



Carolina Piedmont Base of the USSVI presents the

# Piedmont Periscope

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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**

## Sections of the USSVI 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 organiza-



tion 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 January

*"Sailors, rest your oars"*

**USS S-36 (SS 141)**

20 Jan 1942

**USS S-26 (SS 131)**

24 Jan 1942

**USS SCORPION (SS 278)**

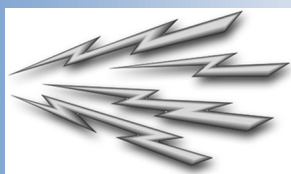
5 Jan 1944

**USS SWORDFISH (SS 193)**

12 Jan 1945



## CO's Stateroom— Carolina Piedmont Base Commander Steve Bell



I would like to wish every a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I realize all of you will not (in some cases cannot) make our little Christmas gathering but still want to wish you all the best.

If you have not paid your 2015 National and/or Base dues, please take the time to get that in to our Treasurer, Raymond Zieverink (3003 Lakeland Dr.,

Rock Hill, SC 29730). You are almost late now. At my last count, we have 23 members that owe National dues and 29 that owe Base dues. Please get them in. We would like to maintain 100% retention of our members. Trust me, we are one of the less expensive bases out there to maintain your membership at. The main point is that we want to keep our members (and have new ones as well) as it is for the good of both the organization and the individual.

Next week (as I write this) we are having a visit to a high school in Union County, but I am sure Jack will have plenty in his letter to you. We will also have had an Eagle Scout presentation completed in South Carolina as well. Seems we never stop, but then again, that is part of what this is all about.

Moe has come up with a draft for season number five for the Bilge Rat Productions. Here he is in PA and is still producing for us. What a guy. Thank you very much Moe.

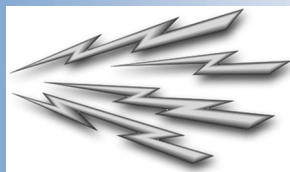
I would also like to thank Rick and Cindy Petitt for what they did for our Thanksgiving dinner. I know that Rick deep fried two turkeys for our dinner. And at the same time, I would like to thank all of those who bring in food for our meals during the year. This is our main money maker during the year for both the Subvets and Subvettes. Not to mention they always seem to make it a challenge for the waist line. We always have a great meal.

We will be opening up nominations for our four elected positions early next year. If you think you would like to step up and fill one of those positions, I am sure there will somebody that will nominate you. Please take time to consider this. Having people step up is what keeps us going.

Again, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Please be safe out there. And if you owe dues, please get them in.

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## XO's Stateroom — Vice Commander Jack Jeffries

I would like to Wish Everyone a Blessed Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. Carolina Piedmont has a way to go with members paying the National dues as well as base dues, if you have not, you have until 31 December to get your dues to Raymond Zieverink, if it not received by then you will be put on the Dink list and if he doesn't submit it to National by 30 January you will be dropped from the National roster, I know you don't want that to happen so drop a check in the mail and maintain your status in our FINE fraternal organization. Raymonds address is 3003 Lakeland Drive Rock Hill SC 29730. Since our last Piedmont Periscope we have

visited with the students at Cuthbertson High School and presented the Submariner story to about 40 students as well as Commander Steve conducting an Eagle Scout program in York SC. We had a super Thanksgiving meal where Rick and Cindy Pettitt deep fried turkeys and Paul and Sandra Myers cooked a great ham as well as the ladies bringing all the fixins. For Christmas gathering we had a good turnout and once again a super meal. Since our last PP we have welcomed John McHugh, Stephen George and Gene Johnston to our group, Welcome aboard. I find it easy to come across Brothers of the Phin in many places and invite them to come and enjoy membership in our organization, I make it easy for them by wearing a cap with dolphins or jacket with dolphins, you never know when a new member will pop up.

Hoping to see you at the next scheduled meeting on 24 Jan 2015

Jack



## USSVI Scholarship Program

I am sure most of you are aware of the USSVI Scholarship Program. The details can be found on the USSVI website under the tab on the left labeled "Charitable Fund". Once there just click on "Scholarships" and there are a couple of more tabs on the left that you can get detailed information. A short synopsis is that the program is available for children/grandchildren/guardianship of those qualified submariners (USSVI members) that might be in need of a scholarship for the next school year (Fall 2015). The point of my e-mail is to remind those that may be interested that the application (available on the website) must be completed and turned in by 15 March 2015. That is really not that far off so if interested, you need to get started to get it completed and submitted by then. Of course you need to do your homework as well to be able to complete the application properly. I have been told the completing the application properly is the biggest issue. Maybe are denied because the application is not properly filled out. So if interested, please do your homework.

