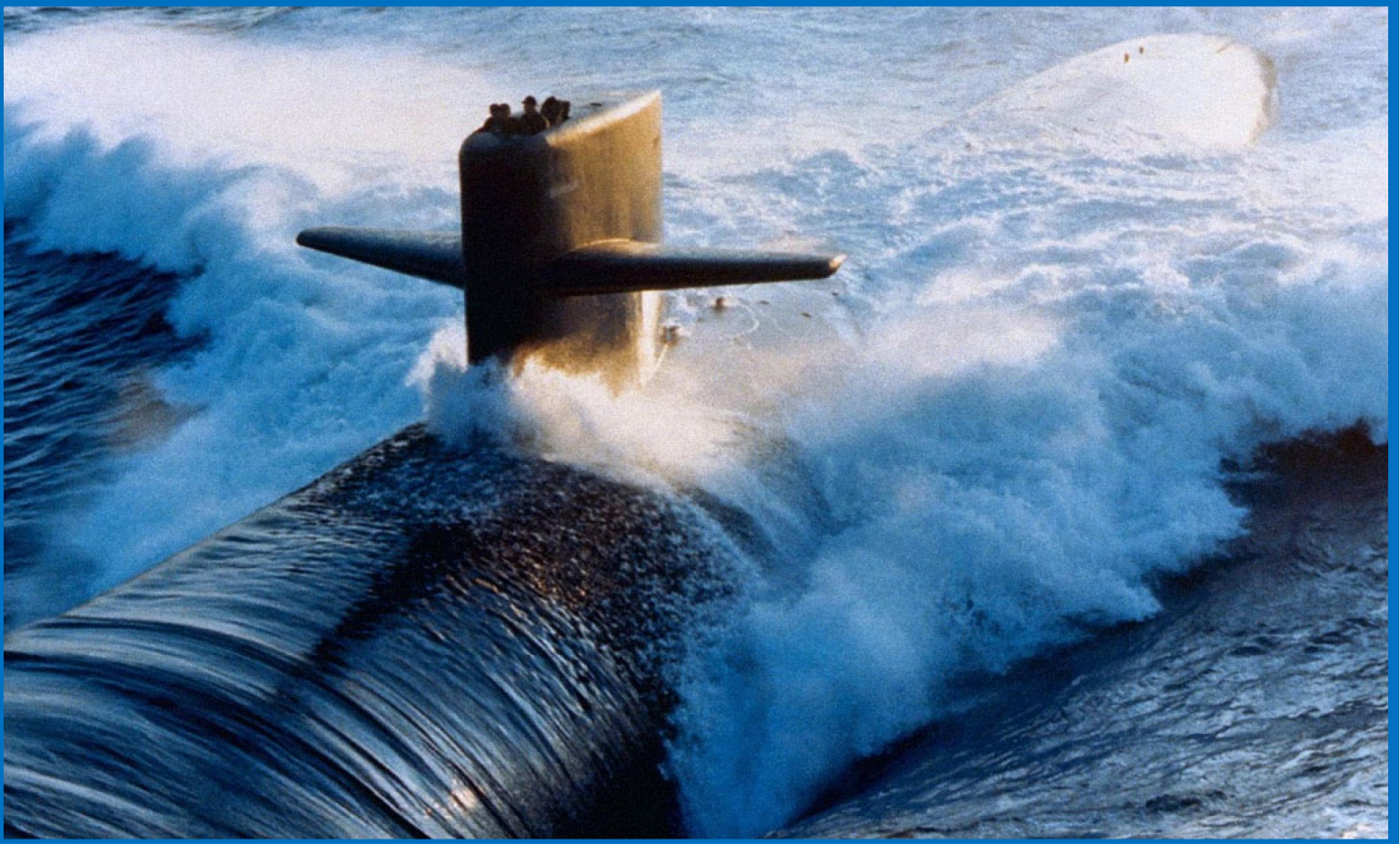


# THE MIDWATCH

USSVI Perch Base Phoenix, Arizona Quarterly Newsletter First Quarter 2025



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"To perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country. That their dedication, deeds and supreme sacrifice be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments. Pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution.

In addition to perpetuating the memory of departed shipmates, we shall provide a way for all Submariners to gather for the mutual benefit and enjoyment. Our common heritage as Submariners shall be strengthened by camaraderie.

We support a strong U.S. Submarine Force.

