE-HAW will be fun for us and for them too.

We are always in the need for musicians, singers, and those who just want to do a little comedy. And we like to have enough as where we can make the show flexible in case some cast members are sick, out of town, or just can't make it on any given day.

Any member will tell you that we have a lot of fun. So if you want to lip-sync, sing, tell a funny story, or play your banjo, we need you!

We want to start practicing early next year, possibly reading through the script in February and start rehearsal in March. We usually do a show per month except when we do one for our group and the VFW then well do a second in conjunction with a meeting, like at Jack's Place.

For HEE-HAW, I'm planning on the Cornfield, Gloom, Despair and Agony, something for the ladies of the SubVettes, and more I need to watch some more re-runs on RFD on my Direct TV first before I start on the script.

If you have any ideas or want to be involved, please let me know ASAP. My contact info is on page 2. — Moe(SS) -

THAT"S ALL!

Holland Club Member in the Spotlight— Ed Erb



Our Holland Club member of the month is Ed Erb. Ed got out after WWII as a TM1(SS). Ed lives in Charlotte and is a Widower after 65 years of marriage to wife Ellen who passed in April of 2011. Ed has two sons, one here in Charlotte and one in Colorado. Ed grew up in Greensboro and moved to Willington with the family at the beginning of World War II. After High School, Ed worked for the Atlantic Tobacco Company. He was playing pooling with some friends and they said "let's join the Navy", knowing they were about to be drafted. So in 1943 Ed went to Bainbridge for Boot Camp. After his boot camp, Ed had orders to TM school in Newport, Rhode Island. While at Newport, Ed was made TM3 and anyone who volunteered and passed the physical for submarines was to receive an extra

week's leave. So Ed was

don to Submarine School.

now going to New Lon-

He did go to Key West for training on O-20 prior to assignment to the USS Ronquil SS396 being built in Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in New Hampshire. Ed qualified on the Ronquil in 1944 and made 5 war patrols. Here is a brief history of those years and patrols:

After shakedown off the New England coast, Ronquil sailed for Hawaii. She arrived at Pearl Harbor on 8 July 1944; and, after preparatory training, sailed on her first war patrol (31 July – 8 September 1944) in the northeastern Formosa-Sakishima Gunto area. On 24 August the submarine sank two attack cargo ships: Yoshida Maru No. 3 (4.646 tons) and Fukurei Maru (5,969 tons). Ronquil's second war patrol, from 30 September to 28 November 1944, was carried out in two phases. She first operated with a coordinated submarine attack group in the Bungo Suido area, and then joined six other submarines to carry out an antipatrol ship sweep off the Bonin Islands. On her third war patrol, from 1 January to 14 February 1945, Ronguil patrolled the Bonins and

did lifeguard duty in that area for Army bombers hitting the Japanese home islands. Her fourth war patrol from 11 March to 23 April 1945, brought her no worthwhile enemy targets but resulted in the rescue of 10 Army aviators from a B-29 bomber downed between the Bonins and Japan. The submarine's fifth and last patrol from 19 May to 26 July 1945, took her into the East China Sea and the Yellow Sea.

The end of the war in the Pacific found *Ronqui* off Pearl Harbor, training for another war patrol. She returned to San Diego in the fall of 1945 and engaged in training exercises off the California coast.

After the war, Ed returned to work at Atlantic To-bacco Company on the road selling cigars as he did, prior to his service. Then he moved on to sell for Procter and Gamble for about 3yrs and was getting tired of traveling and being away from the wife and kids. He ran

into a man that said he should sell insurance and set him up with MetLife in Charlotte area. After MetLife it was USF&G and still no traveling. Ed retired from USF&G. Ed can't believe today's boats and how long they can stay out. I can't believe all that our WWII guys accomplished with what they had. Ed said that he was reading a book right now on some WWII boats and can't believe he lived through some of the same stuff mentioned in the book. Thank you Ed and your shipmates for leading the way. The modern day submarine force would not be what it without you guys leading the way.





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EVENTS

Planning ahead for the Fall and Winter?
Maybe this will help:
November—
Kingsland GA—
WWII SubVets Memorial

See the back few pages!

September Meeting!!

Remember the September meeting is at Jack's "Ranch" in Monroe on Sept 28th. You can show up anytime after Noon. 1500 is the meeting with a great meal before the meeting.

Followed by entertainment from
Bilge Rat Products and
Karaoke by Al and Sandy Westberry

So be ready to eat, drink, laugh, sing,
And just have a merry ol' time.

You might want to bring a passing nonmeat dish, something to drink, and your chairs.

Don't miss this fun!

Jack will email directions.

Answer to the Flag Trivia:

49-Star Flag: On January 3rd, 1959 Alaska was formally granted statehood placing the 49th star on our Flag. Executive Order of President Eisenhower dated January 3, 1959 - provided for the arrangement of the stars in seven rows of seven stars each, staggered horizontally and vertically. The first 49-star flag was made in the Army Ouartermaster Depot at Philadelphia, and was used in the White House ceremony when President Dwight D. Eisenhower (1953-1961) signed the proclamation admitting Alaska to the Union. Subsequently, this flag was carried to Philadelphia by Senator Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania, who gave it to the mayor of Philadelphia to raise over Independence Hall on July 4th, 1959. After these ceremonies Scott gave the flag to his colleague, Senator Earnest Gruening of Alaska, who, in turn, delivered it to Governor William A. Eagan to be flown over the state capitol at Juneau. This flag was later given to the Alaskan State Museum for preservation.

The 49-Star flag was official for only one year, until July 4, 1960, when Hawaii achieved its Statehood and the 50-Star flag was born.

President Eisenhower was the only President to serve under this flag.

