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# TRI-STATE BASE MEMBERS THAT HOLD NATIONAL OFFICE

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**NATIONAL ARTIST** 

## 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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## TRI-STATE BASE

# Next Meeting Nov 4th<sup>th</sup> at Pikes in Gettysburg

A total of 22 personnel were on hand for the Aug 2012 meeting, those in attendance were: Thom & Stephany Peschke, Pat & Roberta Poist, Dan Glogg, Richard Stroud, Ron & Mike Week, Tom & Carol Ann Samuelsen, Jon Fader, Don Boos, Barry & Lori Ensminger, John Traxler, Ronald Anstey, Glen & Sandy Sherrard, Buzz Bussard, Dan Hulings, Bob Patrick and Tom Denton



At approximately 1130, CDR Tom Denton, called the Meeting to order. Tom led the pledge to our flag then Thom Peschke read our USSVI creed and we invited our Guest speaker President of the Frederick county Commissioners, Blaine Young to address us. He presented his view of what is required to run Maryland in an efficient manner as he has worked with the other commissioners to run Frederick County in an efficient manner. Should anyone want a copy of his address, I will be happy to provide it after I receive permission.



Chaplain Bob Patrick gave the invocation at the resumption of the meeting.







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. Thom read the October list;

OCTOBER		Acres de la companya
03 1944 USS SEAWOLF II (SS197)	100	
07 1943 USS S-44 (SS155)	56	
11 1943 USS WAHOO I (SS238)	80	
12 1943 USS DORADO (SS248)	77	
17 1944 USS ESCOLAR (SS294)	82	
24 1944 USS SHARK II (SS314)	87	
24 1944 USS DARTER (SS227)	NO LOSS OF LIFE	
25 1944 USS TANG I (SS306)	78	
29 1923 USS O-5 (SS66)	03	

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

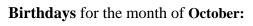
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GLENN HILL	KARL WELTY	DAVE GLOTFELTY	BILL COLLINS
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Rest your oars shipmates, Rest your oars...









Lunne Benyeda, Alice Calvert, Karen Dunton, Fred Eichhorn, Lin Eichhorn, Mary Hansen, William Harris, Dan Hulings, Fred Keller, Michael Klunk, William Lakin, Anne Lehman, N. Eileen Lenher Betty Linsenbach, Helen Lusher, Pete McGuire, Judy Ryland, Harold Wentz, Roberta Windle

# **Newest Shipmates**

TWO new members this month, Ron Anstey (USS James Polk), left and Dan Glogg (USS George Marshall), right, joined us because people asked them to. Who have YOU asked?





The only way for Tri State Base to grow is if you invite new members. If you see a set of dolphins on a car, please follow up.

# Reports:

# Secretary

**Secretary, Thom Peschke**; the minutes from the last official meeting were included in the August/September Deck Log. The report was approved.

## **Treasurer**

Treasurer Tom Samuelsen, presented the August/September 2012 and annual Treasurer's Report (The sermon on the amount). The report was approved.

Tom also reported that dues are now due. Please don't be dink. Send your dues to TOM or give them to him at the November meeting

# **Ways and Means**

**Storekeeper Don Boos** was present, so the store was open.







# Membership Tri-State Base Membership as of August 2012

Туре	Number
wwii	10
Holland Club	19
New Holland Club	5
Life Members	20
Regular Members	30
Tri-State Members	85
Duel Members	6
Associate Members	5
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Total Membership	95

## Benevolence

Dave Harvey has a tough recovery from Prostate surgery.
Dough Smith has a pulled muscle in his leg.
Terry Kriner was in the hospital due to BP problems.
Chuck Shadrach has knee issues
Pete McGuire has had colon surgery.

#### From the T.D.U.

So I guess that leaves Pete with a semi colon, Doug with a pain in the leg and Dave as having a pain in the ...

