



CAROLINA PIEDMONT BASE

27 Feb 2010 Minutes

1900-Meeting called to order by Commander Steve Bell, Invocation-Ray Fritz, Pledge of Allegiance, National sung by Joel Tuchfeld, Tolling of Boats lost in month of Feb., Member introduction, 31 present.

Reading of minutes from previous meeting approved and seconded with 2 minor corrections. Changed word District to NC Subvets and corrected K4K fund to read 237.00.

Reading of Treasurer's Report. Balance in Acct. 3114.75, Burnsville Fund 1284.50, Kaps4 Kids 252.00, Refreshment fund 105.00 Available balance 1473.75, Approved and seconded. Lee also inform us that the 2010 USSVI membership stickers for card is is now available.

Storekeeper report. Still have some USSVI Calendars for sale. Order has been placed for members vests. Waiting for delivery.

Old Business-discussed Golden and Silver Anchor Awards patch designed by Clarence Jordan, approved patch with reduction in size. Base to order 100 patches for distribution to base members.

New Business- Discussed USS Drum restoration- Base voted and approved donating \$100. to fund. Steve Bell presented idea of having a base Challenge Coin. We discussed design of coin. Base approved our base patch on front side and the USSVI logo with the words Pride Runs Deep on the reverse side, coin to be epoxy coated. Base to order 100. Approved We discussed the upcoming presentation at Victory Junction and tabled the motion of Purchasing 100 kaps and certificates for summer visit. Eagle Scout presentation, approved the purchase of 30 more USSVI Eagle Scout patches for future use. We discussed the need for volunteers for presentation of awards in various locations.

Good of the Order- Commended Dale Moses for the fine job done on the first edition of the PIEDMONT PERISCOPE. Dale mentioned that he needs input from members for articles in the next edition. We discussed the upcoming National elections and stressed the importance of every member casting a vote. This has a direct bearing on the future of our organization and after careful reviewing each candidates credentials VOTE. Let's make our base 100% voting. Commander Bell read the letter of thanks from the Welcome Home Veterans group at Richards Coffee Shop in Mooresville for the donation we presented to them. We presented information for upcoming Massing of the Colors scheduled for Sunday 7 Mar at Greenville, SC. Dale Moses and Rick Pettit to participate along with Walt Sealy. We also discussed the Massing of the Colors scheduled for 18 April in Columbia SC, need volunteers for this presentation, also discussed Massing of the Colors to be held in Rock Hill, SC scheduled for Saturday 24 April in conjunction with the Welcome Home Veterans in honor of Viet Nam Veterans in the area. All are invited to participate. More info on this is forthcoming. Information was presented about the upcoming District Meeting 4-6 March. Several base members are scheduled to attend. We also briefly discussed the Regional meeting at Panama City, Fl. This is to be held 25-29 April. Those desiring to attend, contact Commander Steve Bell. We are slated to be in the Annual ST. Patricks parade the 10th of April. Those wishing to carpool assemble at the FT Mill VFW by 9AM more info will be passed along as final plans are made. There is also a parade scheduled for the Azalea Festival , No set date as yet.Steve briefly spoke of intentions for the Autism Day in the fall no set date as of yet.

2050- Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Benediction given by Chaplain Ray Fritz.