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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. Mark your calendars for these upcoming dates:
  - a. JANUARY 21, 2012
  - b. FEBRUARY 18
  - c. MARCH 17
2. Duty Cook Roster:
  - a. January – Chris Gaines Chili Dump
  - b. February – put your name here!
3. **January Birthdays:** Clay Hill 2<sup>nd</sup>; Ed Potts 12<sup>th</sup>; Bob Fleck 13<sup>th</sup>; Joe Chevere 15<sup>th</sup>; Gus Yakes 16<sup>th</sup>; Stephan Robich 22<sup>nd</sup>; and Larry Warnke 28<sup>th</sup>.
4. Does anyone have any contacts at **Puget Sound** in the Submarine Recycling Program where we might acquire a recycled water-tight door?
5. The Manitowoc Boats on the Chicago River **Memorial Project** is moving along nicely. Some shipmates are so excited that they either committed to donate, or actually donated money to fund the project. There will be a fundraising effort once we get a better handle on the costs. In the meantime, if you are interested and able to donate, contact Frank Voznak – see page 9 for info.
6. **Eight shipmates still owe dues.** If you are among them, then get your money in by January 31 to have uninterrupted membership. Contact Chris Gaines.

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

## Crash Dive Meeting Minutes December 17, 2011

- A. Attendees
  - 1. Glenn Barts, Sr.
  - 2. Herman Mueller
  - 3. Larry Warnke
  - 4. Larry Heckelsmiller
  - 5. Greg Miller
  - 6. Russ Carrel (GLB)
  - 7. Rich Behnke
  - 8. Frank Voznak, Jr.
  - 9. Frank Voznak, III
  - 10. Frank Walter
  - 11. Gus Yakes
  - 12. Tom Polzin
  - 13. Joe Chevere
  - 14. Chris Gaines
  - 15. Clay Hill
- B. Meeting called to order at 1200 by Clay Hill, followed by lunch, moment of silence, invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and a round of member introductions.
- C. Secretary's Report given by Chris Gaines; minutes as published in newsletter. Glenn Barts moved to accept; Larry Warnke seconded; vote was unanimous
- D. Treasurer's Report savings 1173.69 ck. \$4148.71; Frank Walter moved to accept; Larry Warnke seconded; vote was unanimous
- E. Committee Reports
  - 1. Newsletter
    - a. Greg noted that we should make our accomplishments more prominent, i.e. draft an article and send it to Chris Gaines.
  - 2. Membership Report
    - a. Dues are arriving but some members have yet to pay.
    - b. Frank Walter moved to support hardship renewals for

- shipmates. Glenn Barts seconded; unanimous.
- 3. Charitable Service Report
  - a. Thrift Store - two pickup loads of materials donated. Considering doing it as an ongoing process; take donations to regular meetings for Greg.
  - b. Publish list of acceptable items on Website and in newsletter.
  - c. Fisher House donation during a village hall meeting in Addison was received graciously.
- 4. Hospitality Report
  - a. On the KSC calendar for 2012 for each third Saturday plus the second Saturday in December for a Christmas party.
- 5. Webmaster Report
  - a. Joe Chevere prefers some sort of approval process for posting.
  - b. Send pictures and their related articles separately.
  - c. Joe Chevere will draft a job skills report.
- 6. Storekeeper Report
  - a. Inventory is catalogued.
  - b. Have 43 T-shirts of both designs.
  - c. Drafting a specialized patch for recruit division sponsorship.
  - d. Larry Heckelsmiller recommends heavy winter jackets from [www.subvest.com](http://www.subvest.com).
- 7. Bylaws Report
  - a. Will be distributed for review at our January meeting
- 8. Memorial Committee Report
  - a. Frank Voznak III provided an update on the design.
  - b. A tentative design is taking shape along with estimated costs for parts of the project.