# **Correspondence items:**

I was thrilled and surprised to receive the first runner up award, as presented at right by CDR Tom, in the News Letter category from National for our Deck Log. Thank you for all of your support.



## Good of the Order

We need a driver for the Brunswick Veterans Day Parade. Anyone with access to a haywagon (flatbed cart with hay bales) please call either CDR Tom or me as soon as possible. Ray Bussard will not be able to do it this year. I did talk to the parade organizers and they will only allow one side of the street parking.

Keep Nov 10<sup>th</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup> in 2014 open on your dance card. Australia will be celebrating 100 years of Submarines and will be hosting a celebration. See you in Freemantle.

# **USSVI / UUVWWII Combined Convention, Norfolk VA**

My wife and I showed up at the convention on Tuesday evening just in time for the meet and



greet. We saw, and sat with Barry Ensminger and Dave Harvey and their wives and enjoyed free beer, cheese, crackers and other finger foods. It was a chance to "snuggle in" and speak to Mike Naughton, Huey Dietrich, Art Glover and their wives and a host of others.

There were many business meetings where Base Commanders could voice their Base's contributions, see what others are doing and drive the direction of National. The general business meeting allowed the National officers to present their reports and get feedback from the members. All of the National officers were









available and willing to discuss any item you felt should be discussed. In fact, we even received a listing of all members at large in our area and I have shot out an invitational email to join our base. My wife joined the SubVettes organization, so we have a SubVette on call now. There is much that is misunderstood about the group and Stephany will be happy top talk to all the ladies about the facts.

It wasn't all work though, there was a chance to see Williamsburg and a local winery, and see the fine items for sale by SubVets vendors (the Sub VEST lady was VERY busy) she is a real sweetheart and even showed up at the meet and greet

with a half dozen beauties dressed up as 40's babes! A real bevy of eye candy if I say so myself!

It was also a bittersweet time as we were accorded the honor of attending the Last USVWWII meeting. The WWII vets had decided to fold their tents after this meeting and no longer hold a meeting or convention of their own. The "diggers" were spiffed out in their plumed digger hats. They had even invited an Australian Offer Submariner to address their meeting. ADM Al Konetzni addressed their meeting (he would later again address us all at the main dinner. With the basic thought being, "you had to have been there" to describe what these heroes of yesteryear went through and how the times have changed.





There was an evening cruise / dinner dance where my wife and I decided to tried (I have to emphasize TRIED, but it is almost impossible to do a swing in sneakers) to "cut a rug. The food was good, company was great and evening was far too short. The funniest moment was when the Captain of the ship announced that we were passing Nuclear Submarines and, "this might be the closest you ever get to a nuclear reactor". It was hilarious.

On a more somber note, we were on the fantail of a Battleship for the "Tolling of the Bells". A crew of SubVettes, alternated dropping a rose form the fantail as each boat's name was

called out by an active Duty MasterChief. A name was called, the bell rang and another

rose drifted out to sea. A very moving experience, made even more so, by the WWII vets who joined us.

The week ended on Sunday morning at breakfast where I had a last opportunity to say hi to my old shipmate ADM AI. (He used to be a JO on the Vallejo many many moons ago, pack up the car with all we brought down and MANY things we swore we would NEVER buy this trip. All in all, we came, saw many people we knew, made a lot of new friends and are looking forward to the next convention!



#### **WELCOME ABOARD USSVWWII Members**

We haven't thought about it much, but there were two distinct and separate organizations in the USSV community. The USSVWWI and their red headed bastard stepchild the USSVI. With the passing of the







USSVWWII into history, those members left will not be left out in the cold but are being welcomed into the USSVI. So, Welcome board Shipmates; Instead of two groups, we are now one big happy family. We had a little celebration at Next Dimensions with a cake. Unfortunately, there were no WWII Veterans there this month. So we enjoyed a chocolate Mousse cake (which was real tasty in my opinion) and I will pick up another for the November meeting.





