

# Tri State Deck Log



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**Please put this on your calendar and prepare to make merry.**

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**November 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

Dec 7<sup>th</sup> – Dec 7<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Banquet 1200 to 1600 at AmVets, Middletown, MD

Jan 4<sup>th</sup> – Ryan's Martinsburg WV

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 29 personnel including guests and visitors were on hand for the November 2013 Sub Base Meeting; those in attendance were:

Thom and Stephany Peschke, Ron Anstey, Pat and Jim Wilhelm, Dan Hulings, Doug Smith, Mike and Trish Klunk, Fred and Bonnie Keller, Buzz and Karen Bussard, Tom and Carol Samuelson, Richard Stroud, Les and Sue Gallipo, Bob and Sharon Lampron, Marjorie Bell, Hank McKinney, Tom Denton, Fred and Linda Eichhorn, Karen Freemire, John Traxler, Felix Stewart, and Dana Bostwick

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 October/November list:

### SUBMARINES LOST

### SAILORS LOST

#### October

03 1944 USS SEAWOLF (SS 197)  
07 1943 USS S-44 (SS 155)  
11 1943 USS WAHOO (SS 238)  
12 1943 USS DORADO (SS 248)  
17 1944 USS ESCOLAR (SS 294)  
24 1944 USS SHARK (SS 314)  
24 1944 USS DARTER (SS 227)  
25 1944 USS TANG (SS 306)  
28 1923 USS O-5 (SS 66)

100<sup>1</sup>  
56<sup>2</sup>  
80  
77  
82  
87  
0<sup>3</sup>  
78<sup>4</sup>  
3<sup>5</sup>

#### November

07 1944 ALBACORE (SS 218)  
08 1944 GROWLER (SS 215)  
16 1944 SCAMP (SS 277)  
16 1944 CORVINA (SS 226)  
19 1943 SCULPIN (SS 191)

85<sup>6</sup>  
86  
83  
82  
63<sup>7</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Seventeen U.S. Army personnel who were being transported by **Seawolf** were also lost, and are included on this number.

<sup>2</sup> Two **USS S-44** crew members survived Prisoner of War camp..

<sup>3</sup> One man was lost while serving on **USS Darter (SS-227)**. He was not lost when Darter went aground, nor in action against the enemy, but rather had died in an accident.

<sup>4</sup> Nine **USS Tang** crew members survived Prisoner of War camp.

<sup>5</sup> Three men, including the then-Commanding Officer, died in a battery explosion which occurred on October 5, 1918, in the New York Navy Yard. The **O-5** boat was later sunk after collision with SS ABANGAREZ (United Fruit Company) off the Panama Canal, on October 28, 1923.

<sup>6</sup> Sylvester Martin Wright, Steward's Mate, Second Class, is listed as being lost with his shipmates. Records in the National Archives show that he was transferred off the **Albacore** immediately before she was lost.

<sup>7</sup> A number of men survived the sinking of **Sculpin**, but died while being transported from Truk to Japan when IJN Chuyo was sunk by USS Sailfish on December 3, 1943.





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

<b>BILL HOOD</b>	<b>TOM BLOCK</b>	<b>LOU GRAVES</b>	<b>GORDON YETTER</b>
<b>CALVIN WALTON</b>	<b>JOHN HUSTON</b>	<b>LEONARD SINGEL</b>	<b>ROBERT FORREST</b>
<b>GLENN HILL</b>	<b>KARL WELTY</b>	<b>DAVE GLOTFELTY</b>	<b>BILL COLLINS</b>
<b>TONY CHIMENTI</b>	<b>HAROLD OLIVE</b>	<b>DICK SPRINCE</b>	<b>JOHN LUSHER</b>
<b>LEW HANSEN</b>	<b>GLEN BEARINGER</b>	<b>DON HORST</b>	<b>HAL GOODNOW</b>
<b>B.J. CALVERT</b>	<b>CHRIS KOUNAS</b>	<b>RICHARD E. SAUNDERS</b>	<b>THORNTON "PAT" WHITE</b>
<b>JACK PRISLEY</b>	<b>RUSS SWART</b>	<b>BULL DURHAM</b>	<b>JIM FERRELL</b>
<b>BOB BRITSCH</b>	<b>BOB ATKINSON</b>	<b>HENRY CRANFORD</b>	<b>JOHN POFFENBERGER</b>
<b>JOE HINSON</b>	<b>TED LEHNHART</b>	<b>WAYNE SCHWEITZER</b>	<b>GUS MARTIN</b>
<b>CARL LINSENBACH</b>	<b>GEORGE HINDA</b>		

