

EXECUTIVE BOARD NOTES 8-2-2010

Vice Commander: 330 Members. The Navy League and Jake Ilgenfritz each donated \$50 to the scholarship fund. Ken Hutchinson has donated a model of the USS Cobia (SS 245) to be raffled and given at the annual Christmas party. Presented corrections to the Base Secretary from the July general meeting including the \$100.00 dollars for the scholarship fund from the Depth Charge drawing was given by Jim Williams, removal of Marty Sessler from the membership report and changing the meeting day from Wednesday to Thursday for the WWII SUBVET meeting. As of today only 88 members have voted in the National Elections.

Veterans Affairs: No Report.

Holland Club: No Report.

COB: See-Saw parade on September 11 in Harleyville @ 11:00. Lineup is @ 09:30. Hog Roast will be on October 9th at Buddha's.

PAO: "Kaps for Kids" Certificates have been mailed and story submitted to local and Submarine publications. 2010 Scholarship winners have all been notified and stories submitted to local Submarine publications. Chef hats have been procured and are ready for presentation.

Holland Club: John Lookabill will make convertible available for See-Saw parade for WWII Submarine Veterans to ride in.

Base Historian: Ricky Collins presented a box of articles containing past base meeting minutes. Nick Nichols agreed to scan the articles and provide in PDF file convention. Bill Roberts provided 3 Floppies with Yearly Reports to National.

Treasurer: Combined June and July reports due to being on vacation. Stan Aldrich will conduct an audit of funds.

WWII Submarine Veterans State Commander: Lee Allison reported that 100 2011 Calendars and 50 Lost Boats History Cards have been ordered. The cost for the calendars was \$5.00 and the Lost Boat cards were \$7.00. Associate Membership is down to about 20. We need more USSVICB members to join the WWII Submarine Veterans. New officers have been elected with Ed Stank as the new president, George Scharf as Vice President and Bill Roberts as Secretary. All Historical data from the WWII SUBVET will be given to the Charleston Base Historian. Lee discussed the history of the Submariner with boat in background was the predecessor to the Lone Sailor. He noted that Albert Wood living in Mount Pleasant has a lot of historical data that we are unable to obtain. The next meeting of the WWII SUBVET will be held on August 19th at Ryans in Summerville. Nick Nichols reported that there are 48 Associate members of which 12 have not paid their dues for this year.

Chaplain: John Hill has been diagnosed with bladder cancer and is in a lot of pain. John Sutton surgery went well and he is ready to come home. Lou Roehm knee replacement went well and Bill Kennedy is still recovering from his rib repairs after his heart surgery. An extensive report was given by the Base Chaplain regarding Bill Kopacka who recently passed. The Chaplain had a 1.5 hour discussion with Bill's daughter Chris over various legal and personal issues outside the purview of the base. Bill was cremated and at some point there will be a memorial service at Saint Timothy's with burial to follow in Beaufort National Cemetery but until the family makes a decision for the remains we are on hold. A discussion ensued about the diving alarm donated by Bill which according the daughter cost Bill \$315.00 for the box and mounting. The will stated the diving alarm was to be given to the son. The family has submitted a letter to the estate lawyer regarding the diving alarm and is awaiting a response. The family wants the diving alarm to be provided for use at Citadel Rugby games and other general events including the funeral for Bill. Roger Gibson is checking for a receipts from 1997-2002 regarding the diving alarm.

Base Commander: A recommendation to procure 3 3'X3' patches for use on the base float at a cost of \$120/patch was tabled. For the August meeting we will have ballots available for the membership who have yet to vote and are in attendance. The WEB site still needs to be updated with dates of service. Kings Bay will have a WWII Submarine Veterans Memorial event from October 27th thru the 30th.

Meeting was adjourned at 1915.