September
Meeting
Sept 28th
Dinner at 1300
Meeting at 1500

Meeting at 1500
This is a special
Meeting held a
Jack and Carol
Jeffries in Monroe

If you need directions, please call Jack, his info is on Page 2

Show by Bilge Rat Productions

Karaoke by Al and Sandy Westberry

Fun by All who come!



September

Ed Erb 9/02

Dale Moses and Steven Rodgers 9/08

John Wardean 9/09

John Rupertus 9/10

Douise Jordan 9/17

Arnold Kirk 9/22

Michael Toomey, Jr. 9/23

Al Allen 9/27

Robert Gill 9/29



"Let this country get hungry and they are going to eat, no matter what happens to budgets, income taxes or Wall Street. Washington mustn't forget who rules when it comes to a show down."

- Will Rogers



September

Mary and Ron Roberson - 9/1

Pat and Ron Busila - 9/4

Janet and Glen Snyder - 9/7

Sandra and Paul Myers - 9/10

Pamela and Tom Holland - 9/26





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SubVettes—President Sandra Myers

Hey Sassy Sisters, Hope all is well with you and yours. We are great on the top of the world. Hopefully everyone knows by now we won the "President's Award" from our National President Sandra Butcher. She normally gives out one to a Base and one to an individual, but instead

it was given to us and the Tullibee Base.

I think we got a total of seven awards. WE ROCK !!!!! Please don't forget your secret sisters and recruiters. Our meeting is at the Jeffries' Ponderosa the meat and rolls will be furnished. I

ask that you bring 2 or 3 dishes with 1 as a dessert.

Take care and see you soon.

Just so you know my article is being presented to you on our "award winning newsletter."
Thanks to all see we do ROCK !!!! May

God Bless You and



May God Bless America!!!!! Love Sandra

Grilled Pork Chops with garlic lime sauce

Active Time: 15 minutes **Total Time:** 30 minutes

Ingredients:

1/4 cup fresh lime juice 1 garlic clove, minced

1/4 teaspoon dried hot red-pepper flakes

1/3 cup olive oil

2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro

6 (1/2-inch-thick) boneless pork chops

Whisk together lime juice, garlic, red-pepper flakes, and 1/4 teaspoon salt, then add oil in a slow stream, whisking well. Whisk in cilantro.

Prepare a gas grill for direct-heat cooking over medium-high heat. Pat pork dry and season with salt and pepper. Oil grill rack, then grill pork chops, covered, turning over once, until just cooked through, 5 to 6 minutes total. Serve drizzled with some vinaigrette, and with remainder on the side.

Cook's note: If you aren't able to grill outdoors, chops can be cooked in a hot lightly oiled large (2-burner) ridged grill pan over moderately high heat.

Makes: 4 servings

VETERANS NEWS
by the RAQ Bulletin

Deadline for the next issue of the Piedmont Periscope will be October 17th. Please have all items to Moe(SS) at Editor_periscope@ Att.net by then.

Your Veteran News From the RAQ Bulletin

Vet Charity Watch
Update 36 ➤ Where
Does the Money Go

Where does the money go that Americans have contributed to charitable organizations supporting the military, veterans and their families during the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan? The number of such charities has more than tripled from just 583 in 2001 to more than 1,900 over the decade that followed, according to a News21 analysis of tax filings with the Internal Revenue Service. More than half of the public's donations — about \$6 billion — went to just 12 of those charities. They include those established more than a century ago and some founded more recently. "The fact (is) that 1 percent of the charities get 86 percent of the revenue that comes into the sector each year," said Ken Berger, president and chief executive officer of the independent charity review site Charity Navigator. "The vast

majority of charities are

minuscule — they're \$25,000 or less and they're very local, volunteer efforts."

The surge of support for veterans in the years since the attacks of Sept. 11 is what Adm. Michael Mullen, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has called a sea of goodwill. "There's a desire across the country to assist our returning veterans and their military families," said Kimberly Mitchell, who served as deputy director of the Office of Warrior and Family Support under Mullen from 2010 to 2012. She retired from the Navy in 2012 to help found the Dixon Center for Military and Veterans Community Services. No organization better exemplifies the post-9/11 growth among veterans' charities and the public response than Wounded Warrior Project, which ranked ninth in the News21 analysis of donations received. Founded in 2003, it may be the most well-known charity developed spe-

cifically in response to the war efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan. It has promoted and marketed itself perhaps better than any other charity on the News21 list. From its first tax filings in 2005. in which it reported about \$240,000 in contributions between April and July of that year, Wounded Warrior Project increased its yearly donations to more than \$10 million in 2006 and nearly \$150 million by 2012. The percentage of those donations going to Wounded Warrior Project's programs and services decreased from 80 percent in 2005 to around 73 percent in 2012, with less than 65 percent going to its programs in 2008 to 2010.

Charities that perform the best generally spend about 70 percent or more of their money toward the programs and services that fulfill their mission, according to charity experts and watchdogs. Administrative and fundraising expenses should typically be about 30 percent or Page 18 Piedmont Periscope

less. The News21 analysis found that of the 12 charities that raised the most in donations from 2001 to 2011, seven spent 75 percent or more on programs or services that benefited veterans or the military. For example, the Northern California Institute of Research and Education received more than \$9 million in federal grants since 2007 for research into treatments for traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD. The Henry M. Jackson Foundation has received \$2.6 billion over the last decade or more — most from the federal government and American taxpayers to support medical research and education programs. Not only has the foundation collected more than 20 percent of all the money given by the public to military - and veteransrelated organizations, it received \$407 million in government grants in 2011 alone. Most of that money has paid for a variety of research efforts, none more so than

the U.S. Military HIV Research Program, its largest collaboration with the U.S. government. Through the HIV research program, the U.S. military conducts research in labs around the globe, such as in Kenya and Thailand, according to Lisa Reilly, communications director for the program. "We've been working 40 or 50 years with the local population on studying infectious diseases that affect them, that would affect our troops if they went there," she said. "We work with the militaries there to try to prevent HIV, but then we also try to develop a vaccine that we can test in these endemic parts of the world "