- c. Would like to find a real water tight door (WTD), if possible, to use in the design.
  - d. Does anyone have any contacts at Puget Sound in the Submarine Recycling Program where we might acquire a WTD?
  - e. Consensus is to continue pursuit of the memorial.
- F. Old Business
- 1. Submarine Birthday Ball – Josh has a division; we gave him several tasks and are waiting his reply after which we may commit to a date and contract a facility. Staff meeting on Jan. 10 to make final decision.
  - 2. Print our own note cards – Frank Voznak may have some images he can print on heavy stock so we can make our own.f
- G. New Business
- 1. 50-50 won by Larry Warnke who donated to the base for inclusion in our donation to the USO.
  - 2. Solicit chili makers for January: Chris Gaines, Glenn Barts, Sr., Frank Voznak, Frank Walter, Clay Hill, Greg Miller will check with his wife.
  - 3. Elections
    - a. Commander – Clay is the only nominee. Unanimous.
    - b. Treasurer – Glenn is the nominee. Unanimous.
  - 4. National is soliciting donations for a plaque in Washington, DC.
  - 5. Bernie Gardner suggests that we coordinate holiday calendars among IL WWII, USS Chicago Base, and Crash Dive such that there are no conflicts, perhaps a combined Christmas party.
- H. Good of the Order

- 1. Duty Cook
  - a. February –
- 2. From the Great Lakes Base meeting, there is an upcoming activity at VFW Post coordinated by Gary Walters with Crash Dive, Great Lakes, and Wisconsin Bases.
- 3. SK has donated to Great Lakes Base for something and we received a plaque in appreciation.
  - I. Benediction
  - J. SOUND klaxon
  - K. Adjourn 1402.

## Lost Boats

USS Scorpion (SS-278)	1/5/44
USS Argonaut (SS-166)	1/10/43
USS Swordfish (SS-193)	1/12/45
USS S-36 (SS-141)	1/20/42
USS S-26 (SS-131)	1/24/42

## Chaplains Corner

Well Winter, Literally and Figuratively, has arrived and I hope everyone is in Good Health.

I am happy to say we have had no known deaths this past month to report.

Shipmate Chris Gaines had surgery on his foot and he is doing great. We all wish him well.

With that I am going to keep this short and wish everyone Good Health and remember to keep All of Our People in Uniform in your prayers.

Glenn C. Barts, Sr  
Chaplain

## NEED Water Tight Door

Does anyone have any contacts where we might acquire a WTD? Perhaps at Puget Sound in the Submarine Recycling Program, or a shipyard or museum that could have one in a laydown area? It need not work; part of the memorial design will be to weld it open anyway.

If you do you do have any contacts, referrals or ideas, please get in touch with Frank Voznak – see his contact information on page 9.

## Navy Marine Corps Thrift Store Report

Submitted by: Greg Miller

As you may have read in the minutes, our donation of household goods and clothing to the Thrift Store was very well received. Greg Miller, chair of the Charitable Service Committee, was so impressed that he recommends we make it a standing activity.

At each of our meetings, Greg will collect items from the list below and periodically take them to the Thrift Center. Here is Greg's note:

Items that are always needed include:

- small kitchen appliances
- crock pots
- frying pans
- can openers
- dishes

- pots and pans
- silverware
- general kitchen stuff
- linens in good condition, especially bed linens, and
- warm winter coats.

A general guideline to use is to imagine a family which has been transferred here from another part of the country might need immediately. That situation puts a lot of our active duty personnel in a financial squeeze.

Things that the thrift store **WILL NOT TAKE:**

- Toys
- Furniture
- Undergarments
- Religious items
- Soiled items or in non-working condition
- Appliances
- Bikes
- Very large items

We have decided to make the collection of items for the navy and marine corps relief thrift store an on-going project year round. Shipmates can simply bring their stuff to the meeting and the charitable contributions committee will handle it from there.

D.B.F.

Greg

## No Sex Since 1955

Submitted by: Larry Warnke

A crusty old Marine Sergeant Major found himself at a gala event hosted by a local liberal arts college. There was no shortage of extremely young idealistic ladies in attendance, one of whom approached the Sergeant Major for conversation.

"Excuse me, Sergeant Major, but you seem to be a very serious man. Is something bothering you?"

"Negative, ma'am. Just serious by nature."

The young lady looked at his awards and decorations and said, "It looks like you have seen a lot of action."

