

## March 2007 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Arizona Submarine Veterans, Perch Base was convened at American Legion Post #105, Phoenix, AZ at 1301 hours, 17 March 2007. Tim Moore, 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 led by Stan Reinhold and a standard ceremonial opening. A moment of silence was observed for shipmates on eternal patrol and the tolling ceremony for boats lost in March was conducted.

New members and guests at the meeting included Gerry Darnell and Matt Hayball

According to the sailing list, there were thirty-five members, ladies and guests present.

Minutes from the February 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 March 2007. 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 – Stan Reinhold had no report.

Chief of the Boat – Bob Gilmore reported on the status of the work on the Legion facilities..

Chaplain – Howard Doyle reported on the status of shipmate Ed Hawkins. He also reported on his attendance at a Phoenix Society function. No news on the installation of the USS Phoenix sail.

Membership Chairman – Ramon Samson reported that we had to drop 4 members for non-payment of dues..

Newsletter Editor – Chuck Emmett reported we now have 2 ads for the newsletter. We need more!

Ship's Storekeeper – Jim Nelson had no report.

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### Old Business

The Western Region conference will be on April 9-13 in Laughlin NV. The conference will be held in conjunction with the Caucus for the WWII Submarine Vets. Registration forms and agendas were made available to the membership.

There will be a "Salute to Veterans" parade on April 21st in Riverside CA. All hands are invited. We will be taking our float to participate. Tucson Base will be bringing their float also.

We have an 18' wing tank, acquired from Peoria High School. Tim Moore and Dave Harnish picked it up and took it to the Live Steamers Railroad Park. This tank will be the foundation for our new float. We should look at having it finished by Memorial Day 2008. Howard Doyle and Jim Denzien are heading the Committee for the new float.

We still need to make plans for the annual picnic. Last year's picnic was in March and the earliest this year would be May. We need to select potential dates to coordinate this event with either White Mountain or Gudgeon Base. No action taken.

### New Business

Base Commander Tim Moore suggested that we have an annual meeting with representatives from all Arizona bases. He suggested that Jim Dunn, Western District 1 Commander chair the meeting with Western Region Commander Dave Harnish. The host base could shift from year to year.

### Good of the Order

Base medical issues were mentioned: Shipmates Ed Hawkins, Howard Doyle and Jim Edwards.

Please remember the raffle being conducted by the Subvettes.

Be sure to invite your wives or girlfriends to participate with us and the Subvettes.

We need to confirm a guest speaker for next month. Les Parsons was unable to be at this meeting due to a last minute medical issue. We wish him well.

A "Thank You" letter from Marissa Poppell was read. Marissa was the recipient of our scholarship last year.

Base Commander Tim Moore reported on the gathering with the CO of the USS Helena and members of the crew. The event had been sponsored by the Phoenix Commission with members of the Phoenix Society participating.

### Base Elections

There are four positions up for election: Base Commander, Vice Commander, Secretary, and Treasurer. The previously existing candidates are: Stan Reinhold for Base Commander; Ben Acosta for Vice Commander; Jim Denzien for both Secretary and Treasurer. The floor was opened for any additional nominations; Bob Gilmore was

nominated and seconded for the position of Vice Commander. There being no additional nominations, a motion and second closed the nominations. A show of hands for the one position with multiple nominees was conducted and candidate Bob Gilmore was elected Vice Commander. The other two candidates were elected by acclamation.

Results:                   Base Commander: Stan Reinhold (two years)  
                                  Vice Commander: Bob Gilmore (one year)  
                                  Secretary/Treasurer: Jim Denzien (one year)

### 50/50 Drawing

The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Jim Nelson.

### 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 1352.

Jim Denzien  
Base Secretary/Treasurer