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**Lest We Forget —
"The USSVI Submariner's Creed"**

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.

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News Brief

1. **Next Meeting:** At 1200, third Saturday of each month at the Knollwood Sportsman's Club, Rondout, IL (near Lake Bluff). Includes lunch. Guests always welcome!
 - a. MAY 15
 - b. JUNE 19
 - c. JULY 17 – PICNIC AT HINES VA HOSPITAL – SEE APRIL MTG MINUTES ITEM 7.E
2. **Duty Cook Roster:**
 - a. May – Greg Miller and Frank Walter
 - b. June – Frank Voznak
 - c. July - Picnic
3. Crash Dive's Monthly Meetings now start **one hour earlier at 1200**.
4. USSVI elections are coming. Add your voice by **voting**. Crash Dive encourages every member to do so.
5. **Landing Zone Lambeau:** See www.lzlambeau.org for info about Wisconsin's Welcome Home for Vietnam vets at Lambeau Field May 21-23, 2010.

Crash Dive Meeting Minutes April 17, 2010

1. Attendees
 - a. Chris Gaines
 - b. Clayton Hill
 - c. Herman Mueller
 - d. Frank Voznak
 - e. Glenn Barts
 - f. Larry Warnke
 - g. Dave Cribbins
 - h. Wanda Cribbins, guest
 - i. Pete Almeroth
 - j. Allen Tuidor
 - k. Martin Salvador
 - l. Bob Benn
 - m. Greg Miller
 - n. Kep Preble
 - o. Terry Elmeier
 - p. Frank Walter
 - q. Larry Heckelsmiller
 - r. Richard Benicke, guest
 - s. Bob Krautstrunk
2. The meeting was called to order at 1205 by Clay Hill followed by the invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and a round of introductions.
3. The Secretary's Report was given by Chris Gaines. Frank Voznak moved to accept; Martin Salvador seconded; vote was unanimous.
4. Treasurer's report given by Glenn Barts; checking account \$4849.59; shares account balance \$1173.69. Glenn requested permission to pay for centerpieces at

\$283.94 – donated material did not work, resulting in an invoice. Frank Voznak spent \$69.08 for the laminated inserts for a total of about \$350 for one set. We do not know if we have received the materials. Martin moved to pay if Bob Fleck has the materials and Terry Elmeier seconded. Vote was unanimous. Larry Warnke moved to accept the treasurer's report; Frank Walter seconded; vote was unanimous.

5. Chaplain's Report – Glenn Barts sent cards to Frank Walter and to Leon Lemma.
6. Old business
 - a. Facebook report by Terry Elmeier who provided background. HQ has a presence; feels it is a good opportunity for Crash Dive. Can have a public and a private side; can post photos; Chris Gaines described the status of our current Website project; seems like a natural combination for content management of both. Very minimal information is required to join Facebook such as name and e-mail address. Need a volunteer to setup and manage it.

- b. Call tree – about 50 of our 72 members are e-mail connected. Clay suggested blocks of 5 or 6 names and assigning to several us. Frank Voznak asks how to filter the list since we have members who live out of state. Clay suggests those who typically would attend a meeting. Use phone tree to stay in-touch for health news and cancelling meetings. Frank Voznak said Tupman has a tree but it doesn't work well; don't know why. Clay feels two layers with the same list per person should work. Clay wants me to provide a list of names and we will parcel out at the next meeting. Bob Benn moved to create a phone tree, Terry Elmeier seconded; vote was unanimous.
- c. Boat Sponsorship; Clay noted can support individually or as a group. Could support as a Base too. Previously supported at \$100 level. Martin wants to participate as a group; Frank Walter does it individually. Frank Walter moved to support at \$100; Glenn Barts

seconded; vote was unanimous.

