

United States Submarine Veterans Bremerton Base



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Base Commander Jim DeMott called the October 19, 2013 meeting to order at 1000 hours.

Opening observances were conducted. 36 Members attended the first Saturday moming meeting of the season.

Also in attendance were Eagle Scouts Joshua Talavera, Brandon Talavera and Jace Bartlett and their Families.

Fred Borgmann, the Base Chaplin, conducted the Invocation.

Cmdr. Jim Demott conducted Eagle Scout presentation of Letters of Accomplishment to Eagle Scouts Joshua Talavera, Brandon Talavera and Jace Barlett. Each Eagle Scout then addressed the meeting describing their project and what scouting means to them.

After the Eagle Scout presentation, the showing of the Submarine Movie had to be cancelled due to operator error. Even with the help of Eagle Scout Jace Barlett, the technical problems with the projector could not be overcome.

The minutes for the August's Meeting were approved as written.

Base Treasurer, Dennis Nardone, gave a report on the Base finances, total \$72,924.51 on hand and Base Membership is 282. The report was approved as presented.

Fred Borgmann reported Gary Carr, Base Member entered on Eternal Patrol. There will be a celebration of his life at 1400 at the Bremerton Yacht Club

John Gardner reminded everyone of the Veterans Day Parade in Aubum on 9 November and the Veterans Day celebration at the Fairgrounds on 11 November. The Auburn Veteran's Day Parade will be on 9 Nov., we will muster at the parking garage at 0900. The traveling Vietnam Wall will be in Auburn from November 8 – 11 and will be open 24 hours a day. The Veteran's Day program at the Fairgrounds will be Monday November 11, doors open 0900 and the ceremony begins at 1030.

Bremerton Base elections will be Saturday November 16, you have to be present to vote but not to be elected. Elections Chairman Gary Kaisers posted a list of people nominated in alphabetical order in accordance with the Base By-Laws.

Nomination Chairman Gary 'Dutch' Kaiser reports the following members in good standing have been nominated for office: Steve Corcoran Nominated for Commander and Vice Commander James DeMott Nominated for Commander Dennis Nardone Nominated for Treasurer Wayne Peterson Nominated for Vice Commander and Chief of the Boat Wayne Sieckowski Nominated for Secretary Tickets are on sale for the Base's Christmas Party on December 14 at the Bremerton Elks. The cost \$40.00 per couple until November 22 and then it goes up to \$50.00. See COB Hank Hollis to get tickets. Dave Pittman, Puget Soundings Editor, has set 1 December as a deadline for the next Soundings. Base member Dale McVey reported the Base's Facebook page is up and running. He encourages everyone to visit the site and make contributions if you have any. Don Bassler, Deterrent Park coordinator, reports he has only sold a couple of bricks and has extended the deadline to buy bricks until 15 Oct. Vice Cmdr. Steve Corcoran commented on the good turnout for the meeting. He is trying to get a Medal of Honor recipient as a future speaker. He is always in need of speakers. Cmdr. Jim Demott talked about getting involved with the base. Then he adjourned the meeting at 1105. Respectfully Submitted Wayne Sieckowski, Base Secretary