Tri State Deck Log



906 Thompson Street Martinsburg, WV 25401

Don't forget you MUST register for the Regional meeting in Gettysburg in October.

Go to http://ussvi-erdn3.org/ to register so that you can partake in lunch.

If you want a hotel room, the registration page will take you to the Hotel registration.

Doug Smith did a beautiful job on the website!

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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

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 – American Legion Post in Gettysburg

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







A total of 22 personnel including guests and visitors were on hand for the August 2013 Sub Base Meeting; those in attendance were:

Dana and Roxanne Bostwick, Thom and Stephany Peschke, Dan Hulings, John and Anne Lehman, Hank and Mary McKinney, Richard Stroud, Tom Denton, Doug Smith, Buzz and Karen Bussard, Dave and Maureen Harvey, Don and Mary Boos, Jim and Pat Wilhelm, Fred Gressley, Ron Anstey

The benediction was given by Base Commander Thom Peschke followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Base Vice Commander Dan Hulings gave the USSVI Creed.

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 August list:		
SUBMARINES LOST	SAILORS LOST	
<u>August</u>		
06 1945 USS BULHEAD (SS-332)	84	
13 1944 USS FLIER (SS250)	80 ¹	
14 1942 USS S-39 (SS144)	0^2	
24 1944 USS HARDER (SS257)	80	
26 1949 USS COCHINO (SS345)	1 ³	
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¹ One secondary source stated 8 men survived and were taken prisoner. Roscoe, Theodore, Submarine Operations of WWII and Submarine Force Library and Museum Boat Books state correctly that eight men survived and were rescued by USS REDFIN on 30 August 1944.

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	THORNTON "PAT" WHITE
JACK PRISLEY	RUSS SWART	BULL DURHAM	JIM FERRELL
BOB BRITSCH	BOB ATKINSON	HENRY CRANFORD	JOHN POFFENBERGER
JOE HINSON	TED LEHNHART	WAYNE SCHWEITZER	GUS MARTIN
CARL LINSENBACH	GEORGE HINDA		

Rest your oars shipmates, Rest your oars...

² USS S-39 was lost on 14-Aug-1942 when it was destroyed after grounding on reef south of Rossel Island Louisande Archipelago. All the crew was rescued. Hulk reported sighted in 1978.

³When it was sunk in Norwegian Sea after a fire, one man from **COCHINO** and 6 men from **USS TUSK** were lost in the rescue operation.









Birthdays for the month of **August: AUGUST:**

Jane Atkinson, Lynn Blackburn, Mary Boos, Roxanne Bostwick, Buzz Bussard, Patricia Collins, Diane Glotfelty, Catherine Glogg, Dolores Graver, Dave Harvey, Richard Heibel, Doug Henneberger, Carol Huntington, Ann Kinney, Patricia (Trish) Klunk, Judy Kriner, Kenneth Kuhar, Robert Lampron, Sharon Lampron, Herb Lopp, Ellen Parkhurst, Lori Shirk, Douglas Smith, Felix Stewart, Betty Yingling, Patricia Yohman

NEWEST SHIPMATES

John Lehman introduced his friend retired Admiral Hank McKinney and his wife Mary. Hank talked about his Navy career in submarines and was Commander of the USS Seahorse out of Charleston. When he was on the USS Shark in Norfolk they had left and were on their way to Charleston. They received word from squadron that the USS Scorpion had not returned as scheduled. Hank new several of the crew on the Scorpion, and that was the boat he had qualified on. He later was Commander Submarine Force Pacific Fleet in the early 1990's. He has written a book on submarines about his 40 year career in the Navy, titled *Flotsam and Jetsam*, which is a collection of sea stories.

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

OTHER GUESTS

Richard Stroud brought his father as his guest to the meeting.

REPORTS:

Secretary

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

Treasurer

Treasurer Tom Samuelsen was not present and will give his report at the September meeting.

Membership Tri-State Base Membership as of August 2013

Туре	Number
WWII	7
Holland Club	19
New Holland Club	6
Life Members	22
Regular Members	36
Tri-State Members	90
Duel Members	6
Associate Members	4
Total Membership	100

Benevolence Report

Terry Kriner – home from heart surgery; cards and letters lift his spirit Cheryl Smith – recovering at home

Bob Clas – diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and is not doing well Ron Anstey's wife had just passed away; condolences from the members and friends







THE CONN - CDR Thom Peschke

WAYS AND MEANS

The store is open. Don Boos reported that base patches are in and 2013 calendars are gone.

KAPS FOR KIDS

CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS:

