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MINUTES OF THE USSVI NORTHERN VIRGINIA BASE MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9th, 2021

The Base Vice CDR, Brian Haller, called the meeting to order at 1131 on October 9th, 2021, at the Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden St., Herndon, VA and welcomed all members and guests; in particular our Holland Club inductees and their families and guests, and our Holland Club distinguished speaker, CDR George Wallace, USN, Ret. The meeting was also conducted using the Zoom web conferencing application to allow attendance by Base members not in the local area.

MEMBERS AND GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Steve Bishop, **Deborah Bishop**, **Arthur Bivens**, Joe Castell, **Howard Chatham**, **Catherine Chatham**, **John “Bud” Cunnally**, **Tom Denton** (USSVI Tri-State Base CDR), **Bob Dickey**, **Michael “Mickey” Garverick**, **Arthur Glover**, **Carole Glover**, **Robert Glover**, Brian Haller, **Pat Haller**, **Ginger Haskell**, **Richard (Dick) Hamly**, **Gloria Hamly**, **Steve Jaeger**, **Darlene Jaeger**, **Stephen Jaeger**, Chuck Martin, Tim Oliver, **Ginger Oliver**, **Joe Phoenix**, **Marie Phoenix**, **Ross Sargent**, **Mike Varone**, George Wallace, **Penny Wallace**, and **Woody Woodworth** (31 total).

■ Holland Club Member

■ Associate Member

■ Guest

The **COB**, Mike Varone, led all hands in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The **Chaplain**, Mickey Garverick, delivered the Invocation.

The **Vice CDR**, Brian Haller, read the list of boats lost in October. These were:

USS O-5 (SS-66)	October 29, 1923
USS S-44 (SS-155)	October 7, 1943
USS WAHOO (SS-238)	October 11, 1943
USS DORADO (SS-248)	October 12, 1943
USS SEAWOLF (SS-197)	October 3, 1944
USS ESCOLAR (SS-294)	October 17, 1944
USS SHARK (SS-314)	October 24, 1944
USS DARTER (SS-227)	October 24, 1944
USS TANG (SS-306)	October 25, 1944

The **COB** then tolled the ship’s bell twice for the 32 USSVI Northern Virginia Base members on Eternal Patrol.

IN MEMORIAM: CAPT Franklin Theodore King, USN, Ret—8/8/2021; CAPT Carl John Triebes, Jr., USN, Ret—8/26/2021; CAPT Robert J. Touhey, USN, Ret—8/28/2021; CAPT John Anthony Pasko, USN, Ret—9/7/2021; CWO4 Ronald F. Seedorf, USN, Ret—9/7/2021; MMC(SS) Carsten Eric “Carl” Stigers, USN, Ret—9/24/2021; CAPT John D. Peters, USN, Ret—9/19/2021; CAPT James H. Patton, Jr., USN, Ret—9/27/2021.



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The Binnacle List

Please keep the following in your thoughts and prayers: Alvin Anceravage, Cathy Chatham, Barbara Harmody, Steve Jaeger, Francis McNamara, Robert R. Miller, Tom Perrault, Joe Phoenix, Marie Phoenix, and Tony Poblete.

For the Good of the Order, the VCDR read the list of birthdays for October: Al Anceravage, Louise Decker, Mike Kwiecien, Lou Maruzo, Ed Mattran, Mark Shafer, George Wallace, and the United States Navy.

The following items of normal committee reports, and old and new business are included here for completeness, but were not discussed at the meeting:

MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the September 2021 meeting were previously distributed by email.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

•	Beginning Cash on Hand:	\$ 10,416.67
•	Receipts:	
-	NFCU Interest/Dividends	\$ 0.09
-	50/50 Raffle	\$ 45.00
-	Donation to Base	\$ 45.00
-	Sale of Items	\$ 5.00
•	Expenditures:	
-	Holland Club Ballcaps	\$ (60.00)
-	2022 USSVI Calendars	\$ (70.00)
-	Picnic Catering (Dixie Bones)	\$ (371.54)
-	Donation Groton Base Thanksgiving	\$ (100.00)
-	2022 Liability Insurance Premium	\$ (25.00)
•	Ending Sub-Total:	\$ 9,885.22
	- Minus Local K4K Restricted Use Funds	(\$1,379.40)
•	Total Local Discretionary Funds	\$ 8,505.82
•	USSVICF NOVA Base K4K Balance:	\$ 3,054.10
•	Total K4K Funds (Local + USSVICF):	\$ 4,433.50

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** meeting was held on September 29th, 2021, via Zoom. The meeting agenda included:

- Committee Reports
- Membership



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- 2021 Holland Club
- K4K Program
- Other Base events/calendar

PAO:

- Alvin Anceravage 100th birthday was on October 7. EXCOM sent a birthday card and initiated a birthday card campaign.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

- 42 Holland Club members,
 - 3 WW II members
- 29 Regular members
- 8 Associate members
- Annual membership for Regular and Associate Members expires on December 31 of the year that dues expire. Emails will be sent shortly reminding you that your membership expires this year and requesting you pay your dues early.
- Early Bird drawing will be held on December 11th at our meeting. Members who have paid their annual membership dues by December 11th will be eligible for the drawing. Winners will have their next Base annual fees paid for by the Base.
- Early Bird winners from last year were: Regular Member—George Wallace and Associate Member—Cathy Chatham. Their 2022 Base member dues will be paid for by the Base.

