



Third Quarter 2017

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USSVI CREED AND PURPOSE

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.

In addition to perpetuating the memory of departed shipmates, we shall provide a way for all Submariners to gather for the mutual benefit and enjoyment. Our common heritage as Submariners shall be strengthened by camaraderie. We support a strong U.S. Submarine Force.

The organization will engage in various projects and deeds that will bring about the perpetual remembrance of those shipmates who have given the supreme sacrifice. The organization will also endeavor to educate all third parties it comes in contact with about the services our submarine brothers performed and how their sacrifices made possible the freedom and lifestyle we enjoy today.

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Lost Submarines—Third Quarter

July

USS S-28 (SS-133)

Lost on July 4, 1944 with the loss of 49 men while conducting training exercises off Hawaii with the US Coast Guard Cutter Reliance.



USS Robalo (SS-273)

Lost on July 26, 1944 with the loss of 77 men while on her 3rd war patrol. She struck a mine about 2 miles off the coast of Palawan. 4 men survived and swam ashore, then were imprisoned by the Japanese.



USS Grunion (SS-216)

Lost on July 30, 1942 with the loss of 70 men while on her 1st war patrol. She radioed that she sank two sub-chasers and damaged a third, but was never heard from again.



USS Gudgeon (SS-211)

Lost on April 18, 1944 with the loss of 79 men while on her 12th war patrol and most likely due to a combined air and surface antisubmarine attack north of the Mariana Islands.. Believed to have been sunk during a submerged attack on a Japanese warship. Grunion's wreckage has been located off Kiska Island in the Aleutians. Believed to have been sunk during a submerged attack on a Japanese warship. Grunion's wreckage has been located off Kiska Island in the Aleutians.



August

USS Bullhead (SS-332)

Lost on August 6, 1945 with the loss of 84 men while on her 3rd war in the Lombok Strait off the Bali coast when sunk by a depth charge dropped by a Japanese Army plane. Bullhead was the last submarine lost during WWII.



USS S-39 (SS-144)

Lost on August 13, 1942 after grounding on a reef off Rossel Island (Yela), New Guinea while on her 5th war patrol. The entire crew was able to get off and was rescued by the HMAS Katoomba.



USS Flier (SS-250)

Lost on August 13, 1944, with the loss of 78 men while on her 2nd war patrol. She was transiting on the surface when she was rocked by a massive explosion (probably a mine) and sank in less than a minute. 8 men survived and made it to shore where friendly natives guided them to a Coast Watcher and they were evacuated by the USS Redfin 6 days later. Flier's wreckage has been located south of Palawan Island near the Philippines' Balabac Strait.



USS Harder (SS-257)

Lost on August 24, 1944 with the loss of 79 men while on her 6th war patrol near Bataan in the Philippines from a depth charge attack by a Japanese minesweeper.



USS Cochino (SS-345)

Lost on August 26, 1949 after being jolted by a violent polar gale off Norway caused an electrical fire and battery explosion that generated hydrogen and chlorine gasses.



In extremely bad weather, men of Cochino and Tusk (SS-426) fought to save the submarine for 14 hours. After a 2nd battery explosion, Abandon Ship was ordered and Cochino sank. Tusk's crew rescued all of Cochino's men except for one civilian engineer. Six sailors from Tusk were lost during the rescue.



September

USS S-5 (SS-110)

Lost on September 1, 1920 when a practice dive went wrong and she sank bow-first, with her stem showing above the water. In a dramatic adventure, her exhausted crew was rescued during the next few days through a hole cut in the hull in the tiller room. Salvage attempts were unsuccessful. S-5 settled to the bottom and was abandoned off the Delaware Capes, 40 miles offshore.



USS Grayling (SS-209)

Lost on September 9, 1943 with the loss of 76 men while on her 8th war patrol near the Tablas Strait in the Philippines to unknown causes.



USS Pompano (SS-181)

Lost on September 17, 1943 with the loss of 77 men while on her 7th war patrol off Honshu, sunk by enemy mine.



USS Bonefish (SS-223)

Lost on June 18, 1945 with the loss of 85 men while on her 8th war patrol in Toyama Bay off the northern shores of Honshu, Japan. After sinking a passenger-cargoman, Bonefish was subjected to a savage depth charge attack.



USS S-51 (SS-162)

Lost on September 25, 1925 with the loss of 33 men when it was sunk after collision with SS City of Rome off Block Island, RI.



USS Cisco (SS-290)

Lost on September 28, 1943 with the loss of 76 men while on her 1st war patrol in the Sulu Sea, west of Mindinao in the Philippines, sunk by surface craft and aerial bombs.



