

**USS Virginia Base**  
**Meeting Minutes for the Month of September 2017**  
**On 09/09/2017**

- The meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
- Penne with meat sauce, pizza and salad were on the buffet menu
- 17 members and 7 guests were present
- John Williams won the 50/50 raffle and received \$43.00, the Base received \$42.00.
- 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 Katzenberger.
  - Pledge of Allegiance
  - Reading of the USSVI Creed
  - Tolling of the Lost Boats for September
    - 5 Boats lost with the loss of 262 Souls
      - USS S-5 (SS-110)            09/01/1920            No loss of life
      - USS Grayling (SS-209)    09/09/1943            All hands 76 crewmen
      - USS Pompano (SS-181)    ~09/25/1943           All hands 77 crewmen
      - USS S-51 (SS-162)        09/25/1925            33 crewmen
      - USS Cisco (SS-290)        09/28/1943            All hands 76 crewmen
  - September Birthdays - Mickey Loses
    - 04<sup>th</sup> - Paul Benton
    - 19<sup>th</sup> - Kenn McDermott
    - 29<sup>th</sup> - Jim Lencalis
  - The video God Bless the USA was shown
- Member Rec Stanberry gave a presentation on Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child project. Members were encouraged to fill a shoe box for needed children around the world. .
- Base Secretary Bill Anderson reported that enough members have volunteered to be watch standers to cover for the Field Day of the Past.
- Kenn McDermott reported Mission Bar B Que is supplying the meats and sides for Annual Picnic which is being held at member Al & Mary Ann's home on Lake Anna.
- New member Chuck Curry was introduced.
- Member Doug Blaha recounted his travels since mid-May.
- Nominating Committee Chairman reminded those in attendance that it's time to think about new officers for the coming year.
- Secretary's Report was read.
- Treasurer's Report was read.
- Base Treasure Jim Lencalis Gave a short presentation of the Therapeutic Adventures. A Motion was made to donate \$100 to Therapeutic Adventures, it was seconded and approved.
- 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  
Base Secretary