

# Tri State Deck Log



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***January 2013 Issue***

**(Semper Gumby)  
TRI STATE BASE  
THE DECK LOG**

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## **TRI-STATE BASE MEMBERS THAT HOLD NATIONAL OFFICE**

**TOM DENTON**

**NATIONAL ARTIST**

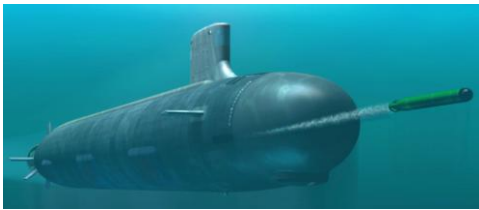
### **UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS, INC.**

**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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### USSVI Tri State Base 2013 Calendar of Events

Jan 5<sup>th</sup> – Ryan's Martinsburg, WV - Budget Meeting and form Golf Outing Committee for April-May timeframe  
Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> – Golden Corral, Frederick MD  
Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> – Pikes, Gettysburg, PA  
Apr 13<sup>th</sup> – **To be determined** – Submarine birthday ball  
May 4<sup>th</sup> – Pikes, Gettysburg, PA or new WV location\*  
May 18<sup>th</sup> – Armed Forces Day Parade @ Arlington, VA (Check on date)  
May 27<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day Parade @ Waynesboro Keystone Base  
Jun 8<sup>th</sup> – Annual Picnic @ AmVets, Middletown, MD Noon  
Jul 13<sup>th</sup> – Ryan's Martinsburg, WV – midterm Board Meeting following monthly meeting  
Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> – Pikes, Gettysburg, PA – Appoint Tri State Base Officers Nominating Committee  
Sep 7<sup>th</sup> – **To Be Determined**  
Oct 5<sup>th</sup> – Ryan's Martinsburg, WV – Nomination Committee Report of those willing to serve; Christmas Party Committee  
Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> – Pikes, Gettysburg, PA – Elections  
Nov 11<sup>th</sup> – Veterans Day ceremony @ Frederick, MD  
Dec 14<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Party @ AmVets, Middletown, MD 1 PM

As the Tri State Base does some hopping to do its meetings, the below locations are for your use. With these and the Calendar of events, you will always be at the right place on the right day...

**Pikes Restaurant**

**985 Baltimore Pike, Gettysburg, PA**

**Ryan's**

**925 Foxcroft Avenue, Martinsburg, WV**

**Golden Corral**

**5621 Spectrum Drive, Frederick, MD**

A total of 27 personnel including guests and visitors were on hand for the Jan 2013 meeting; those in attendance were:

Thom Peschke; Tom Denton; Dan Hulings; Dana & Roxanne Bostwick; Tom & Carol Ann Samuelson; Daniel Glogg; Ray & Betty Bussard; Jim Ruddy; Bob & Sharon Lampson; Margorie Bell; Felix Stewart; John & Dorthy Traxler; Richard Stroud; Les Gallipo; George Kilmer; Glen & Sandra Sherrard; Don Boos; Doug Smith; Herb Lopp; Huey Dietrich-District Commander; John McVey-Martinsburg Journal





## Birthdays for the month of January:

### JANUARY:

Paul Benyeda, Cyril Brodbeck, Betty Bussard, Daniel Dunton, Jennifer Eccles, Barry Ensminger, Jon Fader, Zeke Ferrell, Shirley Ferrell, Karen Freemire, Tracy Hershey, Steve Kinney, Ivan Kinsinger, Terry Kriner, Virginia Lehnhart, Carl Linsenbach, Harry McAfee, Valinda Mutzabaugh, Sandra Sherrard, Richard Stroud, Arlene Walton, Keith Meriwether

**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.**

Secretary Dana Bostwick read the January list:

### JANUARY

#### SUBMARINES LOST/DAMAGED

05 1944 SCORPION I (SS278) - LOST

10 1943 USS ARGONAUT I (SS-166) - LOST

12 1945 USS SWORDFISH I (SS-193) - LOST

11 1934 USS S-34 (SS-139) - DAMAGED

20 1942 USS S-36 (SS-141) - LOST

24 1942 USS S-26 (SS-131) - LOST

24 2005 USS SAN FRANCISCO (SSN 711) - DAMAGED

#### SAILORS LOST

77<sup>1</sup>

102<sup>2</sup>

89<sup>3</sup>

01<sup>4</sup>

No loss of life<sup>5</sup>

46<sup>6</sup>

01<sup>7</sup>



<sup>1</sup>One of the 78 Scorpion crew members, Reginald M. Raymond, was killed during battle on April 30, 1943.