#### LITTLE KNOWN FACTS about submarines

The first Japanese casualty to American arms during WW-II was an aircraft shot down on Dec. 7th, 1941 by the Tautog (SS199)

The first submarine force casualty suffered in WW-II was G. A. Myers, Seaman 2, shot through the right lung when Cachalot (SS170) was strafed during the Pearl Harbor raid.

The first "live" torpedoes to be fired by a Pearl Harbor submarine was fired by the Triton (SS 01)(Lent), 4 stern tubes fired on the night of Dec. 10, 1941.

The first Pearl Harbor boat to be depth charged was the Plunger(SS 179) (White) on Jan. 4, 1942 - 24 charges.

The first "down the throat" shot was fired by Pompano on Jan. 17, 1942.

The first Japanese warship to be sunk was torpedoed by Gudgeon (Grenfell) at 9 AM on Jan. 27, 1942, the IJN I-173 (SS).

The first major Japanese warship lost to submarines during WW-II was the heavy cruiser Kako which fell victim to S-44 (Moore) on Aug. 10, 1942.

The first submarine to fire on a battleship was Flying Fish (Donaho) Sept. 1942, damaging a Kongo class BB.







The first submarine to fire on an aircraft carrier was Trout (Ramage), Damaging Taiyo, August 28, 1942.

The first Japanese ship to be sunk by gunfire was by Triton (Kirkpatrick), near Marcus Island on Feb. 17, 1942. At the time, Kirkpatrick was the youngest skipper to get command at Pearl.

The first man to die in submarine gun action was Michael Harbin, on Silversides, May 1942.

The first rest camp for submarine crews was established at a military encampment at Malang, in the mountains of Java, 89 miles from Soerabaya. Three days were allotted to submarine crews there in January 1942.

The first TDC (Mark 1) was installed in the Cachalot.

The Plunger was the first boat to sustain an "arduous" depth charge attack and survive.

In September 1936, Cdr. C. A. Lockwood Jr., assumed command of SubDiv 13 composed of the new boats Pike, Porpoise, Shark and Tarpon.

On December 31, 1941, Captain Wilkes evacuated Corrigidor on board the Seawolf to establish a new base at Soerabaya, Java. Simultaneously Capt. Fife boarded Swordfish and sailed to Darwin, Australia.

Expressing the view that Japan could not hope to be victorious in a war with the U.S., Admiral Yamamoto was "shanghaied" to the post of Commander of the Combined Fleet (from the Naval Ministry) to thwart a possible assassination at the hands of his many dissenters.

A survivor of the Jap carrier Kaga, at the Battle of Midway, told how some of his shipmates saved themselves by clinging to the air flask of a torpedo fired from Nautilus which hit the carrier and failed to explode, the concussion separating the warhead from the airflask.

LtCdr. Francis White was the only skipper who lost two submarines in combat, the S-39 and the S-44.

The IJN I-176 (Cdr. KosaburoYamaguchi) was the only Japanese boat to sink an American submarine (Corvina) during the war.

The last Japanese submarine to be sunk in the Pacific, the I-373, was torpedoed by Spikefish (Monaghan) on the morning of 13 Aug. 1945, in the East China Sea.

As late as July 1945 Japanese guns on the cliffs of Lombok Strait shelled the Loggerhead as she proceeded through the strait on the surface.

In July 1945 Bugara (Schade) operating in the Gulf of Siam, sank 12 junks, 24 schooners, 16 coasters, 3 sea trucks and one naval auxiliary, all by gunfire.







In the early morning hours of June 22, 1945, Barb, (Fluckey) fired a dozen 5-inch rockets into the town of Hokkaido from 5000 yards off shore.

A Japanese prisoner, recovered from a wrecked aircraft by Atule (Mauer) had the following items in his pockets: 7 packs of Jap cigarettes, 1 pack of British cigarettes, calling cards, ration books, club tickets, diary, note book, flight record and two magnetic detector tracers, with notes concerning them, a thick wad of money, a vial of perfume and a number of other personal items.

