



United States Submarine Veterans Bremerton Base

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July 18, 2017

Base Commander Steve Corcoran called the July 18, 2017 meeting to order at 1900 hours.

Opening observances were conducted.

WWII Submarine Veteran Paul Christofferson, Vice Western District 4 Cmdr. Jim DeMott, Joe Gavasso, Secretary of Barbel Base in Yuma AZ., and John Mansfield past Western District 4 Cmdr. were in attendance.

The following new members were introduced: Tomache Vargas, Jan Stiffey, Charles Gibbs and Dave Bowman.

Base Cmdr. Steve Corcoran introduced retired Senior Chief Commissary Mess Management Specialist Mick Hersey who gave us a slide show with his narration of the many military memorials and plaques in Kitsap County that he, with the help of volunteer active duty aircraft carriers' personnel assisting in the work, have restore or repaired over the past few years,

The minutes of the June 20, 2017 meeting were approved as submitted.

Base Treasurer Dennis Nardone reports we have a total of \$77,552.32 in various accounts. He also reports we have 261 members. The Treasurer's July 2017 reports were approved as submitted.

Base Storekeeper Ralph Harris advertised his wares.

Base Float Coordinator Sam Swenson reports the float is ready for the July 29 Whaling Days Parade

Deterrent Park Coordinator and Gertrude - Check Webmaster Don Bassler is always in need of articles for Gertrude-Check.

Dave Pittman requires articles for the upcoming edition of the Puget Soundings by July 28.

Previous Base Cmdr. Jim DeMott announced he will be running for Western District 4 Cmdr. Position.

Base Cmdr. Steve Corcoran is in the process of reviewing and updating the By-Laws. He also reports the Traveling Dolphins have been retrieved from the Yakima Base.

This year the Base Picnic will be held August 19 at the Bremerton Elks picnic area in conjunction with the Bremerton American Legion.

This is an election year and the Base needs volunteers for the election committee

Meeting was adjourned at 2050

Next meeting will be Saturday August 19, at 1100 at the Base Picnic being held at the Bremerton Elks.

Respectfully submitted

Wayne Sieckowski, Base Secretary