This is probably the best benefit for our members that we have. Education to the generations that follow us is one of the greatest gifts we can give them.

Steve Bell

Commander, District One, Southeast Region



Comm Center— Mike Hubbell,



### **November 22 Meeting Minutes**

**- Call Meeting to Order**

1900 hrs. Base Commander Steve Bell called the meeting to order.

**-Invocation**

James Schenk gave the Invocation.

**-Pledge of Allegiance**

Steve Bell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**-Tolling of the Boats**

The Tolling for March was presented by Steve Bell and Rick Petitt.

**-USSVI Creed**

The USSVI Creed was recited by Tom Kelly.

**-Member Introductions**

There were 25 members present.

**-Reading/Approval of the last meeting minutes**

The motion was made to accept the minutes for the October, 2014 meeting as posted in the Piedmont Periscope and Emails sent to the membership. The motion carried.

**-Reading/Approval of the Treasurers Report**

Raymond Zieverink gave the Treasurer's Report for October 2014. The Motion was made to accept the report as read, the motion passed.

Current Balance	\$6,494.09
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## November Minutes Continued

USSVI Scholarship Fund	\$ 179.00
General Base Funds Available	\$ 4529.72

### -Old Business

None

### -New Business

#### -SOY 2015

Steve Bell reported on the upcoming Sailor of the Year Awards for COMSUBLANT. Steve is waiting for the particulars for the 2015 awards. Naval regulations and Federal laws restricts the amounts of monies that can be awarded to each recipient. As in the past any overages will be given to the CPO Mess that puts on the event. The motion was made and seconded to donate \$400.00 to the SOY 2015 Awards. The motion passed. The Base Treasurer was directed to reserve those funds from the General Fund.

### -SK Report

Jeff Nieberding reported that he Base Challenge Coins, Patches and will take orders for anyone needing a vest.

### -Good of the Order

### -Dues Renewal

Steve Bell reminded all hands that Base and National dues are coming up. Steve urges all hands to consider the 3 year or 5 year option for national dues. The Life Membership is prorated base on the age of the member, and might be a more viable option for our senior shipmates. Dues should be paid to the Base Treasurer Raymond Zieverink.

### -Veteran's Day at Saluda Trails Middle School

Steve Bell report on the Saluda Trails Middle School's Annual Veterans Day celebration in Rock Hill, SC. Robert Schilke brought the "Fleet" for display. Jeff Nieberding, Bob Bunney, and Steve Bell were also participants. The event was again well received by the students and was greatly enjoyed by all who participated.

### -Kaps-4-Kids - Levine Children's Hospital

## November Meeting Minutes Continued....

Steve Bell reported on the Halloween visit to the Levine Children's Hospital. Due to HIPPA violations on the part of others, at this time no groups are permitted to visit the wards. This visit was restricted to the atrium. Even with the current restrictions Base members saw 60-65 children. Jack Jeffries, Bob Schilke (with his submarine fleet), Rick Petitt, and Steve Bell participated.

### -NC SUBVETS Torpedo Float

Steve Bell reported that Jim Meyers was involved in an accident while towing the torpedo to a parade. There were no injuries as a result of the accident. Since USSVI insurance only covers the events, Jim's insurance will have to cover this accident. As result Jim Meyers has decided that he will no longer tow the float to parades. Those bases wishing to use the float may do so, if they provide their own tow vehicle and insurance while in transit. Due to the high tongue weight and overall weight of the trailer the tow vehicle should be at least a  $\frac{3}{4}$  ton truck with full tow package. The torpedo and submarine are stored at the Asheboro Air Museum in Asheboro, North Carolina. Those wishing to use either floats should contact Jim Meyers or Chuck Jensen.

### -1st Annual Mooresville Veterans Day Parade

Jim Schenk reported on this year's parade and invited those members who can attend to plan to attend again next year.

### -A Christmas on the Boat Poem

John Wardean shared a Christmas Poem written by a fellow diesel boat sailor.

### -Piedmont Periscope

Robert Schilke reminded all hands that submissions for the newsletter needs to be sent to him not later than December 15th.