The organization will engage in various projects and deeds that will bring about the perpetual remembrance of those shipmates who have given the supreme sacrifice. The organization will also endeavor to educate all third parties it comes in contact with about the services our submarine brothers performed and how their sacrifices made possible the freedom and lifestyle we enjoy today."



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**From the Wardroom:**

The year 2024 is almost over, it is a week before Christmas and Hanukkah, where afternoon temperature is 80 degrees, Arizona winter. I hope our members had a Happy Thanksgiving as we look forward to a New Year and ushering in 2025.

We are in desperate need of a secretary and chaplain. The positions are required by Perch Base Policies and Procedures and is necessary for the Base to run successfully.

Perch Base membership is currently at 174. We have had three base members depart on Eternal Patrol. We will acknowledge departed members at our annual awards banquet.

Perch Base will hold the Base Annual Awards Banquet on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at the Pebble Creek Tuscan Country Club, 16222 Clubhouse Dr. Goodyear, AZ 85395. Banquet tickets will be available at the January 2025 base meeting \$65 per person, this will be the final opportunity to purchase tickets.

We will honor our Sailor of the Year for 2024 and conduct a Holland Club induction for those Perch Base members in attendance that are eligible having been Qualified in Submarines for 50 years or more.

Our keynote guest speaker will be Vice Admiral Phillip G. Sawyer USN, Ret. He and his wife reside in Prescott, AZ and will be our guests.

We will have a Silent Auction as part of banquet and are asking for donations of submarine related items or any new items you might have and would like to donate. Our storekeeper is also going to be actively selling wares at the banquet.

As my term as Base Commander is nearing its end, I would like to thank those that were always available to lend a helping hand and those who kept me aware situations that needed to be addressed.

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers as our daughter was recovering from a traumatic brain injury and residing with us while she was being treated at Barrow's.

The Western Regional Roundup will be held in Long Beach CA. at the Queen Mary Hotel, March 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> 2025. Registration information and details can be found the Perch Base website perch-base.org



### **From Snipes Castle:**

December, with the crass commercialization we all face this time of year, we forget just what Christmas is about and the real reason for the holiday. In the chaos that results please try to remember and at least stop for a minute and truly remember what is being celebrated.

Along with that I feel it is necessary to take the membership of Perch Base to task; the Pearl Harbor Day remembrance event this year was attended by ONLY 5 members of Perch Base. Really. Again, read and internalize the mission statement of USSVI. The event was one of the best I have seen and I have been to most of these since I joined Perch Base. The speaker asked the question, "WHY" and then gave a truly patriotic answer.



*Webmaster*

**Dan Marks**

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Do you have a problem driving to meetings, parades or other Perch Base events? The member carpool map has been updated on the main page of the website. As you can see on the map, we have members all over the Metro Phoenix area. If you need a ride, or you are willing to pick up another member, send me an email; This might be a one-time pickup, or more often, if needed. I might be able to help hook you up. Just don't wait until the last minute to ask or send me an email.

I have been posting updates for all our events. If you have not been a participant at our events, I hope you are at least checking the website to see what you missed. There has been a lot of activity with the website since the last MidWatch including providing the Gilbert, AZ, Military Tribute Banner of Ray Marshall to his daughter Marion at the end of the display period, posting photos of the Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, posting the Wayne Hembree Eternal Patrol Notice, photos of Phoenix Veterans Day Parade, the Sierra Verde Elementary School Veterans' Appreciation Day, the Meet & Greet with the USS Arizona (SSN-803) crew visiting Phoenix, and the Silver Anchor Award to Alice Woods.

Similar updates have been maintained on the Perch Base Facebook Page.

If you have any suggestions or input for the website, send an email to [webmaster@perch-base.org](mailto:webmaster@perch-base.org).

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## What do you do with a drunken sailor?

I just turned 21 and some of my shipmates insisted I celebrate it with them at the local submarine bar. I was stationed on the USS Sculpin, SSN-590 for the last 9 months at the Point Loma Sub Base. Darby's was the local bar that submariners hung out which was just off Rosecrans street not far from the base.

So, we all piled into a vehicle and headed off to Darby's. We arrived and entered through a side door to a ruckus. The barkeep was already regaining order with her night stick and eventually threw the miscreants out the door. It was a quick lesson in bar etiquette.

