

January 2008 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Arizona Submarine Veterans, Perch Base was convened at the Airline Training Center of Arizona (ATCA), Goodyear, AZ at 1302 hours, 19 January 2008. Stan Reinhold, Base Commander, called the meeting to order.

The membership was led in a prayer of invocation by Chaplain Howard Doyle followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a standard ceremonial opening. A moment of silence was observed for shipmates on eternal patrol and the tolling ceremony for boats lost in January was conducted.

According to the sailing list, there were thirty-five members and guests present. We welcomed new member Ted Hunt and guest Bill Fasciano. Bill should be joining us at the next meeting.

Minutes from the November 2007 regular meeting as published in the Midwatch were approved.

Treasurer Jim Denzien reported the Base's financial status as of the first day of January 2008. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as read. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Reports of Officers and Committee Chairmen

Vice Commander - Bob Gilmore had nothing to report.

Secretary/Treasurer - Jim Denzien had nothing additional to report.

Chief of the Boat – Jim Edwards was not present.

Chaplain – Howard Doyle had nothing to report for the past month. Additional information will be published in the Midwatch.

Membership Chairman/Webmaster – Ramon Samson reported that we may be losing 7 annual members. He also stated that both he and Chuck Emmett were looking for replacements for their positions.

Newsletter Editor – Chuck Emmett had nothing to report.

Storekeeper – Jim Nelson had nothing to report.

Past Base Commander - Tim Moore had nothing to report.

The Subvettes were not represented.

Old Business

Jim Denzien reported on the status of the float construction and the potential for getting an area to store and work on the float at the Naval Reserve Center.

Roger Cousin reported on the status of the Phoenix Commission and the attempt to get the sail of the USS Phoenix (SSN 702) located in the city.

Stan Reinhold reminded the group that the base had made a donation to support the 2009 ISA convention in San Diego. ISA/USA is hosting the convention.

The joint meeting of the Western Region and Subvets WWII will be in Albuquerque in early April. The application is in the Midwatch.

All hands were reminded that the Awards Banquet last December was very successful for those that attended. We will be looking to do the same for the 2008 banquet. Jim Denzien was selected as the Sailor of the Year.

New Business

Dick Caraker announced that he was taking orders for the 2009 WWII Submarine Veterans calendar. If interested, contact Dick directly.

Jim Denzien reported on the status of the formation of the "Arizona Submarine Veterans Perch Base Foundation". The formation of this foundation will allow us to give tax deductible credit for donations made. The foundation will become a 501c(3) organization.

Stan Reinhold reported that the guns donated by Frank Rumbaugh to the Base had been appraised and we would soon be readying them for auction/raffle.

Howard Doyle was designated the point of contact for anyone interested in assisting other groups that maintain Museum boats as memorials.

We will be adding the proposed schedule for upcoming uses of our float to the Midwatch.

Good of the Order

Sandy Bernard spoke to the group and thanked everyone for the support she received when her husband Joe departed on eternal patrol.

Tim Moore reported on the status of the Kap(SS) for Kid(SS) program. We have received the hats and we will be distributing them on either the 1st or the 8th of February.

50/50 Drawing

The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Robie Robinson.

Adjournment

All the outstanding business having been concluded, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote.

Chaplain Howard Doyle offered the closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 1405.

Jim Denzien
Base Secretary/Treasurer