7. New Business

- a. 50-50 – Frank Walter won \$55; he returned it less \$5. Thanks, Frank.
- b. MAL list from Tom Barnes – Chris Gaines will discuss with Ken Tupman and Scott Jaklin to establish boundaries and divvy-up the list.
- c. Fisher House; Greg Miller. Spontaneous donation of \$56 at last meeting was appreciated. Dedication Friday, May 28; located at Hines VA hospital; Denzel Washington and other Hollywooders will be there; probably Tammy Duckworth; we are to receive an invitation and it would be nice to be represented. First Fisher House in IL; If able to attend, advise Clay. Time is unknown.
- d. Ken Tupman invite us to join them in the Chicago Memorial Day Parade. Unsure of date or time. Frank Voznak suggests carpooling from Sears in Oak Brook shopping center.
- e. Picnic – Bob Krautstrunk has a July 17 picnic scheduled for WWII at Hines Hospital grounds;

- all invited. Donations welcome. Same day as our meeting. USS Chicago Base is cooking. Our Base meeting is relocated to the picnic. Chris Gaines is to work with Bob Krautstrunk to publish directions to Hines; maybe draft a flyer. Bob also notes they have a white elephant drawing – wrap in newspaper. Starts at 1030.
- f. Drum fundraiser discussion. Hoping to raise \$20,000. Herman Mueller moved donate \$50 as we did for Silversides; Terry Elmeier seconded; vote was unanimous.
 - g. Ball
 - i. Critique for hotel compiled
 - ii. Preliminary Financials show deficit of \$226
 - iii. Frank Voznak suggests Denise Martinchek as an associate member; reports that Vic said we can have 10%. Chris Gaines said it is 2.5%. Bob Krautstrunk notes that a similar volunteer for WWII accords Honorary Member status. Chris Gaines will find out
- how many Associate Members we may have.
- iv. Pearl Harbor recognition – may help support Herman at the medical school and also ask Joe Chevere if there is something at his school we can support.
 - h. Website – no report
 - i. Charity plan recommendations by Bob Benn and Greg Miller - We do have the list; take up at our staff meeting. Defer to May. Also consider active fundraising as opposed to simply donating from the treasury.
 - j. 2010 National Convention – Chris Gaines recited a message from newsletter about venue ownership change, donations, and encouraged attendance.
 - k. USSV awards – encourage nominations via their Website.
 - l. Christmas dinner party – general agreement to host one again; Greg Miller moved and Frank Walter seconded; vote was unanimous.

- i. Terry Elmeier suggests dinner on Dec. 4 and combining with a short business meeting.
- ii. Approved Toys for Tots.
- iii. Bob Krautstrunk suggests they take a gift for the veterans home at Manteno, IL. Items like pajamas, sweatshirts, etc.
- m. Glenn Barts discussed changing our GLCU account to an interest-bearing business account. To do so would require a tax ID number and filing a tax return. Our savings account is free and earns no interest. We chose GLCU for its location and low cost. Martin Salvador suggests looking at a Certificate of Deposit. Dave Cribbins asks about limitations on what we can do with our funds. CDs and money market funds are deemed appropriate. Decided to leave accounts alone for now.
- n. Picnic – Chris Gaines is to advise Vic VanHorn and Tom Barnes about the picnic with IL WWII, USS Chicago, and Crash Dive.

- o. Good of the Order
 - i. Bob Krautstrunk has a service at Abraham Lincoln Cemetery on Memorial Day. Frank and Glenn to get details
 - ii. Staff Tuesday second week in May;
 - iii. Greg Miller and Frank Walter are duty cooks for May.
 - iv. No duty cook for July due to picnic.
- p. Glenn Barts moved to adjourn; Larry Warnke seconded; adjourned 1404.

Lost Boats

USS Lagarto	SS 371	5/ 3/45
USS Scorpion	SSN 589	5/22/68
USS Squalus	SS 192	5/23/39
USS Stickleback	SS 415	5/30/58

NEW Meeting Time

Our monthly meetings now start one hour earlier at 1200. We think it will be good to get to lunch earlier.

Birthday Ball Report

Our 2010 Submarine Birthday Ball saw 46 paying attendees. The hotel was most accommodating and appreciates our business.

On the financial side, several shipmates who asked to remain anonymous donated about \$250 to help defray expenses.

Lower than anticipated participation resulted in a loss of about \$450 that was paid from our treasury.

Words from Our Chaplain

Submitted by Glenn Barts, Sr.

I know it is often difficult to relay a message of a problem in your family. Let your family members know my E-Mail address and/or phone number so they can get in contact with me in the case of an emergency. I will try to visit or call to see if there is anything the base can do to help.

News from Our Treasurer

Submitted by Glenn Barts, Sr.

