



Carolina Piedmont Base of the USSVI presents the

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USSVI Creed

Nearly 4,000 submariners have sacrificed their lives on the altar of American freedoms. It is the primary mission of USSVI to perpetuate their memory through memorials and "tolling the boats" memorial services. Per the USSVI Constitution Article III the Purpose/Creed consists of three sections:

Creed

Section 1: 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.

Camaraderie

Section 2: In addition to perpetuating the memory of departed shipmates, USSVI provides a way for all Submariners to gather for mutual benefit and enjoyment. The common heritage as Submariners is strengthened by camaraderie. USSVI supports a strong United States Submarine Force.

Perpetual remembrance



Section 3: The organization engages in various projects and deeds that bring about the perpetual remembrance of those shipmates who have given the supreme sacrifice. USSVI also endeavors to educate all third parties it comes in contact with about the services United States submariners performed and how the sacrifices of lost shipmates made possible the freedom and lifestyle Americans enjoy today.



Lost Boats for November

"Sailors, rest your oars"

USS CORVINA (SS 226) November 16, 1943

USS SCULPIN (SS 191) November 19, 1943

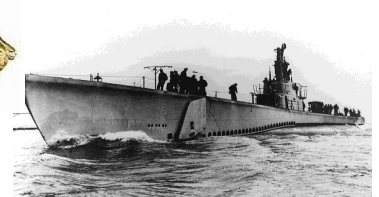
USS CAPELIN (SS 289) November 23, 1943

USS ALBACORE (SS 218) November 7, 1944

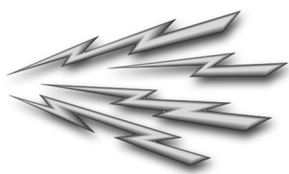
USS GROWLER (SS 215) November 8, 1944

USS SCAMP (SS 277) November 9, 1944

Photo © NH 79774 USS Lagarto underway, circa later 1944



CO's Stateroom— Carolina Piedmont Base Commander Steve Bell



Once again this year our picnic was a tremendous success. What a time was had by all (well, at least most of us anyway). I would like to thank Jack and Carol for their wonderful hospitality for the use of their place. Also a thank you to Al Westbury for putting on some entertainment for us. We had a very nice crowd there, the weather was beautiful, and (best of all) the meeting was

short. Probably the only kind of negative was I just ate far too much of that wonderful food. Took me a week to work it back off.

Our Bilge Rat Shows have all but completed their season for this year. We still have the show left to do at the VFW and one of our meetings. That should be this month (October), but that has yet to be confirmed as I write this. Come on out and see our show, might bring back some memories from when you watched Hee Haw on TV years ago.

A reminder again that it is time for those that pay dues annual to send them in. We have not received very many thus far and to make Raymond Zieverink's job a little easier, I ask that you get it in to him. National dues are \$20 per year and base dues are \$10. For those that have paid, I thank you. For those thinking about it, just get it over and do it.

We have a couple of Kap (SS) 4 Kid(SS) events scheduled for

October. With a little luck we will get both of them in and that just might be it for this year. There is still a chance to get a third one in but that remains to be scheduled.

Before we know it, the Holiday season will be on us. Currently, we are planning to have our Christmas get together on 13 December. I still have to have that discussion with the VFW since it is out of sync from our normal time. However, the current plan is to bring in food like a normal meeting (Sandra will direct that), have the tolling, eat, greet, then go our way for Christmas. More on this next month.

For those that might be interested, the annual Pearl Harbor Dinner will be on Friday, 5 December. Please note that it is on a Friday this year. There was a delay in making reservations and therefore they were a little late to be able to get the place on

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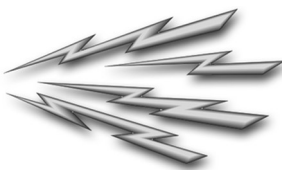
Commander's Message Continued....

Saturday. I know that surely will hamper anyone who works from attending unless you take the day off. The registration information has already been put out.

It is not too early to start making plans to attend the Southeast Regional Convention in April. Information regarding that has also been put out with more detailed information to come out probably early next year. Mark your calendar, (20-24 April) and come on down to the Cape for some enjoyment.

If you are planning on going to Kings Bay this year and have not registered, you are almost too late. That is always a fun time. That is scheduled for 5-8 November.

