

MINUTES OF MEETING
ALBANY-SARATOGA BASE, USSVI
Location: 23 Pleasant St., Ballston Spa & via ZOOM
Meeting Date: April 7, 2021

Due to the ongoing pandemic the Hybrid meeting of the Albany-Saratoga Base was called to order by Base Commander Jerry Whitehead at 7:01 PM with 22 members present and/or 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 April
- 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
- Anyone interested in running for the District Commander position see Jim Irwin
- Last call for brick pavers to be engraved in time for the Tolling the Boats ceremony
- There will be no Memorial Day Parade in Ballston Spa but there will be a ceremony. Date is Saturday May 29th.
- Hotel rooms for the Convention are filling up fast. If you plan to attend, don't wait too long to book your room.

New Business

- Albany Saratoga Base will hold it's Tolling the Boats Ceremony on Saturday June 5th at 11:00 AM.
- Base member John Ebenhoch departed on his Eternal Patrol on March 31st. Three Base members were present at Saratoga National Cemetery for his service.

There were a lot of difficulties with holding a "Hybrid" meeting as the Base members on ZOOM couldn't hear what was happening at the meeting and the Base members at the meeting couldn't hear the ZOOM participants. After much discussion it was agreed the Base purchase some electronic equipment to rectify the situation. Randy Stein will investigate at report back. Jim Irwin will confirm with the Legion that the equipment can be stored safely on site.

50/50 drawing was held and won by Jerry Whitehead who donated his winnings to the Kaps 4 Kids account.

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

The next regular meeting will begin at **1900 on May 5, 2021**. The meeting will be held at the American Legion Post 234. There will be an effort (hopefully better this time) to also ZOOM the meeting to those who are unable to attend.

The meeting was concluded at 7:55 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