Additional information can be found on USSVI Website, just click on "Lost Boats"



from Engineroom Upper Level

Hey Shipmates,

Where did the summer go to? I had two sets of grandkids visit me from Kansas, the first set of three kids, got to see old Granddad lead the Carolina Piedmont Color Guard on the Charlotte Knight field and enjoy a baseball game. That same "tribe" also got to see me lead the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance for the Ft. Mill VFW.

Then as a USS Asheville Base member, I went to a great Independence Day picnic at Cmdr. Gene Ipox's place. There I also doubled as entertainment by suppling karaoke. It was a long trip over and back, but I'd do it again in a heart-beat.

A few days after that, Colleen and I were visited by the other grandkids, and S-i-L and Daughter too. (Did I leave the other S-i-L and Daughter out of the first group? - sorry). We had a great time with that group too. Wish they'd all come more often.

Well, the Carolina Piedmont "Bilge Rats" are getting ready for season seven. That is keeping me busy. And it's the prime "Flag Etiquette" time of the year with a few session scheduled and more to come. And the CP Base picnic...busy.—
Moe(SS)

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Your Sea Stories and
Input are always
WELCOME!!





Southeast Regional Director — Steve Bell

Just so everybody knows, Shingle Creek Resort in Orlando, FL is one fantastic facility. Let me give you the negatives of the place. It is huge so you do get a lot of walking in, no matter what you are doing. And the meals, they are fantastic, but are also huge (best to share and still can have some left over). And with the discount we got, all meals became affordable, especially if you were sharing your meal. Of course the hurricane coming kind of rushed the end just a tad. We left early in the morning instead of a little later and still had a long drive due to the traffic. But you just cannot beat the price (\$105 plus tax). Just a very good place.

So, for those of you who missed it, we are going to give you another chance at it. The BOD decided to hold the 2021 National Convention at the same place. Why you ask? Well, they are offering us all the same rates and benefits that we got this year. So in three years, those rates will be even better. Start your planning now for 2021. I will say that we will go back to the normal days for the convention vice having it not end on a Saturday as it was this year.

With that said, and for your planning, the next few conventions are: 2018, Western Caribbean Cruise out of Ft Lauderdale, FL October 2018 (21-28); 2019, Austin, TX, August, 2019 (15-20); 2020, not scheduled but don't count out Reno again, and now 2021. Shingle

Creek Resort, Orlando, FL Sept 2021 (Aug 31 – 5 Sep Tentative). So you can plan ahead for several years. Also, Norfolk, VA has shown an interest in 2022, but we will see how those open one plan out.

I would also like to congratulate all of those within North Carolina that received a National Award this year. I would say we did reasonably well, especially if you considered the entire District. In either case, WELL DONE to all.

Summer is rapidly coming to an end and the fall events are just around the corner. I am sure there may be a couple of base picnics (I know Carolina Piedmont is very soon or maybe even over after this is put out) along with some Veterans Day Parades. Try to get out to what you can. Also, we have the annual Kings Bay WWII Memorial on the first Friday in November (that is the service, activities start a couple days sooner) and there is also the annual Christmas Party in Panama City Beach, FL in December. For those that want to remain local, there will be the annual Pearl Harbor Dinner in Cary, NC. All are worthwhile events to attend. Either the notices have been put out or are forthcoming. A

I hope all is well with all. I thank all of you for not only your support, but for the work you do for USSVI. If you feel you have not done much, just ask your Base Commander, I am sure he can find somewhere where you can assist.

God bless all of you and may God bless America.

Steve Bell
SERD



District Commander/Tarheel Base David Campbell



NOW HEAR THIS! NOW HEAR THIS!

No Report this Quarter



Base/District Commander Dave Campbell with new Tarheel member Leslie Harness. Leslie qualified in 2015 aboard the USS Michigan (SSBN/SSGN-727).



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at 10:00 hrs at the Am. Legion Hall—Cary

December meeting is the Pearl Harbor Dinner-





**National Chaplain
William "Bill"
"Butterbean" Dixon**

No Report this Quarter!

Chaplains Notes and Thoughts

The USSVI and SWWII Submarine Veterans groups were formed many years ago and through the years have provided a spirit of camaraderie that few groups experience. We support each other in the best way that we can, and are always available.

However, as we all know, the SWWII group ceased back a few years ago, and like it or not, we are all aging. With aging comes health issues that more and more of us are facing.

Please read the following bible verses relevant to healing and keep these thoughts in your everyday operations.

Proverbs 4:20-22 - My son, pay attention to what I say; listen closely to my words. Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within



your heart; for they are life to those who find them and health to a man's whole body.

