

USS Virginia Base
Meeting Minutes for the Month of November 2017
On 11/11/2017

- The meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
- Penne with sausage and meat sauce , pizza and salad were on the buffet menu
- 16 members and 8 guests were present
- Beth Benton won the 50/50 raffle and received \$38.00, the Base received \$37.00.
- 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 November
 - 5 Boats lost wit the loss of 379 Souls
 - USS Albacore (SS-218) 11/07/1944 All hands 85 crewmen
 - USS Growler (SS-215) 11/08/1944 All hands 86 crewmen
 - USS Scamp (SS-277) 11/16/1944 All hands 83 crewmen
 - USS Corvina (SS-226) 11/16/1943 All hands 82 crewmen
 - USS Sculpin (SS-191) 11/19/1943 43 Crewman
 - November Birthdays - Mickey Loses
 - 15th - Mike Eggleston
 - 18th - Tom Jones
 - 24th - Bill Anderson
 - The video God Bless the USA was shown
- Base Treasure Jim Lencalis showed a 2 minute video about Therapeutic Adventures.
- Kenn McDermott announced that USS Virginia Base is Commemorative Partner of the DoD Vietnam War Commemoration which is "Awarded in recognition of your willingness to assist and support a grateful nation in thanking and honoring our Vietnam War Veterans, their families, and those who served with, or in support of, the Armed Forces." This is for Veterans who served in any branch of the military, any where during the period of 11/1/1955 to 5/15/1975. A commemoration package, which included a lapel pin, a bumper sticker and a pamphlet describing the commemoration, was given to all member who were present. Packages will be sent to all other members.
- The ladies were excused.
- Secretary's Report was read.
- Treasurer's Report was read.
- New member Jim Pence was introduced. He learned about us thru our Field Day of the Past event.
- Member Chris Knaggs gave a presentation on the Stockpile Emergency Verification Program.

- Member Doug Blaha recounted his attendance of the World War II Memorial at Kings Bay, GA.
- 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