



"To Honor Those Who Serve, Past, Present & Future"

**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. Mark your calendars for these upcoming dates:
  - a. OCTOBER 20
  - b. NOVEMBER 17
  - c. DECEMBER 15
2. **Duty Cook Roster:**
  - a. October – Glenn Barts, Sr.
  - b. November – Frank Walter walleye fish fry
  - c. December – PUT YOUR NAME HERE
3. **October Birthdays:** Bud Atkins 5<sup>th</sup>; Tom Polzin 13<sup>th</sup>; Ed Mokos 30<sup>th</sup>; William Derse 30<sup>th</sup>.
4. **At each meeting,** we collect dental supplies and toiletries for the USO, used eye glasses for the Lions Club, and serviceable goods for Navy Relief Shop..
5. Greater Chicago Chapter WWII Christmas Party set for December 15. See details on page 9.
6. Have you ever **setup a Website** for work group, club, or religious institution? If so, we need your skills. Contact Clay Hill

**CRASH DIVE BASE WEBSITE: WWW.CRASHDIVEBASE.COM**

## Crash Dive Meeting Minutes September 15, 2012

Submitted by: Bob Fleck

- A) Attendees:
  - 1) Frank Voznak
  - 2) Bob Fleck
  - 3) Kep Preble
  - 4) Duane Swift
  - 5) Greg Miller
  - 6) John Moody
  - 7) Herman Mueller
  - 8) Larry Warnke
  - 9) Gus Yakes
- B) Call to Order: 1210 hrs / tolling ceremony followed by moment of silence, the invocation, Pledge of allegiance, and a round of introductions.
- C) Secretary's report- July minutes as printed in the newsletter. With no general meeting in August due to the picnic, there are no August minutes to review. Report Accepted.
- D) Treasurers report- Savings \$1173.69; Checking \$3831.23
  - 1) Read letter from Norma Bishop in \$150.00 donation
  - 2) Read POC statement on dues
  - 3) Motion to accept report / accepted
- E) Chaplain's report-
  - 1) Two members passed away recently. Lloyd Getz / Joe Chevere
  - 2) Moment of silence
  - 3) Read note from Lloyd Getz family
- F) Committee report-
  - 1) Newsletter- Anyone with anything they might like to see or add to the newsletter, contact Chris
  - 2) Membership- Duane Swift. Handed application & C.D. patch as he

- indicated to all present he will join the base. (per POC above/next month)
- 3) Charitable Service- Greg Miller gave report on our charity involvement
- 4) Hospitality/ KSC Liaison- Larry said KSC holding a Bldg. raffle Oct 22. \$100. Per ticket. 10 winners. Fleck wants C.D. to buy a ticket. Held to next meeting for better vote and to involve the full complement of Officers.
- 5) Storekeeper report- no report from Herman/ has plenty of stock.
- 6) Memorial Committee- Frank gave complete history and update. Read latest note from architect.
- G) Old Business-
  - 1) 2013 Sub. Birthday Ball.
    - a) Though a lot has been already done... asked if anyone is interested in assisting staff with what else might need to be done. No takers.
    - b) Invitation sent to other bases/ Great Lakes only one responding so far with 10 potential people.
    - c) Would like a breakeven point at 50 paid attendees;
    - d) Suggest \$10 registration fee plus \$35-\$40 per ticket; price may be lower
    - e) Guest speaker Norma Bishop has accepted. Bob Fleck mentioned about the possibility of having a second speaker. To be discussed next meeting.
    - f) Music by Freddie & Lorie of Talisman has been retained.
  - 2) Greg Miller gave update on Cobia work party July & Aug. and the need for forming another one sometime soon. Bob Fleck would like to see that included in the newsletter being specific with dates (\*) showed picture of patch for volunteers/ accepted by group Herman to check with BC Patch for estimate.