### -Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Carolina-Piedmont Base will be on December 13th, 2014 at the VFW in Fort Mill. This will be an unofficial meeting, and will be brief, followed by our annual Christmas Party. The gathering will be start at 1800 hours.

### -Motion to Adjourn

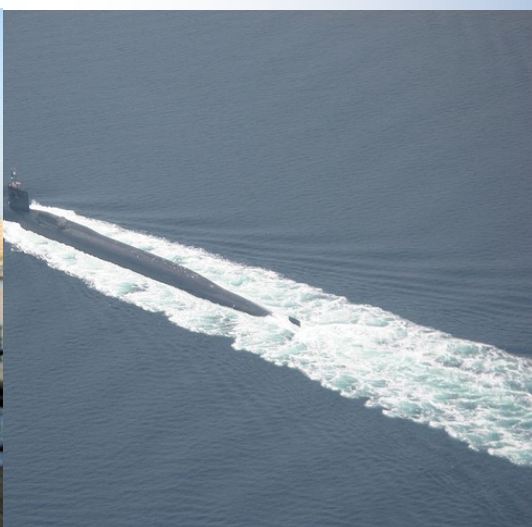
## November Meeting Minutes Con-

The motion to adjourn was made and passed.

Respectfully Submitted by

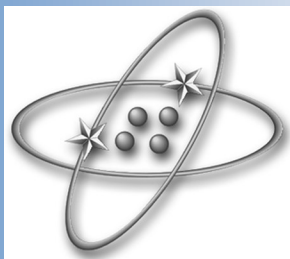
Michael Hubbell

Base Secretary





## From The COB - Rick Pettit



Another holiday season has arrived and I will say they are coming faster every year. I for one am happy to see another year come to a close and am looking forward to another one to begin. To be honest I'm just happy to see another day. This year was not too bad but we did have our sad moments. We had a number of our shipmates and their families go through some very difficult times with health issues and some who lost beloved family members. Our Submarine family lost several wonderful people whom we loved dearly. Rudy

Hernandez, our USSVI associate member and Medal of Honor recipient, passed away Dec 23, 2013 and was laid to rest January 6, 2014. Ed Erb, our WWII Submarine veteran passed away just before the New Year on Dec 19. Many of our Carolina Piedmont members and others from USSVI attended both services. So we started this year without these wonderful sailors. These heroes and all of our fallen brothers may be gone but will never be forgotten thanks to our great USSVI organization. I am anxious to start this new year and hang with all my Carolina Piedmont family. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The COB, Rick Pettit



## 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



Diana and I wish you all a wonderfully blessed Christmas! To our Jewish friends we wish you a Happy Hanukkah (December 16-24)! This is truly a wonderful time of the year.

We are sorry that we have had to miss the Thanksgiving dinner. Some of Diana's days are pretty tough. If we can get Diana's extreme pain, (7 hours last night) in her hands and forearms, under some sort of control we will be in great shape! We hope to be able to join you on December 13th.

It's interesting that the Jewish festival Hanukkah ends on Christmas Eve this year. Hanukkah is known

as the Festival of Lights or Feast of Dedication and is mentioned in the book of John in the Bible. It is an eight-day Jewish holiday commemorating the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. This was the Second Temple. It is celebrated with the kindling of the nine-branched menorah or hanukiah. One additional light is lighted on each night of the holiday. The ninth, the shamash, is for practical use. Using the Hanukkah lights themselves for purposes other than making known and meditating upon Hanukkah is forbidden.

It was during the Feast of Dedication when Jesus was asked if He was the Christ:

John 10:22-24 NKJV Now it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter. 23And Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch. 24Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly."



On another day, as Jesus was walking with His disciples, He asked them two important questions:

Mark 8:27-29 NKJV Now Jesus and His disciples went out to the towns of Caesarea Philippi; and on the road He asked His disciples, saying to them, "Who do men say that I am?"

28So they answered, "John the Baptist; but some say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets."

29He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said to Him, "You are the Christ."

That is an important question for each of us... Who do you say He is? Why did Christ come? It is not enough to know who Jesus is. Most people in the world know what Christians believe about Jesus but what they want to know is why He came and does it make any difference.

Some believe he came to ... We hear much about the love of God so some argue that Jesus came to...

Show us an example of God's Love.

Others argue that He came to be:

*Chaplain Ray Lutz*

## Chaplin's Corner Continued

The sinless and perfect Man, a shining example for all of us to follow.

The greatest teacher there ever was.

The leader of a new religion.