On the night of 8-9 December 1944, in a coordinated attack with Sea Devil, Redfish heavily damaged the aircraft carrier Hayataka; ten days later she sank the newly built carrier Unryo.

When Robalo was sunk, presumably by a mine, on 26 July 1944, five of her crew swam ashore and were captured by Japanese military police and jailed for guerrilla activity. They were evacuated by a Jap destroyer on 15 August and never heard from again.

On 27 Oct. 1944 Rock fired 9 torpedoes at Darter, stranded on Bombay Shoal.

In Feb. 1943 Tautog (Sieglaff) laid mines off Balikpapan, Borneo. In April 944, the Jap destroyer Amagiri struck one of these mines and sank. This was the same destroyer which rammed the PT-109, commanded by J.F.Kennedy.

The first boat to be equipped with QLA sonar for locating mines, was Tinosa.

When Admiral Nimitz assumed command of the Pacific Fleet in Jan. 1942, he raised his flag on the submarine Grayling. Relinquishing command nearly four years later, he lowered his flag on the submarine Menhaden.

America's first Japanese POW was sub-Lieut. Sakamaki, captured when his midget submarine, launched from the I-18, struck a reef in Kaneohe Bay and he swam ashore and surrendered.

The second Japanese submarine sunk, a midget caught inside Pearl Harbor and sunk by the seaplane tender Curtiss, was later raised. Too badly damaged for intricate examination, it was used as fill-in material in the construction of a new pier at the submarine base.

During 520 war patrols in 1944, submarines fired 6,092 torpedoes, more than in 1942-43 combined (5,379).

Statistically it took 8 torpedoes to sink a ship in 1942, 11.7 in 1943, 10 in 1944.

During 1944, 117 navy and air force personnel were rescued by U.S. Subs; The Tang (O'Kane) picked up 22 for the leader in this category. During 1944 Japan lost 56 submarine, 7 to U.S. Submarines.







On Nov. 21, 1944, Sealion II (Reich) fired a salvo of fish at each of two BB's, the Kongo and Haruna. The Kongo was hit and sunk, but the DD Urakazi intercepted the fish meant for Haruna and was instantly sunk.

Message to all submarines on 13 April 1944: "Until further notice give fleet destroyers priority over maru types as targets for submarine attacks.

During 1944 U. S. submarines sank 1 BB, 7 Cvls, 2 CA's, 7 CL's, 3 DD's and 7 SS's of the Japanese navy.

So numerous were submarine attacks on the Singapore-to-Empire trade routes in 1944 that a common saying in Singapore was that "one could walk from Singapore to Tokyo on American periscopes.

Emperor Hirohito, upon learning of the Bataan death march at the conclusion of the war, stripped General Homma, the responsible commander, of his medals and decorations.

When the loss of Saipan was announced to the Japanese people on July 18, 1944, Prime Minister Tojo and his entire cabinet resigned.

On Feb. 22, 1945 the Flounder fired four fish at a Jap patrol boat. Two of the fish ran in a circle, causing Flounder to maneuver frantically to avoid disaster. On the following day she collided with Hoe.

The Flounder (Stevens) sank the only German U-boat that was credited to U.S. Submarines in the Pacific.

The last of the German commerce raiders, the Michael, was sunk by Tarpon (Wogan) on Oct. 18, 1943 while enroute to a Japanese port.

On December 28th the Dace (Cole) torpedoed the Japanese collier Nozaki, the last ship to be sunk in 1944.

The last large merchantman to be sunk by submarine during WW-II was the Hokozaki Maru, sunk March 19, 1945 by Balao (Worthington).

The last Japanese warship afloat in the South Pacific, the light cruiser Isuzu, was sunk by Charr (Boyle) after she was previously hit and badly damaged by Gabilan (Parham)

The Flasher sank more tankers than any other submarine.

The largest merchant ship sunk by submarines during WWII, the Tonan Maru #2 was sunk by Pintado (Clarey) on 22 August 1944.