CHAPLAIN:

- Base sent a condolence email and card to Steve Bell.
- Interim National Chaplain is Raymond Fritz

KAPS 4 KIDS:

- K4K funds and supplies are good, no anticipated requests in 2021.
- Awaiting information from school year outcomes in dealing with COVID-19 to determine if hospital visits can be conducted this fall.

SCOUTING COORDINATOR, nothing to report.

STOREKEEPER:

- Storekeeper has USSVI NOVA challenge coins, submarine stickers, and 2022 USSVI Calendars.
- Storekeeper also has access to National USSVI SK, Submarine Ships Store, and SubmarineShop.com items for purchases.
- Contact Howard at storekeeper@ussvinova.org if you have an interest in purchasing any submarine-related merchandise.



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WEBMASTER:

- No issues with the Base website.
- Base speakers and presentations are now on the Base website.
 - Go to the USSVI Northern Virginia Base website at www.ussvinova.org
 - Scroll down the home page until you reach the Photo Album/Presentations section
 - Click on the Presentations hyperlink listed in the second bullet
 - A new page will open up with the list of available presentations and the hyperlink for viewing the presentation
 - Select the presentation(s) you wish to view and click on the associated hyperlink

NAVAL SUBMARINE LEAGUE (NSL):

- NSL Headquarters address is 405 North Henry Street, Alexandria, VA 22314; phone number is 703-256-0891.
- NSL Brick Campaign:
 - You can contribute to the Capital Campaign by purchasing a brick for the patio at the NSL headquarters. This is an opportunity to display your name, your boat's name, the NSL logo, or a message up to 3 lines of 18 characters each. At \$140 each, an NSL brick would make a great gift! And it is a donation, so tax-deductible to the extent you can deduct charitable contributions
 - To buy a brick, go to the NSL website...SUPPORT US...NSL SHOPPING...and place your order, or click on the link:
https://app.etapestry.com/cart/NavalSubmarineLeague_1/default/index.php
- 2021 Annual Symposium and Industry Update:
 - Scheduled for 17-18 November 2012
 - Location: Hyatt Regency Crystal City, Alexandria, VA
 - Registration information is be posted on the NSL website

The International Submariners Association of The United States of America (ISA/USA):

- Upcoming International Submarines Congress:
 - Date: May 22-26, 2022
 - Location: Karlskrona, Sweden
 - Activities include Naval Museum tour, Naval Base tour, Memorial Service, Boat trip, and local activities
 - Application for participation needs to be submitted no later than December 31st, 2021, and payment of the conference fee no later than February 28th, 2022
 - For more information, visit their website at <http://www.57isc.com/>
- 11-day Scandinavia & Russia Cruise after the Congress:
 - Roundtrip from Copenhagen, Denmark on board the Enchanted Princess cruise ship
 - 26 May 2022 to 6 June 2022. Ship leaves at 1800
 - Interior cabins from \$1959*
 - *Pricing is per person, double occupancy; USD
 - Mention while you are booking you are traveling with the ISA/USA group for some extra goodies



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- To join the International Submariners Association of The United States of America (ISA/USA Inc) visit their website www.isausa.org/
 - Life membership to the ISA/USA is \$50.00
 - Application is on the ISA/USA website
 - There are 33 countries as members of ISA

Upcoming submarine reunions:

- USS DOGFISH (SS 350)—October 13-16, 2021, North Little Rock, AR
- USS HENRY L. STIMPSON (SSBN 655)—October 13-17, 2021, Cincinnati, OH
- USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (SSBN 602)—October 28-31, 2021, Charlotte, NC
- USS JOHN C. CALHOUN (SSBN 630)—October 28-30, 2021, Charleston, SC
- USS CHOPPER (SS 342)—November 3-7, 2021, Mobile, AL
- USS REMORA (SS 487)—November 3-7, 2021, St. Marys, GA
- USS ROBERT E. LEE (SSBN 601)—November 3-7, 2021, Kingsland, GA
- USS PATRICK HENRY (SSBN 599)—November 4-7, 2021, Kings Bay, GA

Call or Email the POC listed in the *American Submariner* to determine the status of reunions.

