

November 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, 18 November 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.

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

Minutes from the September 2006 regular meeting as published in the Midwatch were approved. There was no October meeting due to participation in the Thunderbird Balloon and Air Classic at Goodyear Airport.

Guests at the meeting included Mike French, Tom Rignale, Jack Moore, Jim Dunn and Stan Reinhold's grandson, Nicholas. Jack is a prospective new member and Jim Dunn is transferring from Farragut Base and will be relieving Glenn Herold as the District 1 Commander

Treasurer Jim Denzien reported the Base's financial status as of the first day of November, 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 provided input on some of the options available for next year's (2007) Awards Banquet if we held it at the Lufthansa facility.

Base Chief of the Boat – Bob Gilmore was not present.

Base Chaplain – Howard Doyle

Membership Chairman – Ramon Samson reminded all present that "reenlistment" time is here and notices would be mailed soon.

Newsletter Editor – Chuck Emmett was not present.

Ship's Storekeeper – Jim Nelson had no report.

Treasurer Jim Denzien reported that he had new business cards available that show base and monthly meeting information.

Western Region Commander Dave Harnish stated that the awards banquet was to be held at the Luke enlisted club on December 9th 2006 and that tickets were \$20/head. Dave also

introduced Jim Dunn as the incoming District 1 Commander. Jim and his wife Jean have transferred from Farragut Base in Idaho and now reside in Casa Grande.

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

The date of the Next Long Range Planning Committee meeting will be scheduled for the month of January 2007 and will resume its quarterly format. The exact date for the meeting will be announced.

Base Commander Tim Moore brought up a suggestion that the base meeting date be moved back to the second Saturday of the month. A discussion ensued and no decision or motion was made. At the present time the meetings will continue to be on the third Saturday of the month.

Base Commander Tim Moore also mentioned that all hands should be thinking of our goals and objectives for the year 2007. Some items to be included are participation in Luke Days at Luke AFB and again having an informational booth at the Thunderbird Balloon and Air Classic in Goodyear.

Good of the Order

Shipmate Butch DeShong stated that he was appreciative of our on-line newsletter Midwatch. Many times he is unable to attend meetings and the newsletter keeps him “in the loop”.

Vice Commander Stan Reinhold related an anecdote that showed that people’s perceptions of veterans was changing for the better and that was good to see.

Storekeeper Jim Nelson related a touching story about a town in Maine that is paying tribute to our returning soldiers.

Other shipmates related many small anecdotal items.

Base Commander Tim Moore indicated that he had sent a “thank-you” letter to April Stremming who has provided the tee shirts for the Veterans Day parade gratis. Thank you!!

Shipmates Ben Acosta and Howard Doyle were given “Bravo Zulu” for their work in conjunction with the Veterans Day parade.

Western Region Director Dave Harnish inducted shipmates Jack McCarthy and Ray Samson into the Holland Club. Inductees Jim Draper and Ray Lee Graybeal were not present. Other Holland Club members present were in attendance.

Nancy Nelson, President of the Subvettes, made a presentation of an “Eternal Patrol Award” to Laurie and Dave Harnish in memory of Kay Harnish.

As a final note to the Good of the Order, incoming District 1 Commander Jim Dunn made a short presentation on his attendance at the 2006 International Submariners Association meeting held in Moscow, Russia. His wife Jean, who also attended the meeting in Moscow, assisted him in his remembrances.

50/50 Drawing

The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Butch DeShong. He donated the \$49 winnings to the base treasury.

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