Psalms 107:19-20 - Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress. He sent forth his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave. Let them give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men.

Jeremiah 17:14 - Heal me, O LORD, and I will be healed, save me and I will be saved, for you are the one I praise.

Mark 5:34 - He said to her, "Darling, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

James 5:16 - Confess your faults to one another, and pray one for another that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Chaplain Gene Rutter



NC SubVets

From Tarheel Base Chaplin Gene Rutter

Shipmates,

An update on the status of Tarheel Base Members and families:

Jerry Leppart...No change in his status at this point. Still hoping and praying for improvement.

Gary Lew...Remember Gary's wife had shoulder replacement for an arthritis condition. Talked to Gary recently, and Annette is improving, but the process may take some time.

Dick Kanning...Dick is undergoing chemo and radiation for a mass in his lung. He is in good spirits and, thus far, has had minimal effects.

Bill Whelan...Bill had some surgery today to remove an infectious mass that resulted from the hematoma. Visited with him and Ann today at the hospital, (He will be going home tomorrow). He was very upbeat and pleased with his current condition. Therapy may be in the future.

He asked that visitation be curtailed for now.

Please keep these members and their spouses in your thoughts and prayers. Pray for improvement in their conditions.

The Base received a note from "The family of Henry Hagwood acknowledges with grateful appreciation and kind expression of your sympathy". Inside, the note read:

"Dear Subvet Friends,

From his first meeting, Henry was proud to be a part of the Tarheel Base Subvets.

Our sincerest and heartfelt appreciation for being such an important part of Henry's Memorial service and the touching eulogies by Chaplains Dixon and Rutter.

Henry and I have felt blessed by your support and visits throughout his illness.

Our family is proud of your honoring him at his Eternal Patrol.

Very Sincerely,

Judy and Family"

As Tarheel Base Chaplain, I really appreciate the group that were in attendance for Henry's service, Butterbean, Dave Campbell, Jim Davis, Mel Denis, Ed Galaviz, Bob Govern, Jerry Leppart, Bill Lowe, Bill Whelan, and myself.

And, I encourage Tarheel Base Members to attend these Memorial Services for our brothers as a gesture of respect, and appreciation of their service to this great country.



NC SubVets
Carolina Piedmont Commander Rick Petitt

No Report this Quarter



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Meets every 4th Saturday w/e of May at the VFW
Post 9138, Ft. Mill, SC— Dinner at 1730 and
meeting at 1900





From the Mountains to the Sea

The third quarter has been a very good and eventful time for the Asheville Base. We started off with the "Annual Base Pock-Luck Picnic" held in Marshall, NC on the banks of the French Broad River the 4th of July. Members of the base, family & friends of all ages enjoyed the vast array of delicious foods and treats for all. During the event was also the "Annual Retirement of Flags" from members & friends. I would like to say "BZ" to Mose for providing the entertainment for the day with karaoke of all sounds of music. We would like to invite others to come and join us next year, the date, location and time will be posted after the January 2018.

Longevity pins wear presented to base members, a grand turnout for the 5th anniversary of the USS Asheville Base Charter; four members wear also at their 5 year point (Jerome Hoffart, Joe Schmidt, Jim Seacord & Gene Ipox. With much reluctance, we wear able to take some photos of the base members & everyone that attended the meeting this special day.

On September 7th LTJG Miranda Schmidt was commissioned into the United States Navy Medical Service, her father Joe Schmidt MMCS/SS Retired (a charter member of the USS Asheville Base) conducted the ceremony and the oath of office. I for one would like to say thank you for you selfishness act and wish you all the best.

USS Asheville Base Eugene "Pox" Ipox

We had the honor of issuing the "USSVI Eagle Scout Award" the Sam Stillwell, Sam is also a member of the Asheville Sea Cadets "Freedom" Div. Mr. Stillwell has enlisted into the United States Navy and has volunteered for Submarine Duty. I know we all wish him the very best and looking forward to having him join a very limited and special group.

Last but not least, if you find yourself in the Asheville area during a meeting time (first Tuesday of the month) please drop by and brake bread with a shipmate.

Gene (Pox) Ipox

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Albemarle Sound Base

Frank Jones, III



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No Report this Quarter

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Meets 3rd Thursday or 3rd Saturday alternately on even months at 1900 Hours Thursday, 0900 Hours Saturday - E-mail for location

No Report this Quarter



Old North State Base Commander Jerry Lee Emerson



The Old North State Base formed in the Wilson, Rocky Mount, Nashville area of North Carolina on 8 April 2017. The first meeting was held in Bailey North Carolina.

