

## **United States Submarine Veterans Bremerton Base**



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Minutes of the Bremerton Base USSVI meeting conducted 19 June 2012

Base Commander Jim DeMott called the meeting to order at 1900

Opening observances were conducted. 29 members and 2 guests Shane Foraker and his wife Janet from the White Sands New Mexico Base signed the roster. The scholarship recipients and their family and friends were also in attendance.

Base Chaplin Fred Borgmann conducted the opening invocation.

USSVI National Secretary Candidate and Bremerton Base Life Member John Clear addressed the meeting.

National Office Director Fred Borgmann discussed the importance of the National Elections. He made available the computers in the National Office and offered his help for anyone having trouble voting online. He also expressed his feelings on Amendment PA1 dealing with Associate Members.

Vice CMDR Steve Corcoran presented the traveling dolphins he and his party retrieved from South Sound Base. He said a good time was held by all who attended.

Scholarship Chairman John Gardner conducted the presentation of the scholarships. The following were the recipients:

Branden Carlson sponsored by his father, Chris Carlson. He graduated from Central Kitsap HS and will be attending Seattle University.

Jasmine Diaz sponsored by her father, Steven Diaz. She graduated from Central Kitsap HS and will be attending Pacific Lutheran University.

Kimberly Gray sponsored by her grandparents, Robert Boyce and Myron Gray. She is attending the University of Washington, majoring in Speech and Hearing.

Ariel Hay sponsored by her father, REX Hay. She is attending the University of Washington. She also was able to study abroad at the University of Sydney in Australia. She is majoring in Biochemistry.

Caitlin Heber sponsored by her grandfather, George Verd. She graduated from Central Kitsap HS and will be attending MIT.

John Marks sponsored by his grandfather, Stan Marks. He graduated from North Kitsap HS and will be attending Washington State University majoring in Engineering.

Ariana Sheridan sponsored by her father, Jamie Sheridan. She is attending Texas Christian University and is majoring in Movement Science and Pre-Med.

Joseph Wiltz sponsored by his father, Steven Wiltz. He is attending Grand Canyon University majoring in Christian Studies.

The Bremerton Base awarded 8 \$1,000.00 Scholarships locally and 1 \$1,000.00 scholarship to the National Office. After the Presentation of the Scholarships the drawing was held for the 2012 Willie Spoon Memorial Scholarship Raffle. The Grand Prize (\$300.00) winner was Ann Waller and the 2<sup>nd</sup> place Prize (150.00) winner was Tom Sullivan.

John Gardner reminded everyone the Fathoms of Fun Parade is 30 June at 1800. We should meet at 1700. The unit number in the parade is 47. The Bainbridge Island Parade will be at 1300 4 July.

The next meeting will be at 1000 at the Naval Undersea Museum at Keyport. It will be held in the Mary Bonnin Classroom downstairs and coffee and donuts will be available. Bill Glavani the retiring museum director will be the guest speaker. Spouse, dependents and significant other are invited.

Dave Pittman the Puget Soundings editor says the cutoff for articles for the upcoming newsletter is 30 June.

Fireworks Chairman Mike Sullivan said all is ready for this season. He also reported 2013 will be his last year as Chairman and is looking for a relief.

Cmdr. Jim DeMott requests all who can help with the Fireworks stand please see Sam Swenson to sign up. Help is urgently needed especially on 3 and 4 July.

Cmdr. Jim DeMott adjourn the meeting and invited everyone to help themselves to the refreshments.

Respectfully Submitted

Wayne Sieckowski, Base Secretary