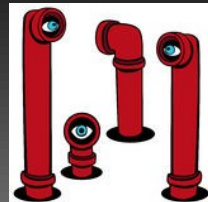


# PERI-SCOOP



Albany-Saratoga Base

October—December 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.”



Jim Irwin—Albany-Saratoga Base Commander



## COMMANDER'S CORNER

Thanksgiving is over and the Christmas / Chanukah / New Year season is upon us. Please remember those who will not be with their loved ones for this happy time of the year. Our military men and women currently deployed, those who have relatives too far away to be with, and those who are alone in this world. Remember the poor and the homeless to whom the holidays are just another day on the calendar.

Thank you to the 13 Base members who showed up at the National Cemetery to place wreaths on the graves of our members who are on their eternal patrol. Also to the 3 who placed wreaths in private cemeteries.

If you haven't sent in your dues for 2017 yet please do so ASAP.

Remember that Albany-Saratoga Base is your Base and your participation makes the Base what it has become. Anyone who has suggestions on how to improve any of the things we do or how to make changes for the better, let me know.



### ETERNAL PATROL

### CHARLIE CARSON

**December 28, 2016 our shipmate went on eternal patrol. A WWII Veteran serving on the USS REDFISH (SS-395) in the Pacific Theater from 1943-1946**

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**JANUARY 4, 2017**

**Monthly Meeting**



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# HOLLAND CLUB INDUCTEE



**RONALD "Mud" J. BARRETT RM3(SS)**

**Joined the Navy in 1963 until 1967.**

**Qualified on the USS ETHAN ALLEN  
SSBN-608 in 1965.**

**Served in COMSUBLANT in 1967.**

**Joined USSVI 11/5/2015**



## **NORTHEAST REGIONAL MEETING**

**OCTOBER 7TH, 8TH & 9TH, 2016 HYATT  
PLACE HOTEL, MALTA, NY**

**This was a great opportunity to meet with some of the  
USSVI Leadership Team, the Five District Directors  
and the Regional Director.**



**Al Singleman swears in new officers**





# COMMUNITY AWARENESS— HIGHWAY PROJECT

## DEDICATION OF ROUTE 9

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. Route 9 in Saratoga Springs, NY is renamed United States Submarine Veterans Highway

OCTOBER  
6TH 2016





# NAVY BALL



Left: Jim Irwin with the guest speaker, Commander Naval Air Force Atlantic - RADM Bruce Lindsey, USN



Right: Mike Lynett participated in the cake cutting ceremony as the oldest Veteran.



## WREATHS



Our Shipmates were remembered by the base members at the Submarine Memorial and the Saratoga National Cemetery by placing 16 wreaths at the gravesites of our shipmates on eternal patrol.



THANKS TO THE 13 DEDICATED BASE MEMBERS WHO BRAVED THE COLD TO HONOR OUR SHIPMATES.



# Times Union Article — by Terry Brown 12/4/2016



[Capital Region BOCES Career and Technical School](#) students are restoring a replica of a World War II Balao class submarine. The Albany-Saratoga Chapter of U.S. Submarine Veterans uses the replica on floats in parades and for educational purposes. The sub surfaced at **Capital Region BOCES Career and Technical School** in Colonie, bringing a repair challenge and a mission that students promise to complete. Students from the automotive, welding, auto body, carpentry services and other programs joined forces for the project.

"Rather than being made solely of metal — as real submarines are — the sub is a combination of materials, providing multiple CTE programs the opportunity to work on and restore the piece," BOCES spokesman [Mike McCagg](#) said.

Chapter members used wood as they built the sub float more than eight years ago.

"It's starting to rot and come apart in some areas," said [Bill Preece](#), a member of submarine veterans organization. "We were looking for someone to restore it for us and someone recommended BOCES. Now we are very happy to be getting the work done."

The project provides hands-on learning opportunities for students while also teaching the value of giving back to the community and honoring those who served our country, [James Haas](#), work-based learning coordinator for BOCES, said.

"It's a fantastic project," he said. "Students from several programs will be involved as it teaches the kids not just about the technical skills they are learning, but about the value of good citizenship." Students will use metal as they restore the sub, chapter member [Al Singleman](#) said. The restoration will give the sub a much longer life.

# SUBMARINE SURFACES AT BOCES SCHOOL



# HOLIDAY PARTY



**Business before pleasure**



**Good food and fellowship**





# BOXES FOR TROOPS

Janet Irwin introduced the base to a local Middle School Project wanting to raise money to send gift boxes to the troops. Her idea was to sell raffle tickets to help her students. The winner of this beautiful Navy themed quilt was Dave Thierling.



**Steve Cipperly, the winner of the 50/50 raffle, generously donated his winnings to the Boxes for Troops. Thank you Shipmate!!!!**

**Janet presented \$158.00 to grateful middle school students and their advisor, Mrs. Ladu**



# IT'S PARTY TIME

## OCTOBER

1 George Gasser ETCM(SS)  
7 Ron Diodati MT2(SS)  
15 Thomas Miller MM1(SS)  
17 Thomas Nolan EN2(SS)  
17 David Van Wie IC1(SS)  
20 Frederick Miller (SS)  
20 Stanley Westhoff MMC(SS)  
21 Harry Terzian SN(SS)  
25 Al McGuire QMCS(SS)  
27 Charles Norton (SS)  
30 Chuck Kubas, Jr. FT2(SS)

## NOVEMBER

3 Ron Moore ETCM(SS)  
4 John Mishoe, Sr. ET1(SS)  
6 James Bussen EMC(SS)  
7 Robert Currier EN3(SS)  
11 Michael Lynett RMCS  
14 Stephen Cipperly LCDR  
15 Bob Walsh QM2(SS)  
18 Janet Irwin  
21 Walter Morse E4 (SS)  
22 John Rhodes (SS)  
26 Walter Taylor ETCS(SS)

## DECEMBER

1 Don Savino MS2(SS)  
7 Brian Pantola QM2(SS)  
9 Dave Thierling FTCM(SS)  
11 Tom Glenn, Jr. EN2(SS)  
11 Donald Hopkins MM2(SS)  
18 Andy Bodien ET1(SS)  
19 Stache Hartnagel CTM2  
20 Edward Gradwell LT  
20 Jeffrey Nowc IC1(SS)  
27 Drew Millier MM1(SS)  
31 Daniel Corrigan ET3(SS)



# CELEBRATE THE LAUNCHING DAY