# PERI-SCOOP



Albany-Saratoga Base April—September 2016

"Perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country. That their dedication, deeds and supreme sacrifice be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments. Pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution."



# COMMANDER'S CORNER

Jim Irwin—Albany-Saratoga Base Commander

As summer comes to an end and as the fall season approaches I look back on the past year and the accomplishments of Albany-Saratoga Base. In no particular order we participated in 3 parades, we held our annual Tolling the Boats ceremony, we did a nice "field day" at the Memorial site getting rid of the weeds and grass on the walkway, added several new members, the "Bonefish Project", the Sub Vet Memorial Highway Project (almost complete), we placed wreaths at Saratoga National Cemetery to honor our departed shipmates, collected for Toys 4 Tots program, had one Base member win a National Award at the Convention along with many other things.

Going forward this year we have the Northeastern Regional meeting coming up on October  $8^{th}$ , a Christmas party in December, along with again placing wreaths at the cemetery. Preliminary date for the wreaths will be Saturday December  $10^{th}$  at 1:00 PM. on how to improve any of the things we do or how to make changes for the better please let us know.

#### **NORTHEAST REGIONAL MEETING**

# OCTOBER 7TH, 8TH & 9TH, 2016 HYATT PLACE HOTEL, MALTA, NY at Exit 12 on I-87

This is a great opportunity to meet with some of the USSVI Leadership Team and catch up with new and old shipmates so get your registration form in ASAP! Base Members are encouraged to attend.

Friday is a meet and greet. Saturday is the meeting for the Five District Directors and the Regional Director.

Catered Lunch from the Brickhouse Restaurant.

Registration is \$5.00 plus the cost of the lunch.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** 

**OCTOBER 5, 2016:** 

Base Meeting @ 1900

OCTOBER 7 - 9, 2016: Northeast Regional Meeting

On Eternal Patrol: Charter Member ICC(SS) Walt Barden, USN (Ret.) on 18 SEP 2016

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# **HOLLAND CLUB INDUCTEES**



#### Daniel T. Danielson ETSN(SS)

Served in the US Navy from 1957 to 1963.

Qualified in 1958 on USS SABALO SS-302 (1958-1960)

Served on USS TRIGGER SS-564 (1960-1961)

Joined USSVI 3/17/2016 as a Life Member with dual membership with Albany-Saratoga and Green Mountain Bases.

## **Kurt Von Maucher STS2(SS)**

Served in the US Navy from 1964-1967.

Qualified in 1966 on USS SIMON BOLIVER SSBN-641 (1965-1966)

**Served on USS FULTON AS-11 (1966-1967)** 

**Joined USSVI 9/6/2012** 





## Stanley M. Westhoff MMC(SS)

Served in the US Navy from 1961-1990.

Qualified in 1962 on USS SEADRAGON SSN-584

Served on USS TINOSA SSN-606 (1962-1966), USS NATHAN HALE SSBN-623 (1966-1968) and USS DARTER SS-576 (1968-1969)

**Joined USSVI 1/7/2016** 

# **TOLLING OF THE BOATS CEREMONY**



Tolling the bell for her brother is Mari Ann Keris, sister of RM3(SS) Joseph Gilheany who was lost on the USS Bullhead SS-332 06 August 1945

Dawn Saville, daughter of HMC(SS) Lynn T. Saville lost on the USS Scorpion SSN-589 on 22 May 1968 tolls the bell for the 99 lost and the families left behind.

Base Chaplain, Janet Irwin with Sarah McMahon, laying a wreath during Memorial Day Services at the USSVI Memorial Wall after the parade in Ballston Spa, New York.



CDR Michael Foster, USN with his Chiefs and guests from the Nuclear Power School in Milton, NY







## **COMMUNITY AWARENESS**



District Commander and Base Commander of Albany—Saratoga Base, James Irwin TM2(SS) is recognized by the State of New York for his dedication to duty and his service within the community. New York State Senator Hugh T. Farley inducted him in the NY State Senate Veterans' Hall of Fame. Pictured with Senator Farley and his lovely wife Janet Irwin who nominated him for this well deserved honor. The Veterans Hall of Fame is an annual event since 2005. Each Senator has the option to nominate one veteran from their district. Many deserving sailors and soldiers have been inducted over the years, but James Irwin is the first submariner to be given this honor. **BRAVO ZULU!** 

#### **HIGHWAY PROJECT**

NY Assemblywoman Carrie Woerner and NY State Senator Kathy Marchione have worked hard in getting the highway signage bill through the Assembly and the Senate. It is in Governor Andrew Cuomo's office for his signature.

# FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS AT BOSCOV'S

Certificates for 25% off entire purchase will be sold for \$5.00 on October 18, 2016. Anyone can purchases these coupons and the base can set up a table outside the store prior to that date. All money collected goes to Base. One can also win a \$100.00 or \$500.00 gift card.

#### **NEW YORK NAVAL MILITIA AWARD**

Chief Robert Morisseau and CWO2 Art Nolan received the highest achievement award in the New York Naval Militia, the Josephthal Award for their outstanding work in the NY Military Emergency Boat Service (MEBS).

Art Nolan also received the NY state Military Commendation Metal for his work in MEBS, liaison with the US Coast Guard, NYS Law Enforcement and Counter Terrorism Agencies bring-

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ing them all together for the NYS Emergency Exercise Rapid Gunwale 2016 that he developed and was key planner.

# Bravo-Zulu on a job well done!

Presented by RADM Powell for Anthony German, The Adjutant General for NYS. A package of good will was again donated to the men's veteran's home in Ballston Spa, NY. Janet Irwin (Chaplin) mentioned that the circle is complete as now the group home has offered some of their volunteer services to the base if needed in the future.



The Robert Link National Commander's Award, the second highest award in the USSVI, is presented to Frederick E. Miller by Past National Commander and Albany-Saratoga Base COB, Al Singleman, Jr.

Holland Club Member, Miller served from 1957-1961 qualifying on the USS CONGER (SS/AGSS-477) in 1958. **Bravo-Zulu on a job well done!** 

# **Parades and Picnics**



ster Chief Walt Forne

s Master Chef

#### **ALBANY-SARATOGA BASE PICNIC**

On Saturday September 10th approximately 40 members and guests attended the picnic. Everyone enjoyed the great selection of food, salads, and desserts. The highlight of the day was the presentation of Holland Club packets and the presentation of USSVI's second highest award - the Robert Link Award to Base member Fred Miller.

The Base provided hot dogs & burgers, grilled by Walt Forney, along with picking up the bar tab for beer and soda. Another successful event thanks to our member's participation!

# IT'S PARTY TIME

#### **APRIL**

- 5 MMI(SS) John Cook
- 5 SK2(SS) Dick Harding
- 7 EM1(SS) Jim Athearn
- 8 LT John Mendenhall
- 12 CTR1(SS) Lincoln Grimm
- 12 (SS) Craig Parvu
- 16 TM3(SS) Roy Purtell
- 30 MMC(SS) George Derway

#### **MAY**

- 9 RM3(SS) Ronald Barrett
- 9 MMCM(SS) Hank Kenley
- 12 FTCS(SS) Mike Marko
- 12 EN2(SS) Chuck White
- 23 MM2(SS) Chris Duryea

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 7 EN3(SS) Rich Craft
- 17 YN3(SS) Steven Woods
- 23 EO2(SS) Dale Breault
- 24 LCDR Kevin Gallagher
- 26 EM2(SS) Jack Wheeler, Jr.

#### **JUNE**

- 1 EN2(SS) Charles Wojton
- 7 LT Clark Shafer
- 8 TM3(SS) Anthony Santiago
- 10 ENCM(SS) Jack Cornell
- 12 TM3(SS) Chuck Carson

- 12 EM1(SS) Tom Kirbey
- 16 MM1(SS) Shawn Patrick
- 18 MM2(SS) Bruce Mitchell
- 20 EMC(SS) Tim Fredericksen
- 21 ICC(SS) Walt Barden
- 25 MM1(SS) Harvey Nissley



#### **JULY**

- 9 TM2(SS) JIM Stevens
- 11 EMCM(SS) Walt Forney
- 15 RM1(SS) Randy Stein
- 22 Joe Buff
- 26 SN(SS) Dan Danielson

#### **AUGUST**

- 3 ETC(SS) Jeremy Boord
- 5 TM3(SS) Rick Rocco
- 6 STS2(SS) Kurt Von Maucher
- 9 ET1(SS) Donald Huffman, Jr.
- 10 ETCM(SS) Bill Powers III
- 11 RM1(SS) Frank Dorchak, Jr.

- 17 TM2(SS) Jim Irwin
- 17 Diane Singleman
- 17 SK2(SS) John Ebenhoch, Jr.
- 24 FTB2(SS) Al Singleman, Jr.
- 24 MM1(SS) Charles Castiglione
- 26 MMCM(SS) Lois Asher

