

MINUTES OF MEETING ALBANY-SARATOGA BASE, USSVI

Location: 23 Pleasant St., Ballston Spa & via ZOOM

Meeting Date: March 2, 2022

The March meeting of the Albany-Saratoga Base was called to order by Base Commander Jerry Whitehead at 7:05 PM with 17 Base members and 1 guest present plus 2 via ZOOM

- The Base muster list was passed around
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Mike Lynett
- The Base Chaplain read the opening prayer and the Bell was tolled for Boats lost during the month of March. The Chaplain also remembered Base member Frank Dorchak who departed on his eternal patrol on February 13, 2022.
- Treasurer's report was read.

Old Business

- Nominations for USSVI National Officers due by 4/30, USSVI Award nominations due by 4/30
- Discussion on Roadside cleanup – Ken Kohl to research further
- Base Coins – no action

Correspondence

New Business

- New CO at NPTU, Captain Stacy Wuthier, also CMC to be relieved 4/15
- Albany-Saratoga Base Charter draped in honor of Frank Dorchak
- Donation in the amount of \$50.00 made to Homeward Bound Adirondacks in memory of Frank Dorchak
- Request for support of Field of Honor – \$40.00 per flag to be displayed
- Upcoming parades – Malta (Military appreciation and first responders), Ballston Spa (Memorial Day 5/28), Saratoga, (Flag Day?), Clifton Park (July 4), Schuylerville (Turning Point), Glens Falls (Memorial Day) More information on dates and times as it becomes available
- National Convention in Buffalo – August 24–28, closest it's been since 2004
- Jim Irwin reported the passing of Earl "Doc" Manning – past CDR of VFW Post 358

50/50 drawing was held and won by Jerry Whitehead - \$28.00 which he donated to Kaps4Kids

The Base Chaplain read the closing prayer and the USSVI Creed was recited

The next regular meeting will begin at **7:00 PM on April 6, 2022**. The meeting will be held at the American Legion Post 234. ZOOM will be available.

The meeting was concluded at 8:15 PM.

Submitted by: Jim Irwin
Albany-Saratoga Base Secretary
Pride Runs Deep

Please consider purchasing a brick paver for our Memorial – due by April 15, 2022

Please fill out a Sub Vet history report – available on the Base website