- H) New Business-
  - 1) 50-50 won by Duane Swift
  - 2) Plan Holland Club presentation/discuss Oct meeting
  - 3) Elections coming up for Vice Commander & Secretary.
- I) Good of the Order-
  - 1) Duty Cook
    - a) Oct. Glenn
    - b) Nov-Frank Walter walleye fish fry
    - c) Dec TBD
    - d) Jan. Chili dump- Fleck would like to see a contest/prize
  - 2) WWII SubVets meeting Sept 21 at Silver Stallion in DesPlaines. Surprise B-day party for Virginia Manasse & Bob Krautstrunk
  - 3) Read note about Frank Walter fish fry at Polish Home/1400 hours North Chicago; All welcome
- J) Benediction
- K) Sound Klaxon
- L) Meeting Adjourned: 1415 hrs.
- M) Next Meeting- Oct 20 at KSC

## Lost Boats

USS Seawolf	(SS-197)	10/3/44
USS S-44	(SS-155)	10/7/43
USS Wahoo	(SS-238)	10/11/43
USS Dorado	(SS-248)	10/12/43
USS Escolar	(SS-294)	10/17/44
USS Shark II	(SS-314)	10/24/44
USS Darter	(SS-227)	10/24/44
USS Tang	(SS-306)	10/25/44
USS O-5	(SS-66)	10/29/23

## Chaplain's Corner

October has arrived and Fall is upon us. Please be careful cleaning out those gutters.

There is one sad note for this Newsletter, we lost another member of our Base, Everett Paul Weaver who was also a member of SVWII and Great Lakes Base. A card and Eternal Patrol certificate will be sent to his love ones.

With that I will as always keep it short and remind everyone to keep all of Our Troops in your prayers and if there is any sicknesses or deaths of Loved one please contact me or another member of the board.

Glenn C. Barts, Sr.  
Chaplain

## USSVI Scholarship Announcement

The USSVI "Sub Vet" Scholarship Board is pleased to announce they are now accepting requests for USSVI Scholarship Applications by three ways:

1. Send an Email or snail mail to the National Scholarship Chairman at Paul Wm. Orstad, 30 Surrey Lane, Norwich, CT 06360-6541. Email is [hogan343@aol.com](mailto:hogan343@aol.com) .
2. Call and request one by phone at 1-860-334-6457, or
3. Go to web Page and on left side click on "Charitable Fund" in Blue, Then Click on "Scholarships" on top left side, Then Click on "Application" on top left side. Then Click on the application, cover letter and hint sheets. DON'T Click on Manual as you will be confused. If not sure please call the Scholarship Chair who will gladly help you out to get your application.

Paul Orstad, NSC

## Cuban missile crisis: The other, secret one

By Joe Matthews Journalist  
BBC News Magazine

Contrary to popular belief, the Cuban missile crisis did not end with the agreement between the US and Soviet Union in October, 1962. Unknown to the US at the time, there were 100 other nuclear weapons also in the hands of Cuba, sparking a frantic - and ingenious - Russian mission to recover them.

In November 2011, aware that the 50th anniversary of the most dangerous few weeks in history was less than a year away, my Russian colleague Pasha Shilov and I came across several new accounts that changed our perspective on the Cuban missile crisis and how much we thought we knew about it.

Growing up in Berkshire, England, through the nuclear paranoia of the 1980s, with Ronald Reagan's Cruise and Pershing missiles stationed only 30 miles away from my family home, I was inculcated with a keen awareness of Cold War brinkmanship.

Pasha grew up in Moscow and described how it was from the Soviet point of view - equally frightening by his account.

But what we've now learned about the chilling events of October and November 1962 has put our own experiences into perspective - and maybe given rise to a few more grey hairs along the way.

Our investigations took us to St Petersburg and the Soviet Submariners Veterans' Society via the National Security Archive in Washington DC, where Svetlana Savranskaya, the director of the Russian archives, told us an incredible story.

There had been a second secret missile crisis that continued the danger of a catastrophic nuclear war until the end of November 1962.

## Nuclear disaster averted



- Cuban missile crisis ignites when, fearing a US invasion, Castro agrees to allow the USSR to deploy nuclear missiles on the island
- The crisis was subsequently resolved when the USSR agreed to remove the missiles in return for the withdrawal of US nuclear missiles from Turkey

This extended the known missile crisis well beyond the weekend of 27-28 October, the time that had always been thought of as the moment the danger finally lifted with the deal between Kennedy and Khrushchev to withdraw the Soviet missiles in exchange for a US promise not to invade Cuba.

The secret missile crisis came about through an unnerving mix of Soviet duplicity, American intelligence failures and the mercurial temperament of Fidel Castro.