Darby's catered to sub sailors. The walls were covered with boat plaques and other paraphernalia. The two pool tables were always busy and the jukebox humming. Card games and acey-deucey available upon request. No bar grub but the Mexican restaurant next door satisfied that need. No shortage of sea stories here. The bar manager insisted that she would not tolerate any tension between the crews which for the most part was respected. Ergo, it was a relatively safe and relaxing place to go.

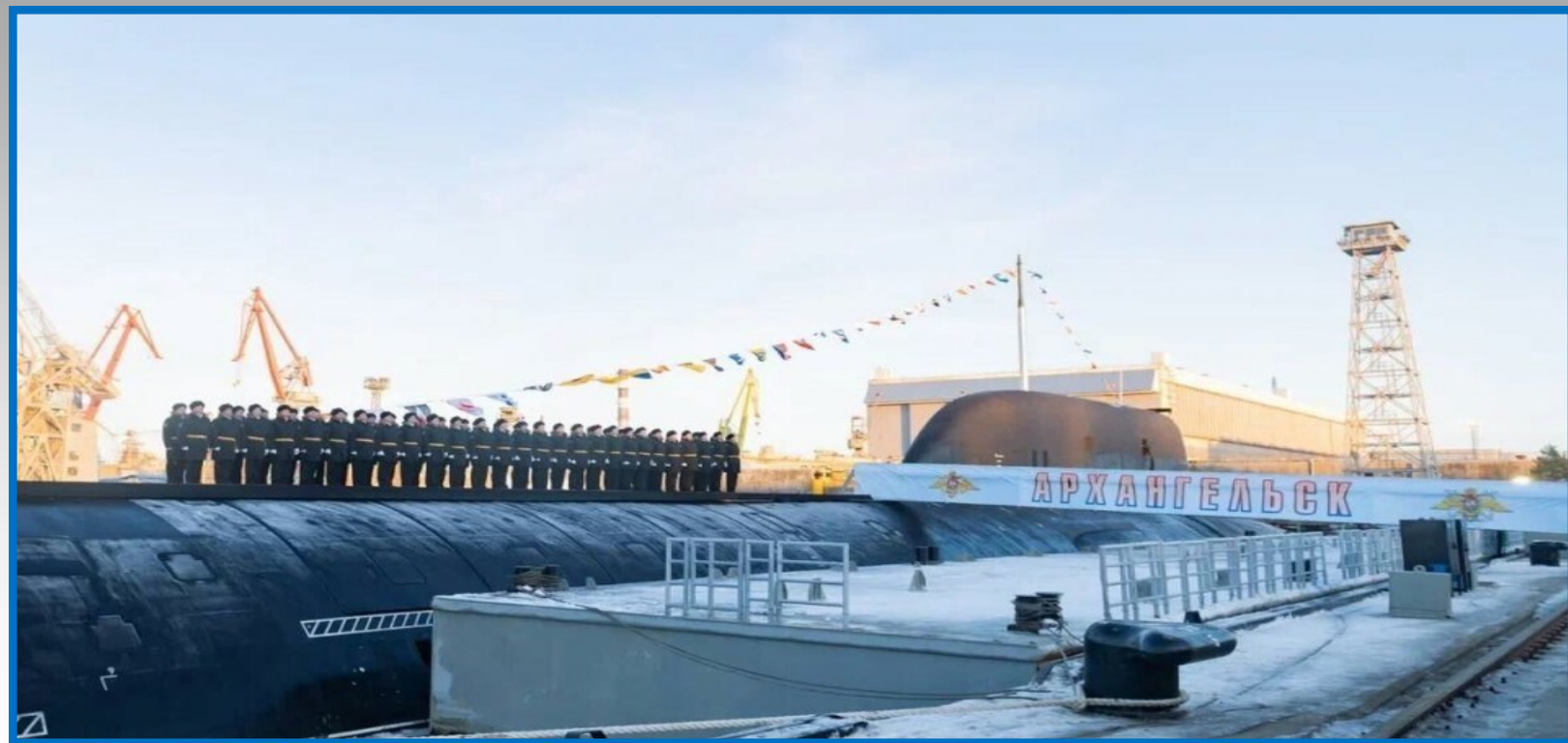
The Sculpin was transferred to Puget Sound Naval Shipyard for overhaul in the summer of 1974 and I never visited Darby's again. As far as I can tell, this was during Darby's heyday. In the late 70's or early 80's it moved to a location in the Oceanside community in San Diego. The bar closed its doors sometime in the late 80's; nevertheless, the camaraderie I enjoyed at Darby's with shipmates will not be forgotten.