I hope to see many of you at our October meeting. Take care and be safe.



XO's Stateroom — Vice Commander Jack Jeffries

CAROLINA PIEDMONT ROCKS. What a meeting and picnic here at the Jeffries Joint, we are already making plans for the next one. After a careful search of the surrounding woods I found no one so I assume you all got home ok. I would like to thank Al Westberry for his great job with the karioke, the neighbors all enjoyed it, they were sitting out by the mail box and didn't want to crash our party, I went out a couple of times and invited them. We were really blessed to have the NJROTC unit here to post the Colors and we presented them with the funds you provided to them for the trip to Hawaii to represent the state of North Carolina at the Pearl Harbor parade. The Pastor of our church, The Sandhills Cowboy Church blessed the meal and was real-

ly impressed with listening to the sea stories, he preached on it the next next. Dave, he really enjoyed hearing your war stories. It was a fine time for all we hope. Lady J and I also would like to thank the mystery medicine cabinet giver, don't know who you are but THANK YOU. Ok enough for that, I need to put on my recruiter hat. Raymond Zieverink, our trusty keeper of the coin is now accepting dues for the upcoming year 2015, We need to have it in by the end of the year, base dues is still \$10 per year and National is \$20 per year, \$55 for 3 years and \$90 for five, either pay at the meeting or send you dues to Raymond Zieverink 3003 Lakeland Dr. Rock Hill SC 129730-9560. We had a super show last Saturday at the Plantation Estates, We had a huge stage this time and everything went smooth. We are scheduled to go to Victory Junction for the third time this year the 18th of this month and Levine Childrens hospital the 31st for their Halloween party, I will be sending out info. I need a few volunteers to attend the Veterans Day affair at Saluda Middle School in Rock Hill the 10th of Oct. Let me know if you can join us Details to follow..Thank You for being a valued member of the Best Base, We may not be the first but we set the standard.God

Bless you Jack Jeffries



Comm Center— Mike Hubbell, Base Secretary



Minutes of Meeting : 27 Sept 2014

1645- Meeting called to order by Commander Steve Bell.

Invocation given by Tom Kelly.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commander Bell.

Tolling of the Boats presented by Commander Bell and COB Rick Petitt.

Member introduction.

Special presentations- Steve Bell presented Awards received at National Convention to John Rupertus- Robert Link award. The base also received the Newsletter of the Year for base size as well as the overall Newsletter of the Year for USSVI. The base was also awarded the Meritorious Award. Sandra Myers presented the Gloria Myers award to Cindy Petitt and Lollipop awards to Carol Jeffries, Al Westberry, Monica Dachs and Missy Eames.

Minutes of previous meeting Approved and Seconded as published.

Treasurers Report-Current Balance \$6,349.29; K4K fund \$2,204.67; Scholarship Fund \$151.00; General Base Fund \$3,989.62. Approved and Seconded.

Old Business- None

New Business-None

Minutes Continued

SK Report- Storekeeper Jeff Neiberding stated that the New 2015 Boat Calendars came in and distributed them to the people who ordered them as well as anyone else who wished to purchase them.

Good of the Order- Steve reminded members that Base and National dues can be paid and had to be paid by 31 December. The Pearl Harbor Dinner is scheduled for Friday 5 Dec, more info as we get it. Steve gave a brief report on National Convention. The VFW Post will be having a fish fry 18 Oct and the cost TBA.

Benediction given by Jim Schenk

1715- Motion to adjourn- seconded

Jack Jeffries for
Secretary Mike Hubbel



BENJAMIN FRANKLIN SSBN-640

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From The COB - Rick Pettit



November has arrived and the big event coming up.....Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving origins are difficult to determine but it is widely accepted that the first Thanksgiving was a religious celebration by the Pilgrims giving thanks for their first harvest in the New World. It became an official holiday in 1863 when President Lincoln declared it a “national day of Thanksgiving and Praise” and set the date as the 4th Thursday in November. We all celebrate the 4 days in November with family and friends, eating turkey until the “turkey coma” sets in, watching football and

of course shopping on the newly established “BLACK FRIDAY”. Well some of us will shop that day. How did we get from a ‘day of praise’ to a ‘shop till you drop’ event??? Anyway, I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Rick Pettit
COB



From Uncle John’s Bathroom Reader
12th edition:

“ I don’t deserve this award, but I have arthritis and I don’t deserve that either.” Jack Benny

“You know you’re getting old when you stoop over to tie your shoes and wonder what else you can do while you’re down there.” George Burns

“Since I came to the White House I got two hearing aids, a colon operation, skin cancer, a prostate operation, and I was shot. The damn thing is, I’ve never felt better in my life.” Ronald Reagan, at age 69



Need Supplies?