The Cuban leader, cut out of the main negotiations between the superpowers over the fate of the long range Soviet missiles stationed in Cuba, began to cease cooperation with Moscow.

Fearing that Castro's hurt pride and widespread Cuban indignation over the concessions Khrushchev had made to Kennedy, might lead to a breakdown of the agreement between the superpowers, the Soviet leader concocted a plan to give Castro a consolation prize.

The prize was an offer to give Cuba more than 100 tactical nuclear weapons that had been shipped to Cuba along with the long-range missiles, but which crucially had passed completely under the radar of US intelligence.

Khrushchev concluded that because the Americans hadn't listed the missiles on their list of demands, the Soviet Union's interests would be well served by keeping them in Cuba.

Kremlin number two, Anastas Mikoyan, was charged with making the trip to Havana, principally to calm Castro down and make him what seemed like an offer he couldn't refuse.

Mikoyan, whose wife was seriously ill, took the assignment knowing that the future of relations between Cuba and the Soviet Union were on the line. Shortly after arriving in Cuba, Mikoyan received word that his wife had died, but despite this, he pledged to stay in Cuba and complete negotiations with Castro.

In the weeks that followed, Mikoyan kept the detail of the missile transfer to himself while he witnessed the mood swings and paranoia of the Cuban leader convinced that Moscow had sold Cuba's defence down the river.

Castro particularly objected to the constant flights over Cuba by American surveillance aircraft and, as Mikoyan learned to his horror, ordered Cuban anti-aircraft gunners to fire on them.

Knowing how delicate the state of relations were between the US and Russia after the worst crisis since World War II, US forces around the world remained on Defcon 2, one short of global nuclear war until 20 November.

Mikoyan came to a personal decision that under no circumstances should Castro and his military be given control of weapons with an explosive force equal to 100 Hiroshima-sized bombs.

He then extricated Moscow from a seemingly intractable situation which risked blowing the entire crisis back up in the faces of Kennedy and Khrushchev.



Anastas Mikoyan (far right, in 1938) took the all-important mission

On 22 November 1962, during a tense, four-hour meeting, Mikoyan was forced to use the dark arts of diplomacy to convince Castro that despite Moscow's best intentions, it would be in breach of an unpublished Soviet law (which didn't actually exist) to transfer the missiles permanently into Cuban hands and provide them with an independent nuclear deterrent.

Finally after Mikoyan's trump card, Castro was forced to give way and - much to the relief of Khrushchev and the whole Soviet government - the tactical nuclear weapons were finally crated and returned by sea back to the Soviet Union during December 1962.

This story has illuminated a chapter in history that has been partially closed for the past 50 years.

But it leaves us with a great respect for Mikoyan and his ability to judge and eventually contain an extremely dangerous situation which could have affected many millions of people.

*Joe Matthews is a producer for Wild Iris TV, which has made a short film about the "secret" Cuban missile crisis*

## Memorial Update

Submitted by: Frank Voznak, Jr.

Muller & Muller, the architects we hired to draw up the plans for the Memorial, has indicated that they are getting close to finishing the early conceptual drawings and will most likely meet with the Chicago Dept of Transportation (CDOT) the 27th. or 28th. of September. They need to go over a few details so it will be more of an informational



meeting, to discuss timing factors, placement from the river, security cameras, a needed survey, permits, and the process needed to move forward. They have indicated that they will have something to present to our group shortly after the meeting with the City, most likely during the first week of October. Terry Sullivan of Muller & Muller said, "It's going to be a cool project."

We have also been in contact with Alderman Brendan Reilly, keeping him abreast of our progress. He has indicated at a previous meeting that he would be in a position to assist and direct us when the time is right for funding.

On that note, Ken Tupman, Commander of USS Chicago Base, who is partnering with us on this project, has contacted Pritzger Military Library and started the ball rolling for a meeting to also discuss funding.

## **U.S. Navy Defends Boomer Submarine Replacement Plans**

By Michael Fabey, Aviation Week, Sept 28, 2012

A top U.S. Navy official is defending the service's plans to replace its Ohio-class ballistic missile submarine fleet, saying the Navy has the right design and boat numbers to the mission for decades to come.