Except for those officers who received the Congressional Medal of Honor, Commander Davenport was the most decorated man of the war.







During 1944, 14% of the CO's were relieved for non-productivity, 30% in 1942 and 14% in 1943.

A total of 7 reserve officers achieved command of a fleet submarine in WW-II

# **Resignation of Vice CDR**

John Karl has asked to be allowed to step aside as Vice Commander. Unfortunately, the procedure used at the meeting didn't pass muster when reviewed again the bylaws. Board of Directors; please email your nominations for Vice CDR so we can vote in November so we can meet the requirements of the Bylaws.

## **Golf Tournament**

The Annual Pat Poist USSVI tournament was held on September 15th. Here are some pictures of the players and the highlights.









**Old and New Business** 







KAPS for KIDS – We are starting up this program in the Tri State Base. As the program Chair, I am asking for



help in finding Childrens Hospitals and care facilities where we can make a difference. Do you know of any Hospital that has children that are distressed, abused or severely ill? Let me know so that we can start this program off right. We will present the kids with a cap and make them honorary Submariners. We can bring hope and a fresh breath to these children.

Please also see me to buy patches for the Kaps for Kids program to put on your vest. Those who accompany me on a visit will also get a Kaps for Kids pin. I hope to make this program self supporting without asking for any funds from the base.

Any help that you can provide will be greatly appreciated, and if my guess is right, there will be more than one damp eye departing any hospital or home

after we present the Kaps!

I know that there is some resistance to exploring this program again, but I think the rewards outweigh the headaches. If we can even reach ONE kid and help them, I am all for it.

# **Holland Club**

No new business.

# **EAGLE SCOUT program**

No new Issues

# **Qual boat of the Month**

USS Kamehameha (SSBN-642) Dana Bostwick's boat, (called Kamfish by her crew), a <u>Benjamin Franklin-class</u> <u>ballistic missile submarine</u>, was the only ship of the <u>United States Navy</u> to be named for <u>Kamehameha I</u> (c. 1758-1819), the first <u>King of Hawaii</u> (c. 1795-1819). She is one of only two ships of the United States to be named after a <u>monarch</u>. She was later reclassified as an <u>attack submarine</u> and redesignated <u>SSN-642</u>.

The ship's motto was *Imua*, which roughly translates (from the <u>Hawaiian</u>) as "go forth and conquer." Another motto used by her crew was *Kam do*.

Commander Robert W. Dickieson in command of the Gold Crew.

The contract to build *Kamehameha* was awarded to <u>Mare Island Naval</u>

<u>Shipyard</u> at <u>Vallejo</u>, <u>California</u>, on 31 August 1962 and her <u>keel</u> was laid down there on 2 May 1963. She was <u>launched</u> on 16 January 1965, sponsored by Mrs. Samuel Wilder King, and commissioned on 10 December 1965 with Commander Roth S. Leddick in command of the Blue Crew and









Conducting <u>deterrence</u> patrols during the <u>Cold War</u>, <u>Kamehameha's</u> armament as a ballistic missile submarine was 16 <u>Poseidon ballistic missiles</u> plus ten to twelve <u>Mark 48 heavy torpedoes</u> non-ADCAP (advanced capability).

### **Service history**

*Kamehameha* was built in Vallejo, CA. Upon Completion she went on her first Sea Trials, off the coast of California. Afterwards, She went directly to Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, which was her home port until 1970. Although Pearl Harbor was her home port, She made all of her Pacific patrols out of <u>Apra Harbor</u>, <u>Guam</u>, due to her nuclear armament. Early in 1966, *Kamehameha* joined the <u>United States Pacific Fleet</u> and began her first deterrent patrol on 6 August 1966. After this patrol in November 1966, switched crews, and was soon underway again. It was on her last Pacific patrol that the Blue crew took her to the firing range to fire two dummy warhead Posideons. After that, the Gold crew took *Kamehameha* through the Panama Canal and on to Charleston, SC, which would be her new home port, until she entered the yards. The yard period started around 1971.

