



“To Honor Those Who Serve, Past, Present & Future”

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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. MARCH 16
  - b. APRIL 20
  - c. MAY 18
2. **Duty Cook Roster:**
  - a. March – Fleck Family Famous Brisket Dinner
  - b. April – your name here!
  - c. May – your name here!
3. **March Birthdays:** Mike Barney 3<sup>rd</sup>; Chris Gaines 13<sup>th</sup>; Richard Huntinghouse 14<sup>th</sup>; Charlie Wedel 17<sup>th</sup>; Tom Oker 17<sup>th</sup>; and Richard Smiskol 26<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. **Submarine Birthday Ball**, April 27, 2013, Manitowoc, WI. See flyer page 8.
6. The March 3-6 **working party** on the Cobia was a blast. Shipmates enjoyed sleeping on the boat, and the museum screened submarine movies for us each evening! Get in on the fun for the next one.
7. The design for the **submarine memorial** in Chicago is nearing completion. Watch the newsletter for information. Next step: fundraising.

## Crash Dive Meeting Minutes February 16, 2013

- 1) Attendees
  - a) Clay Hill
  - b) Glenn Barts, Sr.
  - c) Frank Voznak, Jr.
  - d) Terry Elmeier
  - e) Steve Benicke
  - f) Larry Warnke
  - g) Chris Gaines
  - h) Martin Salvador
  - i) Gus Yakes
  - j) Herman Mueller
  - k) Greg Miller
- 2) The meeting was called to order at 1214 by Clay Hill followed by the invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and a round of introductions.
- 3) Secretary's report given by Chris Gaines. Glenn Barts, Sr. moved to accept; Terry Elmeier seconded; unanimous
- 4) Treasurer's report given by Glenn Barts, Sr. Savings \$1173.69; Checking \$4154.08. Frank Voznak, Jr. moved to accept; Terry Elmeier seconded; unanimous
- 5) Committees
  - a) Newsletter – Gordon Palmer, Editor of American Submariner, requested permission to print an article that appeared in our newsletter. He will properly attribute the original source and was given permission.
  - b) Membership – Lost two national and one additional

- base member; current Crash Dive roster is 65 shipmates.
- c) Charitable Service – Greg led a review of his plan for 2013: (Combat Casualty Assistance \$100; USSVI Brotherhood Fund \$100; Friends of Fisher House of IL \$100; Wounded Warrior Project \$100; undesignated \$100). Funds unspent at the end of 2013 to be divvied equally between Friends of Fisher House and the Wounded Warrior Project. Continue to support the USO at O'Hare, Thrift Store at Great Lakes, waiver of Crash Dive dues for WWII members, USSVI Life Membership for non-Life WWII members who join Crash Dive, grave markers, and Toys for Tots. Larry Warnke moved to approve the \$500 plan as presented for 2013; Martin Salvador seconded; unanimous.
  - d) Hospitality – no report
  - e) Webmaster – position is vacant
  - f) Storekeeper – no report
  - g) Bylaws – no report
  - h) Memorial –
    - i) May design a Website for the memorial.
    - ii) If there is a dedicated Website, explore having WMM maintain it.

- iii) Frank narrated a slideshow of the current design.
- iv) Next meeting with Alderman scheduled for March 6, 2013.
- i) Community Outreach
  - i) Cobia Working Party – set for March 3-6; contact Greg Miller to volunteer. About six volunteers from USS Chicago Base, four from Crash Dive, and a few from Great Lakes.
  - ii) Boat Sponsorship Program – Terry Elmeier moved to fund four BSPs Larry Warnke seconded; unanimous
    - (1) USS Connecticut – Greg Miller's grandson
    - (2) USS Michigan – Chris Gaines' wife's cousin
    - (3) USO at O'Hare Airport
    - (4) Wisconsin Maritime Museum
  - iii) Donate \$100 to Knollwood Sportsmans Club annually.
- 6) Old Business
  - a) Ball – now accepting registrations
- 7) New Business
  - a) Centenarian birthdays – no action required.
  - b) Buy a Convention 2013 advertisement- no.
- 8) Glenn Barts, Sr. moved to adjourn; Terry Elmeier seconded; adjourned at 1348.