The Charter was presented by Dick Kanning, past South East Region Director on June 10th 2017 at a meeting/dinner in Wilson, NC held at Paul's Italian Restaurant.

Fourteen Submarine Veterans, one Associate member, eleven guests and one prospective member attended including the National Treasure, Paul Hiser, National Chaplain, Bill "Butterbean" Dixon, Eastern Region South Director, Steve Bell, Southeast District 1 Commander Dave Campbell, Past Eastern Region South Director and past Southeast District 1 Commander, Dick Kanning who presented the Base Charter to the Base Commander, Jerry Emerson.

Other military services were represented by our associate member Ed Marshall, U.S. Army, Vietnam veteran. Dave Corbett, Captain MC, U.S.N. Retired. Karen Corbett, Lieutenant Colonel USMC Retired.

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Meets every 2nd Saturday of each month at various location as indicated in agenda



CHARTER MEMBERS OF THE OLD NORTH STATE BASE OF UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS INC.

Left to Right: Ed Marshall, Bruce Marshall, Andrew Piowowske, Joe Goarck, Jerry Emerson, Frans Van Baars, William Iwaniuk, Vince Sievert. Missing from photo is Nelson Gainey.



**Nat Greene Base
Ray Moore**

No Report this Quarter

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**Meets a Am. Legion Post in Winston-Salem on
the 1st Saturday of odd months.—1300 hours**



2017 USSVI AWARDS

JOE NEGRI AWARD-Frederick W. Borgmann
- Bremerton Base

ROBERT LINK AWARDS:

Terry L. Bolen - Corvina Base
Charles W. Butcher - Mare Island Base
Brian A. Daugherty - Hampton Roads Base
[Thomas S. McFadden - Tarheel Base](#)
[Charles R. Petitt - Carolina Piedmont Base](#)
[Gene E. Rutter Tarheel Base](#)
Brian Watson - Baton Rouge Base
Gene A. Weisbecker - USS Chicago Base
[Charles \(Chip\) Wisard - USS Asheville Base](#)
Bowfin Base
Hampton Roads Base
Marblehead Base

DISTRICT COMMANDER OF THE YEAR -
Warvel (Tom) Williams - Brazos Valley Base

MERITORIOUS AWARD (INDIVIDUAL)

Douglas A. Bryant - Marblehead Base
James Irwin - Albany - Saratoga Base
Paul Orstad - Groton Base
Michael R. Varone - Northern Virginia
[William W. Wheland - Tarheel Base](#)

MERITORIOUS AWARD (BASE)

USS Chicago Base

GOLDEN ANCHOR

CLASS ONE - Hampton Roads Base
CLASS TWO - No Entry Submitted
CLASS THREE - Central Texas Base
CLASS FOUR - USS Snook Base

SILVER ANCHOR

Larry L. Ferrell - Maine Base
Dominick Grimaldi - Groton Base
[Jack Jeffries - Carolina Piedmont Base](#)
Thomas R. Shannon - Marblehead Base
David M. Vrooman - Blueback Base

BEN BASTURA AWARD

Don and Dale Johnson

NEWSLETTER AWARDS

CLASS ONE - Hampton Roads Base –
“Currents”
CLASS TWO - Gold Country Base – “Clear
the Baffles”
[CLASS THREE - Carolina Piedmont Base -
"Piedmont Periscope"](#)
CLASS FOUR - Cuttlefish Base – “W. R. T”.
OVERALL WINNER - Hampton Roads Base
“Currents”

**The All Clear salutes all the winners,
and especially the ones in the
[NC SubVets! - BRAVO ZULU](#)**

**[We are blessed to have great
Submariners in North Carolina](#)**



Happy Birthday Shipmates

Remember looking ahead!

If you were born this time of the year, your parent probably thought it was a cold winter!

Happy Birthday Shipmates.

If your name is not here and should be, please contact me or your Base Secretary. My records are only as good as I am supplied by the Base Secretary.

October Birthdays

James L. Balderas, David C. Bridges, Paul D Crossland, Ricky R. Donohue, Joseph M Finotti, Kerry F. Gentry, Larry Wayne Hauser, Daniel Newcomer, Donald Racquer, James C. Russell, George Shepard, Peter Thompson, Jack Anulies, Kenneth W. Boyer, Donald Brewer, Matthew Cinkovich, Hershel Davis, Earl Nelson, Gainey, Jr, Chad Gordon, Eric Hogan, David J. Holm, David J. Holm, Ted R. Hurley, Renaud J. Lebonville, Andrew Miller, Donald F. Moyer, Howard B. Murray, Paul R. Myers, CW Senn, Charles A. Stevenson, Bill Strand, Anthony Valovich

