

USS Virginia Base
Meeting Minutes for the Month of June 2017
On 6/10/2017

- The meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
- Penne with marinara sauce and sausage, pizza and salad were on the buffet menu
- 18 members and 4 guests were present
- Sandi Anderson won the 50/50 raffle and received \$48.00, the Base received \$48.00.
- Kenn McDermott obtained an autographed copy of Rick Campbell's new book Ice Station Nautilus and asked Al Ptasznik to auction it off. Pat Rodgers won with a bid of \$33.00.
- The ladies were excused.
- Base Commander Kenn McDermott called the meeting to order with the traditional sounding of two blasts from the Diving Alarm and a good hearty "DIVE, DIVE" from all of those in attendance.
 - Kenn offered the invocation.
 - The opening ceremony was led by Vice Commander Pete Fortier and Base Storekeeper Bob Kutzenberger
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Reading of the USSVI Creed
 - Tolling of the Lost Boats for June
 - 7 Boats lost with the loss of 403 Souls
 - USS Herring (SS-233) 06/01/1944 All hands 83 crewmen
 - USS R-12 (SS-89) 06/12/1943 42 crewmen
 - USS Golet (SS-361) 06/14/1944 All hands 82 crewmen
 - USS Bonefish (SS-223) 06/18/1945 All hands 85 crewmen
 - USS S-27 (SS-132) 06/19/1942 No loss of life
 - USS O-9 (SS-70) 06/20/1941 All hands 33 crewmen
 - USS Runner (SS-275) ~06/26/1943 All hands 78 crewmen
 - June Birthdays - Mickey Loses
 - 03rd - Warren Rucker
 - 03rd - Chris Knaggs
 - 03rd - Cary Carroll
 - 05th - Pete Fortier
 - 14th - Clint Chedester
 - 22nd - Doug Blaha
 - 27th - Curtis Anderson
- Tom Carty, a new member transferring in from the Egg Harbor Township Base in Southern New Jersey, described the Submarine Memorial in Summers Point, NJ that the Base built. A motion was made to donate \$100 toward maintenance expenses for the memorial. The motion was seconded and approved. A second motion was made to donate \$100 annually to the Base toward maintenance expenses. A second was received and approved.
- Secretary's Report was read and approved
- Treasurer's Report was read and approved
- Bob Kutzenberger reported that John Lamsens had fallen and received a severe head injury and is in the Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center at 1601

Broad Rock Blvd. Richmond, VA 23224. His cell phone number is 804-366-9264.

- Kenn McDermott demonstrated to the membership the newly redesigned USS Virginia Base website (www.ussvirginiabase.org) and its features.
- Bill Anderson requested watch standers for the annual three-day Field Day of the Past event.
- Kenn McDermott reminded the attendees of the following:
 - The annual base picnic will be held at Al & Mary Ann Ptasznik's home on Lake Anna on October 14th.
 - The importance of having members stand watches with Team Anderson at the Field Day of the Past event September 15, 16 and 17.
 - Next month's meeting is on the 8th of July
- Kenn McDermott read the Submariner Benediction after which a motion was made to adjourn, motion seconded and approved. A traditional sounding of three blasts from the Diving Alarm and a good hearty 'SURFACE, SURFACE, SURFACE' from all in attendance.
- The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1430

Respectfully
Bill Anderson

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William C. Anderson".

Base Secretary