The Supply Shack-

Jeff Nieberding - SK

Carolina Piedmont Jackets are still available to order, several members have ordered theirs already. Just let the SK know and he'll fix you up with an order form.

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.

Chaplin's Corner



One of the most beautiful seasons occurs in October with the changing of the colors. The picture below depicts the four seasons: Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall. Isn't it beautiful? The Bible tells us...
Genesis 1:14-15 NKJV
Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; 15and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so.

We are doing well. Thank you for your patience because I have not been

much of a chaplain for quite some time. Diana is slowly recovering but has suffered excruciating pain in her hands and forearms for a couple of weeks. The Dr. gave her a prescription yesterday for nerve pain and she slept last night with minimal pain for which we are thankful.

Other base members and families have had and are having some difficult situations and our thoughts and prayers are with you. We are especially reminded of Paul and Sandra's daughter and Michael Toomey's son.

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name!
2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits:
3 Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, 4 Who redeems your life from de-

struction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,

5Who satisfies your mouth with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
Psalms 103:1-5 NKJV

Have a nice Halloween! Look out for the little ones who will coming to your door and give them something more than just candy (although I like candy). Perhaps a little card telling them you are glad they stopped by to say "Trick or Treat!"



Be sure to VOTE on November 4, 2014. It is the right and duty of every American to vote. Voting is a privilege denied to many in other countries. If

you don't vote you have no right to complain about either party or issue!

Know the candidates, know the issues, and vote intelligently. Carefully consider the platforms of each party and remember that both parties lie about the other and often twist the truth (and the Lame stream media don't help much). Be an informed voter and vote for those who will uphold the Constitution which they pledge to guard and protect.

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. 1 Corinthians 15:58 NKJV

God bless you all with health and safety. Have a happy and safe Halloween!

In God's amazing grace,

Chaplain Ray Lutz





Para-viz Shots

Photos from the meeting and Dinner... (Hey this is waay to much fun)



Jack Front porch (deck for all you salties)

Photos from JACK'S Place Continued:



Items sold at the silent auction

More Items to be sold



From the left
Monica Dachs
Sandi Wardean
Bob Bunney
Linda Zieverink
Dave Deck
(Hot babe)
Susan Kelly

More Pictures from Jack's



Base member awards

John Rubertus—Robert Link Award

Base Meritorious Award

Piedmont Periscope—News Letter of the year 2014

Commander Steve Bell presenting award to John Rubertus



Sandra Meyers Presenting a lollipop award to Howard Dachs

More Pictures from Jack's



Sandra Myers presenting Lollipop award to Bob Bunney

Sandra Myers Presenting The Gloria Myers Memorial award to Cindy Petitt



Commander Bell presenting the sponsorship check to Sun Valley NJROTC Unit

Even More Pictures from Jack's



Kathi & Bob Bunney with LCDR Russell, Commandant of Sun Valley NROTC

Jack Jeffries with Ron Moore, Pastor of Sand Hills Cowboy Church. Giving Blessing!



Jim Schenk, Ronnie Moore, Susan Kelly at the table

Even More Pictures from Jack's



Al Westberry doing the karaoke thing



Time for salty sea stories!



Jim and Liz Harris's granddaughter posing with stony the horse.

New members

Welcome Aboard!

Henry (Zeke) Rybczyk - Qualified 1974
aboard USS Will Rogers

William (Stretch) Gollehon Qualified
1975 aboard USS Dace

Binnacle List:

Gaby - Friend of Tom and Susan Kelly

Michael Toomey—Son of Mike Toomey

Tom Hulme

Diana Fritz

Happy Birthday to:

November:

Marvin Beaver—20 Nov

Tom Carr— 30 Nov

Charles E. Cross— 19 Nov

Edward Dunton-17 Nov

Ron Hatley— 29 Nov

Tom Hulme— 9 Nov

David Peck Jr.— 13 Nov

Bob Schilke— 11 Nov

Winborne Springs-2 Nov



John Wallace-1 Nov

Raymond Zieverink— 16 Nov

If your birthday was missed, please notify Jack or the editor!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to:

Rick & Cindy Petitt - 13 Nov



And any others I might not be aware of! Radiomen are supposed to know these things...

