

THE TRI-STATE BASE DECK LOG 5 February 2011

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UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS, INC.

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.

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United States Submarine Veterans, Inc.

TRI-STATE BASE

Business Meeting 5 February 2011

Next Dimensions

132 Old National Pike

Funkstown MD.

A total of twenty-four members and spouses were on hand for the 5 February meeting. Those in attendance were: Jon and Joan Fader, Tom and Carol Ann Samuelsen, Pat and Roberta Poist, John and Dorothy Traxler, Terry and Judy Kriner, Bob and Mary Patrick, Thom and Stephany Peschke, Tom Denton, Don Boos, Richard Stroud, George Kilmer, Russ and Toni Swart, Edward F. Sorensen (guest), David Meadows (guest), Keith Merriwether (guest), Mark and Lynette Scansen (guests).

Board of Directors Meeting: A BoD meeting was held at 1100. In attendance were CDR Pat Poist, VCDR Tom Denton, Treasurer Tom Samuelsen, and former Base CDR Jon Fader. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss membership requirements for an incapacitated Tri-State shipmate. It was the unanimous decision by the BoD That Capt. Mike Iacona is granted Base Life Membership. (Capt. Mike is a USSVI National Life Member). It was further decided that beginning in 2012, a \$100 fund included in the budget to cover the cost of National USSVI membership for annual USSVI members who are incapacitated. It was also decided that each shipmate in the above condition would be treated separately by a vote of the BoD and membership as the need arises. The above was approved by the membership at the 5 February meeting. **Note:** Our EN3 District Commander Barry Ensminger has queried National USSVI concerning this issue. According to National JVC Al Singleman, National does not currently have a policy on incapacitated members.

At approximately 1230, **Base Commander Pat Poist** called the meeting to order. **Chaplain Bob Patrick** gave the invocation. The tolling of the bells for US submarines lost during the month of January and our departed shipmates followed this. **Jon Fader** read the creed. **CDR Pat** led the pledge to the flag.

The SUBMARINE MEMORIAL DAYS: The following submarines suffered loss of life in a shipboard disaster, either at the hands of an enemy or by some other means. To honor those lost shipmates, who have departed and are still on their **LAST PATROL**, mark your calendar and fly your flag on the day of the disaster. Also remember them and their families in your prayers. **THIS IS THE PURPOSE OF THE UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS.**

UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS FEBRUARY

4 1945 USS BARBEL (SS-316)
11 1942 USS SHARK (SS-174)

81
59

16 1943	USS AMBERJACK (SS-219)	72
27 1944	USS GRAYBACK (SS-208)	80
29 1944	USS TROUT (SS-202)	79

Tri-State Base members who have departed on **Eternal Patrol** were then remembered.

BILL HOOD	TOM BLOCK	LOU GRAVES	GORDON YETTER
CALVIN WALTON	JOHN HUSTON	LEONARD SINGEL	ROBERT FORREST
GLENN HILL	KARL WELTY	DAVE GLOTFELTY	BILL COLLINS
TONY CHIMENTI	HAROLD OLIVE	DICK SPRINCE	JOHN LUSHER
LEW HANSEN	GLEN BEARINGER	DON HORST	HAL GOODNOW
B.J. CALVERT	CHRIS KOUNAS	RICHARD E. SAUNDERS	THORNOTN "PAT" WHITE
ROBERT B BRITSCH	HOWARD CALVER	ROBERT ATKINSON	HENRY CRANFORD

Birthdays for the month of **February**:

Brian Alley, Howard Calver, Pete Gunn, Pauline Hood, George Kilmer, Norma Lakin, Stephany Peschke, John A. Price, Nina Price, Ronald Ryland, William Smith, Betty Tucker, James Tucker

Guests: Ed Sorensen, David Meadows, Keith Merriwether, and Mark Scansen.

