



Carolina-Piedmont Base Minutes For January 26th, 2013

-Call Meeting to Order

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

-Invocation

The Invocation was given by Base Chaplin Ray Fritz..

- Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Steve Bell.

- Tolling of the Boats

The Tolling of the Boats was presented by Ray Fritz and Michael Hubbell.

-Member Introductions

There were 21 members present.

-Special Presentations

Holland Club Inductions: Steve Bell and Howard Dachs were inducted into the Holland Club for 2013, in recognition for being Qualified in Submarines for 50 years.

Five year Longevity pins were presented to Ed Erb, Ray Fritz, Calvin Reese, Raymond Zieverink, and Tom Kelly by Steve Bell.

-Reading/Approval of the last Meeting Minutes

The motion to accept the Minutes of the Base Meeting held on November 17th and December 15th, 2012 as posted in Carolina-Piedmont Periscope News Letter was made and seconded. The motion carried.

-Reading/Approval of the Treasurer's Report

The Treasure's Report was given by Lee Hickerson.

As of January 26, 2013 the following funds where available to the Base.

CURRENT BALANCE	\$5,967.98
MEMEMORIAL RESTERATION FUNDS	\$ 542.50
KAPS-4-KIDS	\$1,861.05
BASE FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$3,564.43

-Old Business

None

-New Business

-Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Charlotte, NC

Steve Bell reported to the membership of the upcoming parade in Charlotte. The motion was made for the base to participate in this year's parade. The motion was carried, and Steve Bell instructed Base Treasurer to send a check to cover the \$50.00 entry fee. Further details on this event will follow.

-2031 National Convention Ad

Steve Bell asked the membership for input on purchasing ad space in this year's USSVI National Convention's Booklet. It was brought out that having a full page District One ad would be more appropriate. The issue was tabled until the next meeting pending the District Commander putting a call out regarding this advertisement. The cost of a full page ad would be \$167.75. That equates to \$21 per base, assuming all base within the District participate.

-Store Keeper's Report

There was no report for January 2013.

-Good of the Order

-Base Officers Elections-

Base Commander Steve bell opened the floor to nominations for the Carolina-Piedmont Base elected officer. The following men have been and have accepted nominations.

Base Commander – Steve Bell

Vice Commander – Jack Jeffries

Base Secretary - Michael Hubbell

Base Treasurer - Raymond Zieverink

Nominations will remain open until the February meeting.

-Burnsville 2013 and future

Steve Bell reminded all members that the Annual NC SUBVETS meeting in Burnsville, NC will be held on May 17th and 18th, 2013. Registration forms will be sent to all members via E-mail, Steve requests a prompt response for those planning on attending. Steve also reported that he would like to turn the oversight of the Burnsville meeting to The Asheville Base. Further discussion will be held during the Business Meeting at Burnsville.

-Bilge Rat Production

Dale Moses asked for more volunteers to assist in these events. He is looking any kind of help that you are willing to provide. He can always use backups. Dale also asked for you to contact him prior to throwing things away at home in case he might be able to use them as props in the future.

-Regional Convention

Steve Bell reminded the membership of the upcoming Southeast Regional Convention to be held on 7 through 11 April 2013 in Charleston, SC. All are encouraged to attend and that hotel reservations are closing on 6 March 2013 (for those desiring the special rates).

-Sailor of the Year

Dick Kanning reported on changes to the Sailor of the Year Board. SUBLANT now requires that a member of USSVI is on the Awards Board. For 2013, the board member will be Steve Bell. Additionally the motion was made and carried to make a Base donation of \$250.00 to the Sailor of the Year program. Steve Bell instructed Lee Hickerson to provide the check for that amount from Base Funds at the February meeting to the District Commander.

-Special Report from Dick Kanning

USSVI Regional Director Dick Kanning recognized the efforts of base member Clarence Jordan for his work in creating patches and certificates for both the Carolina-Piedmont Base and for the North Carolina Subvets. Dick also recognized the efforts of Dale Moses, the editor of the Piedmont Periscope Newsletter. Dick noted that for 2 years Dale has received top honors for the newsletter in its class from the USSVI National Board.

Dick further recognized the efforts of all members of the Base and of the Southeast District 1 and NC Subvets. Dick expressed his gratitude and noted the many awards and recognition we have received on the national level.

Dick also passed around a copy of the Tolling of the Boats brochure from the Topeka-Jefferson City base. Dick reports that the cost of these brochures is \$0.10 each with the idea that the Bases may consider the purchase of these brochures to further spread the word to the general public of our purpose.

-Kaps-4-Kids

Jack Jefferies reported that due to the flu season the visit to the Levine Children's Hospital has been rescheduled. Jack will contact interested members as to the new date. Jack also reported that the base will continue to hold events at Victory Junction and individual members will be contacted for their dates. The Base is planning on additional events at the Jeff Gordon Children's Hospital as well. Jack will contact the membership with the upcoming dates when they become available.

-Membership Renewal

Steve Bell reported that the Base is currently at 97% retention.

-CPB Website

Steve Bell proposed the creation of the Carolina-Piedmont Base website. Steve is asking for volunteer(s) to be web master. Steve reported that at this time this is only in the conceptual stage. Any interested persons are encouraged to contact Steve.

-CPB Color Guard

Dale Moses reported that the Base Color Guard will be posting the Colors at the Charlotte Knights baseball game on May 27th, 2013. Times and ticket pricing will be sent out to the membership as soon as available. The membership is encouraged to join the Color Guard at the game.

-CPB August meeting

Steve Bell reported that to avoid conflict with this year's National Convention, the August meeting will be moved up to August 17th, 2013. Please mark your calendars.

-News Letter

Dale Moses reminded all that the newsletter deadline will be February 14th, 2012.

-Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Carolina-Piedmont base will be held on February 23rd, 2012 at the VFW in Fort Mill. Dinner will start at 1730 hrs. The SUBVETTES will be providing the meal again this month.

-Benediction

The Benediction was given by Ray Fritz.

-Motion to Adjourn

The motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted
Michael Hubbell
Base Secretary