"Yes, ma'am, a lot of action."

The young lady, tiring of trying to start up a conversation, said, "You know, you should lighten up. Relax and enjoy yourself." The Sergeant Major just stared at her in his serious manner.

Finally the young lady said, "You know, I hope you don't take this the wrong way, but when is the last time you had sex?"

"1955, ma'am."

"Well, there you are. No wonder you're so serious. You really need to chill out! I mean, no sex since 1955! She took his hand and led him to a private room where she proceeded to "relax" him several times.

Afterwards, panting for breath, she leaned against his bare chest and said, "Wow, you sure didn't forget much since 1955."

The Sergeant Major said, after glancing at his watch, "I hope not; it's only 2130 now."

(Gotta love military time)

## Russia's Disappearing Subs

Submitted by: Frank Voznak



10/4/11

By David Axe, [www.The-Diplomat.com](http://www.The-Diplomat.com)

A debate is raging over whether Russia will soon decommission its three gigantic *Typhoon*-class nuclear-powered ballistic-missile submarines. With or without the enormous *Typhoons*, each of which displaces 34,000 tons while submerged, Russia's undersea fleet is all but certain to decline – and that has strategic implications for Moscow *and* Washington.

Prior to last week, it was reportedly the official plan of the Russian navy to keep all three of the surviving, 1980s-vintage *Typhoons* in service until 2019, following the addition of unspecified, new-generation, nuclear-tipped missiles. 'They have good modernization potential,' [Adm. Vladimir Vysotsky said](#).

One of the *Typhoons* is currently serving as a test bed for the new Bulava missile, the main nuclear armament of the *Borey*-class submarines, the first of which entered trials in 2009. Two other *Typhoons* are held in reserve until new missiles can be fitted to replace the now-retired SS-N-20s. None of the *Typhoons* is available for strategic patrols.

In light of the lack of missiles, plus new limits on nuclear weapons imposed by the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty 3, ratified by the United States and Russia last year, navy sources said last week that the

*Typhoons* would be decommissioned or converted into tankers. The idea of using dangerous, expensive-to-operate nuclear submarines as tankers is seen by most as ridiculous. But the notion of retiring the useless *Typhoons* makes perfect sense.

Still, the Navy denies the *Typhoons* face the chopping block. ‘The Defence Ministry has not made such a decision,’ [an official said](#). ‘The submarines remain in service with the Navy.’

Under the best of circumstances, the *Typhoons* will get new missiles and remain in service another eight years. Even then, the Russian undersea strategic fleet will almost inevitably shrink. Besides the three *Typhoons*, the Navy possesses an estimated 11 missile submarines: five *Delta IIIs* dating from the late 1970s and early 1980s and six slightly younger *Delta IVs*. The *Delta IIIs* are unlikely to last beyond 2020.

Russia was supposed to build seven *Borey* submarines between 2006 and 2015. They, along with the *Delta IVs*, would preserve the missile-boat force. But construction delays mean just two *Boreys* have been completed so far. Neither has sailed on an operational cruise [owing to problems with the Bulava missile](#).

At this rate, the older *Deltas* will retire faster than *Boreys* can replace them. Even if they’re retained until 2019, the *Typhoons*, too, could decommission without direct replacements. Within a decade, Russia could possess just half a dozen operational missile submarines.

And that could undermine START 3, which was predicated on reducing US and Russian nuclear weapons stockpiles to just 1,550 apiece – the lowest level in 50 years, but still high enough that Washington and Russia remained the world’s leading nuclear powers.

Most of Russia’s nuclear weapons are submarine-based. Without more missile subs, ‘the force they negotiated so hard for will disappear,’ Owen Cote, Jr., an analyst at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, told *The Diplomat*. ‘They’ve got to do something to turn the submarine situation around, for that reason alone.’

But there’s no clear remedy for Moscow’s ever-shrinking missile-sub fleet.

