



Carolina-Piedmont Base Minutes April 26th, 2014

-Call Meeting to Order

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

-Invocation

Base Chaplin Ray Fritz gave the Invocation.

-Pledge of Allegiance

Steve Bell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

-USSVI Creed

The USSVI Creed was recited by Base Commander Steve Bell.

-Tolling of the Boats

The Tolling for March was presented by Base Chaplin Ray Fritz and Shipmate Mike Hubbell

-Member Introductions

There were 20 members present.

-Special Presentations

Shipmate Jim Harris was presented with his 55 Year Holland Club Rocker by Base Commander Steve Bell.

Ma Bell shared with all hands the Volunteer Award she received during the Southeast Regional Convention held earlier in April. All members and SUBVETTES received a Volunteer's Survival Kit as a show of thanks to all the men and women of the Carolina-Piedmont Base for what they have done.

Steve Bell read the Letter of Appreciation from the Carolina Field of Honor. The letter recognizes the contribution made by the N.C. SUBVETS and the Carolina-Piedmont Base. The C.F.H. is located in the Traid Park at 9652 East Mountain St. Kernersville, NC.

-Reading/Approval of the last meeting minutes

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

-Reading/Approval of the Treasurers Report

Steve Bell gave the report for April 2014. The Motion was made to accept the report as read, the motion passed.

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| Current Balance | \$7,408.83 |
| Kapss4Kidss | \$2,343.67 |
| Memorial Restoration Fund | \$ 552.50 |
| USSVI Scholarship Fund | \$ 66.00 |
| General Base Funds Available | \$4,446.66 |

-Old Business

None

-New Business

-NC Subvets Ad for 2014 Convention

Jim Meyers of the NC Subvets requested that each Base donate \$21.90 for the purchase of an ad in this year's USSVI National Convention. The motion was made and seconded that the Base make a donation of \$21.90 for the ad. The motion carried.

-SK Report

Members were reminded if they needed anything to see Jeff Nieberding.

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-Burnsville Memorial Service

Steve Bell reminded all hands of the upcoming service at Burnsville on May 16th and 17th. All are reminded to get their registrations to the Ashville Base no later than May 2nd.

-National Election

Steve Bell reviewed the voting procedure on the USSVI web site and reminded all hands that voting begins on June 1st. Steve also noted that the Carolina-Piedmont Base had the 3rd highest percentage of participation during the last National Election. Steve also reminded that all hands read each of the biographies and the Amendments and vote how you feel.

-Carolina Field of Honor

Steve Bell remind all members of the upcoming dedication of the memorial on May 31st at 1900 hours. Additional information or changes will be sent out to all hands via e-mail.

-War on Terror Memorial

Steve Bell reminded all members that the War on Terror Memorial dedication will be on June 14th at 1000 hour in Holly Springs NC. Additional information or changes will be sent out to all hands via e-mail.

-Levine Children's Hospital Visit

Steve Bell reported that due to illness to both Jack Jeffries and himself the planned visit to the Levine Children's Hospital had to be canceled. Steve further reports that a new date for a visit will be set. Additional information will be sent out to all hands via e-mail.

-Submarine Lecture at Saluda Trails Middle School, Rock Hill

Steve Bell reported on the Base visit to Saluda Trails Middle School. 6 Base members were present for the lectures and the event was a great success. Steve further reported that plans are being made to attend the Veterans Day activities at Saluda Trails Middle School later this year.

-Massing of the Colors at Rock Hill High School

Shipmate Walt Sealy reminded all hands that the Carolina-Piedmont Color Guard will participate in this year's Massing of the Colors. The event will be on May 18th at 1500 hours. The Color Guard participants are reminded to muster at the high school by 1400 hours. Additional information or changes will be sent out to all hands via e-mail.

-USSVI Base Commander's Qual Card

Steve Bell reviewed the Base Commander's Qual program. He reminded all hands that this is a volunteer program. This program is intended to help anyone interested in how USSVI works to better understand the structure and procedure of our organization. He also showed the patch that would be earned upon successful completion of the qualification card.

-Troutman Independence Day Parade

Steve Bell report that the NC Subvets will be participating in this year's parade in Troutman, NC. The parade will be on Saturday June 28th. Those planning to participate should muster at the Troutman Fairgrounds at 0900 on the 28th.

-Piedmont Periscope

Shipmate Dale Moses has turned over the editorship of the Piedmont periscope to shipmate Bob Schilke. Steve Bell expressed his gratitude to Dale for the award winning work that he has done since starting the Base newsletter.

-Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Carolina-Piedmont Base will be on June 28th at the VFW. Dinner at 1730 and meeting starts at 1900.

-Benediction

The benediction was given by Chaplin Ray Fritz.

-Motion to Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was made and passed.

Respectfully Submitted by
Michael Hubbell
Base Secretary