The Fisher House
Foundation and the
Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society offer aid to
military veterans or their
families during tough
times. Fisher House
Foundation builds accommodations at military bases and VA medical centers for the families of service members
and veterans receiving

medical treatment. Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society provides financial assistance and other programs for active-duty and retired members of the Navy and Marine Corps and their families. From 2001 to 2011, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society raised more than \$185 million and spent about 3 percent on fundraising, compared to some in the top 12 that spent more than 30 percent of their money soliciting donations. About 85 percent of what the relief society spent went to its programs and services for active-duty and retired sailors and Marines, or their families, mostly through programs that provide interestfree loans and grants for education expenses or financial emergencies.

In addition to the tens of millions the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society distributed in loans and grants each year, it also kept in reserve about \$125 million in publicly traded securities, according to tax records. Those assets would be used to fund disaster relief efforts, as in 2011, for example, in the aftermath of a quake and tsu-

nami in Japan that affected Navy personnel and families stationed in the area, according to Shelley Marshall, the society's communications officer. "Most charities have an amount of money that they have to deal with to provide their programs and services that year, and if they run out of money that's the end of their services; well, we don't have that option," Marshall said. "The Navy and Marine Corps have said, 'You need to be there when we need you." The society has provided free, in-home nurses for Navy and Marine Corps personnel and their families for more than 90 years, according to Ruthi Moore, director of nursing for the society. In 2006, it created a new nursing program specifically to meet the needs of injured sailors and Marines returning from Iraq and Afghanistan, and their families. "We are currently the only program in the entire country where a registered nurse will make a face-to-face visit anywhere in the country, free of charge, to

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any Navy or Marine Corps family," Moore said. "The military doesn't make house calls " The program serves about 1,700 families and gets about 15 new referrals a week, she said. "And we will follow them for as long as they want us to, so it's not a case of, well, this week we'll get rid of two and pick up one," she said. "This week we'll pick up five and keep going."

Another of the charities that rose to the top of the News21 analysis is Fisher House Foundation, which directed more than 95 percent of its spending, about \$230 million, to its programs from 2001 to 2011 mostly on building projects and scholarships for military children. It spent on average 1 cent to raise \$1, among the best rates in the top 12, while increasing contributions nearly 1,000 percent from 2001 to 2011. It also reported spending an average of about \$330,000 on fundraising each year, but raising an average of more than \$22.5 million in contributions. Cindy Camp-

bell, vice president of community affairs at Fisher House Foundation, said the foundation did some marketing and promotion, but that volunteers did most of the fundraising. She attributed the low fundraising costs to its focus on core programs. "We have a laser-like target of what we do — we don't step on what others are doing," she said, "We have a very clear mission of what we do." The foundation's goal is to have a home at every VA medical center in the country, Campbell said, so that any veteran's family that needs a place to stay will have one. She anticipates that need won't be going away soon. "This is a group of veterans who are really going to need serious support from the VA Medical Centers across the country," Campbell said. "So now we have a group of young men and women who will need care for the rest of their lives."

Erica Borggren, an Iraq war veteran and director of the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs, said the number of organizations offering services for veterans has created challenges for veterans and the agencies that serve them. "There are so many organizations — so much goodwill," Borggren said. "Keeping track of it all is really difficult. If it's difficult for those of us providing the services, how is a struggling veteran supposed to navigate it?" Borggren and her staff helped develop an effort called Illinois Joining Forces, launched in 2012 to coordinate the nonprofits and government departments serving veterans. The goal, she said, was to create a "nowrong-door system," so that veterans will be referred to the agency or charity that can best help them. Mitchell, the former Navy officer, said donors should focus their giving on charities that produce long-term results. "There's a lot of organizations that are banking money because of their brand name," she said. "They've been able to get lots and lots of marketing, so what I encourage people to do is look at GuideStar or Charity Navigator and ask warriors and their families, because they'll tell you the truth." Campbell said the work

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of supporting veterans and service members back at home is just beginning. "We have 2.5 million veterans from this war, this war," Campbell said. "At a time when people are thinking, 'The war is over, we don't need to do this anymore,' it's out of sight, out of mind. This is actually when Americans need to really step up." [Source: News21 | Chad Garland and Andrew Knochel | 24 Aug 2013 ++]

Verizon Phishing Scam ➤ Wireless Customers Targeted

It is not unusual to see an unfamiliar 1-800 number appear on your caller ID. Often, these numbers are coming from telemarketers, but they also can come from legitimate sources. One in particular is Verizon Wireless, whose representatives often call from such numbers to contact customers about billing information. Before you start giving out your personal information, beware of a new phishing scam that is targeting Verizon customers. According to The Examiner, an 800 -000-0000 number is calling Verizon customers. Recipients of the call are told that they

have a discount or refund due and, naturally, personal information is needed. A good rule of thumb is to never give out any information at all. If in doubt, a customer can always immediately call Verizon or whoever the call is supposedly from, and inquire as to the veracity of the bonus or discount in question. Elderly people are especially vulnerable to scams of all types, and it is important to frequently remind them to never give out any information. [Source: BBB Smart Tips Aug 2013 ++]

Government Grant Scams ➤ How to Avoid

"Congratulations! You're eligible for a free government grant. All you need to do is provide your checking account information so that the money can be wired directly into your account," the caller says. Not so fast. Here's how the scam goes down:

It starts like most phishing phone calls. You receive a phone call or voicemail informing you that you're the lucky recipient of a govern-

ment grant. The calls generally come from a number with a (202) area code, suggesting that they originate in Washington D.C. On the other end, the caller claims to be from a legitimate sounding source, such as the "Federal Grant Association" (a non-existent organization) and wants your checking account information so that the money can be wired directly into your account. This classic government grant scam has been around for years and has remained a threat because most people are not familiar with the grant system and procedure, and consequently are not likely to see through fraudster inquiries.