<sup>2</sup>Records for 3 of the 105 Argonaut crew members, Jose DeGuzman, Mario Ramos, Jr., and Hubert R. Widener, indicate that they were not aboard the vessel when she was lost.

<sup>3</sup>One of the 90 Swordfish crew members, Richard W. Andes, died of injuries suffered in an accident ashore.

<sup>4</sup>GM2 Charles H. Stewart was killed by an accidental signal cartridge explosion. USS S-34 was decommissioned on 23 October 1945.

<sup>5</sup>USS S-36 (SS-141) was lost when she ran aground on Taka Bakang Reef in the Makassar Strait, west of Southern Celebes.

<sup>6</sup>Three of the 49 USS S-26 crew members survived the sinking.

<sup>7</sup>Twenty-three crew members suffered injuries, and MM2 SS Joseph Allen Ashley died from head injuries.



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

**BILL HOOD**

**CALVIN WALTON**

**GLENN HILL**

**TONY CHIMENTI**

**LEW HANSEN**

**B.J. CALVERT**

**JACK PRISLEY**

**BOB BRITSCH**

**JOE HINSON**

**TOM BLOCK**

**JOHN HUSTON**

**KARL WELTY**

**HAROLD OLIVE**

**GLEN BEARINGER**

**CHRIS KOUNAS**

**RUSS SWART**

**BOB ATKINSON**

**TED LEHNHART**

**LOU GRAVES**

**LEONARD SINGEL**

**DAVE GLOTFELTY**

**DICK SPRINCE**

**DON HORST**

**RICHARD E. SAUNDERS**

**BULL DURHAM**

**HENRY CRANFORD**

**WAYNE SCHWEITZER**

**GORDON YETTER**

**ROBERT FORREST**

**BILL COLLINS**

**JOHN LUSHER**

**HAL GOODNOW**

**THORNTON "PAT" WHITE**

**JIM FERRELL**

**JOHN POFFENBERGER**

Rest your oars shipmates, Rest your oars...

## Special Guests:

John McVey-Martinsburg Journal: Present by the Base Commander with a US Submarine Veterans Scholarship Membership Memorial Fund. He published a great article about our base in the Sunday edition of the Journal.

Huey Dietrich-District Commander

## Newest Shipmates

Welcome aboard to Jim Ruddy (served on USS Char; Sam Houston; Archerfish); retired in 1986 as CWO4- Gerrardstown, WV

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, Dana Bostwick:** the minutes from the last official meeting were included in the November / December Deck Log. The report was approved by the board and members. Minutes were approved.

### Treasurer

**Treasurer Tom Samuelsen presented** the annual Treasurer's Report for 2012 (The sermon on the amount). The report was approved.

Tom also reported that dues are now due. If you are reading this and haven't paid, you are DINK. So PLEASE pay your dues.

Donations were approved by the members for the Scorpion and Thresher memorials.

World War II membership is at 8 compared to 11 last year.





## Ways and Means

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

## Kaps for Kids

Base Commander Thom Peschke reported that the program needs some Kaps to show when we visit the Hospital. Tom Samuelson and Don Boos will order a few caps and Doo-rags.

## Membership Tri-State Base Membership as of January 2013 reported by Treasurer

| Type              | Number |
|-------------------|--------|
| WWII              | 8      |
| Holland Club      | 19     |
| New Holland Club  | 5      |
| Life Members      | 21     |
| Regular Members   | 32     |
| Tri-State Members | 85     |
| Duel Members      | 4      |
| Associate Members | 6      |
| Total Membership  | 95     |

## Benevolence

### Conducted by Thom Peschke:

- Doug Smith's wife is going to the doctor for cancer check – please keep them in your thoughts.
- Thom Peschke was told by Judy Kriner that Terry is having health issues – Tom Samuelson reported he got an email stating Terry had congestive heart failure – please keep them in your thoughts
- Joan Fader emailed that Jon was hospitalized on Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, with pneumonia; as of January 15<sup>th</sup> he was improving but was still in serious condition – please keep them in your thoughts.

## Correspondence items:

There was no correspondence for this month.

## Good of the Order

Secretary reported good attendance and good food and entertainment for Christmas Part held at AmVets. Doug Smith volunteered to post pictures on the base's website.

