

**NATHANAEL GREENE BASE MEETING  
HELD AT AMERICAN LEGION POST, WINSTON-SALEM, NC  
SATURDAY, July 12, 2014**

**Submitted by Base Secretary, Edward Galaviz**

12:00: The cookout, as anticipated, was as good as ever. It was featured by hot dogs and hamburgers with all of the fixings to go with them. Jim Myers was quick to thank those who helped Larry Hauser do the grilling and those who brought the fixings and utensils in the names of Joe Clark, George Bass, Hoppy Hopkins to name a few. Joe Clark took care of the refreshment tab settling with the lady at Post bar.

1320: The meeting was called to order by Jim Myers.

**INVOCATION:** By Jim Schenk

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Jim Myers requested that we be led by Fred Gunter.

**INTRODUCTION OF SUBVETS PRESENT:** 16 members present. Special recognition was given to the WWII veterans present; Joe Clark (3 patrols) and George Bass (3 patrols). Two women present; Ruth Worth (Schenk) and Joan Barnes (Richey).

**TOLLING OF THE BOATS:** By Jim Schenk and Ray Moore for the boats lost in the months of July and August. Chuck Jensen had a projector presentation of those boats on eternal patrol. Jim Myers then requested a moment of silence for those fallen shipmates.

**REPORTS:**

**Secretary:** Edward Galaviz. Minutes of May 3 meeting prepared by Jim Schenk were approved as posted in the website.

**Vice Commander Corner:** Ray Moore. Ray had a flag with 15 stars that he was proud to show us. The flag was significant as it coincided with the first line of the National Anthem that was written by Francis Scott Key on June 14, 1814. Ray also found where there are biographies of all of the 3500 or so submariners lost in WWII. Chuck then said that the information is available the On Eternal Patrol webpage <http://www.oneternalpatrol.com/>.

**Treasurer:** Chuck Jensen reports that for the month of July we have an ending balance of \$6,448.90. However, we have special funds that are included in the base's total treasury balance. Therefore for current balance available, we must subtract the Special Funds as this money is already earmarked for that particular fund as follows:

- Fuel Reimbursement Fund: \$990.47
  - Joshua's Angel Center: 362.00
  - Trailer Maintenance Fund: 256.16
- Earmarked Funds: \$1,608.63

Funds Available: \$4,840.27

**Storekeeper:** Gary Vernon. Gary had a few items that some of the members ordered previously; license holders, etc. However, he said that new policies do not let him have a substantial amount of inventory as it used to be. He was asked about ordering regular and miniature dolphins and other item that members would like. Gary says that it is best to order more than one item to offset the shipping costs.

**Kaps 4 kids:** Mike Runkle was not present. In his absence, Jim Myers spoke about the programs that we will be participating in for our next reporting period.

- Jim Myers did mention that members of the Nat Greene base and Carolina Piedmont base visited Camp Hanes in King, NC on July 9 for the nationwide Camp Corral program sponsored by Golden Corral. Chuck Jensen had an article that was in the Winston-Salem newspaper.
- On Tuesday, July 15, we are to visit Camp Carefree located in Stokesdale, NC. This will be a Kaps-4-Kids event. Drew Dipple is the contact person.
- The next and last Camp Corral visit this year will be at the Greensboro YMCA Camp Weaver, 4924 Tapawingo Road on Friday August 15. This will also be funded by Golden Corral. The contact person is Jamie Cosson.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Carolina Field of Honor dedication on Memorial Day here in Colfax, NC was a great success as reported by Joe Clark and Chuck Jensen. Those submariners who have already purchased granite bricks should have them placed together no later than the end of the year.

The War on Terror Memorial located in Veterans Park, Holly Springs, NC was dedicated on June 14. Joe Clark and Chuck Jensen, who attended, spoke highly of the young brother, David Griffin, responsible for the project in honor of his brother killed in action in Afghanistan.

Kris Bridges was not present, however, was scheduled to provide us with more input on the Nat Greene Base Lapel Pin.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Jim Myers once again emphasized the importance of voting in the general elections. We only have 17 members out of a potential 67 that have voted. Other than that there is not much coming out of National at this time.

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

With regard to VHVH, Dale Patterson as provided the following input:

- In the past two Nat Greene base meetings, we have collected \$93.00 for VHVH in the boxes they provided to us.
- Dale purchased a Winston-Salem Journal newspaper subscription for VHVH. It is a 26 week subscription for \$40.00 plus tax. A motion was passed to reimburse Dale the amount.
- Don Carter, the submarine veteran is now working part-time. Don is making progress with the help of the VA. Dale will try to get him to attend some of our meetings.

George Bass brought up the subject of possibly establishing a Life Membership fee for the Nat Greene base. The matter brought up a lot of discussion on just how to set it up. In the final analysis and with the input of Chuck Jensen, it was decided to offer members age 60 and older with a one-time payment of \$300.00. A motion was passed and Chuck said that a proposed addition to the Nat Greene base By Laws would have to be made. This matter will be voted on for final approval at our next meeting of September 13, 2014.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

The Kaps-4-Kids events for July 15 and August 15 have already been covered in detail in Mike Runkle's Kaps-4-Kids section of these minutes.

The Old Soldiers Parade in Newton, NC will be on August 21, 2014.

The next meeting will be on September 13, 2014 at the American Legion Post on Miller Street, Winston-Salem.

**CLOSING:**

The 50/50 drawing winner was Jim Myers- \$53.00 and \$52.00 for the Base.

Jim Myers asked if anyone wanted to stay after the meeting to watch the Submarine video to be shown by Chuck Jensen.

The closing prayer by Jim Schenk.

The meeting ended at 14:20 followed by all hands helping to clean up from our cookout.