Correspondence:

Commander Pat Poist discussed the following correspondence items:

1. **USS Cavalla SS244:** USS Cavalla is having a work detail in Galveston TX, starting Saturday 21 May 2011 and ending Saturday 27 May 2011.
2. **Military Card Renewal:** It is recommended that retired members approaching age 65 have their military cards renewed. This is because the back of the cards refers to medical benefits expiring at the age of 65 (even though in reality they don't). Renewing is not necessary, but would eliminate potential hassles.
3. **Unsold USSVI Calendars:** Our National Storekeeper Huey Hahn is asking that bases contact him if there are unsold calendars. He will identify potential customers so that unsold calendars can be sold. Contact Huey at Subhuey@aol.com.
4. **USS Torsk SS423:** Torsk will be holding a work weekend in October 2011. Torsk is normally located at the Baltimore Inner Harbor. She entered dry dock in Sparrows Point, MD on January 31, 2011 for hull work. Visit the USS Torsk Volunteer Association web site at www.usstorsk.org.
5. **Holland Club:** National HC Vice Chairman Gil Shaddock sent notification that shipmates Fred Gressley, Robert Clas, and Jim Wilhelm are eligible for Holland Club membership in 2011. Gil has asked that members visit the National web site www.ussvi.org and make sure that personal profile records are accurate.

Reports:

Secretary

Jon fader: The minutes from the last official meeting were included in the **January** Deck Log. The report was approved.

Treasurer

Treasurer Tom Samuelsen presented the January 2010 Treasurer's Report. Tom also reviewed the End-of-Year report as submitted to National USSVI. Our 2010 income exceeded expenses by \$1,330.49. The report was approved.

Membership

Tom Samuelsen: Our membership currently stands at 95.

Benevolence

Chaplain Bob Patrick. Based on a Glenn Sherrard email, a condolence card was sent to the Rios family on the death of Carolyn's son Darren. Bob reported that Lori Ensminger has been very ill and has shoulder surgery scheduled for 17 February. Mary Patrick is having surgery on 16 February.

Chaplain Bob is having a prostate cancer consultation on 16 February. Dana Bostwick had prostate surgery on 7 February. CDR Pat is having knee replacement surgery on 21 February.

Ways and Means

Storekeeper Don Boos: Don reported that he has a few 2011 calendars left.

Holland Club Presentation: CDR Pat presented Treasurer **Tom Samuelsen** with his Holland Club certificate. Tom qualified on USS Tunny SS282 in August 1959. Congratulations Tom.

Old Business

Longevity Pin: These pins are available from the National Storekeeper, and represent terms of USSVI service in 5-year increments. It was approved at the November 2010 meeting that longevity pins would be provided to members by the base. At the January 2011 meeting, CDR Pat identified the number of pins that will be needed for 2011 and 2012. 5-year longevity pins were presented to Pat Poist, Tom Samuelsen, John Traxler, Don Boos, and George Kilmer. 15-year longevity pins were presented to Russ Swart, Jon Fader Terry Kriner, Bob Patrick, and Tom Denton. Congratulations shipmates.

Fundraising Prospect: ADM **Bill Smith** has donated three bottles of premium brandy that he wants to give to TRI-STATE for a fund-raiser auction. All three are 750 ml bottles. The first is Danish brandy, A.L. Borg extra worth \$21.99. The second is a Greek brandy, private reserve Metaxa, 20 years old with a value of \$99. The third is a Portuguese port wine, 10 years old valued at \$20. **At the 10 July meeting,** we discussed various ways the brandy and wine could be auctioned or raffled in a way that would best benefit the base. The cost per ticket is based on drawing a number (1-100) representing 1 cent through \$1. Three different colored raffle tickets are used. Ticket sales will continue until all numbers are sold. When all tickets are sold, and the drawing is made the winning numbers will be put in the Deck Log. The winners will have 30 days to claim their prize.

Three New Base Chairs: The additional base chairs are, Kaps 4 Kids (does not apply to TRI-STATE, Eagle Scout, and Holland Club. Shipmates John Price and Don Boos have volunteered to be Holland Club chairs. John Traxler, Barry Ensminger, and Jon Fader are Eagle Scout Program chairs. CDR Pat is looking into the York-Adams PA area for the Eagle Scout Program.

