

## **Perch Base Minutes – November 13, 2021**

The monthly meeting of Perch Base was convened at Dillon's Restaurant, in Glendale, AZ, at 1200 hours, November 13, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Base Commander George Woods.

Chaplain Governor Joy gave the invocation and George Woods led the Pledge of Allegiance. Glenn Posniack read the USSVI Purpose Statement. A moment of silence was followed by George Woods reciting the Tolling of the Boats lost in November.

Per the sailing list, the following attended the base meeting:

Jerry Allston	Marcus Hensley	Don Petty
Mike Dahl	Governor Joy	Glenn Posniack
Jim Denzien	Doug LaRock	Stan Reinhold
W. H. Doyle Jr.	Chuck Luna	Don Robertson
Jim Edwards	Ed Lyons	Brad Seidel
Chuck Emmett	Dan Marks	Charles Tobias
Chris Gahan	Sam Mecham	Joe Trotter
Bob Gilmore	David A. Metje	Phil Wagner
Terry Haid	Carl Miner	George Woods
David Heighway	Mike Olsen	

George Woods had each attendee in the meeting introduce himself and give a short biography of their submarine service.

Ed Lyons introduced himself as a visitor from the Thresher Base in New Hampshire. Ed had been qualified on the USS Tinosa (SSN-606) and the USS Fulton submarine tender (AS-11) and several "targets." He also went from enlisted to commissioned and ultimately retiring in 2007 as a Lt. Commander. Ed also donated several T-Shirts to Perch Base with submarine logos that he had "outgrown."

The first item of business was a call for approval of the October 2021, meeting minutes. There were no corrections and the minutes stand approved as posted on the website.

Joe Trotter gave the Treasurer's Report.

### **OFFICERS REPORTS**

#### **Vice Commander – Carl Miner**

Carl thanked those who had participated in the parades.

#### **Membership – Joan Miner**

Joan was not present, however Carl Miner gave her report. There are 173 members, plus one new member signed up at this meeting. 24 members are still outstanding for dues payments for 2022.

#### **Webmaster – Dan Marks**

Dan discussed the recent events that had been posted to the website and Facebook, specifically the Anthem/Daisy Mountain Parade, the Gilbert Veterans Day Ceremony, the Phoenix Veterans Day Parade and the presentation to the South Pointe Middle School at the ASSM and encouraged all to look at the website.

#### **Events Coordinator – Don Unser**

Don was not present, but George Woods reported the following upcoming events:

1. Tuesday, December 7, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (Parking will be difficult. Come early)
2. Saturday, February 5, Laveen Parade
3. Saturday, January 15, 2022, Annual Awards Dinner Pebble Creek, Goodyear, AZ
4. Saturday, April 9, 2022, Annual Lunch Picnic Meeting at White Tanks Park

#### **Treasurer – Joe Trotter**

Joe reminded the officers to submit their 2022 budget input.

#### **Chaplain – Governor Joy**

Governor had nothing to report as Chaplain, but related a "small world" story that he bumped into David

Highway in the Kansas City airport this past month.

Governor also pointed out that one of the 4 astronauts on the November 10, 2021 Space-X launch to the International Space Station was Kayla Barron, a submariner, qualified on the USS Maine. She is the fourth submariner to launch into space.

**Storekeeper – Marcus Hensley**

Marcus reported that he had 2022 USSVI calendars for sale for \$10. He was also selling Annual Banquet tickets for \$50.

**Base Historian – Chuck Emmett**

Chuck reported that he is looking for suggestions to “dress up” the back of the Perch Base memorabilia cabinet in the meeting room.

**Communications Officer/MidWatch – Chuck Luna**

Chuck suggested that if anyone has not received the 4 recent Flash Traffics, that they send an email to [communications@perch-base.org](mailto:communications@perch-base.org) so he can resolve the distribution.

**Past Commander – Howard Doyle**

Howard reported he is still waiting for menu choices from Pebble Creek for the Annual Banquet. The Perch Base is asking for items for the Silent Auction at the Banquet and someone to volunteer to coordinate the Silent Auction.

**Chief Of the Boat – Don Robertson**

With the completion of the Veterans Day events, Don had nothing else to report.

**Base Commander – George Woods**

George informed the group that he had been notified by Steve Day that a former Perch Base member and member of the White Mountain Base, Jim Clewett, had passed on to eternal patrol.

**Western Regional Director– Vic Van Horn**

Vic was not in attendance.

**Secretary – Marcia Unser**

Marcia was not in attendance.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

George Woods encouraged Perch Base members to review the Wreaths Across America posting on the Perch Base Website.

Jim Denzien complimented those that walked in the parades for their contact with the attendees who really seemed to appreciate the personal attention.

Howard Doyle encouraged members to have their PSA checked. Brad Seidel commented that it is not always covered by insurance, so some doctors don't test for it, but you should insist that they do.

This month's Noisy Can collection was donated to the USSVCF.

**BINNACLE LIST**

Warner Howard Doyle Jr  
Wayne C. Hembree  
DeWayne Lober  
Rick Simmons

**50/50**

The raffle amount came to \$110. Mike Olsen won the raffle, which came to \$55 for his share.

**ADJOURMENT**

The Benediction was led by Chaplain Governor Joy and the meeting adjourned at 12:47 hrs.

Submitted:

Dan Marks

Filling in for Secretary Perch Base, Marcia Unser