



"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 1100, third Saturday of each month at the Knollwood Sportsman's Club. Mark your calendars for these upcoming dates:
 - a. JUNE 20
 - b. JULY 18
 - c. AUGUST 15
2. **Duty Cook Roster:**
 - a. JUNE – TED ROTZOLL AND TOM POLZIN
 - b. JULY – LARRY WARNKE AND CHRIS GAINES
 - c. AUGUST – SEE YOUR NAME HERE
3. **June Birthdays:** Dennis Murphy 2nd; Scott Clippert 2nd; Bret Zacher 9th; Frank Voznak 9th; Martin Salvador 11th. Happy Birthday Shipmates!
4. **SubFest** at the Wisconsin Maritime Museum in Manitowoc coming up July 10-12. The WMM staff eagerly seeks sub sailors to participate and enjoy. See www.wisconsinmaritime.org for more information.
5. **Picnic** sponsored by USS Chicago and Crash Dive Bases to support our SVWWII shipmates is scheduled for August 8, 2015 at the picnic pavilion on the grounds of the Hines VA Hospital (same site as in previous years). Mark your calendars.

Crash Dive Meeting Minutes April 18, 2015

1. Attendees:
 - a. Frank Voznak
 - b. Greg Miller
 - c. Maurice Young
 - d. Ed Dowling
 - e. Dick Anderson
 - f. Frank A. Walter
 - g. Larry Warnke
 - h. Gus Yakes
 - i. Ted Rotzoll
 - j. Ron Spooner
 - k. Tom Polzin
 - l. Herman Mueller
 - m. Chris Gaines
2. Meeting was called to order by Frank Voznak at 1118 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, and a round of introductions.
3. Secretary's Report was given by Chris Gaines. Herman Mueller moved to accept; Tom Polzin seconded; vote was unanimous.
4. Treasurer's Report given by Chris Gaines. Savings \$1,173.69; Checking \$3,059.00; Total: \$4,232.69 Memorial Checking \$29,457.80; Memorial Savings \$5.00; Held by National \$5,240.00. Total: \$34,702.80 Ed Dowling moved to accept; Dick Anderson seconded; vote was unanimous.
5. Committee Reports
 - a. Newsletter – no news.
 - b. Membership – no news.
 - c. Charitable Service – Working on Boat Sponsorship Program list.
 - d. Community Outreach – Ready to schedule USO delivery. Always seeking complimentary toiletries from hotels. Very excited about SubFest, Manitowoc, July 10-12. Interested shipmates may volunteer to stand a compartment watch to protect against button pushers and valve twisters while answering questions.
 - e. Hospitality – Corn Roast August date TBD; No possibility to setup a memorial table. May be able to put the tri-fold brochure dispenser on the bar; Larry will find out
 - f. Webmaster – Always good to check for updates.
 - g. Storekeeper – Big inventory of items for sale that were acquired for the fundraiser. Base sponsors a display at the Chicago Medical School every year.
 - h. Procedures – No progress.
 - i. Eagle Scout – going very well; have done three in the last month; all were well received. Four in the same troop scheduled for tomorrow.
 - j. Memorial – Gary Meyer and Vic Van Horn joined while Steve Benicke stepped aside. Updating stationery. Revisiting the gift and donor level program.
 - k. Banquet – Chris Gaines suggested that future events

- not be held at a hotel to avoid liability for sleeping rooms.
6. Old Business
 - a. None.
 7. New Business
 - a. Community Outreach –
 - i. Greg Miller was honored by WMM with a Certificate of Appreciation for his extensive work on Cobia.
 - ii. Manitowoc City Fathers hope to make SubFest their largest annual civic festival; WMM endorses and fully supports.
 - iii. Greg asks for subvet volunteer watchstanders in the compartments primarily for security concerns. Wear vests and caps. Two-hour watches.
 - iv. WI Base will host a Tolling ceremony on Sunday.
 - v. Crash Dive to setup a Table of Remembrance.
 - vi. Greg will ask permission to setup a table to promote our memorial.
 8. Good of the Order item:
 - a. Glenn Barts explored the possibly set up for Tolling Ceremony & donation table at Riverwalk, Sunday, May 24. City of Chicago denied permission.
 - b. Vic VanHorn, CD2 Commander, is nominating Crash Dive newsletter, by Chris Gaines, for an award.
 - c. SVWWII picnic will be August 8, 2015.

- d. Duty Cook
 - i. June – Ted Rotzoll
 - ii. July – Larry Warnke and Chris Gaines
 - iii. August – see your name here.
- e. RSVP meeting attendance plans to the duty cook.
- f. Set staff meeting date.
- g. Schedule SoP review meeting,
- h. Frank Walter thanks members and especially Chaplain Cris Pascual for cards during his illness. Gone June 21 through first week of August fishing in Canada.
 - i. Next Meeting is June 20, 2015 at KSC.
9. Adjourn - Ted Rotzoll moved to adjourn; seconded by Tom Polzin. Adjourned at 1:17.