OLD BUSINESS

- The Base received the items from Ray Stone's collection of submarine memorabilia that he bequeathed to the base. The items included various plaques, a poker set, and multiple framed prints. The EXCOM has decided that the items will be placed for bid at our Pirate Auction this year. The CDR will take photos of the items for Base member review.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2021 TRICARE Open Season period is from November 8, 2021 through December 13, 2021.
 - TRICARE eligible Veterans can either enroll in a plan, change plans, or do nothing to keep their current plan.
 - Eligible Veterans may enroll in Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP)
 - Vision coverage is available for those enrolled in a TRICARE health plan
 - Dental coverage is available for those who are eligible for a TRICARE health plan.
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has a VA Welcome Kit that can help guide you to the benefits and services you've earned. The VA Welcome Kit is available for downloading or viewing at <https://www.va.gov/welcome-kit/>
- Veterans, Gold Star Families get free entrance to national parks, refuges, other public lands
 - Since Veterans Day 2020, Gold Star Families and US military veterans are eligible to receive free access to more than 2,000 federal recreation areas, including national parks, wildlife refuges, and forests. The free access program is a way to thank America's veterans, Gold Star Families, and current military and their dependents for



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their support of our country and to encourage them to explore recreational opportunities on their public lands and waters.

- For purposes of this program, a veteran is identified as an individual who has served in the US Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, and is able to present one of the following forms of identification or the Interagency Military Pass when entering a national park:
 - Department of Defense Identification Card (non-expired CAC Card)
 - Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC)
 - Veteran ID Card
 - Veterans designation on a state-issued US driver's license or identification card
- Free access is for the veteran or the holder of the Gold Star Family voucher as well as travelling companions who are occupants of a single, private non-commercial vehicle OR the veteran or voucher-holder and three persons (16 and older) where per person fees are charged. The voucher is non-transferrable and void if altered.
- The program waives entrance or standard amenity fees for the following agencies:
 - National Park Service
 - Bureau of Land Management
 - Bureau of Reclamation
 - US Fish and Wildlife Service
 - US Forest Service
 - US Army Corps of Engineers
- For more information about the program and how to obtain your pass, visit <https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/veterans-and-gold-star-families-free-access.htm>
- For the latest COVID-19 information in the Northern Virginia area visit one of the below websites:
 - State of Virginia – <https://vaccinate.virginia.gov>
 - Dept of Veterans Affairs – <https://www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine>
 - Arlington County – <https://www.arlingtonva.us/covid-19/>
 - City of Alexandria – <https://www.alexandriava.gov/Coronavirus>
 - Fairfax County – <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/covid19/>
 - Prince William County – <https://coronavirus.pwcgov.org>

BASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our next base meeting will be on November 11th, 2021, at the American Legion Post 364 and via Zoom, followed by our Pirate Auction.
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The Vice CDR turned the podium over our Master of Ceremonies for this years USSVI Northern Virginia Base Holland Club Induction, USSVI Northern Virginia Base Chief of the Boat, Michael Varone.

The COB then introduced our guest speaker, CDR George Wallace, USN, Ret.

Commander George Wallace, USN (ret.) served in the US Navy for twenty-two years as an officer on nuclear submarines. After receiving his commission through Naval ROTC and a degree in Engineering at The Ohio State University, he served on USS JOHN ADAMS (SSBN



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620) and the USS WOODROW WILSON (SSBN 624) including several patrols out of Kings Bay.

Commander Wallace served as Executive Officer on the Sturgeon class nuclear attack submarine USS SPADEFISH (SSN 668). He commanded the USS HOUSTON (SSN 713) from February 1990 to August 1992. Under his command, the HOUSTON was awarded the CIA Meritorious Unit Citation. He completed his active-duty career as Assistant Chief of Staff, Submarine Group Five.

George and Don Keith teamed up to write the best-selling novel *Final Bearing* and then *Firing Point*, which was adapted to become the major motion picture *Hunter-Killer*. Their other submarine thriller novels include *Dangerous Grounds*, *Cuban Deep*, *Fast Attack*, *Arabian Storm*, and the latest release *Warshot*. Independently, he is the author of *Operation Golden Dawn*.

George holds an MBA from the University of Phoenix and a degree in International Studies from the Naval War College. In addition to numerous technical papers and articles, he holds two patents from the US Patent and Trademark Office. After retiring from active duty, he held several positions as CTO or VP/Director of Special Projects in non-defense industry startups. Returning to his Submarine roots, he was Director of Business Development for L3 Communications, focusing on sonar systems in US and Asia Markets. George joined Perot Systems, now NTT Data, in 2009 where he is Vice President – Navy Business, overseeing all of NTT Data's Navy work.

An avid woodworker, George has an extensive home workshop and keeps busy producing furniture, turnings, and custom pens for family and friends. He bicycles daily to and from the Washington Navy Yard.

Commander Wallace and his wife Penny live in Alexandria, Virginia.

George thanked the COB, but stated that due to COVID and teleworking, he wasn't biking to work daily.

George provided a very timely discussion about current events, the ideas and concepts articulated in his books, whether real or imagined, regarding the possibilities of submarines and submarine operations in the future. The art of war and the ethical questions that unmanned vehicles, both airborne and submerged, bring to the fight, was something neither he nor our Holland Club Inductees ever had to imagine; but are truly something today's submarine force must contend with and employ to defend our nation.