**Rest your oars shipmates, Rest your oars...**



**Birthdays** for the month of **October and November:**

#### **October**

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

#### **November**

Ray Bussard, Dottie Graves, Paula Hines, William Hines, Lynda Kuhar, Thomas Peschke, Gary Shirk, John Shirk, Toni Swart, Lynette Scansen

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### **NEWEST SHIPMATES**

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.

Base Commander Thom Peschke asked for all members to reach out and find submariners past and present to join the base membership.

Good discussion was held on reasons people join vet groups and why they don't. Many ideas were shared to promote expanding our membership.

### **OTHER GUESTS**



## REPORTS:

### Secretary

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

### Treasurer

**Treasurer Tom Samuelsen** gave his report at the November meeting. The report was approved.

### Membership Tri-State Base Membership as of 31 October 2013

Type	Number
WWII	7
Holland Club	19
New Holland Club	6
Life Members	23
Regular Members	35
Tri-State Members	90
Duel Members	5
Associate Members	4
Total Membership	99

### Benevolence Report given by Jon Fader

Terry Kriner – home from heart surgery; cards and letters lift his spirit  
Judy Kriner - recovering at home following a heart attack  
Cheryl Smith – recovering at home and improving  
Bob Clas – diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and is doing better  
Mary Patrick – diagnosed having terminal cancer  
Bob Patrick – needs support for caring for Mary

**A big thanks to Joan Fader for making Thinking of You cards for members to sign and send to those who are in need of an uplift.**

### THE CONN – CDR Thom Peschke

The CONN, November 2013

Elections have come and gone. I thank Dan for agreeing to remain Vice one more year, welcome Danny Glogg as our NEW Treasurer (Ya gotta woik on that New Yawk Accent though), thank Dana for shouldering secretary for another term (it WILL get easier), and thank you all for giving me another chance to try and get the job right as CDR. Last year was fun and exciting as I discovered a LOT of things about this job (i.e. I'm supposed to do that? Why didn't you tell me? What do you mean there is a regional meeting I have to plan for... etc...) but we all got through it. Things like the closing of Last Dimensions blindsided us all, and some of the meetings being so large that we almost didn't fit in our room caught us off guard. But we all learned and moved ahead.

Please help us all, and, if you know of a person that can and is willing to address the base during our meeting, it makes the meeting all that much more informative and interesting. I'm exploring picking up a projector for the computer so we will be able to watch some videos and presentations. I would like to invite Vic Chraipin to represent his modifications of the subs to make trainers. We missed a LOT when his projector didn't work. His verbal display that he wove was quite compelling and inspirational, but actually seeing the slide show was impressive!

I have asked Bob Effler to come to our February meeting and present a National Security Brief. His presentation last year, for me, was riveting. This year should be more so with the NSA debacle etc.





I was able to twist Adm. McKinney's arm (with all due respect of course!) and ask him to be our Submarine Birthday Keynote speaker. He may give us a view of what the view from the top was like. We have all seen what we did from the perspective of the boat, but to actually get an idea of what was behind and what drove what we did would be eye opening. He may choose an entirely different topic, but in any light, we all know what a good speaker he is and with his depth of experience (no pun intended) will enlighten us all.

If Vic agrees to present again, Bob presenting and with the Admiral agreeing to be our Key Note speaker for the Submarine Birthday ball, the picnic, Willies hideout, that leaves 9 open slots. Please see if you can find someone with a good topic and a story to weave!

This is also the 50<sup>th</sup> year of USSVI. Our Golden Anniversary, and I would like it to be one year we can look back on with a smile.

One last request, if you move or change your email address, please let us know. I have been chasing down a couple of our members because their emails suddenly bounce back. Please don't get upset or indignant, we are only tracking you down because we care. If you feel that you don't want us tracking you, please let us know and we will put you in the "don't bother this person" file.