From your Treasurer-Last month saw our base send a \$500.00 donation to the Never Forgotten Honor Flight Fund in the names of Charlie Wedel and Harry Alvey. We received a nice thank you letter from them on 23Apr10.

We also sent a \$50.00 donation to the USSVI Mobile Base to help restore the USS Drum.

For the people that are doing the monthly meal, they can be reimbursed at the time of the meeting. Just bring the receipts

to show what was spent. If they choose not to be reimbursed and wish to make a donation to the base just tell me so I can make a note of it in my annual report. If you did a meal in the past and did not know about reimbursement and still have the receipts we can get you your money.

U.S. Airmen MIA from WWII are Identified

The Department of Defense POW/Missing Personnel Office announced today that the remains of eight U.S. servicemen, missing in action from World War II, have been accounted-for and returned to their families for burial with full military honors.

The group remains of Lt. Jack S. M. Arnett, Charleston, W.V.; Flight Officer William B. Simpson, Winston-Salem, N.C.; Tech. Sgt. Charles T. Goulding, Marlboro, N.Y.; Tech. Sgt. Robert J. Stimson, San Bernardino, Calif.; Staff Sgt. Jimmie Doyle, Lamesa, Texas; Staff Sgt. Leland D. Price, Oakwood, Ohio; and Staff Sgt. Earl E. Yoh, Scott, Ohio, and the individual remains of Lt. Frank J. Arhar, Lloydell, Pa. were buried today in Arlington National Cemetery. The individual remains of Arnett, Yoh, Doyle and Stinson were buried earlier by their families.

On Sept. 1, 1944, their B-24J Liberator bomber was shot down while on a bombing mission of enemy targets near the town of

Koror, Republic of Palau. Crewmen on other aircraft reported seeing Arnett's aircraft come apart in the air and crash into the sea between Babelthuap and Koror islands. Two parachutes were spotted, but none of the 11-man crew ever returned to friendly territory. An aerial search was unsuccessful, and more thorough recovery operations could not be conducted due to Japanese control of the area.

Post-war Japanese documents established that three other members of the crew survived the crash but died while prisoners of the Japanese. In 1949, the American Graves Registration Service declared the remains of all 11 crew members to be non-recoverable.

In October 2000, a team from the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command mounted several investigations on Babelthaup island to attempt to locate several reported mass burial sites. A team returned in November 2001, but their excavation did not recover any material or biological evidence indicating a mass burial. They returned again January 2004, and shortly before the team completed their excavation, they were contacted by a private wreckage hunting group called the "Bent Prop Project" which had discovered the wreckage of a B-24 on the ocean floor four miles northeast of where a diagram from U.S. records indicated a crash site. The JPAC team examined the wreckage and recovered remains.

Divers from JPAC and the U.S. Navy examined the underwater site again in 2005 where they recovered more remains and material evidence. After stabilizing the underwater site for safety reasons, the joint JPAC-U.S. Navy team dived on the site again in early 2007 and recovered additional remains. The joint team returned again in 2008 and recovered more remains and evidence.

The use of mitochondrial DNA analysis from the Armed Forces DNA Identification Laboratory, the biological profile of the remains, dental records, material evidence including machine gun serial numbers and identification tags of Arnett, Doyle and Yoh, enabled JPAC scientists to establish the identifications.

For additional information on the Defense Department's mission to account for missing Americans, visit the DPMO web site at www.dtic.mil/dpmo or call 703-699-1169.

Invitation for Memorial Day Parade

Could you spread the word to Crash Dive that you guys are more than welcome to march with us. It's on May 29th, kicks off at 12 Noon and we gather around the same place on State St. and march to Van Buren. Thanks, Ken Tupman, USS Chicago Base

(Contact FrankVoznak for details; see Page 9 for contact information. Ed.)

World War II SUBVETS Memorial Service Set

Commander, Submarine Force Public Affairs
NORFOLK, Va. – The annual Submarine Veterans of World War II Memorial Service will be conducted 11 a.m., Thursday, May 27, at the Submarine Learning Facility (SUBLRNFAC), Naval Station Norfolk. Hosted by SUBLRNFAC, the event is held each year prior to Memorial Day.

The service honors the 52 submarines and the gallant Sailors lost during World War II, and the losses of the USS Thresher (SSN 593), April 10, 1963, and the USS Scorpion (SSN 589), May 22, 1968.

