

Base Meeting Minutes March 2013 Herb Herman Secretary

The March 9 2013 regular Perch Base meeting was called to order at 12 noon by the base commander, Jim Denzien. The meeting was held at its usual location, Dillon's restaurant at 59th Ave. and the 101. The invocation was given by the Howard Doyle followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The purpose of the USSVI was read followed by the Tolling for the Boats ceremony was conducted for those ships lost during the month of March.

Denzien acknowledged guests, Angie and Jeffery Grams and new members Donald and Vance Walbaum. Mark Field a prospective new member acknowledged and Dave Linker (WD2C) in attendance. Jim Foot is moving to the Phoenix area and in attendance.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February Base meeting as published in the MidWatch. Approved by voice vote

Treasurer, Bob Warner read the Treasurers' report for January. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report. Motion was approved by voice vote.

Base Commander's Board of Directors (BOD) Report

Jim thanked all members for their ongoing support while he has been in Office. This is his last meeting as Commander and he will be running for the Office of Western District 2 Commander (WD1C).

Events Calendar:

- Unified Arizona Veterans (UAV) meeting monthly summary; Denzien introduced Mark Fields, editor of the Arizona Veterans Magazine and said more information would be introduced later.
- Picnic will be in May 11, the location is as in the past, White tank Mountain park and we will be seeking volunteers to help with cooking etc.
- A VA representative will attend the April meeting and Jim needs e-mail with questions you desire to be addressed.
- A discussion on permission to park the boat at the National cemetery for Memorial Day was conducted.
- Also there are 3 former military representatives on the state legislature. They are forming a caucus for vets.
- Paradise RV resort parade participation approved.
- Awatukee school participation.
- Flagstaff participation with Tucson and Gudgeon base
- Memorial Day activities at national cemetery for WWII and Perch Base
- Military Entrance Processing Station(MEPS) event upcoming RSVP.
- Look on web page for "HOT ITEMS" for upcoming events.

Board Officer reports

Membership: Rick Simmons said we have 3 new members and one prospective members. The base total is now 151 with Marks membership.

Vice Commander: Howard Doyle thanked all that helped out on the services recently for Stuke and Varese.

Secretary: Herb Herman said the ballots were gathered for counting.

COB: Richard Kunze had nothing to report.

Storekeeper: DeWayne Lober gave general report on what is available in ships store, including Save Our Sail hats.

Base Historian: Jim Newman had nothing to report.

Base Chaplain: Steve Leon was n ot present at the meeting.

Event Coordinator: Walt Blomgren said a volunteer was needed to tow the boat in the March 16 St. Patrick's

Day Parade at Paradise RV Park.

Communications Officer: Chuck Emmett presented Howard Doyle a birthday card.

Arizona Silent Service Memorial Chairman (ASSM): Dan Moss said that a meeting will follow after the Base

meeting.

Old Business

Picnic: It will be at White Tank Park May 11. Jim is going to invite other Arizona Bases to join us. The time is from 11am to 3 pm. We will be holding a Holland Club induction and may do so with other bases. The picnic is for you and your family.

New Business

- Members were encouraged to contact Walt Blomgren if there are interested in towing the float to events.
- There will be a VA representative at April 13 meeting send EMAIL on any questions you have.
- Election results announcement, Commander Howard Doyle and Vice Commander is Chuck Emmett. Chuck will continue with the Base communication responsibilities.
- Joe Varese daughter gave thanks for our help with Joe's service. Joe donated some memorabilia to the base.
- Tim Moore designated Perch BASE Representative to the International Submarine convention.

Good of the Order

- TIM Moore presented a certificate of appreciation to Jim Denzien.
- Stan was acknowledged and spoke about his plans to open a west side non-profit soup kitchen.
- Short discussion on who is going to the USSVI convention and Richar Kuntz is the Base representative.

Binnacle List

Nothing to report

50/50 Drawing

Winner was Dewey Reed.

<u>Adjournment</u>

A motion was made and seconded to close the meeting; motion passed by voice vote. The closing benediction was given by Howard Doyle and the meeting adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

SAILING LIST March 9, 2013

Don DeMarte Jim Edwards **Gary Waterbury** Bill Malda Herb Herman John Schlag Richard Bernier Steven Stanger Dan Moss Dave Linker Royce Pettit Jim Newman Jeffery Grams Angie Grams Jim Foote Ted Hunt Richard Kuntz Peter Tardiff Rick Simmons Walter Blomgren Chuck Emmett Herb Coulter Vance Walbaum Donald Walbaum Robert & Pat Warner Dewey & Dottie Reed George Crider Tim Moore Howard Doyle Jim Denzien Don Unser Davy Jones R W Wright Bill Woolcott Robie Robinson George Woods Ray Marshall John Zaichkin Doug LaRock Mike Dahl Stan Reinhold