At our board meeting, we agreed to have our July meeting at Willies hideout. THAT will be a treat. You can look forward to Ribs and Pulled Pork at least. It may be a long drive, but I don't recall hearing Willie complain about the drive when he attends our meetings, which he does regularly. If anyone would not like to drive, we will set up some car pool locations. As in the past (or so I am told because I have never been to one) the crew provides covered dishes and Willie the Main course. Heck, my mouth is watering already!

## **WAYS AND MEANS**

Thom Peschke reported on Regional Meeting and presented Treasurer of \$535.25 for base support.

Certificate for Tri State Base support given by Thom Peschke to Jim Wilhelm.

## **KAPS FOR KIDS**

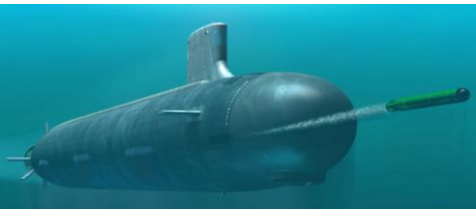
## **CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS:**

No correspondence

## **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Regional Meeting Highlights reported by Thom Peschke:

- Thom Peschke reported that the meeting was a success.
- Jim Wilhelm saw that the remaining food was properly distributed to those in need.
- Mike Naughton went over what had gone on at the National Convention held at Rochester, MN.
- The 2014 National Convention will be held in San Francisco, and it will be USSVI's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- The 2015 National Convention will be held in Pittsburgh.
- The 2016 National Convention will be held in Reno.



- The incident at Groton was discussed, and it was pointed out the importance of approved bylaws for each base to financially and legally protect leaders and other members alike.

The Traveling Dolphins trophy was given to the Tri State base. The decision was made following a discussion with the base membership, to pass it on to the Keystone Base in Harrisburg, PA.

## OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Base officer elections were held. The following persons were unanimously elected to the following offices:

**BASE COMMANDER, 2<sup>nd</sup> Term – THOM PESCHKE**

**BASE VICE COMMANDER, 2<sup>nd</sup> Term – DAN HULINGS**

**BASE SECRETARY – DANA BOSTWICK**

**BASE TREASURER – DANNY GLOG**

**BASE CHAPLAIN – JON FADER appointed by Base Commander**

Thom gave a thank you to Tom Samuelson for his seven years service as base Treasurer.

## HOLLAND CLUB

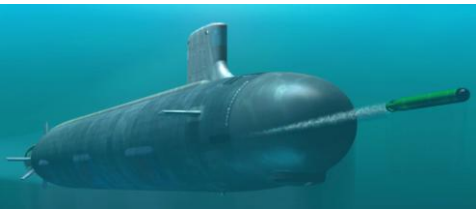
Congratulations to Fred Eichhorn as a new member to the Holland Club. He received his certificate, patch and membership card.



**Base Commander Thom Peschke Presenting Fred Eichhorn His USSVI Holland Club Certificate**

Congratulations are also in order for James LeVangie as the second member receiving the Holland Club membership. James is currently in Florida, where his certificate, badge, and card will be sent to him.





Try to keep in touch with older members.

## EAGLE SCOUT PROGRAM

No Report

## QUAL BOAT OF THE MONTH: USS GRENADIER (SS-525)



**Members who qualified on the Grenadier include: George Kilmer**

**USS Grenadier (SS-525)**, a *Tench*-class submarine, was the second ship of the United States Navy to be named for the grenadier, a soft-finned deep sea fish of the *Macrouridae* with a long, tapering body and short, pointed tail family, also known as rattails. The contract to build her was awarded to the Boston Naval Shipyard, and her keel was laid down on 8 February 1944 in Boston, Massachusetts. She was launched on 10 February 1951 sponsored by Mrs. John A. Fitzgerald, wife of the first *Grenadier*'s last skipper, and commissioned the same day with Commander Henry G. Reaves, Jr. in command.

One of the first Greater Underwater Propulsion Power Program (GUPPY) submarines, *Grenadier* was equipped with a snorkel to permit indefinite running in an awash condition. *Grenadier* proved the worth of this device during her shakedown. Returning from the Caribbean Sea cruise, the new submarine made the seven-day voyage from Guantanamo Bay to New London, Connecticut, submerged. Almost two years of intensive training exercises out of New London were capped by her first yard overhaul at Philadelphia, extending from 16 December 1952 to 22 April 1953.