How to Spot a Government Grant Scam:

• Don't give out your bank account information to anyone you don't know. Always keep your bank account information confidential. Don't share it unless you are familiar with the company and know why the information is necessary.

Don't pay any money for a "free" government

grant. If you have to pay money to claim a "free" government grant, it isn't really free. A real government agency won't ask you to pay a processing fee for a grant that you have already been awarded - or to pay for a list of grantmaking institutions. The only official access point for all federal grant-making agencies is grants.gov.

• Look-alikes aren't the real thing. Just because the caller says they're from the "Federal Grants Administration" doesn't mean that they are. There is no such government agency. And although it may look like they're calling from Washington, DC, they could be calling from anywhere in the world

Take control of the calls you receive. If you want to reduce the number of telemarketing calls you receive, place your telephone number on the National Do Not Call Registry. To register online, visit donot-call.gov.

File a complaint with the FTC. If you think you may have been a victim of a government grant scam, file a complaint with the FTC online, or call toll-free, 1-877-FTC-HELP.

Lost Boats USS S-51 SS-162



USS *S-51* (SS-162) was a fourth-group (*S-48*) *S*-class submarine of the United States Navy.

Her keel was laid down on 22 December 1919 by the Lake Torpedo Boat Company of Bridgeport, Connecticut. She was launched on 20 August 1921 sponsored by Mrs. R.J. Mills, and commissioned on 24 June 1922 with Lieutenant W. S. Haas in command. Operations - The new submarine was based at New London, Connecticut on 1 July 1922 as a unit of Submarine Division 4 (SubDiv 4) and followed a normal peacetime training cycle. operating out of her home port with visits to Newport, Rhode Island, and Providence, Rhode Island, She departed from New York City on 4 January 1924 for the Panama Canal Zone to participate in winter fleet maneuvers off Panama and in the Caribbean Sea. During this cruise, she visited Trinidad, Guantanamo Bay, Culebra, and St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. After returning to New York City on 30 April, she resumed

type training off Block Island and in New England coastal waters. Sinking - On the night of 25 September 1925, S-51 was operating on the surface near Block Island, with her running lights on. The merchant steamer City of Rome spotted a single white masthead light but were unable to determine its course, speed, or intentions. The ship altered her course away from the unknown light to give whatever it might be greater leeway. Meanwhile, S-51 spotted the ship's masthead and green sidelights, and held her course as she was required to do by the Rules of the Road then in effect. Shortly after altering course, City of Rome spotted the submarine's red sidelight and realized that they were on collision courses. She shifted her rudder and backed her engines, but it was too late. Twenty-two minutes after first spotting the submarine's masthead light, the steamer rammed her at the position 41°14′30″N 71°16′ 16"W.

Only three of the 36 men in the submarine were able to abandon ship before she sank.

The courts found City of Rome at fault for not reducing her speed when in doubt as to the movement of S-51, and for not signaling her change of course. However, both the district court and the Circuit Court of Appeals found S-51 at fault for having improper lights. The United States Navy argued that it was not practicable to have submarines of this class comply with the letter of the law, and that, as a special type of warship, S-51 was under no legal compulsion to do so. The court responded by saying if these statements were correct, then submarines "should confine their operation to waters not being traversed by other ships." Salvage - S-51 was raised on 5 July 1926 by a team led by then-Lieutenant Commander (later Rear Admiral) Edward Ellsberg. The entire salvage operation was commanded by Captain (later Fleet Admiral) Ernest J. King. She was struck from the Naval Vessel Register on 27 January 1930 and sold for scrap on 23 June to the Borough Metal Company of Brooklyn, New York





Left—Bell of the S-51 Above— File photo of the S -51

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Book Review by Jim George

Project AZORIAN – The CIA and the Raising of the K-129 – by Norman Polmar and Michael White, Naval Institute Press, 2010.

Anyone who has an interest in Cold War history and true submarine exploits, or has heard of such classified terms as 'Velvet Fist', 'Jennifer', or 'Azorian', will enjoy this presentation by noted naval historian Polmar and TV producer/documentarian White. This book documents the story of three ships: a Soviet Golfclass ballistic missile submarine, K-129; a defunct US nuclear guided missile submarine which was given new life as a 'spec-ops' boat, USS Halibut (SSGN 587); and a purpose built deepsea salvage vessel, the Hughes Glomar Explorer.

The story begins with the evolution of the Soviet ballistic missile submarine program and the key role played by the Golf class diesel submarines. Russian interview sources discuss the story of the K-129's deployment and speculation about her demise (they mostly suspected a collision with the USS Swordfish) northwest of

the Hawaiian Islands. Next comes the history of American missile development and the construction of the ungainly Halibut. When the Halibut faced retirement as a missile boat she underwent major refits to reclassify her as an SSN with unique special operations capabilities. The Halibut deployed to the suspected wreckage site (determined by US Air Force sonar – go figure) of the K-129 and succeeded in locating her by use of special deep-sea 'fish', towed sonar/ camera assemblies that could troll the ocean floor. Once located, the CIA used this information to concoct one of the most ambitious and audacious intelligence gathering missions ever devised; a purpose-built deep sea salvage vessel intended to literally scoop the remains of K-129 out of the sea floor mud, nuclear missiles and all, right in front of Soviet intelligencegathering ships. I thor-

Some Useful Links

Steve Bell provided these links. I'll have some more in future editions.