District Commander Huey Dietrich provided a status report to the base:

- Reported on National Base renewals – everyone for Tri State Base is good
- Requested end-of-year reports
- Brought district patches for those who wanted them
- Holland Club is up and running on the web – check to see who is eligible
- Requested report from the base on what activities were done last year
- At the last convention, our district was the best in the nation for voting
- Announce the formation of a Boosters' Club consisting of war veterans
- Did a memorial fund for bases who lost members the past year
- District voted on how to do business concerning the national meetings with the conventions meeting every other year starting in 2015
- The 2013 National Meeting is at Minneapolis-St. Paul and the 2014 meeting will be outside of San Francisco
- Proposed going in with other districts in between the national meetings to have mini-regional meetings on the off years from the national meetings



- Keep copies of our deck logs coming to him and the regional director
- Huey verbally reported the district membership status as of 3 January 2013 as follows:
  - **13,661 District membership**
  - **12,874 Regular members**
  - **781 Associate members**
  - **54 Holland Club**

## Old and New Business

### Old Business:

- Form Golf Outing Committee for April-May timeframe – will have to delay to another meeting
- Thom Peschke reported: Had committee formed for rule changes; trying to conform more to National rules. One major change proposed that former base commanders would not have to rotate through vice-commander to become base commander again. Also proposed was to allow base commanders or vice-commanders to serve up to two years vice one year as currently done. Doug Smith brought out that the committee considered a proposal that all base officers be voted on by ballot vice voice only. Doug Smith will be forwarding all the revised bylaws. Thom Peschke will send them out by flash traffic.

### New Business:

- Richard Stroud inquired about getting a written receipt for paying dues. Discussion was further held on how to pay the dues, including paying online such as PayPal. Treasurer preferred to receive dues via cash or check.
- Ray Bussard inquired about this year's picnic and Christmas party: both are at AmVets; Jim Wilhelm was asked to cook up some brisket for the picnic; discussion held on date of Christmas Party – date will remain on December 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Vote taken on keeping Ryans for new West Virginia location – group agreed to keep it at Ryans
- The New Officers were installed at the January 2013 Meeting.



Outgoing Base Commander Tom Denton with Incoming Base Commander Thom Peschke  
Courtesy of Martinsburg Journal, January 6, 2013

## Holland Club

No Holland Club members in attendance





## EAGLE SCOUT program

Reported by John Traxler: One Eagle Scout awarded on Saturday, December 29<sup>th</sup>; next Eagle Scout presentation set for February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Thom Peschke proposed that when possible base members should attend Eagle Scout award ceremonies; need to post these events in the deck log.

## Qual boat of the Month

Henry Clay SSBN 625 is the qual boat of the month and was the Qual Boat of our District Commander Huey Dietrich. Presentation was given by Thom Peschke.



**USS Henry Clay (SSBN-625)**, a [Lafayette class ballistic missile submarine](#), was the only ship of the [United States Navy](#) to be named for [Henry Clay](#) (1777–1852), the American statesman and orator.

The contract to build *Henry Clay* was awarded to [Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company](#) in [Newport News, Virginia](#) on 3 February 1961 and her keel was laid down there on 23 October 1961. She was [launched](#) on 30 November 1962 sponsored by Mrs. Green B. Gibson, and [commissioned](#) on 20 February 1964, with [Commander](#) Thomas A Bryce in command of the Blue Crew and Commander John C. Lewis in command of the Gold Crew.

*Henry Clay* conducted [shakedown](#) off the coast of [Florida](#) beginning on 28 February 1964. She completed her first submerged [Polaris missile](#) firing on 6 April 1964 and returned to Newport News on 29 May 1964. She then moved to her new [home port](#), [Charleston, South Carolina](#), and departed for her first deterrent patrol on 17 August 1964.

By January 1967, *Henry Clay* had completed 11 deterrent patrols. As of mid-1967, she was assigned to [Submarine Squadron 14](#).

During December 1986, *Henry Clay* made a port call at [Plymouth, England](#), while being operated by her Gold crew, the only port call her Gold Crew made between April 1985 and October 1987.

In 1987, *Henry Clay*'s Gold Crew underwent an unannounced Operational Reactor Safeguards Examination (ORSE). She received an EXCELLENT grade, the only submarine in the [United States Atlantic Fleet](#) other than the [attack submarine USS Hyman G. Rickover \(SSN-709\)](#) up to that date to receive an EXCELLENT on an unannounced ORSE.

*Henry Clay* was decommissioned on 5 November 1990 and stricken from the [Naval Vessel Register](#) the same day. She entered the Nuclear Powered [Ship and Submarine Recycling Program](#) in [Bremerton, Washington](#), for scrapping, which was completed on 30 September 1997.





