

Tri State Deck Log



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(Semper Gumby)

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TRI-STATE BASE MEMBERS THAT HOLD NATIONAL OFFICE

TOM DENTON

NATIONAL ARTIST

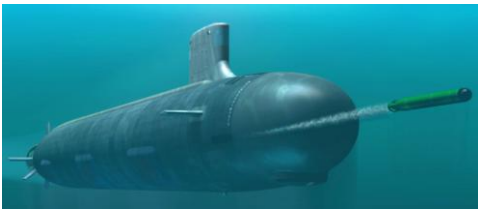
UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS, INC.

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

May 26th – Memorial Service @ 1400 Harbaugh's Church
Parade Preparations at Main Street and CV Avenue following the Memorial Service
27th - Memorial Day Parade 0900 at the VFW, Waynesboro, PA
Jun 8th – Annual Picnic @ AmVets, Middletown, MD Noon
Jul 13th – Ryan's Martinsburg WV – midterm Board Meeting following monthly meeting– Bylaw revision discussion
Aug 3rd – Golden Corral, Frederick MD – Appoint Tri State Base Officers Nominating Committee– Bylaw revision vote
Sep 7th – Ryan's Martinsburg WV – Nomination Committee Report of those willing to serve; Christmas Party Committee
Oct 4th - CDRs Dinner Meeting at (TBD) Gettysburg – Open Meeting
Oct 5th – Pikes, Gettysburg PA
Oct 5th – District meeting – Gettysburg, PA **after** the Base Meeting– Open Meeting
Nov 2nd – Pikes, Gettysburg, PA – Elections
Nov 11th – Veterans Day ceremony @Frederick, MD
Dec 7th– 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
(717) 334-9227

Ryan's
925 Foxcroft Avenue, Martinsburg, WV
(304) 260-0067

Golden Corral
5621 Spectrum Drive, Frederick, MD
301 662-5922

This month we had our annual Submarine Ball at the AMVETS Hall, Green Street, Middletown, MD.

A total of 28 personnel including guests and visitors were on hand for the May 2013 Sub Base Meeting; those in attendance were:

Dana Bostwick, Doug and Cathy Arnold, Dan Hulings, Pat and Jim Wilhelm, John Traxler, Richard Stroud, Tom Denton, Dan Glogg, Doug Smith, Pat Poist, Don Boos, Glen and Sandy Sherrard, Phil Turner, Bob and Sharon Lampron, Marjorie Bell, John and Anne Lehman, John and Nina Price, Jon and Joan Fader, Joe and Barbara Hargadon, Les Gallipo



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.

The May/June list:

SUBMARINES LOST

MAY

23 1939 USS SQUALUS (SS192)
28 1943 USS RUNNER (SS275)
04 1945 USS LAGARTO (SS371)
27 1968 USS SCORPION II (SSN589)

JUNE

20 1941 USS O-9 (SS70)
12 1943 USS R-12 (SS89)
01 1944 USS HERRING (SS233)
04 1944 USS S-28 (SS133)
12 1944 USS GUDGEON I (SS211)

SAILORS LOST

26¹

78

88²

99

34³

42⁴

84⁵

49⁶

81⁷



¹Of the 26 lives lost, one was a civilian. 33 crew members survived the sinking.

²Two men died in non-sinking events.

³One crewman lost overboard in Cape Code Bay on August 31, 1921.

⁴Men who were lost included two Brazilian Navy passengers. 23 crew members survived the sinking or were not aboard when the boat sank. Two men were later lost on other submarines.

⁵One crewman died in a non-sinking event.

⁶Records and communication with his son make it clear that **Levi Bolton**, previously listed, was not lost with his shipmates, and survived the War.

⁷Two men died in non-sinking events.

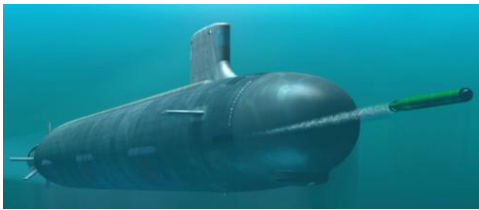
Tri-State Base members who have departed on **Eternal Patrol** were then remembered.

BILL HOOD
CALVIN WALTON
GLENN HILL
TONY CHIMENTI
LEW HANSEN
B.J. CALVERT
JACK PRISLEY
BOB BRITSCH
JOE HINSON
CARL LINSENBACH

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
GUS MARTIN



Rest your oars shipmates, Rest your oars...