Between 1975 and 1977 she belonged to Submarine Group 2, Squadron 16; homeported in New London CT, and advance-based in Rota Spain. She conducted nuclear deterrent patrols in the Atlantic and 'vicinity' without incident in 1975 and 1976. During September - November 1976, *Kamehameha* spent time in Charleston, South Carolina conducting SPECOPS with other units, then onto the AUTEC range for qualifications prior to resuming patrol duties after her return to Rota.

Her radio call sign during this period was NKAM.

For much of her operational career, Kamehameha was based at Rota, Spain.

#### Conversion to attack submarine

In July 1992, *Kamehameha* was converted to a <a href="Dry Deck">Dry Deck</a>
<a href="Shelter/swimmer delivery">Shelter/swimmer delivery</a> platform, reclassified as an attack submarine, and given <a href="hull number">hull number</a> SSN-642; her ballistic missile capability was removed and thereafter she carried only <a href="torpedoes">torpedoes</a> as armament.

Henceforth there was only one crew, and her subsequent missions included <a href="SEAL special warfare">SEAL special warfare</a> operations.



### **Decommissioning and disposal**

Kamehameha was decommissioned on 2 April 2002 and stricken from the Naval Vessel Register the same day. She was the last of the original "41 for Freedom" fleet ballistic missile submarines in service, and the oldest submarine in the United States Navy at the time of her decommissioning. The wardroom of the oldest submarine in the fleet carried Richard O'Kane's personal cribbage board, and upon the Kamehameha's decommissioning the board was transferred to the next oldest boat, USS Parche (SSN-683). She holds the record for the longest service lifetime of any nuclear submarine—nearly 37 years.

*Kamehameha*'s scrapping via the Nuclear-Powered <u>Ship and Submarine Recycling Program</u> at <u>Bremerton</u>, <u>Washington</u> began in October 2001 and was completed on 28 February 2003.







#### Commemoration

Kamehameha's <u>sail</u> with <u>fairwater planes</u>, the upper half of her <u>rudder</u>, her <u>bust</u> of King Kamehameha I, a <u>koa</u> plate, bow and spear, and the <u>wardroom monkeypod</u> wood table are stored at <u>Pearl Harbor</u>, <u>Hawaii</u>. Her <u>periscopes</u> have been donated to the <u>Deterrent Park</u> on <u>Submarine Base Bangor</u>, Washington, to become part of the <u>USS Woodrow Wilson</u> (SSBN-624) exhibit.

## **SUBVETTES**



You ladies kept us going when all seemed hopeless. You have supported us and kept our minds right! If you have any thoughts you would like to share, PLEASE send them to me. I will publish all that I receive.

Stephany Peschke joined the Subvettes down in Norfolk and found that there were some misunderstandings about the organization. She will be happy to speak to anyone with a question.

## Peach Bourbon BBQ Sauce (Just like Red Lobster)

2 cups of your favorite BBQ sauce

1/4 cup ripe fresh or frozen peaches (peeled, seeded and chopped), or substitute peach preserves 2 1/2 Tbsp Bourbon

Heat in a sauce pan and bring to a boil, sauce will thicken... apply to cooked scallops or shrimp and smile

#### **Honey Bourbon Chicken Breasts**

When char-grilled to perfection, chicken, turkey and duck take on the smoky flavors of the grill and are transformed into juicy masterpieces.

## **RECIPE INGREDIENTS** Honey Bourbon Sauce

- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 cups ketchup
- 1 cup onion, minced
- 1 cup apple cider vinegar
- 1 cup molasses
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 tablespoon chili powder
- 1 tablespoon black pepper
- 2 tablespoons bourbon (optional)
- 6 natural chicken breast halves, bone in, skin on
- 1 tablespoon coarse kosher salt
- 1 tablespoon coarse kosher salt
- 1/2 tablespoon black pepper







### **DIRECTIONS**

Melt butter in a saucepan over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and sauté until soft, about 4 minutes. Add the next 7 ingredients. Reduce heat to a simmer and cook slowly for 20 minutes; until the sauce thickens. Stir in bourbon.