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## Lost in Plain Sight: GIMIK and OSS Project NAPKO

Submitted by: Bob Krautstrunk

A brief, fascinating discussion of some unique submersibles that were designed to facilitate the invasion of Japan in 1945. Here is the link:

[http://covertshores.blogspot.com/2010/07/lost-in-plain-sight-gimik-and-oss\\_19.html](http://covertshores.blogspot.com/2010/07/lost-in-plain-sight-gimik-and-oss_19.html)

## TOOLS EXPLAINED

Submitted by: Dan Anderson

**DRILL PRESS:** A tall upright machine useful for suddenly snatching flat metal bar stock out of your hands so that it smacks you in the chest and flings your beer across the room, denting the freshly-painted project which you had carefully set in the corner where nothing could get to it.

**WIRE WHEEL:** Cleans paint off bolts and then throws them somewhere under the workbench with the speed of light. Also removes fingerprints and hard-earned calluses from fingers in about the time it takes you to say, ‘Oh shit!’

**SKIL SAW:** A portable cutting tool used to make studs too short.

**PLIERS:** Used to round off bolt heads. Sometimes used in the creation of blood-blisters.

**BELT SANDER:** An electric sanding tool commonly used to convert minor touch-up jobs into major refinishing jobs.

**HACKSAW:** One of a family of cutting tools built on the Ouija board principle... It transforms human energy into a crooked, unpredictable motion, and the more you attempt to influence its course, the more dismal your future becomes.

**WISE-GRIPS:** Generally used after pliers to completely round off bolt heads. If nothing else is available, they can also be used to transfer intense welding heat to the palm of your hand.

**OXYACETYLENE TORCH:** Used almost entirely for lighting various flammable objects in your shop on fire. Also handy for igniting the grease inside the wheel hub out of which you want to remove a bearing race.

**TABLE SAW:** A large stationary power tool commonly used to launch wood projectiles for testing wall integrity.

**HYDRAULIC FLOOR JACK:** Used for lowering an automobile to the ground after you have installed your new brake shoes, trapping the jack handle firmly under the bumper.

**BAND SAW:** A large stationary power saw primarily used by most shops to cut good aluminum sheet into smaller pieces that more easily fit into the trash can after you cut on the inside of the line instead of the outside edge.

**TWO-TON ENGINE HOIST:** A tool for testing the maximum tensile strength of everything you forgot to disconnect.

**PHILLIPS SCREWDRIVER:** Normally used to stab the vacuum seals under lids or for opening old-style paper-and-tin oil cans and splashing oil on your shirt; but can also be used, as the name implies, to strip out Phillips screw heads.

**STRAIGHT SCREWDRIVER:** A tool for opening paint cans. Sometimes used to convert common slotted screws into non-removable screws and butchering your palms.

**PRY BAR:** A tool used to crumple the metal surrounding that clip or bracket you needed to remove in order to replace a 50 cent part.

**HOSE CUTTER:** A tool used to make hoses too short.

**HAMMER:** Originally employed as a weapon of war, the hammer nowadays is used as a kind of divining rod to locate the most expensive parts adjacent the object we are trying to hit. It is especially valuable at being able to find the EXACT location of the thumb or index finger of the other hand.

**UTILITY KNIFE:** Used to open and slice through the contents of cardboard cartons delivered to your front door; works particularly well on contents such as seats, vinyl records, liquids in plastic bottles, collector magazines, refund checks, and rubber or plastic parts. Especially useful for slicing work clothes, but only while in use.

**SON-OF-A-BITCH TOOL:** (A personal favorite!) Any handy tool that you grab and throw across the garage while yelling 'Son of a BITCH!' at the top of your lungs. It is also, most often, the next tool that you will need.

Hope you found this informative.

## **Fisher House - Illinois**

Submitted by: Greg Miller

Hello Frank and Gregg,

I'm afraid I was buried in several holiday events since we met at the Addison Village Hall and you donated the Crash Dive Base USSVI contribution of \$100.

I am now catching up and want to express our appreciation for your organization's donation toward support of Hines VA Fisher House.

I'm pleased to announce Friends of Fisher House-Illinois handed over some \$45,000 to the Hines Va Fisher House Manager for support of this home away from home for military families facing medical crises.

