

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**ALBANY-SARATOGA BASE, USSVI**

Location: Via Zoom  
Meeting Date: March 3, 2021

Due to the ongoing pandemic the ZOOM meeting of the Albany-Saratoga Base was called to order by Base Commander Jerry Whitehead at 7:01 PM with 19 members present online – Randy Stein was the host

- The Base muster list was filled out by the Base Secretary
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Base COB Mike Lynett
- The Base Chaplain read the opening prayer and the Bell was tolled for Boats lost during the month of March
- Base Treasurer Randy Stein read the Treasurer's report.
- Base members introduced themselves

**Old Business**

- No updates to report on USSVI's new website
- Anyone interested in becoming the Base Treasurer please contact the Base Commander

American Legion Post 234 has reopened the hall for meetings

**New Business**

- Base member Ray Misiewicz was scheduled to do a ZOOM presentation of submarines that were at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 and their actions thereafter. Unfortunately, he was dealing with after effects of his COVID vaccine and was unable to do so. It will be rescheduled.
- Brett Bydairk, son of deceased Base member Walt Bydairk, recently passed away. Brett will be interred at Saratoga National Cemetery.
- Wreaths Across America is looking for volunteers to remove wreaths from the gravesites at Saratoga National Cemetery on Saturday March 6, 2021 at 0800.
- Base member Fred Miller and his wife are currently suffering from the Corona virus, we wish them a speedy recovery.
- Base member John McCarthy and his wife have both had the virus and are recovered and dealing with the after effects.
- Base Commander Jerry Whitehead is scheduled for surgery on March 4<sup>th</sup>, - we wish him a speedy recovery
- There will be a Memorial Day parade in Ballston Spa – much smaller scale

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

The next regular meeting will begin at **1900 on April 7, 2021**. The meeting will be held at the American Legion Post 234. There will be an effort to also ZOOM the meeting to those who are unable to attend

The meeting was concluded at 7:32 PM.

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

Please consider purchasing a brick paver for our Memorial

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