



Carolina-Piedmont Base Minutes October 25th, 2014

-Call Meeting to Order

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

-Invocation

James Schenk gave the Invocation.

-Pledge of Allegiance

Steve Bell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

-Tolling of the Boats

The Tolling for March was presented by Steve Bell and Rick Petitt.

-USSVI Creed

The USSVI Creed was recited by Calvin Reese.

-Member Introductions

There were 23 members present. Two new Base members were welcomed, Stephen George, and John McHugh. Joel Sparnon, a member in good standing, attended his first meeting.

-Reading/Approval of the last meeting minutes

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

-Reading/Approval of the Treasurers Report

Raymond Zieverink gave the Treasurer's Report for October 2014. The Motion was made to accept the report as read, the motion passed.

Current Balance	\$6,370.09
Kapss4Kidss	\$2,095.37
USSVI Scholarship Fund	\$ 151.00
General Base Funds Available	\$4,123.72

-Old Business

None

-New Business

None

-SK Report

Jeff Nieberding reported that he has Base Challenge Coins, Patches and will take orders for anyone needing a vest.

-Good of the Order

-Dues Renewal

Steve Bell reminded all hands that Base and National dues are coming up. Steve urges all hands to consider the 3 year or 5 year option for national dues. The Life Membership is pro-rated base on the age of the member, and might be a more viable option for our senior shipmates. Dues should be paid to the Base Treasurer Raymond Zieverink.

-Veteran's Day at Saluda Trails Middle School

Steve Bell reported that on Monday November 10th, the Base will once again participate in the Saluda Trails Middle School's Annual Veterans Day celebration in Rock Hill, SC. Robert Schilke will be bring the "Fleet" for display. This will be an all-day event, lunch will be provided. Those interested in attending should muster at the school by 0830 hours.

-Kaps-4-Kids

-Victory Junction Visit

John Wardean and Jeff Nieberding reported on the latest visit to Victory Junction Camp. Steve Bell thanked all members for the continuing support for the Kaps-4-Kids program.

- Levine Children's Hospital

Jack Jeffries reported that the Hospital has invited the Base to participate in their Halloween Program on October 31st. The program will be held in the Atrium, the Base will not be visiting the rooms as has been in the past. There are more openings for anyone interested in attending. Jack asked that anyone interested to contact him ASAP.

-Kings Bav Memorial

Steve Bell reminded all those wishing to attend this year's WWII Memorial Service to get their registrations and hotel reservations in ASAP.

-South East Regional Meeting

Steve Bell reported that the SE Regional Meeting will be held in April of 2015. The site for the meeting will be at the Cape in Florida. Registration and schedule of event have been E-mailed by Jack. Those wishing to attend can contact Jack Jeffries for more information.

-Jim Schenk Book Sale

Jim Schenk reported that any members who purchase his latest book will receive a signed copy. Jim will also donate \$3.00 from each sale to Kaps-4-Kids.

-USN Burial At Sea Program

Gene Rutter reported about the Navy's Burial at Sea programs. Gene briefly explained the program and provided the base with a copy of the procedure and related forms. The procedure and forms will be included in the next issue of the Piedmont Periscope.

-Piedmont Periscope

Robert Schilke reminded all hands that submissions for the newsletter needs to be sent to him not later than November 15th.

-Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Carolina-Piedmont Base will be on November 22nd, 2014 at 1900 with our meal at 1730. The meeting will be at the VFW in Fort Mill. Steve Bell also noted that we will gather at the VFW on December 13th, 2014 for our normal Christmas celebration.

-Motion to Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was made and passed.

Respectfully Submitted by Michael Hubbell Base Secretary