Birthdays for the month of May and June:

MAY:

William Butcher, Mary Heibel, Chlorene Lopp, Rod Mutzabaugh, Wendy Stoner, Pat Wilhelm, Mark Scansen

JUNE:

James Armstrong, Elaine Brodbeck, Jean Harper, Ruth Hay, Donald Hershey, John Lehman, Mike Meek, Trin Rios, Shad Shadrach, Amy Weldon

NEWEST SHIPMATES

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

The minutes from the last official meeting were included in the April Deck Log. The report was approved.

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Treasurer

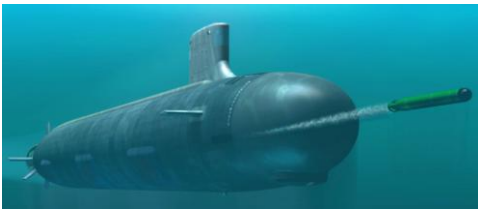
Treasurer Tom Samuelson presented April 2013 Treasurer's Report (The sermon on the amount). The report was approved.

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Membership Tri-State Base Membership as of April 2013

Type	Number	Benevolence Report
WWII	7	Tommy Cox
Holland Club	19	Barry Ensminger – rehab from knee replacement
New Holland Club	6	Cheryl Smith – recovering from mastectomy and chemotherapy
Life Members	22	Charlie Shadrack – recovering from knee replacement
Regular Members	35	
Tri-State Members	89	
Duel Members	6	
Associate Members	4	
Total Membership	99	



WAYS AND MEANS

Storekeeper Don Boos has placed order for Tri-State patches.

KAPS FOR KIDS

CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS:

Waynesboro Parade on Memorial Day: Our base is tenth in line. Be there by 9 AM to set up.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Guest speaker, Phil Turner, has interviewed over 100 WWII veterans. He provided an excellent presentation on various WWII veterans and their part in WWII history.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

A collection was made for the USS Scorpion fund of \$122. Thanks to all for their donations and support.

There will be no golf outing this year.

Raffle tickets for the upcoming picnic will be emailed to members having email and mailed to those not having email.

Bylaws will be discussed at the next board meeting on June 8th at the AmVets prior to the picnic, which starts at noon.

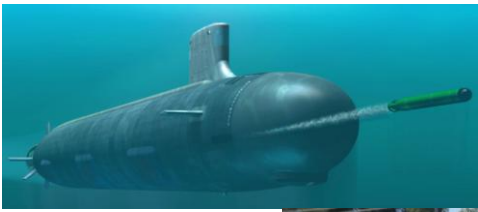
It was decided to email RSVP for those planning to attend the picnic and provide the number in their party and what they plan to bring.

HOLLAND CLUB

Try to keep in touch with older members.

EAGLE SCOUT PROGRAM

Congratulations to Eagle Scout Jalyn C. Band who received his Submarine Veterans Award on April 13, 2013. His project was to build a bridge making it easier for the band to reach the practice field. Jalyn is attending Musselman High school in Inwood, WV. (Information provided by John Traxler.)



QUAL BOAT OF THE MONTH: USS PERCH (SS-313)



Members who qualified on the Perch include: Terry Kriner.

USS *Perch* (SS/SSP/ASSP/APSS/LPSS/IXSS-313), a *Balao*-class submarine, was the second submarine of the United States Navy to be named for the perch, a rather small European fresh-water spiny-finned fish.

The second *Perch* (SS-313) was laid down 5 January 1943 by the Electric Boat Co., Groton, Conn.; launched 12 September 1943; sponsored by Mrs. David A. Hart; and commissioned 7 January 1944, Lt. Comdr. Blish C. Hills in command. After shakedown she departed 19 February 1944 for Key West, Fla., where she gave services to the Fleet Sound School. She then sailed for Pearl Harbor, arriving 3 April.

First and second war patrols, April – August 1944

On 29 April she departed Pearl Harbor with *Peto* (SS-265) for Midway where *Picuda* (SS-382) joined them. The South China Sea was the hunting ground for the wolf pack. Early in the morning of 24 May, a medium tanker was contacted and damaged by four torpedo hits. The counterattack by a lone escort prevented further observation of the damage inflicted and



knocked out both high pressure air compressors by flooding of the pump room. *Perch* headed for the Marshall Islands, arriving at Majuro on 4 June.

On 27 June *Perch* began her second war patrol, this time off Surigao Strait in the Philippines. She sank a 100-ton Japanese trawler with gunfire before returning to Pearl Harbor 26 August.