The Master of Ceremonies thanked George for his presentation and presented him with a 2022 USSVI Calendar.

The Master of Ceremonies stated that this was a very special occasion for all submarine veterans, and we take this opportunity to show our appreciation, recognize, and thank three of our



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shipmates—LT Howard Chatham, LT Richard Hamly, and ET2(SS) Steven Jaeger; by inducting them into the prestigious United States Submarine Veterans Holland Club.

Before the Induction, all Holland Club member in attendance were asked to stand so they, too, could be recognized. **Holland Club members Arthur Bivens, Bob Dickey, Mickey Garverick, Robert Glover, Joe Phoenix, Ross Sargent, Mike Varone, and Woody Woodworth** all stood and received a round of applause.

The Master of Ceremonies called the three inductees forward to the head table. He read their biographies, and each was presented with the USSVI Holland Club certificate and card by the Base Secretary, their Holland Club ballcap, coin, and patch by Woody Woodworth, and a large poster of their qualboat by the Base CDR/USSVI NE District Four Commander.

LT HOWARD M. CHATHAM

Howard graduated from Iowa State University in 1968 and was commissioned as an Ensign and assigned to the submarine force. He attended Naval Nuclear Power School at Bainbridge MD and Naval Nuclear Power Prototype training at Windsor Locks CT before reporting to one of the first five-week Submarine Officer Indoctrination Courses in Groton CT. When boat selection time came up, he decided upon the USS Seawolf (SSN-575) based out of Groton CT.

As the boat was in the Med finishing up her deployment, he rode the USS Corporal (SS346) across the Atlantic to Rota Spain in November of 1969 spending only six hours submerged during the transit confirming his decision to go nuclear power as there was only about six hours of surfaced time during the Seawolf's return transit.

Howard initially was assigned as Reactor Controls Officer, then Electrical and IC Division Officer, followed by a stint as Weapons Officer. During his tour, the Seawolf conducted local operations in the North Atlantic including a trip above the Arctic Circle where they were actually hit by a practice torpedo during sub-on-sub exercises. In November 1970 the boat transited the Panama Canal and shifted home port to Mare Island Naval Shipyard in Vallejo CA for overhaul and conversion to a special projects boat. He completed his qualifications in submarines in December 1971, conducted his own course of instruction for Nuclear Engineer (as the Mare Island NPS had shutdown), and passed the Engineer's exam in January 1973.

He then persuaded the detailer to get him selected and assigned to the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey CA in March where he completed a Master of Science degree in Engineering Electronics. While in Monterey he met up, and roomed, with a college roommate who introduced him to his future wife, Cathy. The Navy yanked him out of PGS two months early and sent him to Pascagoula MS as Navigator on USS Shark (SSN591) bypassing the Submarine Officer Advanced Course.

Howard joined the crew of the USS Shark in overhaul at Litton Industries Shipyard in June of 1975. They did send him to Charleston for a two-week Navigator course (while Cathy stayed



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home to ride out hurricane Eloise). Shortly after reporting the CO additionally assigned him as Supply Officer and Food Services Officer.

In March 1976 Howard was again reassigned to USS Seawolf (SSN-575) in Vallejo CA as NAV/OPS/WEPS and conducted three special operations in the northwestern Pacific over the next two years. He will neither confirm nor deny any mention of the boat in the book Blind Man's Bluff, but he bought a copy of it for Cathy to read.

In June 1978, Howard was transferred to the staff of the Naval Submarine School, Groton CT and served as the Submarine Surveillance and Equipment Program Atlantic Fleet Support Officer, Special Security/Intelligence Officer, and ultimately as an Advanced Tactics Department Instructor.

In 1980, upon completing PXO school, he joined the crew of USS George Washington (SSBN-598 Blue) home ported in Pearl Harbor HI as their Executive Officer. The boat conducted two Strategic Missile Deterrent patrols out of Guam (note – he was not on the crew that sank the Japanese freighter in 1981), offloaded missiles in Bangor WA, consolidated the Blue and Gold crews, and then completed conversion from SSBN to SSN in Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard.

In October 1982 Howard was transferred to the Strategic Systems Program Office in Crystal City VA where he served as the TRIDENT Submarine Project Manager in charge of development of requirements and specifications, installation, and testing for Command and Control Systems, Hull, Mechanical, Electrical, and Ordnance, and Nuclear Propulsion trainers for the submarine training facility under construction in Kings Bay GA.

Howard retired from the Navy in June 1988 as a LCDR and joined American Systems Corporation initially serving as Senior Systems Engineer providing support for the Naval Sea Systems Command for the TRIDENT Training Facility Kings Bay Trainer Acquisition program. He was then promoted to Project Manager and Line Manager of the TRIDENT Training Facilities engineering and logistics support efforts. Over the years he became the Trusted Agent for the Naval Sea Systems Command Training Division in the areas of submarine imaging, communications, and electronic warfare training systems. He retired from American Systems in 2012 and has tried to keep out of trouble ever since (not always succeeding).