In June 1953 *Grenadier* participated in the annual midshipman cruise to Rio de Janeiro and other Brazilian ports. Returning to New London via the Caribbean Sea, she then supported ASW exercises during November, as an aircraft carrier task force perfected its antisubmarine operations. *Grenadier* continued training and battle exercises along the New England coast and off the Virginia Capes and in August 1955 cruised to Montreal, Quebec, via the St. Lawrence River.

*Grenadier* departed New London 3 January 1956 on the first of several Mediterranean Sea cruises. During a three-month deployment she steamed throughout the Mediterranean and both showed the flag and participated in attack and antisubmarine exercises with various units of the Sixth Fleet. On two subsequent Mediterranean deployments from 8 November 1957 to 27 January 1958, and from 10 April to 8 August 1962 she operated with the Sixth Fleet to bolster peace keeping operations in that troubled region of the world.





Between these cruises, the submarine participated in exercises along the East Coast and was a frequent visitor to Caribbean waters. *Grenadier* operated out of New London until 15 September 1959, she transferred to Key West, Florida. From there *Grenadier* served more frequently in the Caribbean, and also patrolled and held exercises along the Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico coasts of Florida.

While on special antisubmarine exercises in the North Atlantic on the morning of 29 May 1959, *Grenadier*, in company with a patrol plane, sighted and photographed a Soviet submarine prowling the waters off Iceland. It was the first confirmed sighting of a Soviet submarine in the Atlantic.

### Cuban Missile Crisis

*Grenadier* again confronted Soviet ships when the Cuban missile crisis threatened nuclear war in October 1962. In company with *Balao* (SS-285), *Threadfin* (SS-410), *Trutta* (SS-421), and *Chopper* (SS-342), she formed part of the American fleet that blockaded and quarantined Cuba. After the Soviet offensive missiles were pulled out of Cuba, *Grenadier* was one of several ships dispatched to Cuba in November to assert and confirm the United States' rights and position there.

*Grenadier* continued patrols and training operations out of Key West. Assigned to SubRon 12, she participated in exercises along the Atlantic coast and in the Caribbean. In addition, she has provided valuable aid during the perfecting of advanced sonar and ASW equipment. She distinguished herself in 1966 gathering navigational data and other information in the Caribbean.

### Fate

*Grenadier* was decommissioned, struck from the Naval Vessel Register and sold to Venezuela on 15 May 1973. Renamed the ARV *Picua* ("Barracuda") she served in the Venezuelan Navy until 1990

### 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.***

Grilled Glazed Baby Back Ribs

Published May 1, 2013. From Cook's Illustrated

Why this recipe works:

Instead of spending up to 4 hours tending a grill, we make use of water's ability to quickly cook food. Our ribs simmer in seasoned water until they reach 195 degrees, and then we apply a flavorful glaze and grill them up to get tender-chewy ribs in less than half the time.



Try one of the glaze recipes (see related content), or use 1 cup of your favorite glaze or barbecue sauce.

## INGREDIENTS

- 2 tablespoons salt
- 2 (2-pound) racks baby back or loin back ribs, trimmed, membrane removed, and each rack cut in half
- 1 recipe glaze (see related content)

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Dissolve salt in 2½ quarts water in Dutch oven; place ribs in pot so they are fully submerged. Bring to simmer over high heat. Reduce heat to low, cover, and cook at bare simmer until thickest part of ribs registers 195 degrees, 15 to 25 minutes. While ribs are simmering, set up grill. (If ribs come to temperature before grill is ready, leave in pot, covered, until ready to use.)

**2A. FOR A CHARCOAL GRILL:** Open bottom vent halfway. Light large chimney starter filled with charcoal briquettes (6 quarts). When top coals are partially covered with ash, pour evenly over grill. Set cooking grate in place, cover, and open lid vent halfway. Heat grill until hot, about 5 minutes.

**2B. FOR A GAS GRILL:** Turn all burners to high, cover, and heat grill until hot, about 15 minutes. Turn all burners to medium-high.