Third and fourth war patrols, September 1944 – February 1945

Perch departed Pearl Harbor on her third war patrol 19 September. At Midway she joined submarines *Croaker* (SS-246) and *Escolar* (SS-294) and the three set out for the confined waters of the East China and Yellow Seas. *Perch* unsuccessfully attacked one heavily escorted transport, and performed lifeguard duty supporting B-29 raids on Honshū. *Perch* then headed for Saipan to refuel en route to Brisbane, Australia, for duty with Submarines, Southwest Pacific Fleet.

The fourth war patrol began 19 December from Brisbane. First *Perch* patrolled off Hainan, China; next off Singapore; and finally in Balabac Straits off Borneo. She sighted no enemy ships, and the patrol ended at Fremantle, Western Australia, 15 February 1945.

Fifth and sixth war patrols, March – June 1945

On 12 March *Perch* departed Fremantle carrying with her eleven Australasian specialists trained in commando warfare, under the command of Major Donald Stott. On the first night of the mission, in the Makassar Straits, above Balikpapan, Borneo, she landed four of the party (including Stott) who were to make a reconnaissance of the beach and surrounding territory. Coming in close ashore two nights later to disembark the remainder of the party, *Perch* contacted a 300-ton coastal freighter that threatened to cut off her return to open water. She engaged it with gunfire and the second hit caused the freighter burst into flames and sink. The first party were never heard from again. It was speculated that the engine which powered the officers' kyak was heard. Locals believed they had been captured and executed by the Japanese. The second party rowed ashore, and placed their charges to blow up an oil supply pipeline. They were closely chased by Japanese patrols, but escaped by taking a small boat off the island. They were picked up well out to sea by a Catalina on patrol; only two of the party survived. *Perch* returned to Fremantle, Western Australia, completing her fifth war patrol.

On 15 April *Perch* departed Fremantle on her sixth war patrol and journeyed to the Java Sea to hunt out the enemy. When she contacted a convoy of two ships, an alert Japanese escort discovered *Perch* and subjected her to a severe two-hour depth charging which caused considerable damage throughout the boat. She then sailed to the China coast to patrol off Hainan before returning to Pearl Harbor 5 June.

Seventh war patrol, July – August 1945

On 11 July *Perch* departed Pearl Harbor and after fueling at Saipan, proceeded north for duty in the "Lifeguard League" off Japan. On 13 August she rescued a Navy Corsair pilot from the water two miles (3 km) offshore, bombarded fishing vessels and buildings on the beach, and retired to sea. A few hours later the same day, she picked up another pilot from the same fighter squadron five miles (8 km) offshore. Two days later Japan capitulated and *Perch* returned to Pearl Harbor 30 August.

Conversion to transport submarine; Korean War

Perch departed Pearl Harbor and set course for the Golden Gate, arriving Hunter's Point 8 September. She decommissioned and was placed in reserve in January 1947. On 19 January 1948 *Perch* was redesignated as a Submarine Transport, **SSP-313**, and was placed in an active status, attached to the U.S. Pacific Fleet.

Perch recommissioned at Mare Island Naval Shipyard 20 May 1948, Lt. Comdr. O. H. Payne in command. Through 1949, the ship participated in various troop- and cargo-carrying exercises. On 31 January 1950 *Perch* was reclassified a Transport Submarine, **ASSP-313**. In September 1950 *Perch* transported a force of British Commandos in a raid on the northeast coast of Korea west of Tanchon. The target, a train tunnel on the north-south supply line, was destroyed, with the loss of one man who was buried at sea. The commanding officer, Lt. Comdr. R. D. Quinn, became the only submarine commanding officer to receive a combat award during the Korean War when he was awarded the Bronze Star for this action.

From August 1951 to March 1952, *Perch* underwent overhaul at Mare Island. From 1952 to 1954, *Perch* trained, making "reconnaissance-runs" and "raids" on several Alaskan and Hawaiian islands. In January 1955 *Perch* made a cruise to WestPac conducting a "reconnaissance and raid" on Iwo Jima and observed other islands in the Bonin Chain. Periods between Far Eastern cruises, *Perch* performed type training and intertype amphibious exercises in the San Diego area.

Perch, again classified as a Submarine Transport, **APSS-313**, on 24 October 1956, departed San Diego 5 November for a reconnaissance exercise in the Panama Canal Area, returning to San Diego 11 December. In late 1957 she made a



reconnaissance voyage from San Diego to Hawaii and Alaska, and spent most of 1958 and 1959 in amphibious training exercises in the San Diego area with marines and Underwater Demolition Teams.

In December 1959 *Perch* departed San Diego, decommissioned on 31 March 1960, and entered the Mare Island Group of the Pacific Reserve Fleet at Vallejo, Calif.

