



PARCH-E-GRAM

PARCHE / THOUSAND ISLANDS BASE UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS INC.

MONTHLY MEETING/NEWSLETTER DATE 10/19/2024

Meeting called to order by CMDR Fred White at 10:30.

Note: This is an in-person meeting.

ON-LINE ATTENDEES: None

IN-PERSON ATTENDEES: CMDR Fred White, Vice CMDR Ed Hyne, Secretary Brent Beltran, Chaplain Ken Lang, John Artz, Joe Demars, Ray Forbes, Stewart Handy, Steve Hoffman, Ed Hyne, James Kerr, James VanBen Coton, and Tim Weber

New Members/Guests: Shari Derleth

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by CMDR Fred White

Opening Prayer: Led by Chaplain Ken Lang

Tolling of the Boats: Led by Vice CMDR Ed Hyne

Creed & Purpose: Led by CMDR Fred White

Reports:

- Secretary's Report: CMDR Fred White asked if any members, having read the minutes of the 9/21/24 meeting had any corrections or concerns. The minutes were accepted as written.
- Treasurer's Report:

Last meeting starting balance	\$3,228.93
Deposits since last meeting	\$965.00
Disbursements since last meeting	\$1,504.49

Checking balance as of today \$2,689.44
*Deposits were for Base and National Dues. Disbursements were for National Dues, Stewart Handy for 3 Flags of Honor, and for 3 years of webhosting and Domain renewal.

Old Business

- The next parade will be for Veterans Day at the State Fair grounds on November 9th. For those attending please meet at Gate 10 at **10:30**. Treasurer Strong is in charge and will be driving the float. An email will be sent out with full details. Everyone is encourage to attend.
- The most recent return of the Honor Flight was attended by Joe Demars, Ed Harris and son-in-law, James VanBen Coton, Vice Commander Ed Hyne, and Commander Fred White. All members had positive comments about the experience. The new temporary banner was bought, and ways to improve its display were discussed. The replacement for the banner will be available in time for next spring's Honor Flight.
- Bill Handy has purchased three flags for Flags of Honor as voted, and approved upon, in the last meeting. The flags were dedicated to those submarines lost in WWII.

New Business

- A discussion about changing the Bases business cards was opened. Some suggestions were adding Syracuse as the meeting location, so that potential new members didn't mistake us for meeting in the Thousand Islands. Also adding "Serving CNY" to the card was discussed. Changing our charter and Base name to include "CNY" was also discussed, but later decided that it wasn't feasible. Having the Base web address on both sides of the card was put to a vote by Tim Weber, seconded by Joe Demars, and approved by all attending.
- Base Elections were held, positions were voted as follows;

Commander – Dave Strong

Vice Commander – Ed Hyne

Secretary – Brent Beltran

Treasurer – Joe Demars

Chaplain – Ken Lang

A motion to approve the positions was made by Steve Hoffman, seconded by Tim Weber, and approved by all in attendance.

FYI...anything of interest? New?

- A Base dinner get together is being planned for Saturday, 16 November at 5:00pm at Knapp Winery, 2770 Ernsberger Rd. Romulus, NY. All members, plus one, may attend. If you are attending, please contact me, Secretary Brent Beltran, BCBeltran5@gmail.com **no later than 8 November** so that I may make the correct reservation. A Dinner menu can be found on our website at Knappwine.com. Each couple would be responsible for their dinner bill. This is my place of work, so if anyone would like, I will have samplings of wine not released to the public, and I can give a short tour of the winery as well.

Next meeting is set for December 21, 2024, Face to Face and Telecom

***Note – there is no meeting in November**

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- Outgoing CMDR White opened with discussion wearing subvets items and handing out cards.

Closing Prayer: Led by Chaplain Ken Lang

Meeting Adjourned: by Outgoing CMDR Fred White at 11:30