Most of us, I expect, had a homeport bar they favored. The drinking may have been an excuse but certainly not the reason. These establishments were a place where submariners gathered for mutual benefit and enjoyment. Many relationships were cemented at these establishments that would last a lifetime.

We continue to practice this tradition at every meeting at Dillion's BBQ. Not so much beer, more ice tea, soda, food or just plain water; nevertheless, we gather for the mutual benefit and enjoyment. Also, the sea stories still know no constraints.

That nothing you will ever do again in your life that will be as important, meaningful, exciting, terrifying and life-altering as your time in the submarine service.

# UNDERSEA WARFARE NEWS



## Northern Fleet's newest Yasen-M class submarine will be based 60 km from NATO Norway

*The Arkhangelsk will now sail north to Zapadnaya Litsa, Russia's westernmost submarine base on the Kola Peninsula.*

BY Thomas Nilsen, 27 December, 2024

“Today is a significant day for the entire Navy,” Commander-in-Chief Admiral Aleksandr Moiseev said at the [official ceremony](#) that took place on Friday.

*The Arkhangelsk is the fourth of the Yasen-M class built in Severodvinsk. Two are already sailing for the Pacific Fleet, while the third, the Kazan, belongs to the Northern Fleet. Including the prototype vessel of the Yasen class, the Severodvinsk, the new Arkhangelsk will be the third of the class deployed with the Northern Fleet.*

Yasen and Yasen-M class are 4th generation multipurpose nuclear-powered submarines in the Russia navy.

*The Arkhangelsk (K-562) was rolled out of the ship hall at Sevmas in [late November](#) last year and has spent the last [13 months on sea trials](#), including navigation and weapons testings in the White Sea and Barents Sea.*

# UNDERSEA WARFARE NEWS

## Tsirkon missile

Admiral Moiseev praised the onboard weapons systems and said they are “capable of hitting both sea and coast targets.”

The Yasen-M class can carry Kalibr and Oniks cruise missiles, but more important for the navy is arming these new submarines with the Tsirkon hypersonic cruise missiles, a weapon key for Russia in the ongoing naval arms race with NATO. It is not clear if the *Arkhangelsk* has tested the Tsirkon missile yet.

A Tsirkon was [first time tested](#) from the Yasen-class submarine *Severodvinsk* in October 2021, from a submerged position at a depth of 40 meters in the Barents Sea.

The scramjet maneuvering wing anti-ship cruise missile is said to be capable of accelerating up to Mach 9 (nine times the speed of sound) and has a range of up to 1,000 kilometers. That means a launch from inside Russia’s bastion defense area in the Barents Sea can reach enemy warships practically anywhere in the part of the Norwegian Sea north of the Arctic Circle.

Although Russia is bragging loudly about the Tsirkon missile’s invulnerability to modern air-defenses, reports came earlier this year that [Ukraine had shot-down](#) two of the missiles. Those missiles were allegedly launched from land-based launchers.



Navy Commander Admiral Aleksandr Moiseev (in the middle) on the deck of *Arkhangelsk* together with the crew and the leaders of Sevmarsh shipyard in Severodvinsk. Photo: Press service of Sevmarsh



# UNDERSEA WARFARE NEWS

## **Soviet Era Torpedoes**

An important role for the Russian Northern Fleet's multi-purpose submarines is hunting for enemy submarines that can threaten the ballistic missile submarines sailing with the country's second-strike nuclear weapons capability. In a longer article on Thursday in state-controlled [Izvestia](#) newspaper, questions are asked about the torpedo armament. Yasen-M submarines are currently armed with torpedoes from Soviet times and the new torpedoes have not yet been fully tested.

"... there is work to do, something to improve," Izvestia writes.

It was a Soviet era torpedo that in August 2000 exploded inside the *Kursk* submarine, triggering a larger explosion in the torpedo compartment blowing off the front of the vessel so it sank, killing all 118 onboard.

## **Six Yasen-M to Zapadnaya Litsa**

Construction of the *Arkhangelsk* started on March 19, 2015 and took nearly 10 years.

Russia is planning to expand its fleet of the Yasen-M class to 12 vessels. Half of them could be based in the Northern Fleet. After *Arkhangelsk* follow the *Perm*, *Ulyanovsk*, *Voronezh* and *Vladivostok*, all currently under construction at the *Sevmash* yard in *Severodvinsk*.