Prepare a medium-hot fire in the grill

Mix salt and pepper together. Sprinkle over chicken breasts and under the skin. Grill chicken about 10 minutes per side or until the internal temperature reaches 165°F. Reserve 1 cup of barbecue sauce. Brush chicken lightly with remaining sauce and cook for 2 minutes longer.

Place chicken on a platter and cover loosely with foil until ready to serve

# **HUMOR AND WISDOM**

# A little beer and some philosophic musings

Mowed the lawn today, and after doing so I sat down and had a couple nice cold beers. The day was really quite beautiful, and the brew facilitated some deep thinking on various topics. Finally I thought about an age old question: Is giving birth more painful than getting kicked in the Nuts? Women always maintain that giving birth is way more painful than a guy getting kicked in the nuts. Well, after another beer, and some heavy deductive thinking, I have come up with the answer to that question.

Getting kicked in the nuts is more painful than having a baby; and here is the reason for my conclusion A year or so after giving birth, a woman will often say, "it might be nice to have another child." On the other hand, you never hear a guy say, "You know, I think I would like another kick in the nuts." I rest my case.

50 - 50 \$ 37 was won by Ron Anstey who donated \$20 immediately back to the base to cove his base dues! Way to go Ron!

The meeting was ended with Bob reading Lost Harbor.

# **Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws**

This is an addition, not found in the emailed Deck Log. Since those of you receiving the Print Only edition need to see this as well, below is a proposed amendment to the bylaws allowing for emergency expenditures.

## Rapid Expenditures

In the event that a rapid expenditure may be required between scheduled regular Base meetings; the request and amount of expenditure shall be submitted to the membership via email. Any objections shall be collected and answered as well, also via email. If the objection is not answered to the objectors' satisfaction, a request for vote shall also be submitted via email. The Base Commander, Vice Commander, Secretary and Treasurer must all agree that the expenditure is of







a valid nature and shall present an email in response to the requesting email stating agreement with the expenditure. **IF** a simple majority of the respondents approve of the expenditure. The Treasurer shall be free to cut a check for the expenditure.

IF the Commander, Vice Commander, Secretary and Treasurer **DO NOT** all agree and/or if the simple majority of respondents to the email object to the expenditure, the expenditure shall be tabled until the next regular Base meeting. ALL correspondence concerning this matter shall be presented to the members attending the next regular meeting and published in the next Deck Log.

## **Next and Next**

Our next gathering is November 3<sup>rd</sup> at Pikes Restaurant

As the Tri State Base does some hopping to do its meetings, I figure that it would be smart to include the addresses of our 3 meeting houses. With these and the Calendar of events, you have a complete secret decoder ring and will always be at the right place on the right day...

Pikes Resturaunt
985 Baltimore Pike, Gettysburg PA

Hoss's 195 Aiken Ctr, Martinsburg W VA

Next Dimensions
132 Old National Pike, Hagerstown, MD

### **USSVI Tri State Base 2012 Calendar of Events**

Sept No Meeting, see you at the USSVI convention.

October 6<sup>th</sup> Next Dimensions, Funkstown – Guest speaker, our next Governor Blaine Young

Nomination Committee Report of those willing to serve

November 3<sup>rd</sup> Pike Restaurant Gettysburg

Election of Tri State Base Officers

**Annual BoD Meeting** 

The business meeting will be held at the end of the Regular meeting. BOD and Officers should attend but all are welcome to listen in.

November 4<sup>th</sup> Brunswick Veterans day Parade

November 11 Veteran's Day Ceremony in Frederick, MD

December 8<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party at Amvets Middletown