SubVettes Birthdays!



November Birthdays:

Glenna Hubbell– Nov 21

Anna Tuchfeld– Nov 12

Sandy Westberry–Nov 1

Kathy Wolf– Nov 23



Piedmont Funnies Page

From Al & Sandy Westberry:

1. A girl is said to be grown up when she starts wearing a bra. A boy is grown up when he starts removing it.
2. We all love to spend lots of money buying new clothes but we never realize that the best moments in life are enjoyed without clothes.
3. Having a cold drink on hot day with a few friends is nice, but having a hot friend on a cold night after a few drinks - PRICELESS.
4. Breaking News: Condoms don't guarantee safe sex anymore. A friend of mine was wearing one when he was shot dead by the woman's husband.
5. Arguing over a girl's bust size is like choosing between Coors, Fosters, Carlsberg & Budweiser. Men may state their preferences, but will grab whatever is available.

More from Uncle John's Bathroom reader 12th addition:

According to r. Alan Hirsch's Smell & Taste Treatment and Research Foundation, the fruits and vegetables you prefer tell a lot about your personality. Want proof? Take this taste test that Dr. Hirsch has put together— no cheating!

1. Which groups of fruits do you prefer?

A. Oranges, Bananas, and Grapes

B. Eggplant, Corn and Tomatoes

Analysis: If you prefer the first group, this indicates a strong minded, ambitious, aggressive, dominant individual, who is a natural leader. If you prefer the second group, this indicates an introspective, self-searching person who is sensitive to the needs of others. You tend not to be impulsive in your decision-making process, but rather weigh all the alternatives in question before making your decision.

Funnies Continued

2. Of these pairs of fruits, which do you prefer? (must choose one of each pair)

- A) Applesauce or Fresh Apples
- B) Pineapple Chunks or Pineapple Glaze
- C) Creamed Corn or Corn on the Cob

Analysis: If at least two of the above are the first choice, then you are a passive, easy-going, agreeable sort, who tries to solve problems without raising a commotion. If at least two of the above are the second choice, you tend to be aggressive “go-getter” who will not take no for an answer. You work hard and play hard.

3. Do you like spicy pickles?

Analysis: If YES, you tend to be pessimistic, If NO, you tend to be optimistic

4. Do you like:

A) Bananas; b) Boiled Fish; c) Fruit; d) Honey; e) Tapioca; f) Celery; g) Nuts; h) Hot Curry

Analysis: If five or more is YES, you are a natural optimist and view life through rose colored glasses. You are a pleasant co-worker and would make a good friend. If five or more is NO, you tend to be pessimistic. Before being involved in social intercourse, you tend to be careful, doubting other's intentions.

5. Which do you prefer?

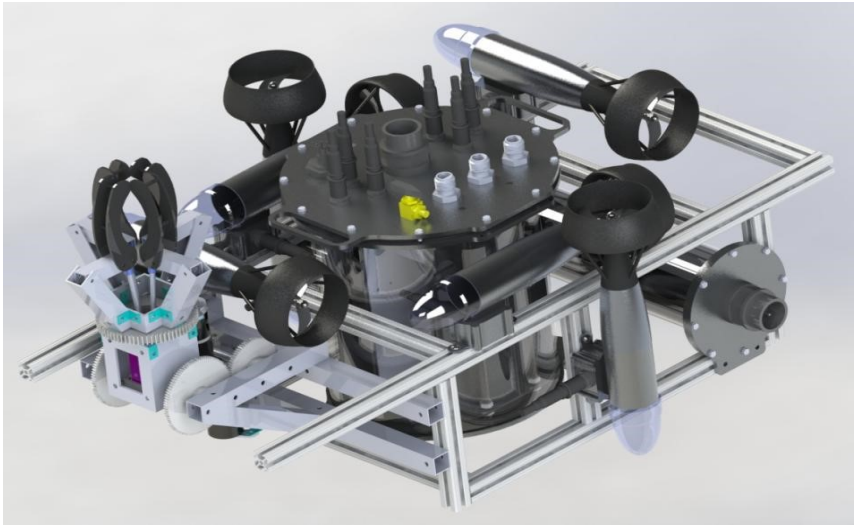
- A) Green Olives or Black Olives
- B) Pecans or Almonds
- C) Pickles or Cucumbers