- 1. Flash email message from Tom Denton, who sent out a message from Mike Naughton, USSVI Capitol Base Commander, concerning the upcoming Keys game on August 11th. Mike advised that the renting a box which included all food and beverages and 14 tickets was going for \$600. With the Capitol Base Treasury absorbing half the cost, each member's price comes to \$21.50. There was urgency, since responses for those wanting to participate were due by August 5th at 5PM.
- 2. Letter from Marietta Nolan on the USS Scorpion crew, which listed our base as sponsors for one of the sailors. They had a successful 45th anniversary service. She thanked all those who made the service a success and said that special Scorpion Challenge coins are available. Let Thom Peschke know if you are interested in any Scorpion memorabilia, and he can get in touch with Marietta.
- 3. Letter from Mike Naughton about hosting the Northeastern Regional meeting in Gettysburg on October 4th and 5th. Thom Peschke advised that Days Inn reservations could be made, and Jim Wilhelm was able to find the hotel which would accommodate the bases' needs. Thanks was also given to Doug Smith for setting up the website for this event. The site shown at the beginning of the deck log is where those interested register and has a link for making hotel reservations as well. A cost of \$20 registration fee covers the lunch and conference for both the member and a guest, albeit spouse or significant other. Rooms may be hard to get due to the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg and a firemen's' convention going on at the same time period. This why it important to book a room at the Days Inn ASAP and no later than September 5th for the discount rate.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- 1. Need a committee to get officers nominated for this year's election. Tom Denton and Doug Smith volunteered.
- 2. Jim Wilhelm announced that the USS Nautilus was the first submarine in 1958 to cross the North Pole.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Base Commander Tom Peschke will be attending the National Convention in August and encourage members who cannot make this meeting to attend the regional meeting in Gettysburg in October.
- 2. Richard Stroud announced that Hoss's is opened again. Secretary, Dana Bostwick, will check on availability. Looking for alternative to Golden Corral in Frederick as another spot in Maryland.

HOLLAND CLUB

Try to keep in touch with older members.

EAGLE SCOUT PROGRAM

No Report







QUAL BOAT OF THE MONTH: USS JOHN C. CALHOUN (SSBN-630)



Members who qualified on the John C. Calhoun include: Jon Fader qualified on the commissioning crew. B.J. Calvert (deceased), Barry Ensminger, and Buzz Bussard were also on the commissioning crew.

USS *John C. Calhoun* (**SSBN-630**) was the only ship of the United States Navy to be named for John C. Calhoun (1782–1850), the distinguished legislator and statesman.

The Calhoun was the fourth of ten ships to be constructed in the series of submarines known as the James Madison class. This class succeeded the Lafayette class and its ships differed from those of its predecessors in only one way—the inclusion of an improved missile system which was capable of carrying Polaris A-3 missiles and exhibited enhancements in the ships' missile guidance, navigation, and launcher systems.

Construction and commissioning

The contract to build *John C. Calhoun* was awarded to Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company in Newport News, Virginia, on 20 July 1961 and her keel was laid down there on 4 June 1962. She was launched on 22 June 1963 sponsored by Miss Rosalie J. Calhoun, and commissioned on 15 September 1964, with Commander Deane L. Axene (who was also the Commander of the commissioning of the USS Thresher) in command of the Blue Crew and Commander Frank A. Thurtell in command of the Gold Crew.









Operational history

After shakedown and training along the United States East Coast, *John C. Calhoun* began operational deterrent patrols on 22 March 1965, assigned to Submarine Squadron 18.

Throughout the course of her career, John C. Calhoun was the recipient of two Navy Meritorious Unit Citations in addition to a National Defense Service Medal and underwent two upgrades to her missile systems being refitted with Poseidon missiles (1969-1978) and later Trident I missiles (1979-1982).

Decommissioning and disposal

John C. Calhoun was decommissioned on 28 March 1994 at Bremerton, Washington, and stricken from the Naval Vessel Register the same day. Her scrapping via the Nuclear-Powered Ship and Submarine Recycling Program at Bremerton, Washington, was completed on 18 November 1994.

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.

PEACH AND TOASTED PECAN ICE CREAM

Ingredients

3/4 cup sugar

2 cups milk

1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla bean paste*

1 1/2 tablespoons butter

2 tablespoons cornstarch

1 cup heavy whipping cream

1 cup peeled and coarsely chopped peaches

1 cup coarsely chopped pecans

1/8 teaspoon table salt

1 egg yolk

2 tablespoons light corn syrup

1/4 teaspoon kosher salt

Directions

- 1. Whisk together sugar, cornstarch, and table salt in a large heavy saucepan. Gradually whisk in milk and whipping cream. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, 10 to 12 minutes or until mixture thickens slightly. Remove from heat.
- 2. Whisk egg yolk until slightly thickened. Gradually whisk about 1 cup hot cream mixture into yolk. Add yolk mixture to remaining cream mixture, whisking constantly. Whisk in vanilla bean paste. Cool 1 hour, stirring occasionally.
- 3. Meanwhile, cook peaches and corn syrup in a small saucepan over medium heat, stirring often, 4 to 5 minutes. Coarsely mash, and let cool 30 minutes. Stir peach mixture into cooled cream mixture.
- 4. Place plastic wrap directly on cream mixture, and chill 8 to 24 hours.
- 5. Meanwhile, melt butter in a small skillet over medium heat; add pecans, and cook, stirring constantly, 8 to 9 minutes or until toasted and fragrant. Remove from heat, and sprinkle with 1/4 tsp. kosher salt. Cool completely (about 30 minutes).
- 6. Pour chilled cream mixture into freezer container of a 1 1/2-qt. electric ice-cream maker, and freeze according to manufacturer's instructions. (Instructions and time may vary.) Before transferring ice cream to an airtight container for further freezing, stir in pecan mixture.
- *Vanilla extract may be substituted.







WIT AND WISDOM



The 50 - 50 for July was \$42.50 and was won by John Lehman.

The meeting was ended with Base Commander Tom 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.

NEXT AND NEXT

Our next gathering for September is as follows:

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