November Birthdays

Hugh Andrews, Marvin Beaver, Tom Carr, Mitch Collier, Charles E. Cross, Harold W. (Bill) Dixon, Jr., Edward Dunton, Ron Hatley, Gregory Hice, Jerome Jr Hoffart, Scott Hughes, Tom Hulme, William E. Lowe, Dave Nelson, David Jr. Peck, William J. Robinson, Bob Schilke, Winborne Springs, Bruce Stefanik, Mark Thesier, Carl L. Walker, Carl L. Walker, John Wallace, John D. Weaver, Raymond D. Zieverink, Alvin Zilinski

December Birthdays

James Anderson, Charles Breese, Ron Busila, Robert Capra, Greg Claypool, Charles T. Dorman, Ray Fritz, Richard Gantt, James Hanks, Robert Heim, Bobby Lee Hepler, Robert(Doc) Hopkins, Dallas G Jarrell, Richard E. Kreh, Sr, Girard T. Lew, Edward R. Lloyd, John McHugh, Everett H. Morgan, Jeff Nieberding, Alvin W. Powell, Frank Reno, William C. Schneider, John Schons, Glen Snyder, Thomas J. Van den Heuvel

Happy Birthday to you,

Happy Birthday, Happy Birthday.

Happy Birthday to you!

(for full effect, please sing this while looking in the mirror.)





Welcome
New
Members

It's
DUES
TIME

Albemarle Sound Base

None Reported

Coastal Carolina Base

None Reported

Carolina Piedmont Base

Jeff Mason —'82 USS Francis Scott Key

Nat Greene Base

None Reported

Tarheel Base

Leslie Harness —'15 USS Michigan

None Reported

USS Asheville Base

None Reported

Please Pay
Your Dues
To support your
Base and the
USSVI

"Everything is funny; as long as it happens to someone else."

— Will Rogers



Asheville Adventures



“Proud Pop” — MMCS(SS) (retired) Joe Schmidt, of the USS Asheville Base, administering the commissioning oath of office to his daughter Miranda, who was an E6 in the Naval Reserves and now is active duty LTJG, MSC USN. Miranda is a certified PA now in the Navy. Will be attending ODS starting Sep-

Eugene (Doc) Peterman LCDR Retired. Doc Peterman was a Corpsman in the United States Submarine Force qualified USS Stonewall Jackson (SSBN-634) Blue Crew in 1976, commissioned 1970. Doc was presented a shadow box designed and built by Joe Schmidt to honor LCDR Peterman (Doc to his friends) for his duty and self sacrifice and leading the way for others. "BZ" Doc.



Members, Families & Guests at the 5th year Anniversary of the USS Asheville Base (Left) Plankowners of the Base (below)



5 Year Longevity Pins

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TARHEEL TALES



On August 6th I made presentations at an Eagle Scout Court of Honor, to three really wonderful young men. Two were brothers and the third the best friend. Nicolas and Matthew Kehn berthed port and starboard of me, and Alexander Winger - outboard port. All three of these young men were observed to be everything an Eagle Scout should be and will carry those positive characteristic into their future. It is always and honor to support these ceremonies.

I have done five of these in the last year and they all love our presentation, telling the Adm. Flucky story and then make the "Parallels" speech where we show the parallels between attaining Eagle Rank and Earning our Dolphins. We get face time at these types of events with the public as wells as recognized young men of character who might some day see submarine duty as an honorable path to follow. - Dave Campbell



Samuel Stillwell will be presented with the USSVI Submarines Veterans award. He is a member of the Asheville Sea Cadets. Sam has chosen to go into the Navy and then on to the Naval Nuclear Power Program.



More...TARHEEL TALES

Tarheel Base Family Picnic Meeting

Tarheel Base Members and family are welcome!



Saturday, October 7, 2017, 1030 – 1400 or until park closes

Beech Pavilion, Lake Crabtree County Park, 1400 Aviation Parkway, Morrisville, NC 27560, 919-460-3390

Location: Lake Crabtree Park is located approximately ¼ mile south of I-40 Exit 285 – Aviation Parkway.

The Beech Pavilion is located ½ mile past the park entrance; 3rd right turn. Beech Pavilion sign displayed

For your comfort, please bring your lawn chairs, picnic tables can be uncomfortable

Agenda: 1015: Purchase 50/50 Raffle Tickets – Rich Cimino

1030: Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Business Meeting: Jim Davis, Vice Commander

1100: Begin Activities: Social, Horseshoes, Corn Hole, Cards

1130: Smithfield's Chicken & BBQ Buffet Lunch – Blessing by Gene Rutter, Base Chaplain

1200: Submarine Trivia Contest Winners Announcement – Wolfgang Friedrich

1300: 50/50 Drawing – Rich Cimino

1400: Begin Picnic clean up, all welcome to stay until Park closes



Carolina Piedmont Base Picnic 2017



Thank you host Linda and Ray Zieverink. A great time was had by all!