"We conducted a detailed analysis of many force structure options," says Rear Adm. Barry Bruner, Navy undersea warfare director, in a recent blog. "A force of 12 Ohio Replacement nuclear-powered ballistic missile submarines (SSBN) with 16 missile tubes satisfies national strategic deterrent requirements at the most affordable cost. Twelve Ohio Replacement SSBNs meet at-sea strategic patrol requirements and sustain this requirement while some of the SSBNs are unavailable due to planned maintenance."

Bruner says, "Reduced-force options [that] we considered failed to meet the

current at-sea and nuclear employment requirements, increased risk for force survivability, and limited the flexibility in response to an uncertain strategic future. A 12-ship, 16-missile-tube SSBN force has sufficient, not excessive, flexibility and capacity."

He acknowledges that because ship construction of the Ohio Replacement shifted to 2021 from 2019, there will be fewer than 12 SSBNs from 2029 to 2042 as the Ohio-class retires and Ohio replacement ships join the fleet.

Addressing recent critics of the shortfalls, he says, "During this time frame no major SSBN overhauls are planned, and a force of 10 SSBNs will support current at sea presence requirements."

However, he says, "This provides a low margin to compensate for unforeseen issues that may result in reduced SSBN availability. The reduced SSBN availability during this time frame reinforces the importance of remaining on schedule with the Ohio Replacement program to meet future strategic commitments. As the Ohio Replacement ships begin their mid-life overhauls in 2049, 12 SSBNs will be required to offset ships conducting planned maintenance."

He also says the Navy and Pentagon are keeping a lid on proposed costs. "The Department of Defense sessive cost goal of \$4.9 billion per hull (calendar year 2010) as an average cost for hulls 2-12. To date, the Navy has reduced costs by reducing specifications to the minimum necessary to meet national strategic deterrent requirements, implementing modular construction design, reusing the Trident II D5 Strategic Weapons System, and reusing Virginia- and Ohio-class components where feasible. The Virginia-class construction program, through aggressive management and collaboration between government and

industry, has developed into a model ship building program, continually coming in under budget and ahead of schedule. Ohio Replacement design and construction will build on this success.”

## **USSR's first-ever nuclear sub was destroyed by a beer bottle cap.**

Submitted by: Clay Hill from a Vallejo shipmate

The first and one of the major accidents at the Navy of the USSR took place 45 years ago. On September 8, 1967, an accident on board the first Soviet nuclear submarine K-3 Leninsky Komsomol killed 39 people. The causes of the accident had been classified for 20 years. It is only now, in September 2012, when a special commission is going to finish the investigation.

Before we go directly to the accident, let us remember the heroic and long-suffering history of the submarine. Leninsky Komsomol, originally K-3, was the very first Soviet (and the third in the world) nuclear submarine, the head one of the series.

It was the only sub of Project 627. All subsequent subs in the series were based on the finalized project 627A. The sub inherited the honorary title Leninsky Komsomol from the diesel submarine M-106 of the Northern Fleet, which was destroyed in one of the combat missions in 1943. During the last years of service, the K-3 was reclassified from cruise to large submarine.

The construction of the sub was started on September 24, 1955 at the plant in Severodvinsk (nowadays Sevmash Plant), serial number 254. In August of 1955, captain of the first rank Leonid Osipenko was appointed the commander of the sub.

The reactors were launched in September of 1957; the sub was launched on October 9, 1957. It was passed into service on July 1, 1958.

In 1961, the submarine was on combat duty in the Atlantic Ocean. In July 1962, for the first time in the history of the Soviet Navy, it went on a long mission under the ice of the Arctic Ocean, in which it passed the North Pole twice.

Under the command of Lev Zhiltsov, on July 17, 1962, the K-3 surfaced near the North Pole for the first time in the history of the Soviet submarine navy. The crew hoisted the flag of the USSR somewhere near the pole.

Nikita Khrushchev himself and Defense Minister Rodion Malinovsky came to the pier to celebrate the return of the submarine. The administration of the legendary, first-ever mission to the Pole later received the title of the Hero of the Soviet Union. The entire staff of the sub were decorated with orders and medals.

But there were some difficulties too. Since the boat was entirely new, and because it was designed and built in a hurry, it constantly required repairs and technical servicing. The works were hidden under the words "pilot operation."

In the first years of service and during the mission to the North Pole, the maintenance of the submarine, which was often staying in a state of emergency, was provided by a very skilled team of people, who could perform complex repairs themselves.