## Lost Boats

USS Perch	(SS 176)	3/3/42
USS Grampus	(SS 207)	3/5/43
USS H-1	(SS 28)	3/12/20
USS Triton	(SS 201)	3/15/43
USS Kete	(SS 369)	3/20/45
USS S-4	(SS 23)	3/25/15
USS Tullibee	(SS 284)	3/26/44
USS Trigger	(SS 237)	3/26/45

## Chaplain's Corner

March has been good for most of us but not for our Base Commander Clay Hill. He was in the hospital for over a week with Heart Problems. He is home now. Please keep him in your prayers.

The month of March is of great significance to different religions. Below is a list of religious Holidays for March:

### Christian

- Mar 18 - Clean Monday (Orthodox Christian)
- Mar 24 - Palm Sunday
- Mar 26-Apr 2 - Passover (Jewish)
- Mar 28 - Maundy Thursday
- Mar 29 - Good Friday
- Mar 30 - Holy Saturday
- Mar 31 - Easter (Protestant, Catholic)

I want to wish everyone a happy holiday no matter which religion you are.

I have not heard of any other adversities and hope everyone stays healthy.

With that like always I will keep this short. Just a reminder to all that if you or a loved has any health problems or you hear of a member departing please contact me or a board member.

Glenn C. Barts, Sr.  
Base Chaplain

## Breaking the Barrier

*The story of the Navy's first African American submarine commanding officer.*

Crash Dive shipmate Pete Tzomes, the Navy's first African-American submarine CO, was featured in an *All Hands* article in February.

It is well worth the read. Find the article here:

[http://www.navy.mil/ah\\_online/story\\_5.html#](http://www.navy.mil/ah_online/story_5.html#)

*(If you would like to receive a printed copy of the article, contact Chris Gaines.)*

## More Noise from China

From: [www.strategypage.com](http://www.strategypage.com)

February 12, 2013: Over the last five years Chinese submarines have been going to sea a lot more, at least the diesel-electric boats have been. This is worrying to other nations in the region, and the U.S. Navy, because it means China is training its submarine crews for war. Previously the Chinese kept their fleet in port most of the time. This was cheaper although in wartime it meant that Chinese warships would not last long in combat against a better trained fleet (like the Americans, or Japanese or South Koreans or Taiwanese.) Now the Chinese are building better quality subs, and feel they may have a fighting chance, if they have better prepared crews as well.

For China, one downside of all this training is that the U.S. Navy has more opportunity to practice hunting Chinese subs. This is particularly true for American subs, which are well equipped with passive (listen only) sonar and are even more effective if they have a lot of sound samples for enemy subs operating underwater or on the surface. The U.S. has discovered that Chinese diesel-electric boats are rapidly getting quieter, apparently because the Chinese have learned more about advanced techniques for 'silencin' subs. Still, most of the 60 Chinese subs in service are pretty noisy and easy to find.

Meanwhile the Chinese Navy has been designing and building a rapidly evolving collection of "Song" (Type 39) class diesel-electric submarines that emphasize quietness. The changes have been so great that the latest four Songs have been called Yuan class (Type 39A or Type 41). The original design (Type 39) first appeared in 2001, and 13 have been built. But in 2008, a noticeably different Type 39 appeared. This has been called Type 39A or Type 41. Two of these Type 39As appeared before two of another variant, sometimes called Type 39B, showed up. The evolution continues and there are now six or seven "Type 41 Yuan Class" subs (of at least three distinct models). These latest models appear to have AIP (air independent propulsion system) along with new electronics and other internal improvements.

This rapid evolution of the Type 39 appears to be another example of China adapting Russian submarine technology to Chinese design ideas and new technology. China has been doing this for as long as it has been building subs (since the 1960s). But this latest version of what appears to be the Type 41 design shows Chinese naval engineers getting more creative. Two or more Yuans are believed to have an AIP that would allow them to cruise underwater longer. Western AIP systems allow subs to stay under water for two weeks or more. The Chinese AIP has less power and reliability and does not appear to be nearly as capable as Russian or Western models. The Chinese will keep improving on their AIP, just as they have done with so much other military technology.

