

Perch Base Minutes August 13, 2016

The monthly meeting of Perch Base was convened at Dillon's Restaurant, in Glendale, AZ at 1200 hours, 13 August, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Chuck Emmett, Base Commander.

Mike Olsen gave the invocation. Chuck Emmett led the Pledge of Allegiance. Tim Moore read the USSVI Creed. A moment of silence followed by the Tolling of the Boats lost in August.

According to the sailing list the following attended the base meeting:

Anthony Christianson	Howard Doyle Jr.	DeWayne Lober
David Metje	Rick Simmons	Robert Wright
Jim Mann	Chuck Emmett	Tim Moore
Dan Moss	William Tippet	Nathan Tippet
Angel Santana	Edward Gonsowski	Holly Walker
Jim Edwards	Robb Roberts	George Woods
Richard Kunze	Dan Marks	Nicholas Daley
John Carpentier	Mike Olsen	Chuck Luna
Ken Meeks	Don Unser	Marcia Unser
Glenn Posniack	Don Schafer	George Gillette
Harold Weber	Ray Marshall	David Heighway
Wayne Clark	Robert Faulkner	Davy Jones
Jim Nelson	Don Robertson	Doyle Egg
Jim Denzien		

The first item of business was a call for approval of the July Base meeting minutes. A motion was made to approve the minutes, which was seconded and approved by voice vote.

Dave Heighway read the Treasurer's report ending July 31, 2016.

OFFICERS REPORTS

Communications Officer/Historian – Chuck Luna

Chuck Luna had nothing new to report.

COB – Richard Kunze

Richard had nothing to report.

Treasurer – Dave Heighway

Dave had nothing more to report.

Storekeeper – Herb Herman

Herb was not at the meeting.

Webmaster – Dan Marks

Dan reported that he has been visiting George Crider at the facility where he's being treated. All information is on Facebook, and he encouraged those that don't have access to Facebook, to let him know and he will give permission to them. He also reported that the Parts of the USS Phoenix sail has arrived. There will be a welcoming ceremony on Sept. 20, 2016, at the National Guard.

Membership – Jim Andrews

Jim was not at the meeting, but Richard Kunze reported that we now have 170 members, with the potential of 2 new members.

Events Coordinator – Don Unser

National Convention in Reno, NV – August 15-20, 2016.

Prescott Valley Picnic – Sept. 17, 2016

Congress Parade – October 1, 2016.

Daisy Mountain Veterans Parade – Nov. 5, 2016

Black Canyon Parade – Nov. 5, 2016, after the Daisy Parade. No information yet.

Tale of Two Cities – Feb. 25, 2017

All events are available on the Website.

Past Commander – Howard Doyle Jr.

Nothing new to report.

District Commander – Jim Denzien

Jim asked if anyone had concerns that he can bring to the convention, to let him know. as he will be attending several meetings while at the convention.

Chaplain – Mike Olsen

Nothing to report.

Base Commander – Chuck Emmett

Chuck announced that he has ordered hats to be sold, with our logo on the back. He had one that was passed around for the members to check out. He has ordered 20 with silver dolphins and 5 with gold dolphins. The price will be under \$20.00 each.

OLD BUSINESS

Chuck reported that voting by Perch Base was lower than expected. Many suggestions were made to increase the voting numbers for the next election.

DeWayne Lober reported that the Phoenix Sail has arrived, and he had emailed pictures to those who he had access to their emails. This will all be put on our website. The projected time frame for this project is three years.

Dan Moss reported that the ASSM is still in its fundraising mode, but progressing. He also mentioned that there will be a table set up in the vendor area, at the convention, and that they still need volunteers to man the table at times.

NEW BUSINESS

The convention in Reno, opens their doors on Sunday, August 14. Many Perch Base members are going this year.

Richard Kunze gave a report on the USSVI Calendars. He's ordering for several bases, and the cost this year should be about \$7.00 each. They will be available at our October meeting.

Richard Kunze presented the Quilt of Valor to Davy Jones. This is a handmade quilt, done by Ms. Helen Choma for the Quilt of Valor Foundation.

Davy mentioned that he has more Dex Armstrong books on sale today. He will be bringing the rest to the convention.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Bob Wright mentioned an article in the American Veterans Magazine, an article regarding hearing loss, etc., and how the VA can help. It was suggested that you have a DAV Advocate help with this issue when going to the VA.

George Crider is on the Binnacle List.

50/50

Don Unser won the raffle, which came to \$85.00.

ADJOURMENT

Benediction was led by Mike Olsen. Meeting adjourned at 1245 hrs.

Submitted:
Marcia Unser
Secretary Perch Base