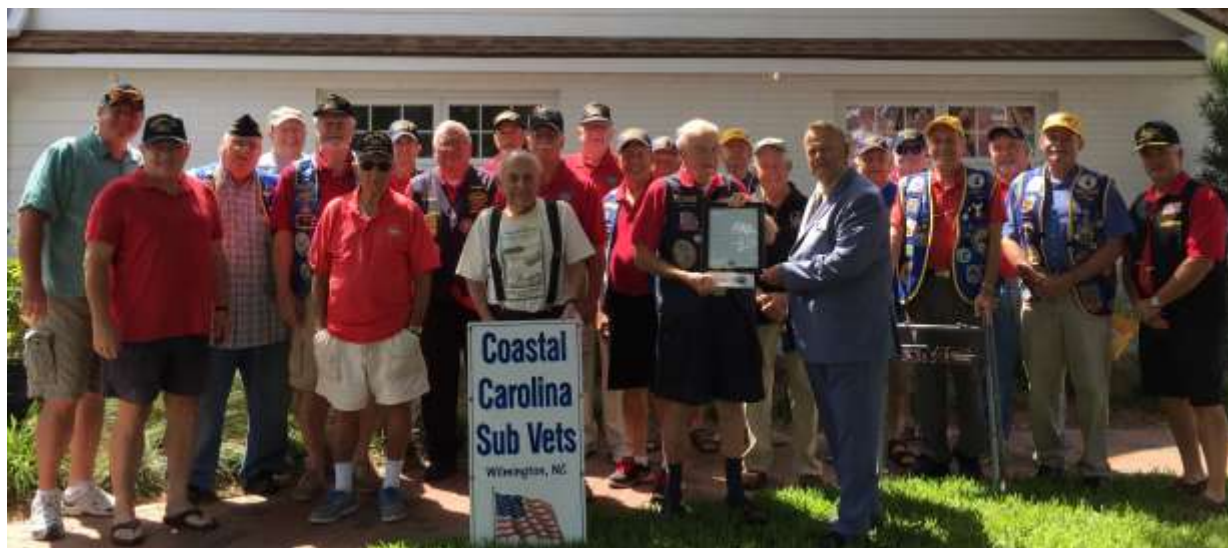
Some SubVettes talk about important "stuff"

They also supplies some great "chow"!



The Base dances to the 'Old School' music of Ron Morrow. What a great show!



Coastal Carolina Base "Waves"

The Coastal Carolina Base held it's August meeting at the North Carolina Maritime Museum in Southport. Southport Mayor, J.V. Dove, made a surprise appearance at the meeting to declare August 26th as Submariners Day in Southport, NC. Mayor Dove also presented Base Commander Chuck Fletcher with the Key to the City.



Funnies



The Lone Ranger and Tonto walked into a saloon and sat down to drink a beer.

After a few minutes, a big tall cowboy walked in and said "Who owns the big white horse outside?"

The Lone Ranger stood up, hitched his gun belt, and said, "I do. Why?"

The cowboy looked at the Lone Ranger and said, "I just thought you'd like to know that your horse is about dead outside!"

The Lone Ranger and Tonto rushed outside and sure enough Silver was ready to die from heat exhaustion. The Lone Ranger got the horse water and soon Silver was starting to feel a little better. The Lone Ranger turned to Tonto and said, "Tonto, I want you to run around Silver and see if you can create enough of a breeze to make him start to feel better.

Tonto said, "Sure, Kemosabe" and took off running circles around Silver.

Not able to do anything else but wait, the Lone Ranger returned to the saloon to finish his drink. A few minutes later, another cowboy struts into the bar and asks, "Who owns that big

white horse outside?" The Lone Ranger stands again, and claims, "I do, what's wrong with him this time?"

"Nothing, but you left your injun runnin'!"

A couple made a deal that whoever died first would come back and inform the other if there is sex after death. Their biggest fear was that there was no afterlife at all.

After a long life together, the husband was the first to die. True to his word, he made the first contact.

"Marion, Marion?"

"Is that you, Bob?"

"Yes, I've come back like we agreed."

"That's wonderful! What's it like?"