This does count toward Re-qual, so you better watch them or the COB will have you on Dink List!

Air Independent Propulsion for Submarines (29 minutes)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?

v=tze6zgrRJKM&feature=youtu.be

The Submariners – DOD film 1967 (28 minutes)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0WyQsQi0Lyg

Cold War Submarines by Capt James Patton, USN Ret (1:43 minutes)

http://www.voutube.com/watch?

v=ubR4uWcNhRk&feature=player embedded

Rare WWII submarine footage

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x8DxhS8wpoI

USS Virginia

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-JP-ytvCRuk

Seals on the boats

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=clKzysTWO1A

oughly enjoyed this story as well as the very informative Appendices at the end of the book. There are excellent photographs and diagrams of all the major ships involved. I highly recommend this book.

\$18.95 at Booksmart. By Jim George (EM1/SS).



If you have a good submarine book or movie that you would like to share with others, just write up a "book report" and send to Moe(SS) at Editor_periscope@att.net

I'll find room and get it in there. I'll fix the spell and grammar (unlike your teacher back in the old book report days).





USSVI Constitution and Bylaws

Here a little more of the USSVI Constitution and Bylaws. As I stated in January we'll do a little each month and the Constitution will be here on the left side and the Bylaws on the right side. —Moe(SS)

Constitution (continued from August issue)

Article XI OFFICERS

- -Section 2 Board of Directors
- A. The Board of Directors shall have the control and general management of the affairs and business of the organization.
- B. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of the National elected officers, the Regional Directors, and the District Commanders, the immediate Past National Commander, the President of the Ladies Auxiliary and the Commander of the Holland Club.
- C. The only members of the Board of Directors with voting privileges are the National elected officers, the Regional Directors (RDs), the Immediate Past National Commander (IPNC), and the most recent recipient of the USSVI District Commanders National Award as of the date of the meeting, or the runner-up for the USSVI District Commanders National Award in the event that the most recent recipient of the award is already a voting member.
- D. Any member of the Board of Directors may be removed from office for cause by two-thirds (66 2/3 %) vote of the Board of Directors. (C2/06)
- E. Duties of the Board of Directors shall include but not be limited to all normal business that the board takes care of in the routine management of the organization. It shall also include approving those appointments the National Commander and others shall make. The National Secretary will receive reports for distribution from all committees as specified in the bylaws, and will receive and present to the Board for approval the operational manuals that the committees may choose to create. Such manuals must be approved by the board before they are released to the membership. Special care will be taken both by the committee and the board to ensure that such manuals do not supersede or contradict the Constitution and Bylaws of the organization."
- F. Regardless of cause, a replacement for a voting (Con't on page 21)

Bylaws (continued from August issue)

ARTICLE V -- DUTIES OF OFFICERS

(Con't) Section 6. REGIONAL DIRECTORS:

The duties of the Regional Directors shall include but not be limited to:

- a. Be directly responsible to the National Commander for the conduct of organizational business within their Region.
- b. Serve as members of the Board of Directors.
- c. Serve as members of the Scholarship Committee.
- d. Perform other such duties as required by the National Constitution and these Bylaws.
- e. Work up, keep current, and pass on immediately to his relief a "Turn Over" folder, including all official correspondence, records, and official material assigned to his care.

Section 7. DISTRICT COMMANDERS:

The District Commander is directly responsible to the Region Director for the conduct of organizational business within his district.

The duties of the District Commanders shall include but not be limited to:

- a. Serve as non voting members of the Board of Directors
- b. Assist the Base Commanders within their respective districts in the performance of their duties, to include providing assistance as required to insure the proper operation of base meetings and events, recruiting and retention.
- c. Appoint all District committees, committee chairman and appointed officers as required to conduct District business.
- d. Represent his respective District at official functions.
- e. Assist the Region Director with the oversight of the performance of all Base Commanders within his district; the performance guidelines having been established by the Region Director.
- f. Approve Base Constitution and Bylaws, insuring compliance with National and State laws regulating the operation of the organization within his district (i.e. chartering, maintaining non-profit status, etc.)
- g. Actively promote the establishment of new bases (Con't on page 21)

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WE DID IT AGAIN!

(Constitution Con't)

member may be appointed from the general membership by the National Commander, providing that the member appointed meets all the requirements for that position, or the sitting officer next in seniority, or the vacated duties may be absorbed or distributed between the remaining members as the Board of Directors approves. G. No member of the Board of Directors with voting privileges shall have more than one vote. (C3-10)

Remember the USSVI National Constitution and Bylaws are available in their entirety on-line at WWW.USSVI.ORG. You as a USSVI member can change these by going through the proper procedure and process described within. You want change, don't B*tch, Read and do something about it. The change starts with you and your knowing of the process.

(Bylaws con't)

with the assistance of the New Base Development Committee (NBDC), including, with the assistance of the NBDC sending in to the Regional Director and NJVC a report on the well being of any new base six months after it has been formed. h. In coordination with his Region Director, may perform as liaison with other veteran organizations including Submarine Veterans of World War II (SVWWII) in their respective areas.