Analysis: If two or more are the first choice, you tend to be assertive in your relationships and enthusiastic in all endeavors. Although anxious at times, you are decisive, resilient person, prone to action. If two or more are the second choice, you tend to take responsibility for your actions. You are self-confident and a natural leader.

6. Which do you prefer?

- A) Lemons or Oranges
- B) Potatoes or Yams
- C) Grapefruit or Tangerines

Analysis: If two or more are the first choice, you tend to be reserved, quiet, and contemplative. You are usually not impulsive. You tend to be introspective. If two or more are the second choice, you tend to be out-going, gregarious person who enjoys a sound relationship. Many consider you to have a good sense of humor. You would make a good disk jockey, used car salesman or politician!



August, 4th 2014

Cal Tech Robotics Team,

Meet Bruce, the underwater robot

Thales has sponsored the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) Robotics team's entry in the 17th Annual international RoboSub competition. "Bruce", a littoral-class autonomous underwater vehicle has been completely designed to complete the tasks required for this competition.

The competition began July 31st in San Diego, California. As a rookie team, Caltech has reached the semifinals and its efforts have been rewarded by the best new entry award.

Caltech have been competing against 27 teams from around the world. The goal of the competition is to ad-

vance the development of Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (AUVs) by challenging young engineers.

The Caltech team, which is made up of 30 undergraduates from 10 different majors, worked together to create an underwater unmanned vehicle, affectionately named 'Bruce'.

Bruce is primarily composed of a pressurized hull to house the primary computer, microcontroller, pressure sensor, depth sensor, etc., 2 cylindrical camera boxes; a battery box; and housing for our inertial measurement unit.

Bruce had to pass a series of challenges to qualify to the next rounds of competition. The challenges Bruce and the Caltech team had to conquer in-

clude:

Identifying and ramming a correctly color buoy

Shooting a torpedo through the correct cutout

Locating a SONAR pinger

Turning a wheel and pulling a lever

Passing over a bar at a specified depth



Spy Ring Mastermind John Walker Reportly Dies in Prison

Published August 29, 2014 Fox News

The mastermind behind one of America's most damaging spy rings has reportedly died.

John A. Walker Jr., 77, was sentenced in 1986 to two life terms plus 10 years for selling U.S. secrets to the Soviets as a cryptologist in the Navy and after he retired. He died Thursday in a federal prison in North Carolina, according to prison officials, less than nine months away from his expected release due to federal parole guidelines at the time, PilotOnline.com reports.

Walker eventually enlisted his brother Arthur, his son Michael and a Navy friend, Jerry Whitworth, into one of the biggest se-

John Walker Clont..

curity breaches in the nation's history.

Robert Hunter, the FBI agent who arrested Walker, characterized him as one of the most treacherous men he'd ever met.

"I think the man was pure evil," Hunter told PilotOnline.com.

Walker's foray into espionage began in 1967 while working at what's now the Norfolk Naval Station, where he stole and later sold "key cards" to the Soviet Union, allowing its intelligence officers to unlock more than 1 million top-secret and classified messages.

Walker agreed to plead guilty as part of a deal with prosecutors to obtain a lighter sentence for his son.

Former Navy Seaman Michael L. Walker served 15 years in prison and was released in 2000.

The brother, retired Navy lieutenant commander Arthur Walker, died at the Butner hospital in July.

The fourth member of the spy ring, Ex- Navy Chief Petty Officer Jerry A. Whitworth was convicted in 1986 and later sentenced to a total of 365 years. A database of federal inmates shows that Whitworth, now 75, is incarcerated at the Federal Penitentiary in Atwater, California

Note from the editor: "I'm glad we are pumping sans 3 to sea finally" RM2/SS



Meeting Dinners

Our dinners prior to our meetings are usually "pot-luck". Our ladies, who take pretty good care of us and support our efforts as well as their own projects, put together a great meal.