The Songs look a lot like the Russian Kilo class and that was apparently no accident. The 39s and 41s are both 1,800 ton boats with crews of 60 sailors and six torpedo tubes. This is very similar to the Kilos (which are a bit larger). China began ordering Russian Kilo class subs, then one of the latest diesel-electric designs available, in the late 1990s. The first two Type 41s appeared to be a copy of the early model Kilo (the model 877), while the second pair of Type 41s appeared to copy the late Kilos (model 636). The latest Yuans still appear like Kilos but may be part of an evolution into a sub that is similar to the Russian successor to the Kilo, the Lada. The Type 39s were the first Chinese subs to have the teardrop shaped hull. The Type 41 was thought to be just an improved Song but on closer examination, especially by the Russians, it looked like a clone of the Kilos. The Russians now believe that the entire Song/Yuan project

is part of a long-range plan to successfully copy the Kilo. If that is the case, it appears to be succeeding.

China currently has 13 Song class, 12 Kilo class, seven Yuan class and 18 Ming (improved Russian Romeo) class boats. There are only three Han class SSNs, as the Chinese are still having a lot of problems with nuclear power in subs. Despite that, the Hans are going to sea, even though they are noisy and easily detected by Western sensors. Five Hans were built (between 1974 and 1991) but two have already been retired. There are four newer Shang class SSNs in service, but these are still pretty noisy. The Song/Yuan class subs are meant to replace the elderly Mings.

## USSVI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Submitted by: Amy-Beth Johnson

The USSVI Scholarship Board is pleased to announce that in conjunction with the Dolphin Scholarship Foundation you are able to apply to more scholarship if you follow the instructions on the Web page listed below. I have used it in a trial run and it told me I was eligible for two scholarships, The Dolphin and the USSVI scholarships. So if you have any questions please let me know or the Dolphin Executive Director and we will do our best to answer your inquiries.

We are pleased to announce that we now have an official one-stop website up and running for Scholar Applicants to apply for five scholarships available to the dependents of Submariners.

At <http://subforcescholarship.org>, the website is designed to ensure that any applicant will be automatically screened for any possible scholarship for which they might qualify. Though DSF is providing the pre-screening, nothing as far the scholar on process for any scholarship has changed. All documentation will be forwarded to each respective selcommittee, and DSF will

facilitate any further questions or clarification required.

This is a great step to make applying for the available aid more simple for our dependents. Any feedback is welcome as far as how to potentially change or improve the process. Many thanks to everyone for their support in this endeavor. Please direct any questions to (me - contact info below)

Amy-Beth Johnson  
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## US Operating Five Submarines in Persian Gulf

*www.presstv.ir, March 6*

The number of US submarines deployed to the Persian Gulf and the Sea of Oman has reached five with the dispatch of the USS Springfield (SSN-761) to the region.

The USS Columbia (SSN-771) is operating west of the Strait of Hormuz, which is a key oil transit route. The US has also stationed eight minesweeping ships in international waters of the Persian Gulf and the Sea of Oman.

The United Kingdom has also deployed HMS Trenchant, a Trafalgar-class nuclear-powered submarine, to the Sea of Oman.

Financial woes in the United States have forced Washington to reduce its military presence in the Persian Gulf.

The news comes after the US administration was forced to sign into effect the spending cuts known as the sequester last Friday, which will take USD85 billion from the US federal budget in 2013.

About half of the cuts, or USD46 billion, will affect the US military sector, the most sensitive of which will be altering plans for the deployment of Pentagon's naval assets.

While the Pentagon had been previously considering plans to assign two of its 10 aircraft carriers to the Persian Gulf, the giant budgetary cuts have now forced the Department of Defense to deploy only one of those aircraft carriers to the region.

## USS Thresher to be honored with special postmark

### April 10 marks 50th anniversary of nuclear submarine tragedy

By **Suzanne Laurent**

news@seacoastonline.com

February 26, 2013 2:00 AM

The Portsmouth and Kittery, Maine, post offices are planning a special day to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the loss at sea of the U.S. Navy nuclear-powered submarine USS Thresher.

On Wednesday, April 10, Kittery Postmaster John Wickman, Portsmouth Postmaster Richard Provencher and their staffs will be on hand to stamp letters and postcards with a unique postmark documenting the occasion.

