

USS Virginia Base

Meeting Minutes for the Month of June 2026

On 06/13/2026

- The meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
 - Due to our low in-person attendance, Anna's has us ordering off the menu.
 - 8 members present, 3 spouse and 1 members on Zoom.
 - The 50/50 raffle was won by Al Ptasznik, \$55 split, \$26 to winner, \$27 to Base.
- Base Commander John Williams called the meeting to order with a good hearty "DIVE, DIVE" from all of those in attendance.

- The opening ceremony was led by Base Commander John Williams.
- Base Commander John Williams offered the invocation.
- Reading of the USSVI Creed
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Tolling of the Lost Boats for June
 - 7 Boats lost with the loss of 366 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
- Music video The Three Tenors singing "God Bless the USA".
- Birthdays - Mickey louses
- Binnacle List

- Treasurer's Report was read. \$2656 in bank. Base Commander reimbursed for Web site.
- Report on USSVI Website – still being corrected and is getting better. Job Descriptions fixed, with Officer Jobs still to be fixed and a couple of items are still in need of fix.
- We have 34 members in our Base and it says we have 278! It lists Dues for every member several times that causes that count.
- Go to USSVI.ORG and check it out.
- Caps for kids is still on hold because the hospital will not let it in to building.
- Museum report was given.
- Al Gave book report on latest audio book titled Treason by Rick Campbell but left all in suspense to encourage them to read this book in the series with heavy Submarine action and detail. Will be moving on to Deep Strike next. Stay tuned.

- Base Commander John Williams read the Submariner Benediction, John announced “Surface, Surface, Surface” and adjourned the meeting.

Al Ptasznik