



COLUMBUS BASE MEETING MINUTES 9 September 2017

Call to Order:

1300 – Commander, Tim Barker called the meeting to order. Frank Lloyd led in the salute to the flag. Chaplain Walt Fleak gave the invocation. Tolling of the lost boats was conducted by Chaplain Sharon Lloyd and Frank Lloyd. Welcome to all by Base Commander. There were 20 members and guests present.

Secretary's Report:

August 2017 meeting minutes are posted on the web site. There were no changes.
Correspondence – Received correspondence from the Friendship Club. They hosted the World War II event in Heath Oho.

Treasurer's Report:

Jim Koogler reported on the status of the Treasury accounts through the end of August 2017.

Webmaster's Report:

Cliff reported that there were no changes to the web site.

Chaplain's Report:

Ken Sewell – had a knee replacement.

John Bethea - at home rehabilitating and did attend the meeting and reported on his operation.

He said that he was recovering fine. It was good to see John.

Don Crinkey – is still ill

Sharon would like to start sending out birthday cards again. She asked those in attendance to put their birth date on the roster.

Membership Report/Introductions:

- No new members or guests were in attendance.
- Clutch reported that USSVI is waving the membership dues for 2018 for NEW MEMBERS who are currently on active duty.

- Galin had five people inquire about base membership while he was attending the World War II event in Heath.

Committee Reports:

- Activities
 - October 7 - Noon Base Meeting, American Legion Leasure-Blackston 239, 700 Morning Street, Worthington, OH 43085
 - November 4 - Noon Base Meeting, American Legion Leasure-Blackston 239, 700 Morning Street, Worthington, OH 43085
 - November 9 – (Thursday) Columbus Veteran Parade, Step off Noon
 - November 11 – (Saturday) Hilliard Veterans Parade, Step off 10 AM
 - November 12 – (Sunday) Logan Veterans Parade
 - December 2 – Christmas Dinner, Hilliard VFW
 - The new dinner place mats at the Hilliard VFW now has the Columbus Base information printed on them.

Unfinished Business:

- Inventory Status – Boxes were moved from Tim’s house to Frank’s. They are being stored in Sharon’s sun room. Frank has contacted Washington D.C. to see if they would like to have the material but has not heard back. Now that we are close to having everything inventoried we may be able to contact some local establishments.

New Business:

- None

For the good of the Order:

- Parade Sub discussion:
 - use as a static display – Galin brought up that the float is a valuable recruiting tool for the base when used as a static display at events like the World War II event which had over 7,000 attendees.

- static display board(s) – It was suggested that a board be created explaining the sub float and what it represents.
 - repair/replacement of flags & flag poles – The hundred-year banner needs to be replaced and also one of the poles.
 - repair by Freightliner - Around the 15th of November Freightliner will do the repairs after all the parades.
 - remaining 2017 parades – Bill Anderson and Galin Brady will coordinate pulling the sub float
 - Winter storage – Float will be stored at the same location it was last year.
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- Interested in joining Navy League? Supports Sea Cadet Corps Mike Milenovic, FTB2(SS) <http://navyleague.org/membership/membership.html> - Tim brought up the discussion
 - 2018 USSVI Convention cruise – Oct 21-28, 2018 <http://www.ussvicruise.com/> - The web site listed has all the information. You will need a passport if you plan to attend. USSVI will probably move the web site listed to a link on the USSVI site in the future.
 - Christmas dinner – cater or pot luck? – Karla asked those in attendance if they would prefer to have the Christmas dinner catered or have a pot luck. Those in attendance voted to have it catered.
 - Bob Wells wants to donate his submarine books to the base. Base will pick up. Clutch and I plan to go in September (not 9/14 or 9/20) (Tolson) – Frank mentioned that he would plan on going.

- Open discussion from floor
 - George brought in a plaque that he had Vic Vanhorn create. It has the USS Remora (SS-487) and the Maker's Mark distillery names inscribed. The plaque will be presented to the Marker's Mark distillery.
 - Bob Frier said that Don Crinkey thanked the base for the card he received.
 - Frank is not going to order the USSVI calendars like he did last year. If you would like a calendar you will need to let Frank know so that he can get it ordered. He is only ordering for those that request a calendar.
 - Clutch has been elected to be the treasurer of the ISAUSA (International Submariners Association / USA)

- Storekeeper Frank (or Sharon) Lloyd

- 50/50 drawing – Galin won the 50/50

Announcement of the next meeting:

- Next Columbus Base meeting: October 7, 2017,
 - 1200 Social Hour
 - 1300 Meeting
 - Worthington American Legion Post 239, 700 Morning Street, Worthington, OH 43085

Closing prayer (Benediction) was given by Chaplain Walt Fleak.
Adjournment of meeting by Commander Barker.

Submitted by Scott Steele Base Secretary.