The leader of a movement to purify Israel.

But Jesus never claimed any of these things.

So let's see what the Bible says:

John tells us that Jesus came to bring light to a world that was in darkness:

John 8:12NKJV Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

Dr. Luke tells us that Jesus came to keep God's promises:

Luke 1:72-74 NKJV To perform the mercy promised to our fathers and to remember His holy covenant, 73The oath which He swore to our father Abraham: 74To grant us that we, being delivered

from the hand of our enemies, might serve Him without fear,

The book of Hebrews tells us that Jesus came to do the Father's will:

Hebrews 10:7NKJV Then I said, 'Behold, I have come—in the volume of the book it is written of Me to do Your will, O God.'"

Isaiah tells us that Jesus came to save us from ourselves:

Isaiah 45:22NKJV "Look to Me, and be saved, All you ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.

John 14:6 NKJV Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Friends, you and I cannot get to heaven on our own. Christmas tells us that God came to us! He came for you and He came for me! In Christmas we understand that people who are saved were not saved by their own ability. God came to change us, through

faith, into what He wants us to be. Salvation comes to those who admit how weak they are and how much forgiveness they are in need of. Christ came to meet that need!

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

In God's amazing grace,

*Chaplain Ray Fritz*



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# Piedmont Periscope

## **Overall USSVI Newsletter of the year Award 2014 !**

For it's editorial achievement in Content, Appearance, Layout, Graphics, General Interest, Originality, Members Information, Professionalism, Readability, National Information and overall value to it's readers

**AND**

## **Overall USSVI Meritorious Award 2014 !**

Note from the editor:

Thank-you for this award. This award is really about shipmates pulling together to make this the best it can be. It is truly a team effort to reach out to and care for our shipmates and let them know that once a Submariner, always a Submariner.

RM2/SS





## Para-viz Shots



**Photos from  
December Events**



Traveling Table Top Fleet Display with USS Florida SSGN added  
Built by RM2/SS Schilke for Carolina Piedmont Base





## Photos from Steve's Eagle Scout Presentation

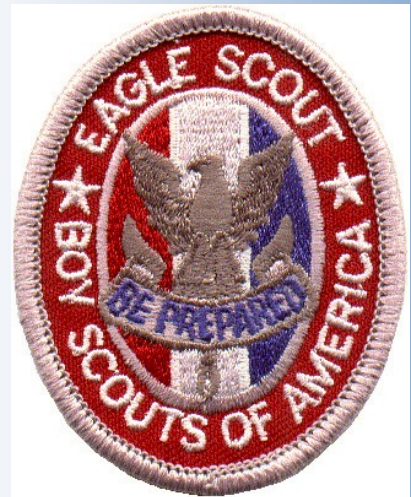


Steve presenting Eagle Scout to Ryan

Ryan Gladden.

Troop 108 out of York, SC.

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# New members

## Welcome Aboard!

Jim Goins Qual 1972 SS 522

Gene Johnston Qual 1965 SSN 592

Stephen George Qual 1992 SSN 706

Jay Andress Qual 1966 boat SSBN 602

# Binnacle List:

Judy Hickerson

Dee Rutter

Hal Rutter

Diana Fitz

## Happy Birthday to:

### January:

**Perry Blake - Jan 30**

**Donald Eggleston - Jan 3**

**Gary Mitchell - Jan 26**

**Pete Stephenson - Jan 5**

**Bill Widell - Jan 1**

If your birthday was missed,  
please notify Jack or the edi-  
tor!



## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to:

**Charles and Carolyn Cross - Jan 1**

**Jim and Barbara George - Jan 9**

**Gary and Marlene Mitchell - Jan 2**

**Joel and Anna Tuchfeld - Jan 18**



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

## SubVettes Birthdays!



### January Birthdays:

Janice Holm— Jan 4



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# Piedmont Funnies Page

**From Jim Schenk:**

## Wise Italian Grandfather

An old Italian man in Brooklyn is dying. He calls his grandson to his bedside, "Guido, I wan' you lissina me. I wan' you to take-a my chrome plated ...38 revolver so you will always remember me."

"But grandpa, I really don't like guns.. How about you leave me your Rolex watch instead?"

"You lissina me, boy! Somma day you gonna be runna da business, you gonna have a beautiful wife, lotsa money, a big-a home and maybe a couple of bambinos. "

"Somma day you gonna come-a home and maybe finda you wife inna bed with another man.

