# Minutes for USSVI "OLD NORTH STATE" Base Meeting 1000 Saturday 10 September 2020 VFW Post #2057 11270 E NC 97, Rocky Mount, NC 27803 Phone 252-446-7532

0900 Biscuits and donuts and coffee at VFW before meeting - 9 members and 1 guest attended.

**GET 50/50 TICKETS BEFORE MEETING** 

Cell Phones off or on vibrate

Meeting called to order by Vice Commander Joe Goarck at 1002.

DIVE BOAT - Two blasts of the diving alarm. "All rise"

**INVOCATION** – Jack Murray led the opening prayer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE –** Vice Commander Joe Goarck led the base in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

# USSVI CREED

"TO PERPETUATE THE MEMORY OF OUR SHIPMATES WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE PURSUIT OF THEIR DUTIES WHILE SERVING THEIR COUNTRY. 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. THE ORGANIZATION WILL ENGAGE IN VARIOUS PROJECTS AND DEEDS THAT WILL BRING ABOUT THE PERPETUAL REMEMBERANCE OF THOSE SHIPMATES WHO HAVE GIVEN THE SUPREME SACRIFICE." ......

# **Tolling of Lost Boats:**

The Tolling of the Lost Boats Ceremony covering the months of October was conducted by Vice Commander Joe Goarck, shipmate Frans Van Baars tolled the bell respectively. Joe read the accounts of the nine submarines and the 572 men lost in the month of October. Frans tolled the bell for each of the lost submarines in solemn remembrance of our shipmates who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

# WWII SUBVETS - none in attendance

ALL MEETING ATTENDIES - 9 SubVet members and one guest introduced themselves by including the name of their qualification boat, the year they received their dolphins, and where they live. Our guest, Wade Brooks, qualified in Daniel Webster (SSBN-626) in 1968 and requested to join the base. Welcome aboard shipmate!

# BINNACLE LIST -

- Joe Goarck still dealing with lung and oxygen issues he has a portable O2 that he uses as required, his wife Jean is still dealing leg problems but their children have been visiting which has helped.
- Cathy Loch is challenged by chronic illness.

Please keep everyone in prayer for healing and encouragement. Remember, we are all shipmates and if you need to reach out for support or just to talk we are here for you, that's what shipmates do!

#### SPEAKER – none

#### **REPORTS:**

# NC SUBVETS CDR – Jerry Emerson

Jerry gave an update on the on the NC SubVets organization and reported that shipmate Frans Van Baars mural was presented and displayed at the Moonshine mtn. site with limited guests. He has pictures that he will forward to me and I will forward them to the base and to Will Iwaniuk to put in the NC Sub Vets newsletter. Jerry also informed the members that the torpedo trailer float is still in need of a permanent storage site. If anyone know s of a location contact Jerry, it has to be out of the NC Air museum NLT 10/31/20 due them expanding and they need the area for new displays. The location for the float would need to be 10' wide by 30' long. Let Jerry or Vince know if you know of a available location. Jerry went to the Albemarle base meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss their borrowing the float for their Christmas parade in Edenton. They don't have a firm date yet but agreed that if their date is the same as one of our parades we would have priority in its use. He also said that he would look into a location for a social in December at a restaurant in or around Wilson, the Tar Hill Base Pearl Harbor dinner has been canceled. He will let the members know at the November meeting

#### **BASE COMMANDER – Vince Sievert**

#### VICE COMMANDER – Joe Goarck

Conducted meeting

#### SECRETARY – Jack Murray

Motion made and seconded to accept the 12 September 2020 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion passed.

#### **TREASURER – Dennis Cloutier**

- Membership report: Submitted 10-10-2020

Base Membership: 24 Regular Members 23 Associate Members 1 - Financial Report: 8 Just −12 Sept 2020 1. Starting balance: \$964.16 Receipts: \$473.00 Dues Receipts \$98 50/50 revenue \$50 Raffle ticket sales \$325

- Ending balance of all accounts:	\$1437.16
- Resulted Gain	(\$473.00)

#### Notes: This report has been reconciled against the October Southern Bank statements.

- Motion made and seconded to accept Treasurers Report as read. Motion passed.

#### WEB MASTER – Will Iwaniuk

None.

#### STORKEEPER – Dennis Loch

Dennis gave an update on getting the 2021 Submarine calendars, said due the Covid-19 (the canned excuse for everything being late) they have been delayed in receiving them, he will let everyone know when he does receive them. Cost will be \$10.00 each.

**FUND RAISER** – Phrog discussed base raffle everyone thought that tickets would be available this month, Jerry is going to contact Vince to check the status. In the meantime, you can print the mail in type that Phorg made and use them. See attachment.

**FLOAT SOP** - Phrog submitted the copy of the SOP. Members discussed. Phrog said he needed pictures of the float bunting installed so that he could add the details to the SOP. He hopes to have all the information soon so he could have the revised document ready for the November meeting.

Shipmates base and national dues are due NLT November. Need to get them paid.

Base dues \$12.00 per year. National dues \$25.00 per year

If you're interested in life membership is based on your age. You can check the USSVI website or contact me and I will let you know the amount.

You can bring them to the next meeting or send them to the secretary Jack Murray (me). Make the checks out to Old North State Base. Send to:

Jack Murray

621 Cummings Rd.

Rocky Mount NC 27804

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Jerry said that he would have the Holland club presentations for Wade Brooks, and Bruce "Wayne" Marshall at the November meeting.

# **EVENTS**

**December 5th** - Drawing for fund raiser. 50/50 raffle and an American flag carved in wood

**Base social:** Jerry will find a location for a dinner in the Wilson area for the December social.

Meeting was adjourned early due to the "Marine Devil Dog" Group taking over the hall for their scheduled meeting at 1100. Since there was only approx. 50-60 of them we let them have the hall since it wouldn't look good for 10 old submariners whooping up on so few marines!

# GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Mississippi River Cruise – Canceled

USSVI – Old North State Base Facebook Page- Check it out.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1198129857025276/?ref=bookmarks

**BENEDICTION:** Shipmate Jack said the closing prayer silently as he was being escorted out of the hall by a couple of large marines.

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, 14 November 2020 @ 1000, location TBD

**ADJOURN MEETING:** Motion made and seconded to adjourn, meeting adjourned at 1102.

**SURFACE THE BOAT** – Three blasts of diving alarm.

**50/50 Drawing results:** Winner was Jack Murray. He gave his share back to the base minus his five for a total \$45.00.