3. Clean and oil cooking grate. Remove ribs from pot and pat dry with paper towels. Brush both sides of ribs with 1/3 cup glaze. Grill ribs, uncovered, flipping and rotating as needed, until glaze is caramelized and charred in spots, 15 to 20 minutes, brushing with another 1/3 cup glaze halfway through cooking. Transfer ribs to cutting board, brush both sides with remaining glaze, tent loosely with aluminum foil, and let rest for 10 minutes. Cut ribs between bones to separate, and serve.

### Speeding Up the Process with Water—Without Watering Down Flavor

For their tough collagen to break down and the meat to turn tender, ribs must reach about 195 degrees—a process that takes several hours on the grill. The most effective shortcut is to boil the ribs before they go on the fire. Boiling brings the meat up to 195 degrees in a matter of minutes, at which point the ribs need only a quick stint over the coals to char. But boiling also dulls flavor (and risks overcooking the thinner end of the rib). Here's how we got water to speed up the process—without washing away meaty taste.



**SIMMER IN A BRINE:** Cooking the ribs in a concentrated saltwater solution allows the salt to penetrate the meat, seasoning it throughout and making up for the loss of pork flavor. Because food can never rise above the temperature of its environment, simmering the meat (at about 200 degrees) instead of boiling it (at 212 degrees) means that the thinner end of the rib won't overcook as the thicker end more slowly comes up to 195 degrees. The upshot: moister meat from end to end.

**FINISH ON THE GRILL:** After simmering, the now-tender ribs need only 15 to 20 minutes over the fire (and a few coats of glaze) to develop a nice lacquer and char flavor.\





### **Hoisin-Coconut Glaze**

Published May 1, 2013. From Cook's Illustrated

Why this recipe works:

For interesting alternatives to barbecue sauce, we use no-cook ingredients that color quickly over the fire.

**MAKES ABOUT 1 CUP**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2/3 cup hoisin sauce
- 1/3 cup canned coconut milk
- 3 tablespoons rice vinegar
- 3/4 teaspoon pepper

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Whisk all ingredients together in bowl.

**Lime Glaze** Published May 1, 2013. From Cook's Illustrated

Why this recipe works:

For interesting alternatives to barbecue sauce, we use no-cook ingredients that color quickly over the fire.

**MAKES ABOUT 1 CUP**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2/3 cup lime juice (6 limes)
- 1/3 cup ketchup
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Whisk all ingredients together in bowl.

### **Spicy Marmalade Glaze**

Published May 1, 2013. From Cook's Illustrated

Why this recipe works:

For interesting alternatives to barbecue sauce, we use no-cook ingredients that color quickly over the fire.

**MAKES ABOUT 1 CUP**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 2/3 cup orange marmalade
- 1/3 cup cider vinegar
- 2 tablespoons hot sauce
- 3/4 teaspoon salt

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Whisk all ingredients together in bowl.

### **2. Peach Bourbon BBQ Sauce**

2 cups of Sweet Baby Ray's BBQ sauce

¼ cup ripe fresh or frozen peaches (peeled, seeded and chopped), or substitute peach preserves

2 ½ Tbsp Bourbon



Mix and heat to render down to a thicker sauce.

## WIT AND WISDOM

### Pitcher of Steam

by Jim Stanley MSC(SS), USS Chicago SSN-721 1989-92

As the Chief Cook and Bottle Washer aboard the UUS Chicago I was sometimes tasked with trying to develop some rather unsophisticated individuals. One such individual was Thomas Craven, MSSA(SU).

As he was preparing the evening meal one of the steam jacket kettles started to malfunction (probably behind on PMS). He called me to the galley for assistance. Seeing a great opportunity, I told him that it was simply out of steam and that he should go to engine room lower level to ask for a pitcher of steam.

He started out of the galley, pitcher in hand, only to wheel quickly around as if he was on to me. I was about to speak, when he interjected, "Wait a minute! I need a lid for this thing!"

**The 50 - 50 for September was \$60 and was won by Doug Smith.**

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.

## NEXT AND NEXT

**Our next gathering for December is as follows:**

Dec 7<sup>th</sup> – Dec 7<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Banquet 1200 to 1600 at AmVets, Middletown, MD