It is pot luck and everyone that attends the dinner should contribute something, whether home-made or store-bought.

The meal also is one of our main fund raisers. A six dollar donation is suggested for each person eating. From that six dollars, a dollar goes to the USSVI Scholarship Fund. The remainder is divided between the Base membership and the SubVettes membership.

All in all, the money is put to good use supporting the activities of both groups. The meals are always great and there are usually plenty for those who wants seconds.

So please, if you are going to attend the meal, please bring something and please contribute to our causes. You're not going to get that great of deal at any restaurant. And you'll be supporting great causes.

Deadline for the December issue will be the 15th. Thanks!

RM2/SS



Past Base Commanders:



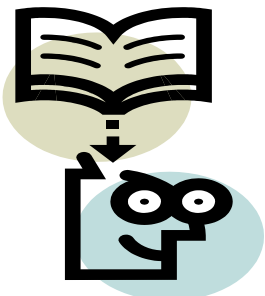
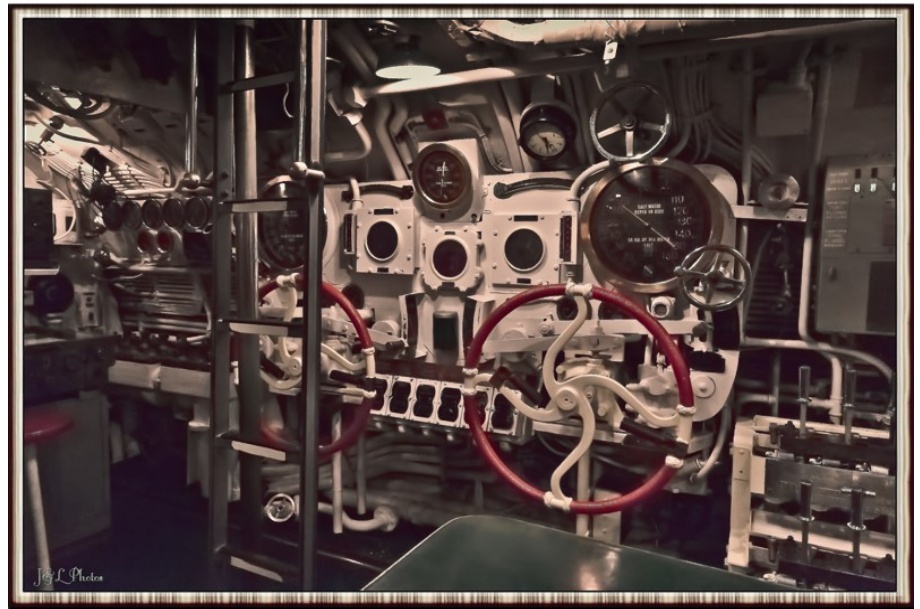
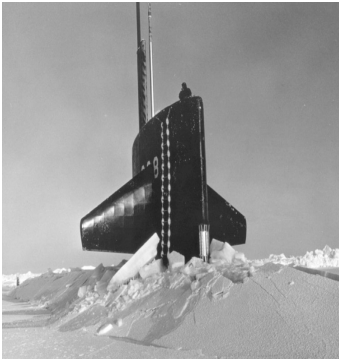
Glenn Haris 2007-2009



Steve Bell-2009 to Present



Next Meeting:
October 25th
Meeting at the
VFW Post in
Fort Mill



Every Boat Sailor
has stories. You
can find one, clean
it up and peck it
into an e-mail and
send it to
[rschilke66@gmail
.com](mailto:rschilke66@gmail.com)





Carolina Piedmont Base Calendar of Upcoming Events						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
12 October	13	14	15	16	17	18 K4K at Victory Junction
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Base Meeting at VFW Post—Bidge Rats Production
26	27	28	29	30	31 K4K at Levine Children's Hospital 	1 November
2	3	4	5 Kings Bay WWII Memorial	6 Kings Bay WWII Memorial	7 Kings Bay WWII Memorial	8 Kings Bay WWII Memorial. Winston-Salem Parade
9 High Point Parade	10 Veteran's Day, Saluda Trails Middle School Veterans	11 Ashboro Parade	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Base Meeting At the VFW Post
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving. 	28	29

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

