

**From the Wardroom:**

Well Shipmates, Would like to thank each and everyone, that has helped us with the cost of the boat cover for our float. At this point it looks like the base treasure, will not be effected, do to the support and donations we have received. I told the upholstery people that their was no rush for the cover, as long as the float was inside. It looks as though we are getting both a cover, and storage at the same time. which is great, we have missed out on the past several of storms and all the dust that went with it by having it tucked safely inside their shop. Just finished with the Tally, of the National elections, to be passed on to the National Secretary . I hope the national results are better than the results that Perch Base is turning in. Based on a membership of one hundred plus, we ended up with only nineteen members voting. Was very pleased to see the turn out of WW Two Sub Vet members **Dick Weber, Billy Grieves, Joe Otreba and Dick Caraker**. It is a pure pleasure to be able to visit with you guys, plus hearing Joe Otreba, tell his joke about the moon landing. I would like to add that "DEX" Armstrong, is trying to help us, "Perch Base" by promoting our Cook Books through out the eastern seaboard. It Seems that a shipmate of his, sent he and his wife one for Christmas, his wife and daughter were very taken with it and he feels that all the members of the bases in his area need at least one. Go Get Them Dex. I would like to remind every one that the August meeting will be in Prescott, at the American Legion Post . We all seem to have a great time every year, they have a great post. Thanks to **Ed Brooks** we will have a fine lunch. For the cost of only \$10.00 This is a great time to bring your wife or a friend, and do some sightseeing in cooler country. Their will not be a meeting in September because of the national convention. Hope to see you in "COOL PRESCOTT" Fraternally, *Glenn Herold*, Commander

**Minutes from July's Meeting:**

The regular monthly meeting of the members of the Arizona Submarine Veterans – Perch Base was convened at the American Legion Post #62; Peoria, AZ at 1302 hours, 13 July 2002. The meeting was called to order by the Base Vice Commander - **Glenn Herold**. The members were led in the "pledge of allegiance"; followed by the dedication, moment of silence for our departed shipmates, "tolling of the boats" and the invocation by Base Chaplain, **Howard Doyle**. There were 20 members and 1 guest attending the meeting according to the sailing list. The guests included; **Marvin Huntley** and **Brandi Hershey**. The members welcomed new member **Marvin Huntley** with a round of applause. Marvin is new to the area and found about the Base from members of the American Legion Post. Marvin served on several submarines including the Ulysses S. Grant. It was moved and the motion seconded

that the minutes from the last meeting be approved as published in the Base Newsletter; "The MidWatch". The motion carried by voice vote of the members present. Treasurer (**Robert May**) reported the Base's financial status as the of the first day of July, 2002. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as read. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

**REPORTS BY OFFICERS & CHAIRMEN**

**Glenn Herold** reported for the Base Ship's Store and encouraged the members to purchase items from the large inventory available in the store. He also announced that the Base Patch design had been selected and would soon be available for sale in the ship's store. Glenn also reported that the boat-type cover for the USS Bang Float is progressing and the financial arrangements for paying the contractor are nearing completion. **Ray Samson** reported, as the Newsletter Editor, that **Chuck Emmett** has agreed to assist with the newsletter with the prospect that **Chuck** will take over as Editor after an orderly turnover. There were no other reports from Officers or Committee Chairmen.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Glenn Herold** announced the appointment of a ad hoc committee for planning and conducting the annual Base Christmas Party. The committee will consist of **Dave Hamish, Don Wannamaker** and **Glenn Herold**. Specifics regarding the place, date, time and ticket price for the party will be announced soon. Everyone was reminded to make arrangements to attend the party as early as possible. The capacity of the facilities is limited and the number that can be accommodated is restricted. Preparations for the Phoenix 2002 Veteran's Day Parade were reviewed by **Howard Doyle**. Perch Base will once again join with APS and Palo Verde Nuclear Station in forming one entry in the parade. Announcement of the details and arrangements will be forthcoming as soon as they are finalized. The parade will take place on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. **Glenn Herold** encouraged the Base members to lend their support to American Legion Post 62; our host for the monthly meetings. Perch Base has agreed to help with service at the Post's Sunday Pancake Breakfast once a month on the Sunday following the Base's monthly meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Glenn Herold** called **Mike Keating** and his granddaughter **Brandi Hershey** front and center. Mike was then asked to read a citation recognizing **Brandi** for her volunteer help with serving at the American Legion Post 62 Pancake Breakfast. Ms. **Hershey** service received many positive comments from members of Post 62 and distinguished herself

among the members of Perch Base. Both Mike and his granddaughter received a resounding round of applause from the Perch Base members.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER

Ed Brooks asked the Base members to approve his presenting a plaque from them (the Base members) to Dave Hamish for his leadership as Base Commander. The members agreed to the proposal. The plaque is to be presented at the October meeting. Ed also asked the members for their agreement for him to donate (in the name of the Base), two sets of hand carved submariner's dolphins to be raffled at the USSVI National Convention in Duluth, Minnesota. The proceeds of the raffle to go to the US Submarine Veterans Charitable Foundation and the USSVI Scholarship Fund. The members agreed with the condition that Ed make it known that he produced the dolphins.