Lost Boats

USS O-9	SS 70	6/20/41
USS S-27	SS 132	6/19/42
USS R-12	SS 89	6/12/43
USS HERRING	SS 233	6/1/44
USS S-28	SS 133	6/4/44
USS GOLET	SS 361	6/24/44
USS BONEFISH I	SS 323	6/18/45

Pentagon Recommends Nuclear Director To Be Next Navy Chief

Lolita C. Baldor, Associated Press, May 12

WASHINGTON – The Pentagon is recommending that Adm. John Richardson, head of the Navy's nuclear program, be named the next chief of naval operations, U.S. officials said Tuesday.

If confirmed by the Senate, Richardson would be the second submariner in a row to serve as the Navy's top officer. Adm. Jonathan Greenert, the current Navy chief, also spent much of his career serving as a submarine officer.

Defense Secretary Ash Carter is expected to make the announcement Wednesday, and will also disclose who he is recommending as the next chief of staff of the Army. A number of senior officers have been discussed as leading candidates for the Army job, including Gen. John Campbell, the top commander in Afghanistan; Gen. Lloyd Austin, the top commander for the Middle East; Gen. Curtis Scaparrotti, commander of U.S. forces in Korea; and Gen. Vincent Brooks, commander of Army forces in the Pacific. Other names include Gen. Dan Allyn, the vice chief of the Army and Gen. David Perkins, who heads U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command.

The officials were not authorized to publicly discuss the nomination ahead of the announcement so spoke on condition of anonymity.

Richardson is a 1982 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy with a degree in physics, and he also holds a master's degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has served as director of the Navy's nuclear reactors program since November 2012, and his choice signals the military's continued emphasis on undersea warfare and nuclear deterrence.

One official said Richardson has a reputation in the Navy as an analytical strategic thinker, and that he is expected to continue to make the planned nuclear

submarine replacement program a top priority.

Last year, Richardson ordered a broad investigation into allegations that a cheating ring had operated undetected for at least seven years at a nuclear power training site. Nearly three dozen sailors were kicked out of the program after the Navy discovered they were cheating on qualification exams. They were seeking to become qualified as instructors at the nuclear training unit in Charleston, South Carolina.

Students there are trained in nuclear reactor operations to prepare for service on any of the Navy's 83 nuclear-powered submarines and aircraft carriers.

In an interview with The Associated Press last August, Richardson said he was "loaded for bear" early on in the investigation, because he wasn't convinced the cheating was confined to a single training unit. But he later came to believe it hadn't spread, which helped the cheating go undetected for so long.

During the probe, Richardson met with each of the accused and said he heard at least two common themes: a belief that there was little risk of getting caught, and a work environment at the nuclear training site that created stresses and pressures on the instructors. He said he was taking steps to ease the pressures and to strengthen ethics training.

Carter has had a number of senior level vacancies to fill. Gen. Joe Dunford has been nominated as the next chairman of the joint chiefs, which opens up his current job as commandant of the Marine Corps.

1ST ANNUAL **SUBfest** MANITOWOC WISCONSIN



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Thursday, July 9th Sub Vets Only!

Thursday night we are hosting the Sub Vet Open House from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Veterans are invited to explore USS *Cobia* with no public or tour guides. After, socialize on the Roof Deck with a drink from our Sub Pub. This event costs \$10 per person.

Then spend the night aboard USS *Cobia*! The overnight will run from Thursday, July 9th at 8:00pm until Friday, July 10th at 8:00am and costs \$25 per person.

Call the Museum at 920-684-0218 for a reservation. Then send in the form a month in advance before the event. All proceeds will go towards *Cobia's* dry dock fund!

We are looking for volunteers to help out on the boat and around the Museum! If you're interested, contact Karen Duvalle at kduvalle@wisconsinmaritime.org or (920) 684-0218 x 105



Visit our website for more information www.wisconsinmaritime.org

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Thursday, July 9th

Sub Vet Open House aboard USS *Cobia* and Roof Deck Social and overnight aboard *Cobia*

Friday, July 10th

Krazy Daze sidewalk pre-sales downtown, special screening of *Run Silent, Run Deep* followed by question and answer with guest actor Jim Bates

Saturday, July 11th

Krazy Daze sidewalk sales downtown, *Destination Tokyo*, *Operation Petticoat*, *Run Silent, Run Deep*, and Lakeshore Big Band USO Show all at CCC, vendors, family activities, fireworks finale, and Roof Deck open at WMM

