



# United States Submarine Veterans Bremerton Base

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18 October 2014

Base Commander, Jim DeMott called the Oct. 18, 2014 meeting to order at 1000 hours.

Opening observances were conducted. There were 27 Members, WWII Subvet Paul Christofferson, and Bob Hickman Olympic Peninsula Base Commander in attendance.

Base Life Member Joe Hanisko was the speaker. He discussed what made him want to be a submariner. He talked about his time in New London and then FT School. He couldn't talk much about his duty on the Jimmy Carter other than to say it was very interesting. He has been selected for OCS and will be leaving soon.

The minutes of the Sept. 2014 meeting were approved as corrected.

The Base Treasurer Dennis Nardone was not in attendance. He has sent out the Annual Members' 2015 dues renewal reminder.

The base's Christmas Party will be Saturday December 13, 2014 at the Bremerton Elks.

Sam Swenson, the Float Coordinator needs someone to pull the float for the Auburn Veterans Day Parade. The float is ready.

John Gardner Parades Chairman reports the Auburn's Veterans Day parade will be on November 8 and we plan to meet at 0900 in the parking lot in Auburn. On November 11, the Veterans Day Program at the Kitsap County Fair Grounds at 0930.

Scott Fusco has volunteered to be the Kaps for Kids Chairman.

Base Cmdr. Jim DeMott discussed the meeting hours. Jim also discussed the need for Fireworks Chairman and a CPOA Rep. The CPOA meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at the Bangor Khaki Club. Scott Fusco volunteered to be CPOA Board Rep.

Vice Cmdr. Steve Cocoran has ordered Submarine Veterans Shirts and see him if you want one.

Base Cmdr. Jim DeMott talked about the Clearwater Casino's Fat Tuesday Parade and the National Scholarship. He also announced The Horse and Cow will be having their Grand Opening on Nov 8. and Base members will meet there after the Auburn parade.

Dene Rodgers announced Brother Dons has an amateur night every Wednesday and encouraged everyone to attend.

Tommy Robinson talked about the Nautilus reunion in Cleveland and the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary on its commissioning.

The deadline to submit articles to the newsletter is November 1.

Bob Hickman won \$34.00 in the 50/50 raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 1145.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Sieckowski  
Base Secretary