NATHANAEL GREENE BASE

Base Meeting Agenda

Sept 13, 2025

Annual Picnic (15th Base Anniversary)

Horizons Park, 2835 Memorial Industrial School Rd., Rural Hall, NC 27045

111 Miller St. Winston Salem, NC 27103

Due confusion where to park and attend the picnic led to a late start food came first while hot.

Lunch (courtesy of Frank Gardner and Matt Pleasants (son-in-law)

USSVI Creed: 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 may be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments, and to pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution.

Dive the Boat

1 – 13:50 meeting begins.

2 - Invocation Prayer (Base Chaplain)

3 - Pledge of Allegiance (Base Commander)

4 - Introductions of Attendees

Tolling of the Boats

(Base Commander)

Honors the Memory of Submarine Men and Boats Lost

since the establishment of United States Submarine Force.

Boats Lost During the Month of September

USS S-5 (SS-110)

USS GRAYLING (SS-209)

USS POMPANO (SS-181)

USS S-51 (SS-162)

USS CISCO (SS-290)

Boats Lost During the Month of October

USS SEAWOLF (SS-197)

USS S-44 (SS-155)

USS WAHOO (SS-238)

USS DORADO (SS-248)

USS ESCOLAR (SS-294)

USS SHARK II (SS-314)

USS DARTER (SS-227)

USS TANG (SS-306)

USS O-5 (SS-66)

9/11 Remembrance

American Airlines Flight 11

United Airlines Flight 175

American Airlines Flight 77

United Airlines Flight 93

World Trade Center Towers Collapse

Guest Speaker or Submarine Movie Clip

Donnie Hall brought items he, his wife and grandson are delivering to the New London Submarine Museum from the estate of Gary W. Vernon who went on Eternal Patrol June 27, 2025. One of keen interest was a painting (dated 1949) of the USS Argonaut - SS 475 given to LCDR Lauerma.

Reports

Commander's Corner – Joey Hundley – Nothing to report

Vice Commander - Joe Peek - Soldiers Reunion Parade

Secretary Report - Dave Lemly - absent

Treasurer's Report - Frank Gardner - dues will be coming up

Chaplain Report – Donnie Hall - Ray Moore doing fine, prayers for Chuck and MaryAnn Jensen as MaryAnn moves from assisted living to Hospice Care.

Eternal Patrol Report

- Dale Patterson, RMCM(SS) – passed away October 3, 2024

- Jim Wilson, IC3(SS) – Passed away August 14, 2024

- Sid Cheek, LCDR – Passed away May 23, 2025

- Gary Vernon, TM2(SS) – Passed away June 27, 2025

Store Keeper Report - Tom Denegre

- **Calendar Orders.** If you want a 60th Anniversary USSVI calendar, you need to reach out to Tom Denegre by September 15th.

Caps for Kids Report - Joey Hundley –Nothing at this time.

Old Business

NTR

New Business

Annual Base Dues.

- Our Base Treasure will begin collecting base dues for 2026.

Base Officer Elections. The following relevant articles and sections from our Base Constitution and Bylaws will guide the process.

> Base Constitution ARTICLE X – VOTING Section 1. Each member in good standing shall be entitled to vote in person at any regular or working Base meeting. The only exception is the election of Base Officers where the use of an email or mail-in ballot is allowed.
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> Bylaws ARTICLE VI – BIENNIAL ELECTIONS Election of Base Officers will be held during the month of October of the election year using an email ballot. Those Base members without email will have this ballot mailed to them using the US Postal System. All ballots will be returned to the designated "Election Master" for counting using either the internet or postal system. A simple majority of the votes from the ballots returned will be used to determine the winning candidate for each elected office.

Nominations for elected positions will be taken during the September Base Meeting. Additionally, members may nominate a person for an elected position by email to the Base POC during the month of September.

Our Base Treasurer and POC will send out the ballots by email in October. Our Base Chaplin will collect and count email ballots, Additionally, an in-person vote will be held in November and those votes added to the tally (only vote once). Election winners will be announced at the November Base meeting and will appear in the November meeting minutes.

Elected Base Officer positions:

Base Commander

The duties of the Base Commander shall include but not be limited to:

- Act as the chief executive officer of the Base and chairman of the Executive Board.
- Cause to be called all regular and special meetings of the Base.
- Preside over all regular and special meetings of the Base.
- Enforce the Constitution and Bylaws.
- Direct and supervise the operation of the Base.
- Be responsible for the promulgation of all pertinent information to the members of the Base.
- Be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- Work up, keep current, and pass immediately to his relief a “Turn Over” folder, including all official correspondence, records, and official materials assigned to his care.

Base Vice-Commander

The duties of the Base Vice-Commander shall include but not be limited to:

- Assist the Base Commander in the discharge of his duties.
- Assume the duties of the Base Commander in the event of his absence, illness, or call to eternal patrol.
- Act as Chairman of all Committees.
- The official POC (point of contact) for the Base listed on the National Website.
- The Base addressee for National ZAP email notices.
- Member of the Executive Board.

Base Secretary

The duties of the Base Secretary shall include but not be limited to:

- Be the yeoman of the organization.
- Be custodian of all non-financial records and materials, which shall remain Base property.
- Keep permanent records of the proceedings of all Base meetings.
- Serve as official Base correspondent, forwarding to officers such correspondence as may be appropriate to the performance of their duties.
- Member of the Executive Board.

Base Treasurer

The duties of the Base Treasurer shall include but not be limited to:

- Be the financial officer of the Base.
- Be the custodian of all financial records of the Base.
- Receive and be responsible for the collection of all monies due and payable to the Base and National and forwarding the latter to the National Office.

- Have custody of all Base funds and provide for their safekeeping.
- Prepare the yearly Base End-of-Year Report and submit this report to the National Treasurer.
- Perform the duties of the Base Membership Chairman
- Member of the Executive Board.

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Upcoming Events.

- **NC State Fair** Military appreciation October 22nd - POC - Tom McFadden

Next Base Meeting – Saturday, November 1, 2025, at the American Legion - lunch at Cagnes Kitchen (just down Cloverdale Ave.) at 1130.

Ashboro Veterans Day Parade 1600 November 11, 2025

Closing Benediction (Base Chaplin)

SURFACE THE BOAT