Sunday, July 12th

"Tolling of the Boats" ceremony aboard USS *Cobia*, *Operation Petticoat*, and *Destination Tokyo* at CCC, Waterboard Warriors water skiing show

Times and movies are subject to change

Stay updated with our website www.wisconsinmaritime.org or the Museum Facebook Page

Tofalo Tapped For Top Sub Job As Hill Quarrels Over SSBN Fund

Sydney J. Freedberg Jr., Breaking Defense, May 21

WASHINGTON - As nations like [China](#) build up their [anti-access/area denial](#) defenses to keep the US out, “the [submarine force](#) is the key that unlocks that A2/AD bubble,” [Rear Adm. Joseph Tofalo](#) once said. “We’re the folks that are expected to get in underneath.”

As the two-star director of Undersea Warfare on the Navy’s Pentagon staff (directorship N97), Tofalo has been the leading advocate for the future of the submarine force in annual budget battles. When he [pins on his third star](#) and becomes [Commander of Naval Submarine Forces](#) and of [Submarine Force Atlantic](#), he’ll become the chief champion in the day-to-day battle to keep sub forces functioning.

In contrast to the stereotype of the quiet, stoic submariner, Tofalo has the sharp elbows and sharp tongue required to fight for resources. At [the same October 2014 conference](#) where he made the “get in underneath” comment, Tofalo urged a room full of contractors and retired officers to start “calling your own congressman” in support of submarine programs.

“Get that word out, and I am committed to help you do that. If anybody needs help in strategic messaging, then you call 1-800-N97 and let us know,” Tofalo said. “If you need trifolds, priority briefs, talking points to your Congressman, whatever, we are more than happy to support you.”

Why such urgency? Tofalo and the submarine community in general have [three big bills](#) coming due in short succession:

- continued production of the Virginia-class [attack submarine](#) (SSN), the offensive part of the sub force that goes out to “[get in underneath](#)” adversary defenses;

- upgrading of select *Virginias* with additional cruise missile launchers, the [Virginia Payload Module](#) (VPM), to give them more firepower against land targets and, ultimately, enemy ships; and

- building the [Ohio Replacement Program](#), the new nuclear-missile submarine (SSBN) that will be the mainstay of the nation’s [deterrent](#).

The ORP subs will have to stay in service through the 2080s, so we’ve got to get them right, Tofalo said [at a conference last April](#). “Who will our enemies be seven decades from now?” he asked rhetorically. It’s impossible to predict, he said, noting the global shock when [Russia had invaded Crimea](#) just two months earlier. That means the ORP has to be capable and adaptable enough to face a wide range of potential threats.

That also makes the missile sub [painfully expensive](#). To get it built, [Tofalo has argued publicly](#) that the Navy shipbuilding budget needs to go up to levels higher than it has been in 20 years, to the levels it was when we built the last SSBN class, the *Ohios*.

The House and Senate Armed Services Committees have been receptive, last year creating a National Sea Based Deterrent Fund to pay for the Ohio

Replacement Program outside the Navy shipbuilding budget. But it's a [controversial gimmick](#), and they've put no money in the fund as yet. This year's House bill would move [\\$1.39 billion](#) already being spent on the Ohio Replacement under R&D accounts into the fund. But the House Appropriations Committee just passed [language](#) that would prohibit such moves: "None of the funds provided in this or any other Act may be transferred to the National Sea Based Deterrent Fund."

"The NSBDF is a bipartisan, bicameral solution to a unique problem that was overwhelmingly endorsed by the House last week by a vote of 375-43," House Seapower subcommittee chairman [Randy Forbes](#) told us in a statement. "I will vigorously oppose any effort to undermine the NBSDF and treat the Ohio Replacement like any other shipbuilding program."

Soon, though, none of this will be Tofalo's problem. As Commander, Naval Submarine Forces, he'll be the "[type](#)

[commander](#)" responsible for readiness of the force we have today, primary for [training and maintenance](#). Instead of trying to get the Ohio Replacement funded, he'll be trying to keep the old *Ohios* running for an unprecedented 42-year service life until the new subs come online.

The New Ensign

The new Ensign was assigned to subs, where he'd dreamed of working since a young boy. He was trying to impress the Master Chief with his expertise learned in Submarine School. The Master Chief cut him off quickly and said, "Listen, 'sir', it's real simple. Add the number of times we dive to the number of times we surface. Divide that number by two. If the result doesn't come out even, don't open the hatch."

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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.

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

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 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 (_____)

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.)

Check here if your Military Service falls within these time periods: Dec 7, 1941, thru Dec 31, 1946; June 27, 1950, thru Jan 31, 1955; Aug 5, 1964, thru May 7,1975; and Aug 2, 1990 to date.

Check here if you have been awarded an Expeditionary Medal

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.** _____

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