- i. Annually prepare a written report on the 'state of his district' to be given to his Regional Director with copies for publication in each of the District's Base Newsletters.
- j. If selected, may serve as a member of the New Base Development Committee.
- k. Prepare a "Turn Over" folder for his relief, containing all information and correspondence relative to his office.
- **l.** Require the District Commander to create a news letter for the Base Commanders within his district on a quarterly basis. (B4-10)

Well, WE, not I, did it again. Not only did WE get Newsletter of the Year for the Southeast Region again this year, WE got it for the entire USSVI! I say WE, because it is a Base effort. The Officers and President of the Sub-Vettes all have their inputs. which they will attest; I bug them for their input, sometimes right up to the deadline. And I have the people who send me jokes, stories, and other things of interest. So I format, correct spelling, grammar, and write some filler material it's really the Base that writes the newsletter. I do get to talk to some great Holland Club members during my interviews with them. I just take their words and type them down. And I have to thank my wife, Colleen. Even with MicroSoft's Spell-checker, sometimes I need her and her Master's in Education to get me started on a word before old Bill Gates' software will recognize what the heck I'm typing. Thank you Dear. So, that makes three years mont and my forth. I had gotten one for the Steele Requin Base. Now that one. I had to work a little harder for.

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This Base works so well

together. This is my forth Base that I have belonged to and truly the best. I really mean that. If you are a Base member and have never been to a Base meeting, or never gotten involved with any of our activities you are truly missing out. As I used to say at the

American Legion Post back in Missouri, "We all served our County, now it's time to serve our Community." Our Base is great at doing just that. I hope that you will come and join in on the fun that we all share as shipmates. And I, for one, am very proud to report to you OUR activities in the multiaward winning Piedmont Periscope. – Moe(SS)



Pride Runs Deep



Piedmont Funnies Page

The Nun

A cab driver picks up a nun. She gets into the cab, and the cab driver won't stop staring at her.

She asks him why he is staring and he replies, "I have a question to ask you but I don't want to offend you."

She answers: "My dear son, you cannot offend me. When you're as old as I am and have been a nun as long as I have, you get a chance to see and hear just about everything. I'm sure that there's nothing you could say or ask that I would find offensive."

"Well, I've always had a fantasy to have a nun kiss me.

"She responds, "Well, let's see what we can do about that: #1, you have to be single and #2 you must be a Catholic."

The cab driver is very excited and says, "Yes, I am single and I'm Catholic too!"

The nun says, "OK, pull into the next alley." He does and the nun fulfills his fantasy.

But when they get back on the road, the cab driver starts crying. "My dear child." said the nun,
"Why are you crying?"

"Forgive me sister, but I have sinned. I lied, I must confess, I'm married and a I'm a Baptist."

The nun says, "That's OK, I am on the way to a Halloween party, and my name is Kevin.

Supplied by Al Westberry

A very successful attorney parked his brand new Lexus in front of his office, ready to show it off to his colleagues.

As he was getting out, a truck came along too closely and completely tore off the driver's door.

Fortunately, a cop in a police car was close enough to see the accident and pulled up behind the Lexus with his lights flashing.

Before the cop had a chance to ask any questions, the attorney started screaming hysterically about how his Lexus, which he had just purchased the day before, was completely ruined and would never be the same, no matter how any car body shop tried to

make it new again.

After the lawyer finally wound down from his rant, the cop shook his head in disbelief. "I can't believe how materialistic you lawyers are," he said. "You are so focused on your possessions that you neglect the most important things in life."

"How can you say such a thing?" asked the lawyer.

The cop replied, "Don't you even realize that your left arm is missing? It was severed when the truck hit you!"

"OH, MY GOD!" screamed the lawyer, "My Rolex!"

A Pastor was called to a local nursing home to perform a wedding. An anxious old man met him at the door. The pastor sat down to counsel him. The Pastor asked several questions.

"Do you love her?"

The old man replied, "I guess."

"Is she a good Christian woman?"

"I don't know for sure," the old man answered.

"Does she have lots of money?" asked the pastor.

"I doubt it."

"Then why are you marrying her?" the preacher asked

"She is allowed to drive at night," the old man said.

A young man wanted to get his beautiful blonde wife something nice for their first wedding anniversary. So he decided to buy her a cell phone. He showed her the phone and explained to her all of its features.

Meg was excited to receive the gift and simply adored her new phone.

The next day Meg went shopping. Her phone rang and, to her astonishment, it was her husband on the other end.

"Hi Meg," he said, "how do you like your new phone?"

Meg replied, "I just love it! It's so small and your voice is clear as a bell, but there's one thing I don't understand though..."

"What's that, sweetie?" asked her husband.

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"How did you know I was at Wal-Mart?"

Another from Al

A wife asks her husband, "Could you please go shopping for me and buy one carton of milk and if they have avocados, get 6.

A short time later the husband comes back with 6 cartons of milk.

The wife asks him,
"Why did you buy 6 cartons of milk?"

He replied, "They had avocados."

If you're a woman, I'm sure you're going back to read it again! Men will get it the first time.

My work is done here.

ADVICE FROM A RETIRED HUSBAND (from Al Westberry)

It is important for men to remember that, as women grow older, it becomes harder for them to maintain the same quality of housekeeping as when they were younger. When you notice this, try not to yell at them. Some are oversensitive, and there's nothing worse than an oversensitive woman.

My name is Ron. Let me relate how I handled the

situation with my wife, Jean.

When I retired a few years ago, it became necessary for Jean to get a full-time job, along with her part-time job, both for extra income and for the health benefits that we needed.

Shortly after she started working, I noticed she was beginning to show her age. I usually get home from the golf club about the same time she gets home from work.

Although she knows how hungry I am, she almost always says she has to rest for half an hour or so before she starts dinner. I don't yell at her. Instead, I tell her to take her time and just wake me when she gets dinner on the table. I generally have lunch in the Men's Grill at the club, so eating out is not an option in the evening. I'm ready for some home -cooked grub when I hit that door. She used to do the dishes as soon as we finished eating. But now it's not unusual for them to sit on the table for several hours after din-

I do what I can by diplomatically reminding her several times each evening that they won't clean themselves. I know she really appreciates this, as it does seem to motivate her to get them done before she goes to bed.