He has been a treasurer for his neighborhood Civic Association, Webelos Den Leader and Cubmaster for a Cub Scout Pack, committee member and treasurer for a BSA Troop, National Secretary for the Angel Collectors Club of America (eight years), Music Committee chairman for his church and member of several handbell choirs (been ringing for over 30 years), member of the Military Officers Association of America, Naval Submarine League, International Submarine Association, and, of course, the United States Submarine Veterans. In the latter organization he has been Secretary and Commander of the Northern Virginia Base and was presented with a Robert Link Award in 2015 by the National Commander.



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LT RICHARD D. HAMLY

Dick Hamly was born in Orlando, Florida, on January 4, 1943, to Charles Dana Hamly and Evelyn (Cates) Hamly. He grew up in Coconut Grove, Florida, just south of Miami where he attended Coral Gables High School. During summers he worked in boat yards splicing wire rope, doing rigging work, and refinishing. His father, a boatswain's mate, taught him the skills. He applied for, and was accepted, as a NROTC scholarship candidate.

Dick attended Tulane University in New Orleans and graduated in 1965 with a BS in physics. He was commissioned Ensign on June 9, 1965. That same month, he married Marilyn Idyll of Coral Gables, FL, and reported to Submarine School in Groton, CT. He completed this training in Class #131 in December 1965. He then attended Nuclear Power School at Mare Island, CA, from January to July 1966. Prototype training followed at the A1W reactor facility in Idaho from July to December of 1966.

He was promoted to LTJG in December 1966 and reported aboard the USS JOHN C. CALHOUN (SSBN 630). For the next three and a half years, Dick rotated through many of the ship's divisions and departments, spending most of his time in the Engineering Dept. He was qualified in submarines in April 1969. Captain Jewell awarded the dolphins and later that year, Dick was promoted to LT.

Detaching from the Calhoun in 1970, he reported to USS DRUM (SSN 677) undergoing new construction at Mare Island. He was the first officer to report to DRUM and was fortunate enough to ride her down the ways. Dick served as the Main Propulsion Assistant (MPA) for the first year. In June 1971, he received orders to USS NEREUS (AS 17) in San Diego as Assistant Repair Officer and Assistant to the Commanding Officer on nuclear matters, as NEREUS was undergoing inactivation. Dick then became Executive Officer of NEREUS during the ocean tow back to Mare Island for decommissioning.

From October 1971 to May 1973, Dick was assigned to Portsmouth Naval Shipyard as Ship Superintendent for several submarine overhauls and as Senior Ship Superintendent for the new construction and testing of YFN-1238, floating nuclear decontamination facility. In April 1972, while at the Shipyard, he changed his designator from Line Officer to Engineering Duty Officer (EDO).

In May 1973, he was sent to graduate school at MIT. In August 1974, he was promoted to LCDR. Dick graduated in 1976 with a MS in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering and a post-masters degree in Naval Architecture.

In July 1976, Dick reported to Naval Reactors Representative Office (NRRO) in Groton, CT where he served as Technical Assistant to the Naval Reactors Representative for the Groton area. While working at NRRO, Groton, Dick oversaw the overhaul of USS SKIPJACK and USS DANIEL WEBSTER. He also was involved in the new construction efforts of USS OMAHA. He also conducted oversight of reactor start-ups on USS NAUTILUS and the NR-1 at the Submarine Base in Groton.



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March 1978 brought a transfer to Mare Island Naval Shipyard as Refueling Ship Superintendent for the last refueling overhaul of USS SEAWOLF (SSN 575). He was later assigned as Senior Ship Superintendent for the overhaul of USS SNOOK (SSN 592). After the SNOOK overhaul, he managed the Waterfront Engineering Support Group, Code 243, at Mare Island.

In May 1981, Dick was assigned to Naval Sea Systems Command to the program office for design and procurement of 688 class submarines, where he was assigned as Deputy Director for SSN 688 class design. In this assignment, he worked with private shipyards to resolve design issues. He was also involved in the design of the Improved Performance Machinery Plant (IPMP) and the Vertical Launch Tomahawk (VLS) back fit design effort. In 1983, he was transferred within NAVSEA to the office responsible for shock design where he served as Technical Director of the 1983 shock test series off San Clemente Island, CA. During this testing, he was promoted to CDR. In 1984, Dick was assigned to the newly formed SEAWOLF (SSN 21) Program Office where he assisted with feasibility studies leading to the SEAWOLF design effort.

In September 1985, he was transferred to the Pentagon as Assistant to the CNO for Submarines, OP – 02, where he acted as Technical Representative for 688 Class design.

In 1986, Dick and Marilyn were divorced.

In September 1988, Dick was transferred back to NAVSEA where he managed design and development of the SEAWOLF propulsion turbines and reduction gears. During this tour, he was married to Gloria Page, Director of the US Navy Asbestos Litigation Support Office at NAVSEA. He then managed the design, development, and construction of the prototype SEAWOLF propulsor. In January 1991, he was promoted to Captain. In 1992 he was Deputy Director of the NAVSEA office responsible for Ship's Signatures, an area involved in stealth for naval ship design. He retired in 1995.

