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January 20, 2018

Base Cmdr. Steve Corcoran called the January 20, 2018 meeting to order, He introduced 2 new members, Leroy Howard & Stuart Smith.

Opening observances were conducted.

Western District 4 Cmdr. Jim DeMott, John Clear Olympic Peninsula Base founder, John Mansfield past Western District 4 Cmdr. and Bob Hickman past Olympic Peninsula Base Cmdr. were in attendance.

YN1(SS) Suraya Mattocks of USS Michigan SSBN727 originally from New Hampshire, is a 16 year Navy veteran and qualified in Michigan last summer. She is one of 36 enlisted women assigned to her Michigan crew.

She reviewed her Navy career which included duty in Navy Air, the CBs and surface ships. Mattocks told of her experience in qualifications and admitted it was much more difficult than the others she has completed in other assignments. She answered many questions about her job and thoughts of her duty in Michigan and the Navy in general.

Western District 4 Cmdr. Jim DeMott swore in the 2018/2019 Base Officer
Cmdr. Steve Corcoran
Vice Cmdr. Don Carpenter
Secretary Wayne Sieckowski
Treasurer Dennis Nardone
Chief of the Boat Wayne Peterson

Base Treasurer Dennis Nardone reports the Base has \$74,554.01 in various accounts and 268 members

Base Parade Chairman John Gardner reports the Dolphin Dash will be April 14 at Bangor and the Bremerton Armed Forces Parade will be May 19.

Deterrent Park Chairman and Base webmaster reports the next Deterrent Park brick installation will be in May 2018.

Bob Hickman the Past Olympic Peninsula Base Cmdr. talked about t5he base closing.

The next meeting will be February 17 2018. It will be the annual breakfast meeting with entertainment being performed by Black Magic Entertainment.

John Clear was the lucky member

Respectfully submitted
Wayne Sieckowski, Base Secretary