Golf Tournament: At the January meeting, **CDR Pat** moved that TRI-STATE hold a golf tournament at the Bridges Golf Course in New Oxford PA in the August 2011 time frame as a fund raiser. The course charges \$40 per person. We will charge a \$55 per person entry fee (\$220 per team). There will be hole sponsorship at \$25 per hole. Prize arrangements will be \$220 first prize, \$160 second place, \$120 third place, and a \$25 par three closest to the pin prize for the 4 par three holes. We will need 40 golfers. The motion was approved. At the February meeting, CDR Pat reported that he has a contract with the Bridges Golf Course for Saturday 13 August 2011. There will be a 1:00 PM shotgun start. CDR Pat has prepared a flyer and registration form that will be distributed at the March 2011 meeting. CDR Pat has requested that each member encourage hole sponsorship by businesses or organizations. This will be a good way to make money on this effort.

Red Run Park Renovation: Shipmate **Terry Kriner** reported at the January meeting that the Rouzerville PA Lions Club is seeking donations to rebuild the Red Run Park rest rooms. Terry recommended that the base make a donation for the rest room renovation. We will vote on this recommendation at the February meeting. The recommendation was approved at the February meeting. The hat was passed, resulting in a collection of \$50. The base matched the \$50 for a total donation of \$100. Thank you shipmates.

Base Secretary: We are still seeking a Base Secretary. Please contact CDR Pat to fill this empty position. Associate members can hold this position.

New Business

Submarine Birthday Celebration: The birthday celebration will be held at Next Dimensions on Saturday 9 April 2011 from 1100 to 1400. (Note: This is a time change from original 1200-1700).

Good of the Order

50/50 Raffle: There was a total of \$51. Dot Traxler drew John Traxler's winning ticket worth \$26.

Chaplain Bob Patrick led our closing prayer (Lost Harbor).

Next and Next

Next month's meeting – Next month's meeting (5 March 2011) will be at **The Pike Restaurant and Lounge** located at 985 Baltimore Pike Gettysburg, PA 17325.

Directions to The Pike: The restaurant is located at 985 Baltimore Pike Gettysburg (717) 334-9227, PA. Take US 15 to the Baltimore Pike exit (PA Rt. 97 – like you were going to Yingling's). Head toward Gettysburg. It is about 2 miles from the US 15 exit.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2011

MARCH 05	Meeting 1130 at Pike Restaurant, Gettysburg, PA
APRIL 09	Submarine Birthday Celebration 1100 to 1600 at Next Dimensions Restaurant, Funkstown MD
MAY 07	Meeting 1130 at Hoss's, Martinsburg, WV
21	Capitol Base USSVI Memorial Service 1100 at Arlington National Cemetery
29	Memorial Service 1300 at Harbaugh's Church
	Parade Preparations at (TBD) following the Memorial Service (tentative)
30	Memorial Day Parade 0800 at the VFW, Waynesboro, PA
JUNE 11	Annual Picnic 1200 at Red Run Park No. 1, Waynesboro, PA (tentative)
JULY 09	Meeting 1130 at Next Dimensions Restaurant, Funkstown MD – Nominations for District Three officers
AUGUST 06	Meeting 1130 at Pike Restaurant, Gettysburg, PA - Appoint Tri-State Base Officers Nomination Committee
SEPTEMBER 10	Meeting 1130 at Hoss's, Martinsburg, WV
OCTOBER 01	Meeting 1130 at Next Dimensions Restaurant, Funkstown MD Nomination Committee report of those willing to serve
NOVEMBER 05	Meeting 1130 at Pike Restaurant, Gettysburg, PA Election of Tri-State Base Officers
06	Brunswick Veteran's Day Parade - recognized as the oldest in the country
11	Veteran's Day Ceremony in Frederick, MD
11	Annual Board of Directors Meeting (following ceremony at approx. 1500)
DECEMBER 10	Christmas Banquet 1300 at AmVets, Middletown, MD