#### 50/50 DRAWING

The 50/50 raffle was conducted and **Ray Samson** was the winner. The winner's share was \$35.

#### ADJOURNMENT

All the outstanding business being concluded, it was moved and seconded that the meeting of the Arizona Submarine Veterans - Perch Base be adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote. The Base Chaplain; **Howard Doyle** led the membership in the benediction and closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 13:31 hours.

#### Meeting and Events:

Meeting for August 10<sup>th</sup> will be in Prescott, at the American Legion Post #6. Ladies auxiliary, will be providing lunch at \$10.00 per. person. Take I-17 Borth out of Phoenix, for approximately 50 miles. Exit at AZ-69 North exit, number 262 towards Cordes Jct Rd/Prescott. Merge onto AZ-69 and go West for approximately 34 Miles. Take the US-69 South ramp for approximately 1/2 Mile, then merge onto East Gurley Street and travel 0.6 Mile to South Pleasant Street. South on Pleasant to Number, 202. A printable map is on the Perch web site. Lets have a grand turnout for this meeting, and bring the wife's, they will love it.



#### Perch Base Booster Club 2002:

Thank You for your "Above & Beyond" assistance:  
**Jerry N. Allston, Ken Anderson, Bob Bailey, Kenneth E. Becker, Jerry Becker, Joseph A. Bernard, Richard Bernier, Harold J. Bidigare, Wayne A. Braastad, Michael J. Breitner, Edgar Brooks, James F. Clewett, Roger J. Cousin, Earl Crowley, Stephen F. Day, Warner Doyle Jr., Jeff Duncan,**

**Ronald D. Eddy, Tom Fooshee, Ray Lee Graybeal, Charles Greene, Billy A. Grieves, Warren A. Grossetta, Michael J. Haler, Robert Hanson, Dave Hamish, John T. Hellem, Glenn Herold, Lester R Hillman, Stephen F. Hough, Mike Keating, Ron Kloch, Larry L. Krieger, Paul Lake, Robert A. Lancendorfer, Doug La Rock, George Marions, Dale Martin, Robert E. May, Bill Mc Nay, Roger M Miller, Roger R Miller, Joseph R. Mullins, Jim A. Nelson, James W. Newman Sr., Joe Otreba, Thomas B. Patterson, Raymond A. Perron, Royce E Pettit, Scott Prothero, Larry M. Rankin, Dan Reel, Frank W. Rumbaugh, Ramon Samson, Dick Schiltneck, Douglas F. Schultz, Tyler Smith, Wayne Smith, Robert G. Sothern, Adrian M. Stuke, James Wall, Kenny Wayne, Richard Weber, Don Wannamaker, Donald Whitehead, Ed Wolf, George Woods, Jerry D. Yowell.**

#### Small Stores:

Our Storekeeper, **Garry L. Shumann**, has a comprehensive array of USSVI Small Stores, consisting of hats, shirts, sweat shirts, belt buckles, beer mugs, cocktail glasses, coffee mugs, and a slew of other memorabilia. Give him a call or better yet, come to a meeting and see everything first hand! If you want, you can order from the web site at <http://perch-base.org> Garry's address and phone number on front cover.

#### Sea Bag Aboard & Stowed:

Welcome aboard Shipmate **Marvin L. Huntly**. Marvin is fairly new to the valley, and resides in Goodyear. His origins are from Glenrock Wyoming. He qualified on USS U.S. Grant SSBN631 BlueCrew as MM3, in April of 1990. Serving also on USS Gurnard SSN662 from 1992 to 1994 he left the Navy as a MM2(SS). Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting Marvin and once again "Welcome Aboard".

#### Sub Missions Increase:

(By **Vernon Loeb** Washington Post Staff Writer) Friday, July 5, 2002; Page A19 The global war on terrorism has increased the demand for intelligence-gathering missions by Navy attack submarines by 30 percent, further stressing a fleet that had more spy missions than it could handle even before the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, senior Navy officials said this week. While aircraft carriers and fighter jets have been the most visible Navy participants in the war, attack submarines have been secretly patrolling the waters of countries such as Iran, Pakistan, Yemen and Somalia gathering acoustic intelligence underwater and intercepting communications with small surface antennas. Navy submarine commanders are hoping the increased demand for intelligence will help double the number of Virginia-class submarines being built to two a year. "They can stay out there