The Northern Fleet has chosen the piers in *Nerpitcha* at the submarine base in *Zapadnaya Litsa* as home port for the Yasen and Yasen-M class vessels. Located a short 60 kilometers from the border to NATO country Norway, *Nerpitcha* is the westernmost of all naval bases in northern Russia.

## **Third named *Arkhangelsk***

*Nerpitcha* was originally built for the Cold War giant *Typhoon* submarines sailing the Arctic waters in the 1980s and 1990s.

One of the *Typhoons*, the *TK-17* was also named *Arkhangelsk*. The first *Oscar-class* submarine, the *K-525*, was also named *Arkhangelsk* when she was in operation from 1980 to 2005.

# Previous Quarter Highlights



## Perch Base Receives Traveling Dolphins

By Paul Miller

While attending my boat reunion for the USS Cavalla in Groton, CT last October, I had the opportunity to visit with an old shipmate in Boston. My shipmate introduced me to his Base Commander - Marblehead Base, Mike Hogan. While talking, Mike offered me the Requin Base Traveling Dolphins which they had moored for the last seven months. It seemed like a good time for the Dolphins to see a portion of the country other than "The Northeast" or "Mid-Atlantic". So, on 10/07/2024 the Requin Base Traveling Dolphins were handed over to me and Perch Base for a safe Southwest journey. Somehow, they fit in my suitcase.

The Requin Base Traveling Dolphins were created by the Requin Base in Baden, PA near Pittsburgh. They were originally donated by Huey Dietrich, Base Commander on 1/1/2011. They have been traveling since that time to mainly Northeast and Mid-Atlantic bases. It's longest time in one port was at the Thresher Base for nearly seven years.

## RAY MARSHALL TRIBUTE BANNER

Perch Base Submarine Veterans (USSVI) Life Member and Webmaster Dan Marks honored WW2 Submarine Veteran Ray Marshall, who went on Eternal Patrol on September 10, 2021, at the age of 101 years old. Gilbert, AZ, honored Veterans by displaying Military Tribute banners in the Heritage District along Gilbert Road from May 21st to July 8th to coincide with the display periods of Memorial Day and Independence Day. The banners were taken down on July 8th, but put back up from November 5th to November 19th to coincide with the display period of Veterans Day. Ray Marshall's banner was located on the east side of Gilbert Road at the Gilbert Chamber of Commerce parking lot at 119 N. Gilbert Rd. ENC(SS) Raymond Marshall, a WW2 veteran, made 12 war patrols on two different boats. Ray joined the Navy in January 1939 and retired as a Chief Engine-man in 1959. His first assignment was on the destroyer USS Mahan (DD-364) from 1939 to 1940, but then was assigned to the Submarine Service in 1940. He qualified in submarines in 1941 on the USS Porpoise (SS-172). Ray made 12 war patrols during WW2 on two different boats. He served for six war patrols on the Porpoise, leaving as a Motor Machinist Mate First Class, then six more war patrols on the USS Guavina (SS-362) where he became a Chief Motor Machinist Mate. After the banner was taken down on December 5, Dan gave it to Raymond's daughter, Marion, as a memory keepsake. Marion said, "It meant so much to her and her husband Ron to have him remembered for the amazing man who he was. Ron and Marion did get to see the banner hanging on Gilbert Rd where he could oversee the world he so enjoyed passing by."



# Previous Quarter Highlights (cont.)

## **SIERRA VERDE STEAM SCHOOL**

Five Perch Base members; John Beckett, Chris Gahan, Bob Gilmore, Dan Marks and Joe Trotter, participated in the Sierra Verde Elementary School Veterans' Appreciation Assembly on Friday, November 8, 2024. Sierra Verde, a Science, Technology, Engineering And Math (STEAM) school, conducted a Veterans Appreciation Day program.

They fed us breakfast then held an assembly to show their appreciation for Veterans and their patriotism. They really treated us like VIPs!

In past years, we staged the USS Phoenix (SSN-702) parade float at the school. Due to a problem with a failed brake light, the float was in the shop, but we still had items to display and the students asked lots of questions.