"Well, I get up in the morning, I have sex. I have breakfast and then it's off to the golf course. I have sex again, bathe in the warm sun and then have sex a couple of more times. Then I have lunch (you'd be proud -- eat lots of greens). Another romp around the golf course, then pretty much have sex the rest of the afternoon. After supper, it's back to the golf course. Then it's more sex until late at night. Then I catch some much needed sleep and then the next day it starts all over again."

"Oh, Bob! Are you in Heaven?"

"No, ... I'm a rabbit somewhere in North Dakota."



THEY SHOULD DRAFT US GUYS OVER 60 YEAR



I am over 60 and the Armed Forces thinks I'm too old to track down terrorists. You can't be older than 42 to join the military. They've got the whole thing ass-backwards.

Instead of sending 18-year olds off to fight, they ought to take us old guys. You shouldn't be able to join a military unit until you're at least 55.

For starters, researchers say 18-year-olds think about sex every 10 seconds. Old guys only think about sex a couple of times a month, leaving us more than 280,000 additional seconds per day to concentrate on the enemy.

Young guys haven't lived long enough to be cranky, and a cranky soldier is a dangerous soldier. 'My back hurts! I can't sleep, I'm tired and hungry.' We are bad-tempered and impatient, and maybe letting us kill some asshole that desperately deserves it will make us

feel better and shut us up for a while.

An 18-year-old doesn't even like to get up before 10 am. Old guys always get up early to pee, so what the hell. Besides, like I said, I'm tired and can't sleep and since I'm already up, I may as well be up killing some fanatical son-of-a-bitch.

If captured, we couldn't spill the beans because we'd forget where we put them. In fact, name, rank, and serial number would be a real brainteaser.

Boot camp would be easier for old guys. We're used to getting screamed and yelled at and we're used to soft food. We've also developed an appreciation for guns. We've been using them for years as an excuse to get out of the house, away from the screaming and yelling.

They could lighten up on the obstacle course however. I've been in combat and never saw a single 20-foot wall with rope hanging over the side, nor did I ever do any pushups after completing basic training.

Actually, the running part is kind of a waste of energy, too. I've never seen anyone outrun a bullet.

An 18-year-old has the whole world ahead of him. He's still learning to shave, to start a conversation with a pretty girl. He still hasn't figured out that a baseball cap has a brim to shade his eyes, not the back of his head.

These are all great reasons to keep our kids at home to learn a little more about life before sending them off into harm's way.

Let us old guys track down those terrorists. The last thing an enemy would want to see is a couple million pissed off old farts with bad attitudes and automatic weapons who know that their best years are already behind them.

HEY!! How about recruiting Women over 50... in menopause!!! You think MEN have attitudes?? Ohhhhhhhhhhhh my God!!! If nothing else, put them on border patrol. They'll have it secured the first night!



This was sent to me by a member of the USS Asheville Base, Bob Moore, it made me think of how the loss of the USS Scorpion not only affected the families and friends of the men lost that day but also the emotional toll all submariners had on their shoulders, something never talked about but always present.

I would like to submit this for publication. Although it is not a long winded story, short and to the point made a greater impacted on me than all the stories and books I ever read and I think others might feel the same way.

Bob Moore has given me permission to send it to you.

V/r: Eugene Ipox
USS Asheville Base Commander

Subject: Scorpion

It Wasn't All Fun

by Bob Moore
May 2001

May was nice that year (1968).

We had been providing ping time for the target Navy and had settled into a smooth routine. Back and forth we went, pretty much at the beck and call of the fleet. Dive. Surface. Snorkel. Send up a smoke now and then so they could find us. Fresh food never got scarce, so it really wasn't bad duty at all.

Toward the end of the month we came alongside for a two week upkeep period, and it wasn't long until pier 22 was buzzing with rumors. Scuttlebutt was a dime a ton and every bluejacket had at least three opinions. Soon word came down for us to get underway. My maneuvering watch station was the forward capstan phones, and as we were singling up I got a good look at the faces of everybody around me. You could have cut the tension with a knife. Everything was pure business. Nobody had a word to say that didn't concern getting away from the pier.

A few hours later we were in deep water and began to call, "Brandywine, Brandywine, REQUIN calling Brandywine, please come in".

That whole evolution was not in sharp focus for most of us. Almost all of us had friends aboard, and we were praying as hard as any bunch of sailors ever had, but we never got an answer from the SCORPION. She had already been dead for a week.

My friends Steve, Joe Miller, and Don Karmasek were not coming back --- and I finally came to understand just how deadly serious a profession we were engaged in.

There was still something in the air around pier 22 when I left it for the last time at the end of 1970. I wonder if it is still there?