"Whatta you gonna do then? Pointa to you watch and say, 'Times up!' "?

## Irish blonde...

An attractive blonde from Cork, Ireland, arrived at the casino. She seemed a little intoxicated and bet twenty thousand dollars in a single roll of the dice.

She said, "I hope you don't mind, but I feel much luckier when I'm completely nude." with that, she stripped from the neck down, rolled the dice and with an Irish brogue yelled, "Come on, baby, Mama needs new clothes!"

As the dice came to a stop, she jumped up and down and squealed. "Yes! Yes! I won, I won!" She hugged each of the dealers, picked up her winnings and her clothes and quickly departed.

The dealers stared at each other dumbfounded.

Finally, one of them asked, "What did she roll?" The other answered, "I don't know - I thought you were watching."

## MORAL OF THE STORY

Not all Irish are drunks, not all blondes are dumb,

..... but all men...are men!





## Funnies Continued

Some random and rambling thoughts accumulated from various quarters over the years. A bit of introspection from an "older" sailor.

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A sailor will walk 10 miles in a freezing rain to get a beer but complain mightily about standing a 4 hour quarterdeck watch on a beautiful, balmy spring day.

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A sailor will lie and cheat to get off the ship early and then will have no idea where he wants to go.

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Sailors are territorial. They have their assigned spaces to clean and maintain. Woe betide the shipmate who tracks through a freshly swabbed deck.

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Sailors constantly complain about the food on the mess decks while concurrently going back for second or third helpings.

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Some sailors have taken literally the old t-shirt saying that they should "Join the Navy. Sail to distant ports. Catch embarrassing, exotic diseases."

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You can spend two years on a ship and never visit every nook and cranny or even every major space aboard. Yet, you can know all your shipmates.

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E5 is the almost perfect military pay grade. Too senior to catch the crap details, too junior to be blamed if things go awry.

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Never be first, never be last and never volunteer for anything.

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Almost every port has a "gut." An area teeming with cheap bars, easy women and partiers. Kind of like Bourbon St., but with foreign currency.

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Contrary to popular belief, Chief Petty Officers do not walk on water. They walk just above it.

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Sad but true, when visiting even the most exotic ports of call, some sailors only see the inside of the nearest pub.

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Also under the category of sad but true, that lithe, sultry Mediterranean beauty you spent those wonderful three days with and have dreamed about ever since, is almost certainly a grandmother now and buying her clothes from Omar the Tent maker.

A sailor can, and will, sleep anywhere, anytime.

Yes, it's true, it does flow downhill.



# Beer Run!

## **This Nuclear Sub Was Part Of History's Most Unlikely Beer Run**

Setting out on a nuclear submarine patrol is just about the closest thing there is to interstellar travel. Life is monotonous, there is nothing to look at, work is demanding and both sleep and space are in short supply. Navy ships can execute Steel Beach events and even the rare 'Beer Day' to give overworked crews a break, but subs are a different story... Usually.

### **Steel Beach- When US Navy Ships Throw Giant Beach Picnic Parties**

As almost half the country watches their thermometers drop well below freezing this week, we can...

[Read more](#)

This story, told by a veteran submariner who will remain anonymous, is of a US nuclear fast attack submarine that ripped off all of its Tomahawk cruise missiles in anger, then was the benefactor of one of the most spectacular beer runs of all time. The result of which was a rare, if not unprecedented occasion for an American nuclear submarine crew:

Unfortunately, submarines do not get Beer Day. They are not allowed to store it on-board like surface ships and getting a stores load at sea is both rare and difficult. Yet my submarine miraculously managed it during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

We were returning from a month or two at sea. We read the tea leaves in the message traffic and knew that something was going to happen in the Gulf soon. Sure enough, a few days before we got back to Groton we got word that we were being surge deployed to the Gulf. We got a weekend to say goodbye to friends and family and then sped across the Atlantic.

The coordination for so many submarines and surface ships to go to the same place at the same time is amazing. Two submarines rarely share the same water space, and if they do they're forbidden from sharing the same depth range. Add in skimmers all over the place and getting to periscope depth to check in a few times a day was a big pain in the ass.

After farting around the Mediterranean for a few weeks we got orders to proceed through the Suez Canal and take station in the Gulf. Submarines are helpless on the surface, let alone con-

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## Beer Run Continued:

strained in the Suez. Standing Officer of the deck on the sail Bridge as we went through the Suez was terrifying. We had a destroyer in front of us for protection, but what good was that to save us from some dude with an RPG popping up over a sand dune? That was the only time I ever had to wear a flack jacket.

