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Flash Traffic - 6/21/2012 #6-09_2012

USSVI FLASH: Various Election Topics

NEWS-01: Holland Club Chairman

Submitted by: T. Michael Bircumshaw on 6/16/2012

The time has come, after 4 years of dedicated service for our esteemed Holland Club Chairman, Frank Lister TMCM(SS), to step down. Filling his shoes will be a challenge; however, I know that out there in USSVI land is a capable dedicated individual willing to do exactly that. So here's the deal. Please send me your nominations (do it yourself if you like) to be our next Holland Club Chairman, beginning on the 5th of September 2012 following the Holland Club Breakfast in Norfolk. Here is my guarantee that this will not be a "LIFETIME" appointment.

I, T Michael Bircumshaw, do faithfully promise to relieve the incoming HC Chairman at, and on, the day of his request as Holland Club Chairman upon completion of my current run as an officer of USSVI. That means that I must get through NC and IPNC.

I will not be running for any other National Officer position, and I do want to one day be the HC Chair..

Best,
Michael

Please e-mail me if you do not understand the above as I am over coffeed at the moment.

Date: 6/17/2012
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NEWS-02: Holland Club Chairman..

Submitted by: T. Michael Bircumshaw on 6/17/2012

Shipmates, This POC is to clarify the HC Chair position. Now that the caffeine high has worn off at 0100 hours this fine USSVI Sunday morning, I'm looking for one or more "qualified" Holland Club members to run for the position at the Holland Club Breakfast to be held in Norfolk. As you are all aware, since we have all read the C&B, is that the Holland Club elects their Chairman from among their members. So, as a member of the Holland Club, I am informing you all that Frank Lister is resigning effective the date of the Holland Club Breakfast in Norfolk and we need one or more of our HC members to step up for this distinguished and honorable position. Any volunteers?

I am thinking that it is best to be forewarned and prepared as to sitting down to breakfast without a candidate in waiting.

Best,
Michael - Holland Club class of 2012.

Shipmates: As a candidate for National Senior vice Commander, I am actively requesting your consideration and vote. As the current Southeastern Regional director, I am a voting member of the Board of Directors and am current on the issues facing USSVI. We are constantly working to make USSVI a better organization. With communication and input from the base membership, Base Commanders, District Commanders, and Regional directors, we strive to provide legislation that will benefit the vast majority of the membership. As an organization of 13,340 members, it is a necessary ongoing process to "fine tune" our Constitution and By Laws to accommodate our members ever changing needs. As Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, I will work in close conjunction with the other Committee members to prepare and submit a responsible and justifiable annual budget to the Board of Directors and monitor the organization's expenses throughout the year. As Audit Committee Chairman, I will review the recommendations of the previous audit and review all financial records of the National Treasurer, National Office, National Storekeeper and National Publication, The American Submariner, submitting all reviews and reports as required. As current RD, I have been a voting member of the Scholarship Committee and will continue that duty as NSVC. I will work with the Editor of The American Submariner to assure it remains a premier publication and is published in accordance with current

guidelines and schedules. I have been the Editor/Publisher of South Florida Base Newsletter "Dive-Dive" since its inception in July, 2008.

Additionally, in September 2009, I proposed a program that would recognize those members that wish to leave a bequeathment to USSVI in their wills. I have designed a patch that would recognize those members and am currently working with the BOD to make that patch available. This would provide recognition to those members before they go on Eternal Patrol.

Last year, I organized and participated in the New York City Veterans Day Parade, which I plan on continuing this year. The parade is the largest Veterans Day parade in the Nation, and last year there were approximately 270 different veterans/military groups, with over 30 thousand participants, and it was televised internationally, so there were millions of viewers, in addition to the 10s of thousands lining the streets.

Working in close harmony with the National Commander and the other BOD members, with whom I have a good relationship, I will stay abreast of all current issues facing USSVI and be able to assume the duties of the NC, should the need arise.

I feel I am the best candidate for the job of National Senior Vice Commander, and look forward to continuing my long and diverse service to USSVI and the entire membership. Please participate in the voting process and help continue to make USSVI the premier Veterans organization it is.

Sincerely,

William (Bill) Andrea

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