



United States Submarine Veterans Bremerton Base

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Base Commander Jim DeMott called the meeting to order at 1000 hours.

Opening observances were conducted.

World War II Submarine Veteran Paul Christofferson , Joe Gavasso, Secretary of the Barbel Base in Yuma AZ. , Jim Foot past National Senior Vice Cmdr., John Mansfield Past Regional Cmdr. and Hal Barker WWII Veteran were in attendance.

Welcome Aboard: Former South Sound Base members; Life Members John Mansfield, Norm Careek, Dan Durham, Mike Ellis, Hal Barker and Carl Black

Base Officers for 2016 were sworn in

Commander - Steve Corcoran
Vice Commander - Douglas McKay
Secretary - Wayne Sieckowski
Treasurer - Dennis Nardone
Chief of the Boat - Wayne Peterson

Cmdr. Steve Corcoran relieved Past Cmdr. Jim DeMott as Base Cmdr.

Retired WWII Veteran Capt. Hal Barker gave us brief review of his 36 year Naval career. Hal enlisted in 1944 and became a navy airdale. After the war, Hal was commissioned, served in destroyers and several submarines before a tour as CO of the USS Sablo (SS-302).

The minutes for the December 2016 meeting were approved as written

The membership is 274 as of Dec. 31 2015. Base Treasure, Dennis Nardone, reminded everyone that National dues went up from \$20 to \$25 as of 1 January 2016. The Base has \$80,646.10 in all accounts.

Former South Sound Base officers presented the base with \$130.00 to be used for the Kaps for Kids program, Past Cmdr. Jim DeMott will lead. They also presented Bremerton Base with many items for the base storekeeper to put in his inventory.

Holland Club Chairman announced there will be 10 members eligible to be inducted into the Holland Club this year. Everyone who qualified in 1966 or earlier are eligible for the Holland Club..

Puget Soundings Editor Dave Pittman needs pictures and articles by 1 Feb. for the upcoming issue.

John Gardner will need a relief for the Scholarship Chairman position.

Base Historian Bob Paul announced the Keyport Museum is doing a display on Deterrent Patrols and will have someone at the Feb.20 meeting to discuss this project.

Fred Borgmann said if you can't log in on the website it means you owe dues.

Cmdr. Steve Corcoran outlined some items he would like the base achieve. This included updating base bylaws, increasing membership and a trip to Yakima to retrieve the traveling dolphins.

He announced that the Feb 20th, Saturday morning monthly meeting will be held at the American Legion # 149 on Kitsap way. It will be a social affair with your significate being invited, featuring a no cost breakfast from 9 to 10 followed by entertainment.

Respectfully submitted
Base Secretary Wayne Sieckowski