## **PHOENIX VETERANS DAY**

Sixteen Perch Base members and family took the USS Phoenix float to the Annual Phoenix Veterans Day Parade presented by the non-profit Honoring America's Veterans (HAV) on November 11th, 2024. We met at 8 AM to stage the float at the Firestone Complete Auto Care at 241 W Osborn Rd. Thanks to Firestone for letting us use your store lot (and bathroom!) and then rode the float to the parade starting point. True to the military theme of "Hurry up and wait!" we arrived at the parade starting point at 9:20 AM, but as entry number 59 (of 84) we finally started to roll at 11 AM. This year's parade theme was "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans, Sacrifice Remembered." Organizers anticipated 45,000 spectators along the parade route. The Celebrity Grand Marshall was Luis Gonzalez. Seven Veteran Grand Marshals, represented each era of military service from World War II to Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan.)



## Previous Quarter Highlights (cont.)



### **PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY**

Five Perch Base members attended the Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day event on 12/07/2024 at the Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza by the Arizona State Capitol. We were also honored by the presence of a Medal Of Honor recipient at the ceremony! Note the device around his neck! It is a NAVAL Medal of Honor (which includes Marine Corp recipients.) This is Marine Corp Colonel (ret) Jay R. Vargas. He received the Medal Of Honor "*For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while serving as Commanding Officer, Company G, Second Battalion, Fourth Marines, Ninth Marine Amphibious Brigade in action against enemy forces in the Republic of Vietnam from 30 April to 2 May 1968.*"



### **USS ARIZONA MEET & GREET**

(Standing l-r:) USS Arizona Legacy Foundation President & CEO Nicole LaSlavic and PCU Arizona (SSN803) Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Thomas E. Digan, Jr. Several Perch Base members attended a Meet & Greet with some of the crew of the USS Arizona (PCU-803) on November 7, 2024. The USS Arizona Legacy Foundation hosted 10 Sailors from the USS Arizona SSN-803 for a series of celebrations, educational visits, and community support activities across Arizona. During the visit, they invited Perch Base USSVI to attend a Meet & Greet with the crew, including the Commanding Officer, Cmdr. Thomas E. Digan, Jr, the COB (Chief of the Boat) and 8 other crewmembers, mostly nukes. The Meet & Greet was held at the Phoenix Bourbon Room in downtown Phoenix.

# In the Spotlight



## WAYNE HEMBREE ETERNAL PATROL

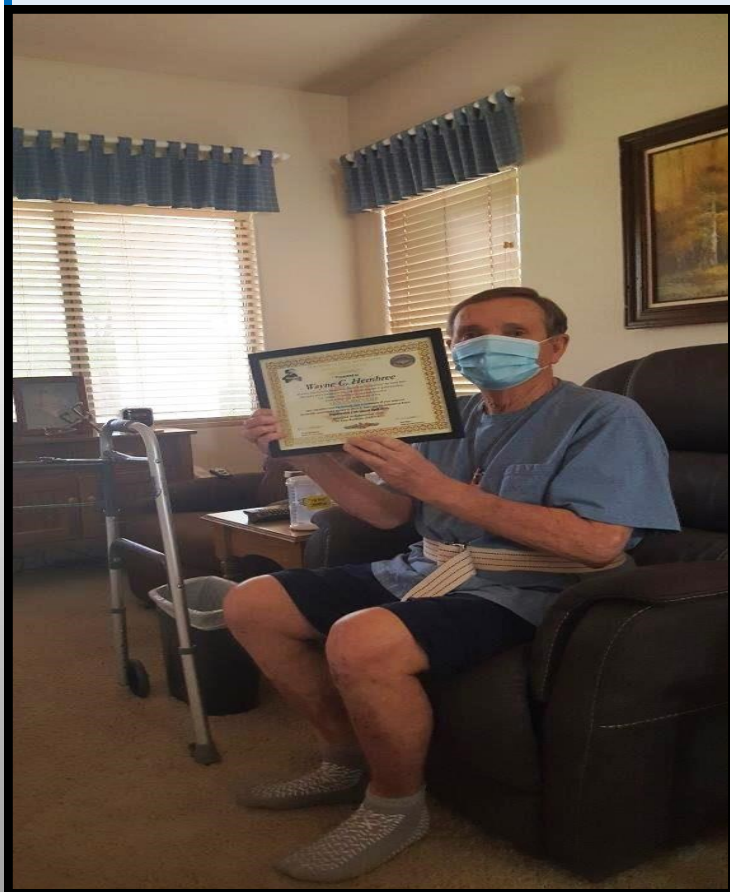
Perch Base Life and Holland Club Member Wayne Hembree, E-4(SS), passed away onto Eternal Patrol, Wednesday, November 27, 2024. Our condolences to his wife Sandie, family and friends. Services were held on December 20, 2024 at 11:00 AM, at Gilbert Memorial Park. Immediately following service the family sponsored a luncheon for his family and friends. Wayne joined the Navy in 1969 and left in 1972. He served and qualified on submarines on the USS Sam Rayburn (SSBN-635) in 1971. Wayne had been a member of Perch Base USSVI since January 5, 2017.