1960s

Perch recommissioned 11 November 1961, Lt. Comdr. C.H. Hedgepeth in command, trained on the West Coast and Hawaii through 1962, and arrived at her new homeport, Subic Bay, Philippine Islands in March 1963. Her operations consisted of training the U.S. Marine's Amphibious Recon Battalion, Army Special Forces, and Navy UDTs in reconnaissance and also in providing training services to allied countries. In May and June 1964 *Perch* traveled to Mindoro and trained with British commando forces. July and August were spent in Hong Kong, Pohong Bay, Korea (with R.O.K. Special Forces), Yokosuka and Okinawa, Japan.

March and April 1965, saw *Perch* participating in exercise "Jungle Drum III" by landing 75 Marine Corps reconnaissance personnel on the Malay Peninsula from the Gulf of Siam. *Perch* conducted search and rescue operations in the Vietnam combat zone during August and September. She made two amphibious landings on the coast of South Vietnam during November and December as part of operation "Dagger Thrust."

During January *Perch* landed UDT personnel for beach survey work in South Vietnam as part of operation "Double Eagle." She then provided services at Legaspi, P.I. to train Filipino and American UDT personnel. Between local training operations in the Subic Bay area, *Perch* worked with Chinese Special Forces at Kaohsiung, Taiwan, and with Army Special Forces at Keelung, Taiwan.

In July *Perch* participated in operation "Deck House II" on the coast of South Vietnam. Again in August, *Perch* conducted several independent beach surveys with UDT personnel along the coast of South Vietnam. For operation "Deck House IV" in September *Perch* landed UDT personnel on five successive nights for preinvasion beach reconnaissance. On 7 October 1966, *Perch* headed for Pearl Harbor via Hong Kong, Palau Islands, Guam, and Midway Island. She operated in Hawaiian waters until 1967 when she became Naval Reserve Training submarine at San Diego. On 22 August 1968 *Perch*'s classification was changed from **APSS-313** to Submarine Transport **LPSS-313**.

Perch was designated an Unclassified Miscellaneous Submarine **IXSS-313** 30 June 1971. She was decommissioned and struck from the Naval Register, 1 December 1971, and Disposition, sold for scrapping, 15 January 1973.

Perch received four battle stars for World War II service and one battle star for Korean War service.

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.

CHICKEN BREASTS PARMESAN

Ingredients

- 1-3/4 cups marinara sauce
- 1/2 lb. linguine, uncooked
- 1 egg



- 1/2 cup Shredded Parmesan Cheese
- 1/4 cup dry bread crumbs
- 1 tsp. Italian seasoning
- 4 small boneless skinless chicken breast halves (1 lb.)
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup Shredded Low-Moisture Part-Skim Mozzarella Cheese

Directions

- **HEAT** marinara sauce, and cook pasta as directed on package omitting salt.
- **MEANWHILE**, beat egg lightly in shallow dish. Mix next 3 ingredients in separate shallow dish. Dip chicken in egg, then in cheese mixture, turning to evenly coat both sides of each breast.
- **HEAT** oil in large nonstick skillet on medium-high heat. Add chicken; cook 6 min. on each side or until done (165°F). Top with mozzarella; cover. Cook on low heat 3 min. or until mozzarella is melted.
- **DRAIN** pasta; place on platter. Top with sauce and chicken.

Makes 4 servings

WIT AND WISDOM

Round about 1975, the Sam Rayburn had the privilege of playing host to four midshipmen during a normal refit and patrol. Needless to say, we had tons of fun with these guys. We also had some regular crew who weren't wrapped too tight. One of them was a seaman whose name escapes me - but not his shenanigans. This fellow was about the best helmsman we had. Really did a good job. Anyway, one day (or night - who knew?!) a midi was on the Conn under instruction. The OOD told him to tell the helmsman to mark his head. So he turns and loudly says "Helmsman, mark your head" where upon this individual replies, "Mark my head helm aye" and takes out a magic marker from his shirt pocket and swipes it across his forehead. Needless to say the midi was speechless for a minute or two.

- Brad Hale, STS2/SS, Sam Rayburn (B)

The 50 - 50 for April was \$45 and was won by Les Gallipo

Additionally drawings were held for several FBM wall charts.

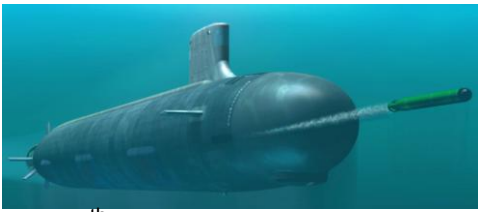
The meeting was ended with **Acting Chaplain, Jon Fader** reading Lost Harbor.

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.

NEXT AND NEXT

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