There will be two postmarks — 03804, zip code for the Eternal Patrol Station of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard; and 03904, the zip code for the Memorial Dedication Station in Kittery, Maine.

Specially authorized by the U.S. Postal Service, this postmark is a way to take home an inexpensive souvenir of the historical event.

The Thresher (SSN 593) was built at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and was commissioned in 1961. It was the first of its class and the most advanced seagoing vessel of its era. Designed to hunt and destroy Soviet submarines at the height of the Cold War, the Thresher was capable of diving deeper, quieter and deadlier than its counterparts.

The fast-attack submarine was lost April 10, 1963, during deep-dive trials more than 200 miles off the New England coast. The Navy ultimately concluded a piping failure caused the Thresher's nuclear reactor to shut down.

Once the vessel lost power, it sank toward the ocean's bottom before imploding from the sea's crushing water pressure, and 129 lives were lost. Today, it lies below 8,300 feet of water.

"We're expecting about 1,000 pieces of mail to be stamped during the first day or two," Provencher said. "We'll be doing this at the post office on Daniel Street, and we'll be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 10."

After the first couple of days, Provencher said, pieces of mail requesting a stamp will be stamped directly at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, put back into an self-addressed, stamped envelope, and mailed back to the sender at no cost.

"There will be a lot of collectors and old-timers from all around the country sending mail to be stamped," he said.

The Kittery Post Office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 10.

There will be a ceremony at the shipyard that day, but because of security, members from the U.S. Postal Service may or may not be in attendance, said Tom Rizzo, spokesman for the U.S. Postal Service.

"The ceremony will be by invitation only," he said.

Customers wishing to receive the special postmark by mail have until 30 days after the event to send a self-addressed, stamped envelope containing the letter or envelope they want canceled to Postmaster, 80 Daniel St., Portsmouth, NH 03801-9998, or Postmaster, 10 Shapleigh Road, Kittery, ME 03904.

## Iran Navy uses submarine-launched drones: Cmdr.

<http://www.presstv.com/detail/2013/02/23/290443/iran-navy-uses-submarinelaunched-uavs/>  
Sat Feb 23, 2013 3:48PM GMT

Iran Navy Commander Rear Admiral Habibollah Sayyari says the country's naval forces are equipped with submarine-launched unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) with different flying ranges.

The commander said on Sunday that the Navy drones are capable of carrying out defensive, offensive and reconnaissance missions and can be used anywhere deemed necessary.

"The Navy makes good use of its UAVs proportional to the assigned missions," he added.

In recent years, Iran has made great achievements in its defense sector and attained self-sufficiency in producing essential military equipment and systems.

Iran unveiled its first indigenous long-range drone, Karrar, in August 2010.

The aircraft is capable of carrying a military payload of rockets to conduct bombing missions against ground targets, flying long distances at a high speed, and gathering information.

In September 2012, the country also unveiled a new indigenous UAV, Shahed 129, with a 24-hour nonstop flight capability.

In December 2012, Commander of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps' Navy Rear Admiral Ali Fadavi said Iran had also launched a production line for the manufacture of ScanEagle-type drones.

Meanwhile, Iran's Deputy Defense Minister Mohammad Eslami said in early February that the country will unveil its latest long-range drone in May.

Tehran has repeatedly assured other countries that its military might poses no threat to other states, insisting that the Islamic Republic's defense doctrine is entirely based on deterrence.

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## Submarine Novels

Submitted by: Frank Voznak, Jr.

USS Chicago Base Shipmates,

Don't know how many of you still like to read books re: submarines; but I have added a link to [www.dmulmer.com](http://www.dmulmer.com). Don Ulmer writes a pretty entertaining submarine novel.

Don Ulmer was the XO on Corporal, SS 346 when I rode her in '65-'66. He was also CO of Clamagore, SS 343. Some other interesting stuff on the website-check out the short video of swim call.

