

MINUTES OF USSVI TARHEEL BASE MEETING

HELD ON APRIL 4, 2019 AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST#67

CARY, NC

Tarheel Base meeting was rescheduled from Saturday, April 6, 2019 to Thursday evening April 4, 2019 for a social gathering with pizza. First mates were invited. Base meeting was an abbreviated one so that all present could dig into the pizza and refreshments.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Base Commander Dave Campbell after COB Dan Wall "dived the boat with two blasts from the diving alarm". Base Chaplain Gene Rutter rendered the opening prayer. Base Secretary Bill Lowe led the 17 Subvets and 10 wives in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Commander Dave asked the two WWII Subvets- Marty Kirwan and Don Moyer for the first introductions. All gave these "heroes from the greatest generation" a hearty round of applause. Following were introductions by the other 15 Subvets and their wives. Dave asked each Subvet to give a brief history of their naval career along with an overview of their family life.

TOLLING OF THE LOST BOATS

Commander Dave conducted the Tolling of the Lost Boats Ceremony by reading a list of the lost boats- 8 in March and 5 in April. COB Dan Wall rang the bell for each of these 13 boats. No slide presentation was used in order to limit meeting time.

ETERNAL PATROL MEMORIAL

Base Chaplain Gene Rutter stated one Subvet went on Eternal Patrol in February-Gerald Stott. He was not a member of a base.

BINNACLE LIST (PRAYERS, INFO,ACTIONS)

Chaplain Gene covered the following Tarheel Base members: Don Moyer is attending sessions at the wellness center; M.B. Hudson had a pacemaker installed; and Butterbean Dixon possibly has some kidney issues.

SPEAKER

Guest speaker was Tarheel Base Storekeeper and Stewburner Jim Wallace. He covered several aspects of Estate Planning by covering items in a booklet he gave to each Subvet. The title of the booklet is Family Love Letter. Jim covered the four basic things each person must have in place: 1- A will; 2- A living will; 3- Durable power of attorney; 4- Healthcare power of attorney. All present thanked Jim for a very informative and needed presentation.

GOOD OF THE ORDER-

Holland Club Awards Chairman Jim Davis presented the Tarheel Base newest member Ken Cleary with his Holland Club award. Ken qualified in 1963 aboard the USS Cavalla (SS-244).

REPORTS

Reports were limited to one item:

Secretary- Bill Lowe - Approve last meeting minutes from February 16, 2019 meeting as sent out on the Tarheel email buoy and posted on the Website. Meeting minutes were approved with no changes or additions.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

PARADES & EVENTS UPCOMING: See new business long term planning.

1- The next Tarheel Base breakfast at the Golden Corral is scheduled for Saturday, May 4, 2019 at 9:00 AM .

2- Southeast Regional Conference is scheduled for April 29th to May 2nd in Cape Canaveral, FL. The meeting will be hosted by the Snug Harbor Base.

3- The Moonshine Mountain Memorial Meeting is scheduled for May 17th and May 18th.

4- Pearl Harbor Dinner Report - Tom stated this year's Pearl Harbor Dinner has been scheduled for Saturday, December 7, 2019.

5- Color Guard Report: Tom McFadden stated the Tarheel Base Color Guard will present the colors on May 10th at a Duke Baseball game.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Posted as a reminder:

BASE PICNIC FOR 2019 - The picnic is scheduled for Saturday, October 5, 2019 at the Dogwood Shelter in Lake Crabtree Park (same location as last year). The plan is to combine the Base Picnic and the October Base meeting as approved by the Executive Board.

All present thanked Jim Wallace and Rich Cimino plus their first mates for organizing the Pizza Party. The pizza from Domino's was good chow- especially the Extravaganza pizza!!

RAFFLE- Rich Cimino conducted the 50/50 raffle and Wayne Powell was the big winner of \$55.00

BENEDICTION- Chaplain Gene offered up the closing prayer with thanks for an enjoyable meeting and social gathering.

Motion was made to adjourn until the next meeting on: June 1, 2019 -tentative Meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM

COB Dan Wall - Surface the boat with 3 blasts of the diving alarm!

