# MINUTES OF THE USSVI NORTHERN VIRGINIA BASE MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY, Nov 10, 2012

The Base CDR, Howard Chatham, called the meeting to order at 1110 on Nov 10, 2012 at the P J Skidoos restaurant in Fairfax, VA, and welcomed all members and guests.

## MEMBERS AND GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Al Anceravage, Debbie Bishop, Steve Bishop, Art Bivens, Marcy Bivens, Cathy Chatham, Howard Chatham, Brian Haller, Pat Haller, Darlene Jaeger, Steve Jaeger, Chuck Martin, Bruce Miller, Paul Nelson, Terry Nelson, Tom Perrault (District Commander), Lorraine Sargent, Ross Sargent, Gary Smith, George Steeg, Lee Turner, Anita Varone, Mike Varone, George Wallace, Penny Wallace, Reb Wooten, Ruri Wooten, and our guest speaker, RADM (ret) Mike Yurina. (28 total)

Holland Club Member	Associate Member	Guest
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The Base Commander, Howard Chatham, led all hands in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chaplain, Steve Jaeger, delivered the Invocation.

After a moment of silence, The CDR read the list of boats lost in the month of November. These were:

USS Albacore (SS-218)	Nov 7, 1944
USS Growler (SS-215)	Nov 8, 1944
USS Scamp (SS-277)	Nov 9, 1944
USS Corvina (SS-226)	Nov 16, 1943
USS Sculpin (SS-191)	Nov 19, 1943

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The CDR reported that the minutes of the October meeting were distributed by e-mail and the treasury has a balance of \$4,368.96 . A reminder was made noting that 2013 dues are due by December 31, 2012.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Because this meeting is dedicated to honoring our 2012 Holland Club inductee and other Holland Club members, the following reports were not presented this month: Membership Report; COB; Public Relations / Veterans; Kap(ss) 4 Kid(ss); Regional Director (Mike Naughton); District Commander (Tom Perrault); and Submarine League.

The Base Commander reported that there will be a Veteran's Day ceremony in Rockville MD on the  $11^{th}$  and all veterans are welcome to attend.

The Base Commander then announced the nominations for our slate of elected 2013 officers as:

Base Commander: Howard Chatham

Vice Commander: Paul Nelson and George Wallace

Treasurer: Steve Jaeger Secretary: Steve Bishop

The Base Commander called for additional nominations from the floor and none were made. Ballots will be sent out to all members by e-mail (plus snail mail to two members). Directions for filling in and submitting the ballot are on the ballot. Ballots or portions of ballots that don't comply will not be counted. Ballots are due to the Base Secretary by the start of the next meeting at 1100, Saturday, December 8th at the American Legion Post 162 in Lorton, VA.

# **HOLLAND CLUB INDUCTION:**

The Base CDR commenced the ceremony by noting the history of the Holland Club, thanking Lee Turner for a job well done both in the service and afterwards, and recognizing Holland Club members in attendance: Al Anceravage, Art Bivens, Paul Nelson, Ross Sargent, George Steeg, and Reb Wootten.

The Base CDR then read Lee Turner's biography and presented him with Holland Club certificates, hat, and challenge coin and introduced him to the attendees as the USSVI NOVA Base's 2012 Holland Club inductee.

## **GUEST SPEAKER:**

**RADM** (ret) Mike Yurina delivered the Holland Club luncheon speech and honored Lee Turner, our new inductee. Mike spoke of the past and current roles of the submarine force. Although the submarine force's strategies and tactics may have changed over the decades, our dedication to underlying principles has not waivered (e.g. keeping water out of the people tank, making the number of our surfaces equal to the number of dives for us but not the enemy ships, and standing on the shoulders of those who have gone before us, who led the way, qualified us, and set the standards for excellence for those who follow in our submarine fleet today.)

The Base CDR then thanked and presented RADM Mike Yurina with a challenge coin for the USS Sturgeon (SSN 637), his original qualification boat.

The next USSVI NOVA Base meeting will be on Saturday, December 8th at 11:00 AM and will be followed by lunch a Madigan's Restaurant in Occoquan, VA (on the waterfront).

The Chaplain gave the benediction and the Base CDR adjourned the meeting at 12:15 PM.

PJ Skidoos then served all attendees an excellent lunch. Congratulations and BZ again to Lee Turner, our 2012 inductee to the USSVI Holland Club!!!!

Final word from Steve and Steve: Please bring your ballots and dues to the next meeting, if not already cast or paid.

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Meeting Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Stephen C Bishop Secretary, USSVI Northern Virginia Base