Following the 2010 ceremony, the USS George Washington (SSBN

598) will be the 12th submarine inducted into the Submarine Hall of Fame. Selection into the Hall of Fame is merited by the submarine's contribution to national security, and selection is conducted by the Hampton Roads Chapter of the U.S. Submarine Veterans organization.

George Washington was commissioned December 30, 1959 and decommissioned January 24, 1985. The ship's sail is memorialized in New London, CT.

The guest speaker is TMCM(SS) Rich Corey, U.S. Navy (retired). He is a former crew member of the George Washington, and was also the first Sailor selected as the SUBLANT and Atlantic Fleet Sailor of the Year in 1972.

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Knollwood Sportsman's Club

CORN ROAST



August 21, 2010

Noon-4:00p.m.

\$10.00

(children 7 and under free)

Food, fun and entertainment for all!

See Dave Cribbins or Larry Warnke for tickets



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Regular Life Associate

OUR CREED: "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 & its Constitution."

With my signature below I affirm that I subscribe to the Creed of the United States Submarine Veterans, Inc., and agree to abide by the Constitution, all Bylaws, Regulations and Procedures governing the U.S. Submarine Veterans, Inc., so long as they do not conflict with my military or civil obligations. I will furnish proof of my eligibility for Regular membership, including my discharge under honorable conditions, and proof of my U.S. Navy (SS) Designation, if required by the Base or the national Membership Chairman. If I am not discharged, the discharge requirement is waived. If I am not U.S. N. submarine qualified, I am applying as an Associate and my sponsor is indicated below.

- I certify that I was designated qualified in USN Submarines aboard _____ in _____ (Yr)
(Honorary designations regardless of source do not apply under any circumstances.)
- I certify that I received a discharge under Honorable Conditions (if not currently in military service) in _____ (Yr)

Name: (Print /Type) _____ **Address:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____ - _____ **Tel:** (_____) _____ - _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** ____/____/____

Your E-Mail Address _____ **Base/Chapter Desired:** _____

The Member Dues year runs from Jan 1st thru Dec 31st. Please indicate your term preference: _____
 Nat'l Dues: 5 Yr term: \$ 90.00; 3 Yr term: \$ 55.00; 1 yr term (Jan thru Sep) \$ 20.00; (Oct thru Dec adds the next yr): \$ 25.00
 Nat'l Life: 76+ yrs = \$100.00; 66 thru 75 yrs = \$200; 56 thru 65 yrs = \$ 300.00; 46 thru 55 = \$400.00; Thru 45 yrs = \$ 500.00
 Local Base/chapter dues are separate and additional. Crash Dive Base dues are \$15 annually.

How did you find USSVI? Friend, Boat Assn, Local Event/News, Internet, Other (_____)

Who is your sponsoring USSVI Regular Member?: (Mandatory for Assoc Mbrs) _____

Associate Applicant is: Veteran Spouse of Veteran Other (specify) _____

YOUR U.S. NAVY BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Date Of Birth (MM/DD/YY) ____/____/____ **If other military service, What Branch?** _____

Highest Rate & Rank Attained: _____ **Mil Retired (Y/N):** ____ **On Active Duty? (Y/N):** ____

YR entered Mil Service: ____ **YR left Mil Service** ____ (Active/Inactive reserve time also counts.)

Submarines and ships served aboard as ship's company (Use back if you need more space.)

1. _____ **Hull#** _____ **From Yr.** ____ **to Yr.** ____

2. _____ **Hull#** _____ **From Yr.** ____ **to Yr.** ____

3. _____ **Hull#** _____ **From Yr.** ____ **to Yr.** ____

4. _____ **Hull#** _____ **From Yr.** ____ **to Yr.** ____

5. _____ **Hull#** _____ **From Yr.** ____ **to Yr.** ____

Next of Kin: Name: _____ **Relationship:** _____ (Spouse, Partner, Son, Dau, Parent, Other)

Addr: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** ____ **Zip:** _____ **Tel:** _____

(Leave this address line blank if the same as your home address)

Applicants on active duty are requested to provide a permanent home address.

Upon completion, give this form, including your National and Base membership dues to the appropriate base officer. or mail to: Crash Dive Secretary. Chris Gaines. 513 W. Downer Place. Aurora. IL 60506: 630-892-5718