After retirement, Dick went to work for Applied Physics Laboratory (APL), University of Washington, as a Senior Engineer. Dick worked at David Taylor Model Basin where he assisted in the development of special hull treatment for the VIRGINIA class submarines. In 2000, he was hired by Northrup Grumman Marine Systems in Sunnyvale, CA, as a Washington DC Representative for Propulsion Development. In this capacity, he worked on early phase of the DD 21 electric drive Integrated Power System design. In 2003, he left the DD 21 effort to assist in the development, testing, and production of the underwater launchers to enable the launch of Tomahawk cruise missiles from SSGN Submarines.

Dick is a member of the National Rifle Association, Sons of the American Revolution, Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, and the American Society of Naval Engineers. US Naval Submarine League, The US Submarine Veterans, Inc., Veterans of Foreign Wars and The American Legion.



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Dick has a son, a stepson, a daughter, four grandchildren and a step grandson all living in Virginia.

ET2(SS) STEVEN J. JAEGER

Steve graduated from Bishop England High School in Charleston, S.C. in 1967 and enlisted in the United States Navy in April 1968 in Charleston SC. After enlistment he headed to Naval Training Center San Diego (NTC San Diego) CA for U.S. Navy Boot Camp. Upon graduating from Navy boot camp in July 1968, Steve headed to Naval Polaris School, Dam Neck VA for Strategic Weapons System (SWS) Electronics "A" and NAVDAC Navigation C School where he completed his training in July 1969.

After graduation from SWS A and C Schools as a Third-Class Petty Officer (ETN3), Steve was ordered to report to the USS Patrick Henry (SSBN 599 Blue) in Groton CT making SSBN (Submarine, Ballistic, Nuclear Powered) patrols out of Holy Loch Scotland. Steve completed submarine qualifications in June 1970, earning his "Silver Dolphins" enlisted warfare insignia.

In August 1970 Steve transferred to the USS John Adams (SSBN 620 Gold) in Honolulu, HI making strategic patrols out of Naval Base Guam, Mariana Islands as a SWS Navigation Electronic Technician. In 1971 Steve married his childhood sweetheart Darlene Johler at the Chapel on the Thames on the US Naval Submarine Base in Groton CT.

Between 1971 and 1976 Steve remained serving on the USS John Adams including accompanying the boat through her second overhaul at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery Maine and her Demonstration and Shakedown (DASO) at Cape Canaveral FL. While assigned to the USS John Adams, Steve advanced to ETN 2(SS), ETN 1 (SS), and completed Naval Scuba Diver training and became a ships diver for the USS John Adams.

After successful completion of the John Adams DASO, Steve transferred to the Naval Ordnance Test Unit (NOTU) at Cape Canaveral, FL in July 1976 and was assigned as a repair technician for the M-19 and M-50 Telemetry Monitoring Radio Frequency (RF) repair and refurbishment work center. While at NOTU Steve was advanced to Chief Petty Officer in 1978, Darlene and Steve's son Stephen was born on 29 Sep 1978, and Steve graduated from Rollins College in Florida with an Associate of Science degree in Mathematics and Science in 1979, and he was commissioned as an Ensign Limited Duty Officer (Electronics - Submarine) on 2 April 1980.

In June 1980, Steve transferred to the USS Emory S. Land (AS-39) to become the Repair Department Administrative Officer and the Electric Repair Officer for a three-year tour. While aboard the Emory S. Land he made a six-month deployment to Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean. While assigned to the Emory S. Land, Steve was advanced to Lieutenant Junior Grade, and designated as an in-port Officer of the Deck (OOD), Command Duty Officer (CDO), CIC Watch Officer, Underway Officer of the Deck (OOD), and qualified as Surface Warfare Officer (SWO).



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Steve transferred to Naval Guided Missile School, Dam Neck VA in August 1983 to be assigned as the SWS Navigation Training Branch Officer. While at GMS Dam Neck, Steve was advanced to Lieutenant, USN.

After a successful tour at GMS Dam Neck in April 1986, -Feb 90: Steve transferred to Chief of Naval Operations (CNO), Washington DC as the Head of the Submarine Electronics Training Programs section of the Manpower and Training Division in the Office of the assistant Chief of Naval Operations (Undersea Warfare) (OP-29). While on CNO staff, Steve graduated from the University of the State of New York – Albany with a Baccalaureate of Science in Sociology in 1989 and was advanced to Lieutenant Commander, USN.

Steve transferred to the Strategic Systems Program (SSP), Arlington VA in March 1990. While at SSP Steve was assigned to the SSP SWS Training and Fleet Technical Support Divisions. SSP was to be Steve's final duty station.