## 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 the secretary. He will publish all that he receives.***

### ***King Cake cupcakes (just in time for Mardi Gras!)***

The flavors of King Cake, Mardi Gras' signature confection, are mirrored in these nutmeg- and lemon-scented cupcakes. Cream cheese icing, garnished with sparkling sugars in traditional New Orleans Mardi Gras colors, add the perfect touch.

#### **CUPCAKES**

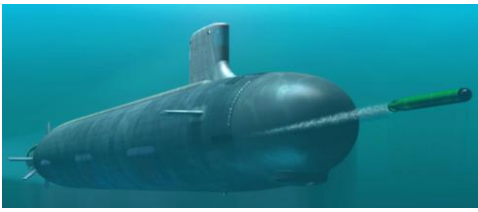
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 2/3 cups King Arthur Unbleached All-Purpose Flour
- 1 1/4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 6 tablespoons soft butter
- 2/3 cup milk, at room temperature
- 1/4 teaspoon Fiori di Sicilia; OR 1 teaspoon vanilla + 1/8 teaspoon lemon oil
- 2 large eggs

#### **ICING**

- 3 tablespoons butter, at room temperature
- 1/2 cup (half of an 8-ounce package) cream cheese, at room temperature
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/8 teaspoon lemon oil
- 2 cups confectioners' sugar
- 1 to 2 tablespoons milk, enough to make a spreadable icing
- colored sugars, preferably purple, yellow, and green

#### **Directions**

- 1) Preheat the oven to 350°F. Lightly grease and flour a muffin tin. You can also line the muffin tins with papers, and spray the insides of the papers.
- 2) To make the cupcakes: In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the sugar, flour, baking powder, nutmeg, and salt.
- 3) Add the butter and beat with an electric mixer at low speed, until the mixture looks sandy.
- 4) Combine the milk and vanilla and add, all at once. Mix at low speed for 30 seconds, then increase the speed to medium and beat for 30 seconds. Scrape the bottom and sides of the mixing bowl.
- 5) With the mixer running at low speed, add 1 egg. Increase the speed to medium and beat for 30 seconds. Add the second



egg, again beating for 30 seconds.

6) Scrape the bottom and sides of the bowl, and beat briefly, just till smooth.

7) Scoop the batter by heaping 1/4-cupfuls into the prepared muffin tin. A muffin scoop works well here.

8) Bake the cupcakes for 23 to 25 minutes, until they've domed, and are a light golden brown around the edges. They'll spring back when pressed gently on top, and a toothpick inserted in the center will come out clean.

9) Remove the cupcakes from the oven, and place on a rack to cool completely before icing.

10) To make the icing: Combine the butter, cream cheese, vanilla, and lemon oil in a medium-sized bowl, and beat them together until light and fluffy.

11) Add the sugar gradually, beating well.

12) Beat in the milk a little at a time, until the frosting is a spreadable consistency.

13) Spread each cake with icing, and immediately dip in gold, purple, and green sparkling sugars, covering about 1/3 of the cupcake with each color sugar.

14) Store at room temperature for several days. For longer storage, wrap well and freeze.

Yield: 12 cupcakes.

## HUMOR AND WISDOM

In the summer of '83 we where on a Med Cruise aboard USS Silversides SSN679. We made a port call in Naples and were tied up in the harbor close to a US destroyer, the name I don't remember.

After a night drinking in town four of my shipmates decided they needed some excitement. They took the life raft from the aft escape trunk and paddled over to the destroyer. They had spray cans of moly grease as most know is black. They proceeded to paint a large set of dolphins on the starboard side of the destroyer.

The next morning the CO of the destroyer called our CO to complain about his lovely art work and wanted the responsible party or parties to come and remove the dolphins. The four artist came forward and admitted painting the dolphins. Our CO officially scolded them and then congratulated on a job well done.

When the four artist arrived back at the destroyer they tried to explain that they had used grease from a spray can. They were ignored and handed paint brushes and gray paint and order to paint over there artwork, which they did. The next morning the destroyer got back underway with the carrier Coral Sea.

A couple of days later we along with other naval vessels in the area received radio traffic about a US destroyer cruising the med with dolphins on her starboard side. It seems after a couple fo days of wave action the paint washed off of the destroyer so that she could proudly display the dolphins she received compliments od the USS Siversides SSN679.

Philip (Skip) Edwards former MM2/SS

**The 50 - 50 was won by Thom Peschke who won a total of \$45. He gave it back to the base.**

The meeting was ended with Base Commander Thom Peschke reading Lost Harbor.

There is a port of no return, where ships may ride at anchor for a little space and then, some starless night the cable slips, leaving an eddy at the mooring place... Gulls, veer no longer. Sailor, rest your oar. No tangled wreckage will be washed ashore.