September 2006 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Arizona Submarine Veterans, Perch Base was convened at American Legion Post #105, Phoenix, AZ at 1300 hours, 16 September 2006. Tim Moore, Base Commander, called the meeting to order.

The membership was led in a prayer of invocation by Howard Doyle followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and standard ceremonial opening.

A moment of silence was observed for Kay Harnish, the wife of Shipmate Dave Harnish.

According to the sailing list, there were twenty-three members present.

Minutes from the August 2006 regular meeting were not available.

A potential new member Ben Ickert, was introduced and he provided background information on himself.

Treasurer Jim Denzien reported the Base's financial status as of the first day of June, 2006. 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

Base Vice Commander – Stan Reinhold had no report

Base Chief of the Boat – Bob Gilmore had no report.

Base Chaplain – Howard Doyle indicated a memorial for Kay Harnish would be conducted on Saturday, September 23^{rd} , at 1000. Notice has been posted in the Midwatch.

Membership Chairman – Ramon Samson had no report.

Newsletter Editor – Chuck Emmett had no report.

Ship's Storekeeper – Jim Nelson had no report.

Old Business

Tim Moore stated that the Holland Club induction would be conducted at the regular November meeting. We have four members being inducted.

Howard Doyle reported that we have been "verbally" signed up for the Veteran's Day in November. The theme is: America's Veterans: Heroes through the Decades. The formal sign-up will be later. The VA is still soliciting parade entrants. We will be again getting the use of a flatbed truck from Sanderson Ford for this year's parade. Ben Acosta is following up with Sanderson Ford and will let us know. We have received an offer from Shipmate Steve Hough for the use of his generator for the float for the parade. Shipmate Chuck Emmett also has a generator we can use.

There will be no December meeting due to the Annual Holiday Awards Banquet. The banquet will be conducted on 9 December 2006 at Luke AFB Enlisted Men's Club from 1730 to 2200. Casual dress and \$20 per person.

District 1 Commander Glenn Herold will be relocating to Kentucky in the near future.

We have been looking for a relief for Ed Brooks as the Base Secretary. Frank Rumbaugh was thanked for volunteering to do this on a temporary basis. Jim Denzien volunteered to take on this position in addition to being the Base Treasurer and was approved by acclamation.

Tim Moore will be establishing a base phone tree to facilitate alerting members when important events arise.

The possibility of conducting a Base meeting in the East Valley has been discussed. We will be looking at the possibility of doing this in the near future.

Dave Harnish reported on the information that has been gathered in conjunction with holding a Western Regional Conference next spring and combining it with the WWII Submarine Vets Caucus and a Submarine Birthday Ball with Perch Base as the sponsor. There is a lot of work to be done, but we are going to do this.

New Business

Base elections are coming up in 6 months. All hands need to think about the future direction of the base and who you would like to lead the base. A base officer progression was presented as one way to look at the issue.

The deadline for Midwatch submissions has been moved to the third Friday before the meeting. The goal is to allow everyone the opportunity to have the entire membership read it before the meeting.

Good of the Order

A letter was read from Pat Householder, National Junior Vice Commander, on the donation made by Perch Base to the Scholarship Fund. A letter on the update of the national database was also received. All hands are encouraged to check out the new USSVI web site.

All hands are encouraged to have spouses/significant others participate in our meetings and to get involved with the SubVettes.

Tim Moore has arranged for guest speakers for upcoming meetings but the guest speaker dates must changed to accommodate our meeting schedule changes for our October meeting change of venue and the fact that we will not be having a December meeting. All schedule changes will be announced in the Midwatch and sent out via e-mail to all hands.

Glenn Herold will be leaving his position as District I Commander due to a move to Kentucky in the near future. Glenn also reported on the activities at the just completed National Convention.

A photograph of the float being utilized by Tucson Base was shown around. Members were asked to consider what it looked like when we consider upgrading ours.

The October Meeting was cancelled due to pending participation in the Thunderbird Balloon & Air Classic to be held at Goodyear Airport on 20-22 Oct.

It was announced that the SubVettes would be establishing a memorial scholarship in memory of Kay Harnish.

50/50 Drawing

The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Tim Moore. He donated the winnings to the newly announced Kay Harnish memorial scholarship fund.

Adjournment

All the outstanding business having been concluded, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote.

The closing prayer was offered by Howard Doyle and the meeting was adjourned.

Jim Denzien Base Secretary/Treasurer