The never-ending technical works on board the sub and the appearance of new welded seams led to the increased exposure of the crew to radiation.

On September 8, 1967, a fire broke out in the first and second compartments during a combat mission in the Norwegian Sea. Thirty-nine people were killed. The sub

returned to the base, though. The probable cause of the accident was the unauthorized replacement of a gasket in the fitting of the hydraulic machine. There was a leak, and the leaked hydraulic fluid, which was not collected in full, caught fire...

BaltInfo agency quoted then-deputy commander of the sub, Alexander Leskov. According to him, the accident was actually based on the fact that after the mission to the North Pole in 1962, the crew of the Leninsky Komsomol was executing presumably representative functions at countless Komsomol and party conventions. The submarine did not participate in combat missions for three years, and the level of training of the crew considerably decreased. The crew of the sub became exemplary.

The circumstances of the fire and the actions of the crew at the time of the accident were kept secret for a long time. The official version of events of September 8 did not correspond to reality. The survivors were obliged not to disclose any details for several decades.

At the end of September 2012, a commission of experts is to dot all i's in the case of the tragic death of submarines of the first Soviet nuclear sub K-3 Leninsky Komsomol.

"A non-standard gasket from...a beer bottle was installed in the ballast tank. Naturally it was displaced, the hydraulic fluid leaked under the pressure of 100 atmospheres and got sprayed onto the lamp, which had a broken protective cap. Inflammation occurred immediately," former assistant commander of the K-3 said.

"By falsifying documents, investigation allegedly found that a submariner climbed into one of the compartments and lit a cigarette, but it was not true!" Leskov told a news conference.

Only in 50 years it became known that it was a man-made, not a human factor that caused the accident.

According to Leskov, on September 30, 2012, a meeting of the expert council at the Commander-in-Chief of the Navy will take place to put an end to this story. The killed 39 sailors will be submitted to state awards.

Andrey Mikhailov, Pravda.Ru

## **End of an era - Submarine Veterans of WWII disbands**

Submitted by: Pat Householder

The National SVWWII organization, established in 1955 to honor WWII subvets and remember the submarine men lost in WWII, formally closed its national administration at the joint USSVI-SVWWII Convention in Norfolk this year.

"There are memorials all over this country they've built," said retired Vice Adm. Al Konetzni, who has long been close with the World War II veterans even though he is not of that era. "These guys started in 1955 doing this for their buddies, so they would not be forgotten. It's a wonderful story of self-image. They said, 'Hey, we're going to do it, and we will do it.'"

Walter "Gus" Kraus, final President of SVWWII said the WWII sub veterans considered themselves a unique group and that uniqueness forged a strong bond. The end of the organization, he said, also represents the "end of an era where we were able to get together and blow our own horn,



remembering the circumstances under which we fought."

"They will never be forgotten, ever, ever, ever," said Konetzni, a former deputy commander of U.S. Fleet Forces Command and the U.S. Atlantic Fleet. "They gave us our traditions and our spirit. They were our leaders."

Of the remaining 2,146 WWII members, due to the passage of time and the ravages of age, only 62 were able to attend the closing ceremony.

1,102 of these WWII men are also members of USSVI.

Each of the SVWWII Chapters has the option to continue meeting as a local 'sub club' and all World War II Submariners are always welcome to attend USSVI meetings in their area.

*Note: The Greater Chicago Chapter continues to hold meetings. Details are included in the News Briefs box on page 1 of this newsletter. Ed.*

## GREATER CHICAGO CHAPTER CHRISTMAS

Submitted by: Bob Krautstrunk

- Saturday - Dec. 15th. - 12:00 Noon
- Silver Stallion Restaurant
- Lee & Algonquin - Des Plaines, IL.
- Cash Bar - 1200 - 1300
- 1300 - Family Style - Chicken and Roast Beef. All the trimmings plus dessert and beverage.
- \$10.00 per person. Bring the family!
- Christmas Music. Raffle Prizes. DVD of Closing ceremony at Norfolk.
- Reservations and money to Gene Weisbecker. Reservations by Dec. 8th. \$20/person at the door. No exceptions. We need the count.

Bob K.

Please use your call list. Don't forget to bring a gift for Manteno. We had 47 last year! Let's shoot for 50 plus this year.

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# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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**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 1<sup>st</sup> thru Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. 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