Once we got through 'The Ditch' we took station in our tiny box in the sea. We spent the whole time at periscope depth dodging surface ships, shipping traffic, and fishing boats. We waited for mission tasking and for Shock 'n Awe to begin just like the rest of the world. We practiced battle stations and missile launch drills twice a day. We were lucky if we got four hours of sleep.

Finally Shock 'n Awe came. It was not as drilled. Instead of a quick and decisive death blow we ended up chasing Saddam and his cronies. One Tomahawk here, an air strike there, and no tasking for my boat. Then the money shot finally came. We could hear the tasking come over the wire for other ships but none for us. Every time a tasking order came the Skipper ran to Control and was 'blue balled.'

When we finally got our tasking orders it was a doozy. Every other sub had gotten fairly small salvos (small numbers of missile launches). They ordered us too shoot it all. Load all four torpedo tubes with TLAMs (BGM-109 Tomahawk cruise missiles) and launch all 12 vertical tubes. No submarine had ever shot a full TLAM load before. The first 15 went perfect and then number 16 was a dud. So close to a full salvo!

With the vertical tubes empty they shifted us to the back of the line and we loaded the torpedo tubes again and waited for more tasking.



## 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 January ssue will be the 15th. Thanks!**

**RM2/SS**

## Beer Run Continued:

Due to our surge deployment we didn't have a chance to fully reload our stores. As we floated there in the Gulf we started running out of food. Eventually it was rice, beef knuckle (an actual part of a cow not in the hoof) and powdered eggs. I ate waffles every day for weeks. We also started running out of cigarettes. People were smoking half at a time and digging old butts out just for two stale drags.

Salvation came in the form of a Senior Chief who busted his knee. It started to swell badly and the Doc had to drain it. A submarine doc is basically a nurse who can also perform emergency surgery, stitches, and yank teeth. The Senior Chief needed a doctor.

Our mid watch boys had become good friends on the chat messenger with the mid watch crew on a nearby destroyer. We told them of our plight. No food! No cigarettes! Their CO was sympathetic but there was nothing he could do... Until he found out we needed a doctor.

The next day we surfaced and the destroyer sent a small boat over. With a doctor. And food. And cigarettes! And hard ice cream!!! And .... Hey what's that pallet?! BEER!!!

That destroyer and my submarine will remain nameless, but those guys will always be heroes to everyone on my boat. Unfortunately we were still on station. Beer was not in the cards just yet.

We completed our tasking and were ordered through Suez. There was a line of submarines ahead of us so we got told to stay and wait our turn. We stayed surfaced and did steel beach for three days. On the first night the crew finally got their two beers. The Skipper hoarded some extra and ended up getting wasted. Crew members were selling them at ridiculous profit. A Guy sold a single can of rot gut nasty beer for \$20!

We finally got our water space to travel home. Other than a four hour stores load at the submarine tender in Greece it was full speed ahead all the way back to Connecticut.

**This Nuclear Sub Was Part Of History's Most Unlikely Beer Run**

**EXPAND**

Thanks so much to 'The Former Submariner' for sharing this fantastic story with us and to all

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those in the Silent Service that get stuck in these steel tubes for weeks and weeks at a time.

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## Best Ways to Get or Replace a Lost Tax Statement - 1099R

Military retirees and annuitants receive a 1099R tax statement either electronically via myPay or as a paper copy in their mail each year.

Members can also request additional copies of their 1099R tax statements in several different ways.

The fastest and most secure way to obtain a copy of your 1099R is myPay. Just login to myPay, and you can print your 1099R out in the comfort of your own home.

Not a myPay user yet? Then the fastest and easiest way to get a copy of your 1099R besides myPay, is to use DFAS's telephone self-service option. Telephone self service requests are logged instantly and are

sent to your current address of record within three business days. Call 1-800-321-1080.

If you're not a myPay user, and the mailing address you have on file with us is out of date, the easiest quickest way to get your 1099R sent to an updated address is to submit your request through the internet.

You can update your mailing address, enter your email address, and request your 1099R be sent to the new address using one easy form.

Your transaction will be logged instantly and it will be in the mail to you within 7 to 10 business days.

Find the link and complete instructions at <http://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/manage/taxes/getting1099r/>

[viaaskdfas.html](http://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/manage/taxes/getting1099r/).