Now, we have to raise more funds in 2012. And support like yours is vital to helping us reach our goal. We look forward to a continuing relationship with your group.

I am forwarding your donation to our Treasurer and Secretary who will prepare a Certificate of Appreciation plus a thank-you letter with the FOFH-IL non-profit tax ID for your organization's accounting purposes.

Best Wishes for a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

Sincerely,

Betty Stamatis  
President / Friends of Fisher House-Illinois  
(FOFH-IL)

PS: I'm attaching some information about FOFH-IL and Fisher House as promised for sharing with your fellow members.

Also, you can visit the FOFH-IL website at [www.fofhil.org](http://www.fofhil.org) for full information about our endeavors on behalf of military families who sacrifice so much for our freedom and safety.

### **Bag stashed since WWII found on Manitowoc submarine**

January 2, 2012, Green Bay Press-Gazette  
MANITOWOC — Imagine Paul Rutherford's surprise when he was working aboard the USS Cobia and

came across a bag that likely hadn't been touched by human hands since World War II.

Rutherford is maintenance supervisor for the Wisconsin Maritime Museum, where the submarine draws thousands of visitors each year.

The Cobia yielded its surprise to Rutherford on Dec. 21. He was on his back, squeezed into a tight space installing a protective cage around a light fixture above upper sleeping bunks in the after torpedo room.

"I had to take off the cover around the light fixture so I could use that to attach the cage to it," he said. "I realized I didn't bring the cages with me. I couldn't reach them and I didn't want to crawl down because it's a struggle, so I called for some help."

During the five minutes or so that he waited, his imagination went to work. He put himself in the mindset of a World War II submariner and wondered if one of them might have stashed something in a nearby nook.

"Wouldn't that be cool if I found something," he thought to himself.

Rutherford reached his hand above an electrical utility box behind the escape hatch.

And there it was. A brown leather zippered toiletry bag, flattened from being shoved into a 2- to 3-inch-high space more than 60 years ago.

"So I pulled it out," he said.

"There was actually a lot of dust on it and one edge was spray-painted white," likely from remodeling during the '60s or '70s before the museum acquired the submarine, he said.

Rutherford waited until he finished his work and shimmied out of the tight space to see what was inside.

The bag yielded up a small empty red corduroy pouch, a rubber stamp with a seaman's name, a "100 Cocktails"



booklet, and two poems, "Give Us a Drink" and "Navy Wife."

"That thing had definitely been up there longer than I've been alive," said Rutherford, 47. "If I wouldn't have forgotten to bring the cages with me, I would have never have found these items."

Using the rubber stamp as her guide, Karen Duvale, submarine curator, consulted crew records and identified the objects as being from Seaman First Class Hersey J. Williams, who served aboard the USS Cobia on the submarine's fourth war patrol, which departed from Perth, Australia, on Dec. 12, 1945.

Chances are that one of the two bunks near the area where the bag was found belonged to him, Duvale said.

"The submarine has been here for 41 years, and to find something that has been there for 66 years ... that's exciting," Duvale said. "It was a tricky area to get to — that's why it has been up there for so long."

While the bag was flattened, everything inside was in good condition, she said.

"It's kind of odd," Rutherford said. "It's not stuff you would usually find in the bag. We thought maybe he left it

there as some sort of Navy tradition or something. It was in a place that you wouldn't have put something like that normally. That's why it was cool finding it."

It was typical for submariners to keep personal items in small personal lockers, bunk bags and small lockers in the crew's washroom of the submarine, Duvale said.

The drink booklet contains recipes for martinis and rum drinks, she said.

The "Navy Wife" poem warned women not to become a sailor's wife unless they could answer yes to the questions it asked, including, "Can you sit home nights just waiting/Until the war is won?"

The other poem was a little salty, peppered with what Duvale called "sailor talk."

The little red bag might have once held the seaman's razor, she said.

Duvale plans to scour the museum's archives, talk to veterans and do Internet research to find out more about the submariner who, possibly on a whim, tucked the bag into the bowels of the submarine and maybe even chuckled as he thought of the day that it might be found.

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**Base Historian** – Frank Voznak



# APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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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  
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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