USSVI Albany Saratoga Base November 2, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at approximately 2005 hrs.

All rose for the reciting of the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States, meeting invocation by the Chaplin and a moment of silence.

Tolling of the boats was officiated for the boats lost in the month of November.

Each member rose to introduce themselves beginning with the Commander and ending with the Senior Vice Commander.

Treasurers report was cited and approved

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion was set forth describing the ceremonies commemorating the dedication of the Submarine Veterans highway in Saratoga county... U S Rt. 9

## CORRESPONDENCE

The commander described the events of the weekend where the Northeast regional meeting took place in Malta a few weeks before the meeting.

Discussion was brought up about Kaps 4 Kids week during the week of November 6. More to come at the November meeting.

Discussion on the progress of base float rehab.--

Bill Preece reported that the float is currently in "DRYDOCK" at the county BOCES facility awaiting a berth inside. The base will be responsible for material cost and the BOCES students will enhance and strengthen the float with steel framing, a better skin and paint job. More to follow as the progress starts.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

All members in attendance reminded that national and base dues are due-- ensure that they are paid up and avoid being dink and off the rolls in January.

The next base meeting will start promptly at 1830 hrs. December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 The short meeting will be followed by a social party in the spirit of the season. Please bring a dish to share, a toy for tots and

much cheer. The base will pay the legion for the soda and pitchers of beer. Remember to drive responsibly on the way home and designate a driver if needed.

Scholarship Program-- The packets are now available-- contact the National if you have a qualifying relative to enter..... Best of luck! Last year our base had the honor to award a lucky candidate.

Wreath laying at the Saratoga National Cemetery will take place on December 10 at 1100hrs. A good turnout is encouraged.

Various committee reports discussed....

Binnacle list, NYS Submarine memorial pavers, new 2017 calendars, Eagle scouts and Subvet history reports were presented.

After a short break, a 50/50 raffle was awarded and closing prayer/ benediction was given by the base Chaplin.

The Subvets creed was recited

Base meeting concluded at approximately 2035 hrs.

Respectfully entered by

Robert Bailey, Senior Vice Commander for the Base secretary