Do you prefer traditional mail?

If so, send DFAS a written request by fax or mail, and make sure you leave us time to reply. Keep in mind, it takes 30 to 60 days to process requests received by fax or mail. Members with unique situations can speak directly to one of DFAS's customer care representatives by calling 1-800-321-1080. Depending on call volume, you may have to wait on hold while we assist other Customers.





## Past Base Commanders:



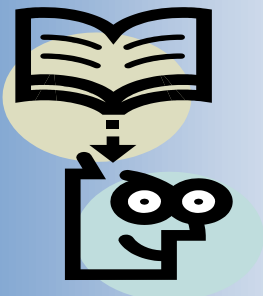
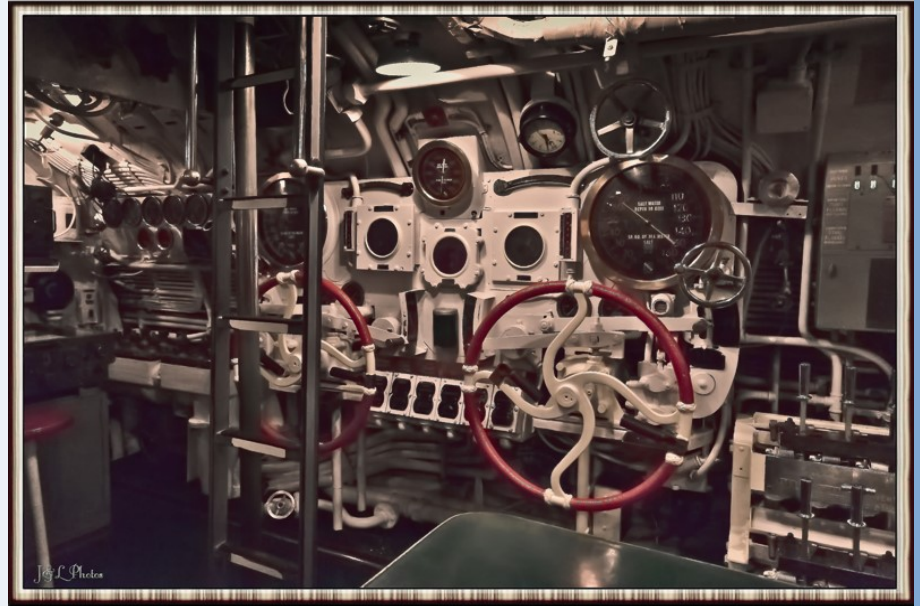
**Glenn Harris- 2007 to 2009**

**Steve Bell- 2009 to Present**







**Next Meeting:**  
**Subbase gathering**  
**on January**  
**24th, 1800!**  
**VFW Post**



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](mailto:rschilke66@gmail.com)  
[.com](mailto:rschilke66@gmail.com)



Carolina Piedmont Base Calendar of Upcoming Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>28 December 2014</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1 January 2015</b>  <b>Happy New Year!</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10 VFW Post breakfast!</b> 
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19 Martin Luther King Day!</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24 Base Dinner- 5:30 pm Meeting 7:00pm</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>1 February</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14 Valentine's Day</b>

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!





# Holland Club



**This Page is dedicated to our Submarine Brothers who have been qualified more than 50 years in the United States Submarine force.**

## **Current Members of the Holland Club at the Carolina Piedmont Base:**

Al Allen - MMCM/SS  
Steve Bell - RMCM/SS  
Perry Blake - IC3/SS  
Robert Boyd - RMCS/SS  
Charles E. Cross - ICC/SS  
Don Duncan - CDR  
Donald W. Eggleston - ET3/SS  
James Hanks - MM1/SS  
Jim Harris - QM3/SS  
Ron Hatley - ET1/SS  
William F. Holzendorf - CWO4  
Robert Howel - EM1/SS  
Terry Jones - CSC/SS



Bill King - RM1/SS  
Arnold Kirk - YN3/SS  
David Peck Jr. - MTC/SS  
Hal Rutter - RM3/SS  
Otis W. Sealy - RMC/SS  
Glen Synder - LCDR  
Winborne Springs - SN/SS  
Tom Tidd - CDR  
Michael J. Toomey, Jr. - CAPT  
John Wallace - ETC/SS  
John Wardean - CWO4  
Al Westberry - SO2/SS  
Bill Widell - MM2/SS  
Herman Ziegler - EM3/SS