Another symptom of aging is complaining, I think. For example, she will say that it is difficult for her to find time to pay the monthly bills during her lunch hour.. But, Boys, we take 'em for better or worse, so I just smile and offer encouragement. I tell her to stretch it out over two, or even three days. That way, she won't have to rush so much. I also remind her that missing lunch completely now and then wouldn't hurt her any (if you know what I mean). I like to think tact is one of my strong points.

When doing simple jobs, she seems to think she needs more rest periods. She had to take a break when she was only half-finished mowing the lawn. I try not to make a scene. I'm a fair man.. I tell her to fix herself a nice, big, cold glass of freshly squeezed orange juice and just sit for a while. And, as long as she is making one for herself, she may as well make one for me, too.

I know that I probably look like a saint in the way I support Jean. I'm not saying that showing this much patience & con-

sideration is easy. Many men will find it difficult. Some will find it impossible! Nobody knows better than I do how frustrating women get as they get older. However, Guys, even if you just use a little more tact and less criticism of your ageing wife because of this article, I will consider that writing it was well worthwhile. After all, we are put on this earth to help each other.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Ron died suddenly on July 31 of a perforated rectum.

The police report says he was found with a Callaway extra-long 50-inch Big Bertha Driver II golf club jammed up his rear end, with barely 5 inches of grip showing, and a sledge hammer lying nearby.

His wife Jean was arrested and charged with murder.

The all-woman jury took only 10 minutes to find her Not Guilty, accepting her defense that Ron, somehow without looking, accidentally sat down on his golf club.



King's Bay Info



14 July 2013

RE: 2013 SUBMARINE VETERANS OF WWII MEMORIAL REGISTRATION

Dear WWII Submarine Veterans, Submarine Service Veterans, Family and Friends,

We are extremely pleased to enclose the registration forms for the 2013 World War II Memorial Ceremony Week which will begin on Wednesday, October 30th through Sunday, the 3rd of November 2013.

This year the Memorial Service itself is on Friday morning November 1st at 10:00 am. You will find all the details on the enclosed registration forms which are being sent you by the Museum on behalf of the St. Marys Submarine Museum, Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay Naval Base and the Kings Bay Chapter of Submarine Veterans.

If we can be of assistance to you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact the museum by phone or email, or anyone else listed below. We look forward to welcoming you back to Camden County in November!

Hope to see you this fall!

Keith F. Post, Executive Director

2013 Memorial Registration Information and Points of Contact

St Marys Submarine Museum	912-882-2782	gift shop@tds.net
Museum Executive Director	Keith Post	submus@tds.net
SUBASE Command Master Chief	Randy Huckaba	randy.huckaba@navy.mil
USSVI Kings Bay Chapter	Sean Farrell	
Base Commander	912-409-9054	subvetskbay@yahoo.com

St. Marys Area Accomodations

Gateway Inn & Suites (On Base TVQ)	912-573-4871	www.dodlodging.net
Eagle Hammock RV Park (On Base)	912-673-1161	eaglehammock@tds.net
	800-818-1815	
Navy Lodge Kings Bay (On Base)	912-882-6868	800-NAVY-INN
Cumberland Inn & Suites (Host Hotel)	912-882-6250	www.cumberlandislandinn.com
	800-768-6250	
Riverview Hotel	912-882-3242	www.riverviewhotelstmarys.com

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St. Marys Bed and Breakfasts

* Emma's Bed and Breakfast	(912) 882-4199
* The Spencer House	(912) 882-1872
The Goodbread House	(912) 882-7490

Note * - Members and supporters of the St. Marys Submarine Museum

Kingsland Hotels

Best Western Plus	(912) 882-8200
Comfort Inn	(912) 729-6979
Comfort Suites	(912) 576-7555
Country Hearth Inn	(912) 576-7958
Country Inn & Suites	(912) 576-1616
Days Inn	(912) 729-7666
Econo Lodge	(912) 673-7336
Fairfield Inn & Suites	(912) 576-1010
Hampton Inn	(912) 729-1900
Hawthorn Suites	(912) 882-4170
Hometown Suites	(912) 882-3004
Jameson Inn	(912) 729-9600
La Quinta Inn & Suites	(912) 882-8010
Magnolia Inn	(912) 576-4777
Microtel Inn & Suites	(912) 729-1555
Red Roof Inn	(912) 729-1130
Sleep Inn & Suites	(912) 673-7116
Springfield Inn & Suites	(912) 729-3000

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2013 WWII SUBMARINE VETERANS MEMORIAL SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, October 30th – SUNDAY, November 3rd, 2013

This is a Combined Pre-Registration Form & Subase Privacy Act Release Form (PARF) for the 2013 WWII Memorial Service, Dinners, SSBN Tours & Subase Access. This form in NO way guarantees an SSBN tour or access to Kings Bay Naval Submarine Base. **PHOTO ID IS REQUIRED TO ENTER THE SUBASE AT ALL TIMES. All quests** must be United States Citizens.

Veteran and Guest Information

Veteran/Guest	Name	e:							
Street Address:	:								
City:						Stat	e:	Zip:	
Telephone:			·		(Home /	Work / Cell) [DofB Mo/D	Dy/Yr _	_//_
Email Address:									
Military Retired	d?	Yes:	No:		USSVI Ba	se:			
Holland Club M	lber?	Yes:	No:		Highest N	lilitary Rank:			
1st Boat "SS" Qu	ualifie	d On: U	ss						Year:
USSVI Positions	s Held								
WWII Veterans	- Pea	ırl Harbo	r Survivor: _		WWII P	ow:	wwii	Sub CO:	:
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Guest Names:	(1)								
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WWII SUBMARINE VETERANS MEMORIAL REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, October 30th - SUNDAY, November 4TH

<u>This section is for WWII Submarine "War Patrol" Veterans Only:</u> This year we again honor our WWII War Patrol Veterans. Your Registration Fees and Meals are complementary. All you are responsible for is your hotel expenses and transportation.