**SAILOR, REST YOUR OAR! YOUR WATCH HAS ENDED.  
Your Brothers of the 'Phin Have the Watch.**



## ALICE WOOD'S SILVER ANCHOR AWARD

Congratulations to Perch Base Submarine Veterans (USSVI) Associate Member Alice Woods for receiving a USSVI National 2024 Silver Anchor Award. The awards were announced at the USSVI National Convention held in Cleveland, OH. The Silver Anchor Award is presented to a Regular or Associate Member in recognition of his/her efforts to support one of the primary objectives of our Creed...to provide a way for all submariners to gather for their mutual benefit and enjoyment. This Award recognizes the shipmate's volunteer support for meetings, projects, and events, including work to recruit new Members and to retain the current membership of the Base, and is intended to recognize recent accomplishments. Alice was recognized for her coordination of the Shopping Showcase on August 30th & 31st, 2023, during the 2023 USSVI National Convention in Tucson, AZ. In addition to Alice's contribution during the 2023 Convention, she also supports Perch Base. Another recent example is her refurbishment (with Georgianne Gahan) of our wreaths for Perch Base and the WWII Submarine Veterans, used during Memorial Day and the Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day ceremonies.



# Upcoming Events

Remember to check the [Perch Base website](#) and watch for **Flash Traffic** emails for the most up-to-date information.

## Monthly General Meetings:

Saturday's, January 11th, February 8th & March 8th.

At Dillion's KC BBQ restaurant

[20585 North 59th Avenue, Glendale, Arizona.](#)

(Left click above address for a Google map.)

The official meeting starts at Noon but come join us at 1100 for lunch!

50/50 Raffle drawing (Must be present to win).

## Perch Base Annual Awards Banquet: January, 25, 2024:

Where: Pebble Creek Tuscany Country Club in the Chianti Room. Vice

Admiral Phillip G. Sawyer (Ret) will be the keynote speaker. Hors d'oeuvres and

a cash bar. Bring plenty of cash for the 50/50 raffle, Silent Auction, and the

Storekeeper's merchandise. Uniform of the day is business casual.

## Laveen Community Parade: February 1, 2025:

This years theme is "Laveen's Got Talent!" and the parade rolls at 11A.

Normally, we stage around 9A. Parking is limited so come early. Have not been

assigned a staging location, so look for Flash Traffic and Website updates for

more details.

## Western Region Roundup: 6 — 9 March, 2025:

This event will be held at the Queen Mary Hotel, Long Beach, CA. If there

interest in attending, please refer to the details on the website. Beware, that

this event conflicts with our March monthly meeting were a new Base

Commander will be elected.

## Deadline for the Midwatch Newsletter second 2025 edition

Friday, March 7th, 2025

All input must be into Chris Gahan, Perch Base Newsletter Editor,

to be included in the next Midwatch Newsletter to be published on

Wednesday, April 10th , 2025.

**Please watch for updates on the [Perch Base website](#) and **Flash Traffic** emails as events may be updated, added or amended.**

# Fourth Quarter Birthdays

## JANUARY

7 Roger Cousin  
7 Douglas Ewen  
12 John Schwab  
14 Jerry Allston  
16 Doug Newland  
18 James Cooper  
21 Jim Glass  
22 Jerry Pittman  
23 James Denzien  
26 Stephen Day  
27 Henry Fernandez  
29 Robert Warner  
31 Frank Morris

## FEBRUARY

1 Ed Henry  
1 Royce Pettit  
3 Mary Denzien  
4 John Mosher  
5 Terry Haid  
7 David Wickline  
11 Dan Moss  
12 Paul West  
16 Michael Dahl  
17 John Mckee  
18 Phillip Wagner  
19 Mel Ryus  
27 Gerald Benham