SubVets Events

Submarine Veterans' Gulf Coast

2017 Annual Christmas Party

Thursday Dec 7th -- Sunday Dec 10th 2017

Holiday Inn Resort

(Thirteenth year at this great Hotel)

11127 Front Beach Rd, Panama City Beach, FL 32407

1-850-234-1111 or 1-800-633-0266 (toll-free)

Rooms \$59.00 plus tax

Hospitality Room and Banquet **\$45.00**

(Hospitality Room includes Morning Coffee & Donuts, Free Libations & Assorted Snacks)

Hosted by **Jim Hunnicutt, Drum Base** (mcpo.ss@peoplepc.com)

and **John Duncan, Seawolf Base** (narwhalssn@yahoo.com)

This is a Christmas Party – Gifts Optional (to receive a gift, you must bring a gift)
 Everyone Bring a Present (around \$15) - **Men bring a Guy's gift and Ladies bring a Gal's gift**
 Banquet Christmas Party Saturday Night
 Banquet will have a **Cash Bar** starting at 5 P.M. followed by Dinner and Party at 6:30 P.M.

MENU – SANTA'S FAVORITE BUFFET

Garden Fresh Salad

Tender Roasted Tom Turkey with Giblet Gravy - Spiral Honey Glazed Ham

Country Style Sausage Cornbread Stuffing - Whipped Potatoes - Candied Yams

Green Bean Almandine - Fresh Whole Kernel Corn - Freshly Baked Rolls

Dessert Selections - Freshly Baked Pumpkin, Apple Pie or Cobbler - Iced Tea or Coffee

Memorial Service 11 A.M. Saturday December 9th

Nightly Bar 50/50 Raffles (w/extra prizes) - 6 for \$5.00

Large Split the Pot 50/50 Saturday Night Raffle (w/extra prizes) - 6 for \$5.00

(This is not a profit maker - Any Residual Funds will go to a Submarine Related Project)

Mail Reservations for Banquet and Hospitality Room to

Jim Hunnicutt – 1800 Beach Dr Unit 184, Gulfport MS 39507-1581

Make check payable to J.A. Hunnicutt - (on ck Memo line – Xmas Party)

Reservations have to be in hand NLT November 30th to guarantee your banquet seating

(Refunds for Banquet after December 1st, 2017 cannot be guaranteed)

Problems or Questions? Contact Jim Hunnicutt – ph 850-457-3584 or email mcpo.ss@peoplepc.com



Gulf Coast Christmas Party Registration Form

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Spouse /Guest: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

(Tel) (____) _____ - _____ E-Mail Address _____

Local Chapter/Base _____

Number Banquet & Hospitality Room: _____ x \$45.00 \$ _____

Number for Hospitality Room Only (*Not Attending Banquet*): _____ x \$20.00 \$ _____

Saturday Night 50/50 Raffle (6 tickets for \$5) How Many: _____ x \$ 5.00 \$ _____

Total Remitted: \$ _____



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Got Links or pictures you want to share with the NC SubVets? -

Send them to Moe at caropied_moe@twc.com

The next deadline for the All Clear will be
15 December

If you have a favorite "Boat" or Navy related Christmas Story

Send your stories to Moe at Caropied_Moe@twc.com



On Eternal Patrol
...Sailor, rest your oar



Edward Ralph Lloyd , ENC(SS)



Ed served on USS S-18 (SS-128), USS S-38 (SS-143), USS Cabrilla (SS-288), USS Dace (SS-247), and USS Ray (SS/SSR-271)

Notification of Ed's passing was delayed, and Tarheel was unable to tend the lines for his service. However, Tarheel did prepare an Eternal Patrol Certificate on parchment paper along with a note of regret, both of which were sent to Ed's wife Mildred.



Joseph Earley Morgan , CSC(SS)



Joseph Early Morgan CSC (SS), Born May 24, 1929; Passed June 25, 2017

Joe served on USS Cochina (SS-345), USS Tusk (SS-426), USS Clamagore (SS-343), and USS Threadfin (SS-410) and was a member of the Tarheel Base.

Joe received a full military service and interment at Brier Creek Memorial Gardens in Raleigh NC. Tarheel and other NC base members tended the lines for these that were held at Westminster Presbyterian Church, in Raleigh NC.



On Eternal Patrol
...Sailor, rest your oar



John J Norosky , CTTCM(SS)



John qualified in submarines on the USS Barb (SSN-596) in 1980 and was a CTTCM(SS) when he left the Navy. He was a member of the Costal Carolina, Tarheel, and Casper Society Internet Bases.



George Walter Treusch , LCDR



George qualified in submarines on the USS Sub Relief Crew (SS-0) in and was a LCDR when he left the Navy.