WWII VET	ERAN NAM					
	Pleas	e check all ev	ents that you will be attend	ling so we have a	in accurate h	ead count:
		BBQ _	Steak Night	Memorial Cere	mony _	Eagles
This section	n is for oth	er Submarine	Veterans and All Other Gu	iests:		
REGISTRAT	ION FEE: \$	17 EACH				
Number of	Guests:			# @	\$17 x Pers	on \$
Thursday, C	October 31st	– BBQ Dinner	3			
Local Offici	als Meet and	Greet Evenin	ng @ Cumberland Inn & Suites	#@	\$15 x Pers	on \$
Friday, Nov	ember 1st –	Steak Night:				
Come Join	Us @ The Go	at Locker on E	Base for Steak Night	#@	\$20 x Pers	on \$
Saturday, N	lovember 2n	d – Order of E	agles – Low Country Boil –			
Always a G	ood Time wit	th the Eagles			\$ FR	EE - Donations Are Accepted
St. Marys S	ubmarine M	useum Memb	oership:			
Circle: NE	W / RENEW	Check One:	INDIVIDUAL \$20 FAI	MILY \$30		\$
Donation to	St. Marys S	ubmarine Mu	seum :			
Please help	support the	Capital Camp	aign for a New Museum Build	ling		\$
			Total Amou	ant Enclosed		\$
Submarine	Tour Informa	ation*	Plea	ase make checks p	ayable to and	d mail completed forms to:
Please place	#'s 1 thru 5	in order of pr	reference for tour time	St. Marys Sub	marine Muse	um
Wednesday	AM	PM		ATTN: 2013 V	VWII Memori	al
Thursday	AM	PM	_	102 St. Marys	Street West	
Friday	(Ceremony)) PM		St. Marys, GA	31558	
Individual T	our times wil	I he in respect	ive nackets upon nicking up R	egistration Packet	at Museum o	r Host Hotel upon arrival.

Individual Tour times will be in respective packets upon picking up Registration Packet at Museum or Host Hotel upon arrival.

*Please note that ALL boat tours are subject to change/cancellation at any point. Registration does NOT guarantee any tours.

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Submarine·Veterans'·Gulf·Coast_¶ 2013·Annual·Christmas·Party¶

Thursday-Dec-12th-thru-Sunday-Dec-15th-2013.¶

 $Holiday \cdot Inn \cdot Resort\P$

(Eighth year at this great Hotel) #

11127 Front Beach Rd, Panama City Beach, FL-32407¶ 1-850-234-1111 or 1-800-633-0266 (toll-free)¶

Rooms \$59.00 plus tax-(10.57%) → Includes Morning Coffee & Donuts \$\Pi\$

Hospitality Room and Banquet \$45.00 1

(Hospitality-Room includes Free Libations & Assorted Snacks)

Hosted by John Duncan, Seawolf Base & Jim Hunnicutt, Drum Base¶

(narwhalssn@yahoo.com)

(parwhalssn@yahoo.com)

This is a Christmas Party — Gifts Optional (to receive a gift, you must bring a gift) ¶

Everyone Bring a Present (\$10 to \$15) — Men bring a Guy's gift and Ladies bring a gal's gift ¶

Banquet Christmas Party Saturday Night ¶

Banquet will have a Cash Bar starting at 5 P.M. followed by Dirmer and Party at 6:00 P.M.¶

MENU: -: SANTA' S: FAVORITE: BUFFET¶

Garden Fresh Salad¶
Tender Roasted Tom Turkey with Giblet Gravy - Spiral Honey Glazed Ham¶
Country Style Sausage Combread Stuffing - Whipped Potatoes - Candied Yams¶

Green Bean Almandine - Fresh Whole Kernel Corn - Freshly Baked Rolls

Dessert Selections - Freshly Baked Pumpkin, Apple Pie or Cobbler - Iced Tea or Coffee

Memorial Service 11 A.M. Saturday December 14th Nightly Bar 50/50 Raffles (w/extra prizes) - 6 for \$5.00¶

Large Split the Pot 50/50 Saturday Night Raffle (w/extra prizes) - 6 for \$5.00¶ (This is not a profit maker - Any Residual Funds will go to a Submarine Related Project)¶

Mail·Reservations for Banquet and Hospitality Room to 1

Jim Hunnicutt - 11114 Little Creek Ln, Pensacola FL 32506-8261

Make check payable to Submarine Christmas Party → ¶

Reservations have to be in hand NLT November 30th to guarantee you banquet seating \(\) (Refunds for Banquet after December 1st, 2013 cannot be guaranteed) \(\) Explicate Supering 2: Contact Jim Humicutt @ 1-850-457-3584 or mapo as &peopleps.com \(\)

	REGISTRATION FORM¶			
Name: Spouse/Guest:				
Address:	-City	StateZIP	¶	
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Local·Chapter/Base·		¶		
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	Carolin	a Piedmont	Base Calendar	of Upcomi	ng Events	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15	16	17	18	19	20 National POW/MIA Recognition Day	21 Bilge Rat's Show Salis- bury VA 11:00
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Base Meeting At Jack's Ranch
29	30	Oct 1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12Bilge Rat's Show Gasto- nia Terrance Ridge 10:00
13	14	15	16 Levine's Children's Hospital	17 PP Deadline 4 PM	18	19 Victory Junction
20	21	22	23	24	25	26Base Meeting 1700 followed by Show at VFW
27	28	29	30	31	Nov 1	2

One way to support VFW Post 9138 is to attend their Sunday Morning Breakfast held on the second Sunday of each month from 8am to 11am— Come on out! -

