



PARCH-E—GRAM

PARCHE / THOUSAND ISLANDS BASE

SOUTHERN TIER SATELLITE BASE

**UNITED STATES SUBMARINE VETERANS
INC.**

MONTHLY MEETING/NEWSLETTER

DATE 6/20/2026

Meeting called to order by CMDR David Strong at 10:30.

Note: This is a combined in-person & teleconference meeting.

ON-LINE ATTENDEES: None

IN-PERSON ATTENDEES: CMDR David Strong, Vice CMDR Edward Hyne, Treasurer Joe Demars, Secretary Brent Beltran, John Artz, Mark Kite, Ted Merihew, Joe Romanowski, James VanBen Coton, and Timothy Weber

New Members/Guests: Shari Derleth

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by CMDR David Strong

Opening Prayer: Led by Joe Romanowski

Tolling of the Boats: Led by Vice CMDR Edward Hyne

Creed & Purpose: Led by CMDR David Strong

Reports:

- Secretary's Report: CMDR David Strong asked if any members, having read the minutes of the 4/18/26 meeting had any corrections or concerns. The minutes were accepted as written.

- Treasurer's Report:

Last meeting starting balance	\$4,667.80
Deposits since last meeting	\$5,549.40
Disbursements since last meeting	\$306.36
Checking balance as of today	\$9,910.84

The Treasurers Report was accepted.

Old Business

- Starting with parades for 2026; Waterloo – May 23, Phoenix – May 25, Cicero – was same day as Pheonix, so was not attended, Oswego – ?. Veterans Day Parade – November 7.
- Honor Fight – Mission 24 was completed. Thank you to all who attended.
- To those who are interested, Past commander Fred White is in Bishop's Rehab and Nursing Center. The address is 918 James St., Syracuse, NY 13203. Please visit him if you have some time.
- The Groton Submarine Memorial is on track to be completed in March of 2027.
- The Honor Flight Annual Bottle Drive at Destiny Mall on 4/25 is completed.
- The USSVI website is now up and running. If you have not already done so, please log in and create your user profile.

New Business

- CMDR Strong let the Base know about Camp Bristol Veterans information. Camp Fest is August 13 through August 16 for veterans. A flyer and additional information for the event can be found at info@NYELKSCAMPBRISTOL.com.
- The annual picnic at CMDR Strong's home is 22 August. Mark your calendars and watch for your email for further information!
- Members of the Southern Tier Satellite Base participated in the placement of over 500 flags in Vestal Park Cemetery in remembrance of Memorial Day.
- John Artz let the base know there is an Eagle Scout Ceremony at the First Presbyterian Church in Skaneateles, June 22, at 7:00pm.

Next meeting is set for August 22, 2026, (the picnic) Face to Face only

Good of the Order

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

Closing Prayer: Led by Joe Romanowski

Meeting Adjourned: by CMDR David Strong at 11:30