Steve retired from the United States Navy as a Lieutenant Commander on 01 September 1994. Ending a Naval career that spanned from an enlisted sailor to an U.S. Navy Officer. After ending his Naval career Steve decided to remain in the Washington DC to continue supporting the U.S. Navy as a defense contractor.

Steve managed the Navy Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio System (SINCGARS) acquisition and management support contract to COMSPAWARSYSCOM (PMW 176-3G) system engineer from 1994 to 1996. In this role he developed training for SPAWAR (PMS-172) including conducting research into new training, educational, and multimedia technologies including development and upgrading of Interactive Courseware (ICW) applications.

Between the years 1996-1998, Steve provided technical and engineering support to the Naval Sea Systems Command Advanced Submarine Research and Development Program Officer (SEA-92R). He developed Maintenance Technology Development Plans (MTDPs) for candidate technologies. Identified cost effective materials, processes, and technologies that enabled reduction of maintenance duration, effort, frequency, and material costs. Supported the Program Manager for Submarine Hull, Mechanical, and Electrical (HM&E).

He provided technical and engineering support to Program Executive Officer (PEO) Aircraft Carriers from 1998 to 1999 where Steve provided contract design, design budget, and other pre-construction management support to the CVN-77 Assistant Program Manager (APM) and Ship Design Manager (SDM). Also provided technical, and programmatic support to facilitate innovative technology insertion planning, budget analyses, functional requirements analysis, systems engineering, scheduling, acquisition planning and management support. In 1999, Steve graduated from Strayer University in Virginia with a Master of Science degree in Business Administration.

He was assigned to the Office of Naval Research (ONR) in Arlington, VA in 1999 until August 2021. Steve Jaeger provided Technical and Engineering Management Support to the Office of



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Naval Research (ONR) Mission Capable, Persistent and Survivable Naval Platforms (formerly Sea Warfare and Weapons) Department (ONR Code 33).

For fifteen (15) years in support of ONR (2006-2021), Steve applied his experience and expertise in providing ONR Code 33 Management with Technical, Systems Engineering, Analytical, and Financial Management Support of ongoing and planned Advanced Naval Platforms (ONR Code 331), Naval Materials and Manufacturing (ONR Code 332), and Weapons and Payloads (ONR Code 333) Science and Technology (S&T) programs targeted at fulfilling naval warfighter technology gap needs.

For six (6) years he applied his experience in providing the Weapons and Payloads Division (ONR 333) with Technical, Systems Engineering, Analytical, and Financial Management S&T Program Support for planning, management, and execution of ongoing and planned programs in Undersea Weaponry S&T.

Steve also applied his experience for one (1) year in providing technical support to the ONR Naval Science Assistance Program (NSAP).

Steve decided to retire as a defense contractor after twenty-seven (27) years on 13 Aug 2021.

He has been a member of the Military Officers Association of America and, of course, the United States Submarine Veterans. In the latter organization he has been Treasurer from 2005 to 2009 and again from 2012 to 2021, Membership Chair from 2012 to 2021, and Chaplain from 2011 to 2021. Along the way Steve gained the nickname of "Tightwad." I will leave it to you to determine why.

The Master of Ceremonies concluded the ceremony by having each of the Holland Club inductees speak a few words and receive a round of applause from those in attendance. Pictures of the event are appended at the end of these minutes.

The Chaplain delivered the Benediction.

The CDR reminded everyone that our next meeting would be on November 13th back at the American Legion Post 364, and after the meeting we would conduct our Pirate Auction. The CDR reminded the Base membership to bring their items for auction and cash or checkbook.

The CDR stated that nominations for our annual Base Officer election were open. This year, the Base will need your support. We need candidates for all the Base Officer positions—Commander, Vice Commander, Secretary, and Treasurer. Without candidates willing to step up, there is a risk the base will have to be disbanded.

The CDR provided a special thank you to Howard, Cathy, Brian, Pat, and Mike for coordinating the Holland Club event.