## MARCH

1 Bob Saenz  
4 Bernard Fromm  
9 John Beckett  
9 Warner H. Doyle Jr.  
11 Glenn Herold  
11 Marcus Hensley  
11 Dennis McComb  
12 Governor Joy  
12 Bill Henderson  
16 Marcia Unser  
17 Mike Ortiz  
19 Burris Loftin  
20 Scott Strey  
26 Jacob Adams  
29 Michael Hinderliter  
29 Denny Kerton  
29 Carlton Clarke  
30 David Hibsher  
30 Rodger Miller



# Binnacle List

Keep these shipmates in your prayers

**Howard Doyle Jr.**

**DeWayne Lober**

**Jim & Mary Denzien**

**Richard Simmons**

**Franklin Hausen**

**Chuck Emmett**

**Davy Jones**

**Chuck Luna**

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**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

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## Base Ride Share

In need of a ride to a base meeting or event? Like to help a shipmate in need of a lift? Please contact: Dan Marks at

[webmaster@perch-base.org](mailto:webmaster@perch-base.org)



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# GOOD OF THE ORDER

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Reservations for this year's **Annual Perch Base Awards Dinner** are lackluster at best. Shipmate's, you must step up and fill the banquet hall. Family and friends are also invited to attend. Besides the numerous awards to be presented, there will be a 50/50 raffle, Silent Auction and the Storekeeper's merchandise for sale. The keynote speaker will be Vice Admiral Phillip G. Sawyer USN, Ret. The last opportunity for tickets will be at the January general meeting on January 11<sup>th</sup>. Banquet ticket can be purchased ahead of time by contacting, Kevin Sheehan, Treasurer, at (360) 271-3404 or [Kevinsheehan@comcast.net](mailto:Kevinsheehan@comcast.net). The banquet will be held at the Pebble Creek Golf Resort, 16222 Clubhouse Dr., Goodyear, AZ, 85395 on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The cost for dinner will be \$65/person. Please refer to the website for additional details and directions.

**George Wood's term as Base Commander is nearing its end, and he is term limited.** This means that a new Base Commander must be nominated and elected. This is a critically important Perch Base leadership position. Ergo, nominations for this position are now open. Nominations can be self-proposed or by another Perch Base member if the nominee agrees to participate in the election. Nominations can be submitted in writing by email to Chris Gahan, Communication Officer, at [pete8525@outlook.com](mailto:pete8525@outlook.com) or submitted at the January or February general meeting. Nominations for Base Commander will close at the February general meeting and the election will be held at the March general meeting. Our future will depend heavily on this election; therefore, your participation as a nominee or a voter is crucial.

# Tolling of the Boats



## Tolling of the Boats for January

5	USS Scorpion (SS-278)	1944	77 Men Lost
10	USS Argonaut (SS-166)	1943	102 Men Lost
12	USS Swordfish (SS-278)	1945	89 Men Lost
20	USS S-36 (SS-141)	1942	No Loss of Life
24	USS S-26 (SS-131)	1942	46 Men Lost

## Tolling of the Boats for February

4	USS Barbel (SS-316)	1945	81 Men Lost
11	USS Shark (SS-174)	1942	59 Men Lost
16	USS Amberjack (SS-219)	1943	72 Men Lost
26	USS Greyback (SS-208)	1944	80 Men Lost
29	USS Trout (SS_202)	1945	81 Men Lost

## Tolling of the Boats for March

3	USS Perch (SS-176)	1942	6 Men Lost (POWs)
5	USS Grampus (SS-207)	1943	71 Men Lost
12	USS H-1 (SS-28)	1920	4 Men Lost
15	USS Triton (SS-201)	1943	74 Men Lost
20	USS Kete (SS-369)	1945	87 Men Lost
25	USS F-4 (Skate/USS-23)	1915	21 Men Lost
26	USS Tullibee (SS-284)	1945	79 Men Lost
26	USS Trigger (SS-237)	1945	89 Men Lost

# 2024 Perch Base Operations

These are the Base members and Friends who donate monies or efforts (1 October 2024 thru 30 September 2025) to allow for Base operations while keeping our dues low and avoid raising money through member labor as most other organizations do. The list reflects donation as of Dec 10th.

James Dahl	Frank Elliot	John Carpenter
Roger Cousin	Howard Enloe	Thomas Farley III
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Dennis McComb	Dan Marks	Paul Miller
James Mills	James Newman	Stanley Reinhold
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Glenn Posniak	Samuel Mecham	George Williams
George Woods		

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