Steve Benicke

UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS



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Lake Bluff, IL



“To Honor Those Who Serve, Past, Present & Future”

**Submarine Birthday Ball  
Saturday, April 27, 2013  
Holiday Inn, Manitowoc, WI**

**ALL PRESENT AND FORMER SUBMARINE PERSONNEL,  
MILITARY PERSONNEL, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED**

**DRESS: MILITARY: SERVICE DRESS BLUES with RIBBONS  
CIVILIANS: SEMI-FORMAL (Jacket and tie)**

**COMPLIMENTARY ACCESS TO WI MARITIME MUSEUM ON SATURDAY**

**CASH BAR AT 1700, PROGRAM and DINNER AT 1800**

**GUEST SPEAKER Norma Bishop, WI Maritime Museum**

**Holiday Inn, 4601 Calumet Avenue, Manitowoc, WI 54220; 920-682-6000**

Mention “US Sub Vets” for our special rate \$80 plus 11% tax before March 27, 2013

Tickets are \$49 each; Make checks payable to “Crash Dive Base”

Send the check, the form below, and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Chris Gaines, 513 W. Downer Place, Aurora, IL 60506; 630-319-8110; [ccgaines@mindspring.com](mailto:ccgaines@mindspring.com)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Entrée Selection:

Poached Salmon \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken Marsala \_\_\_\_\_

Prime Rib \_\_\_\_\_

Restrictions \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$49 = \_\_\_\_\_

Cutoff date is April 25, 2013

No refunds after March 27, 2013  
Crash Dive Base  
Rondout - Lake Bluff, IL



## Military Sub thriller filmed at Maritime Museum

**Utsandiego.com, Mar. 8**

When U.S. Navy submarines glide past Point Loma and head to sea, what they do in the dark depths is mostly a mystery. Certainly it involves keeping an eye on other navies. Some U.S. submarines carry a portion of the American nuclear arsenal in their tubes.

During the Cold War, the Pacific was full of Soviet submarines doing the same job for the other side.

This dangerous world of submarine cat-and-mouse comes to the big screen again in "Phantom," a new Hollywood action movie with a major San Diego connection.

About 80 percent of the movie was shot aboard the former Soviet B-39 submarine owned by the Maritime Museum of San Diego. The 1974 Foxtrot-class submarine has been moored in the bay along Harbor Drive since 2004.

Meanwhile, just across the water is Point Loma Naval Base, the heartbeat of U.S. submarines on the West Coast during the Cold War.

San Diego subs and their crews stalked Soviet subs like the Foxtrot from the 1970s through the 1990s.

"Phantom," a thriller starring Ed Harris and David Ducovny, depicts that world from the Soviet point of view.

Filmmakers say it is probably the first submarine movie shot on an actual sub. They used a compact digital camera weighing about 4 lbs, which allowed them to film in the tight corners of a real-life submarine. Some members of the movie crew reportedly fought claustrophobia during the three-week shoot.

"Phantom" was inspired by actual events. In March 1968, the Soviet diesel-electric submarine known as K-129 sank in deep water off the Hawaiian Islands.

Her country's navy never found the wreck. The United States reportedly launched a secret salvage mission, the results of which are still murky.

Author Kenneth Sewell, a former U.S. Navy submariner, argues in his 2006 book "Red Star Rogue" that K-129 was poised to launch a nuclear ballistic missile attack on the United States when something went awry and the detonation sunk the boat.

The movie "Phantom" is loosely based on that outline. Filmmakers thought the San Diego B-39 submarine was similar enough to the K-129 to fill in for Hollywood's purposes. Both were diesel-electric powered and carried nukes, though the sunken sub had extra tubes for intercontinental ballistic missiles and the B-39 only held nuclear torpedoes.

How did a Soviet submarine end up in the heart of its former enemy?

The Maritime Museum was the largest investor in a group that bought and moved the B-39 from the Seattle area, where it landed after a Canadian consortium purchased the decommissioned boat from the Russians in 1995.

Now, the B-39 and its more high-tech American counterpart, the former U.S. Navy submarine Dolphin, draw about a third of the museum's visitors.

"There aren't that many examples of Russian Soviet-era submarines around to look at," Ashley said, adding that the comparison provided by the submarines is pretty stark.

"You get a whole picture of the Cold War and how it looked on each side simply by going on those two ships."

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**Base Historian** – Frank Voznak, Jr.



# 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  
 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.)**

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| 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