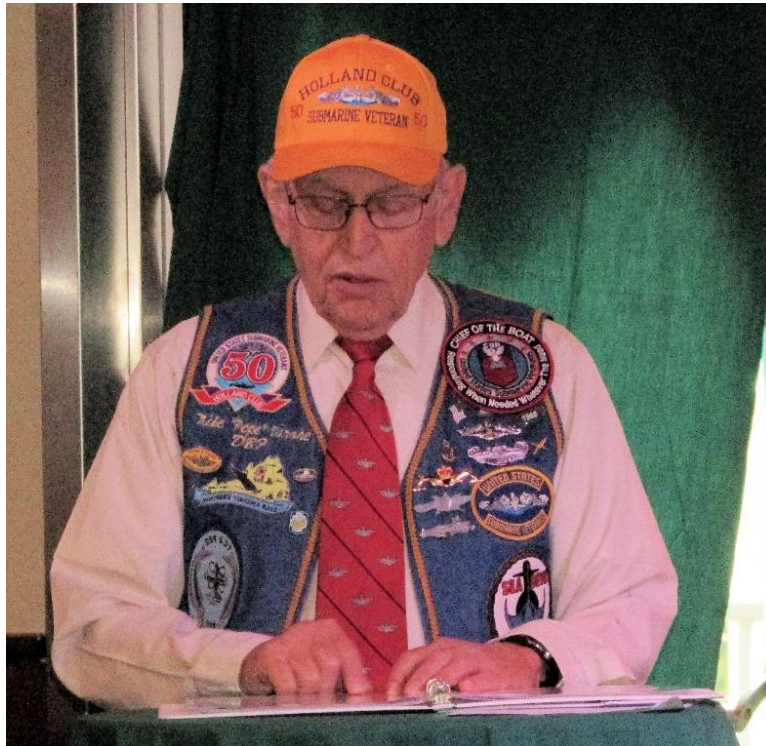


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The meeting adjourned at 1244.

Submitted by Joe Castell
USSVI NOVA Base Secretary



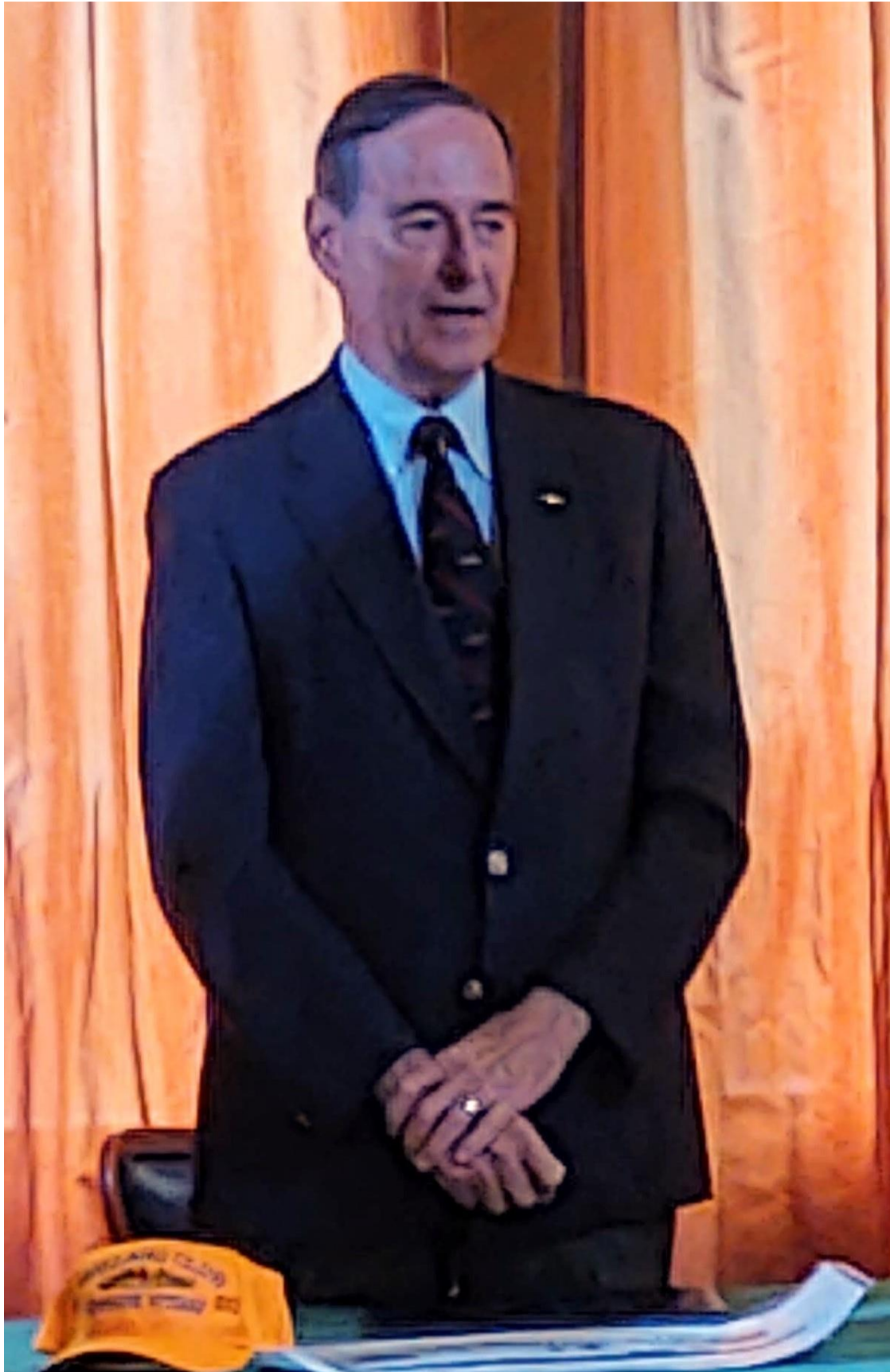
Mike "Pepe" Varone, Master of Ceremony



Richard "Dick" Hamly, Howard Chatham, Steve Jaeger;
Holland Club Inductees



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