

United States Submarine Veterans, Inc.
Pocono Base – Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, 18 March 2007



USS F-4 SS 23

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The following are the US Submarine Force losses during the month of March.

25 Mar 1915	USS F-4	SS 23	21 Men
12 Mar 1920	USS H-1	SS 28	4 Men
03 Mar 1942	USS Perch I	SS 176	6 Men as POW's
05 Mar 1943	USS Grampus	SS 207	71 Men
15 Mar 1943	USS Triton	SS 201	74 Men
26 Mar 1944	USS Tullibee	SS 284	79 Men
20 Mar 1945	USS Kete	SS 369	87 Men
28 Mar 1945	USS Trigger	SS 237	89 Men

An informal meeting was held after a catered dinner from Tom Shields.

The dinner consisted of Corned Beef and Cabbage, Potatoes, Irish Soda Bread and Brownies. Well done to the chef.

Roll Call: Members present were: Rich Holmes, Mike Smith, Bill Klose, Bob Smith, Tom Shields, Tom Crosby, George Eckert, and Ken Smith.

Treasurers Report: The treasurer reported an ending balance of \$xxxx.xx on 28 Feb 2007.

Old Business:

We have received permission from the township to build our float at the Pocono Regional EMS building.

Rich Holmes outlined a basic plan for the float and trailer, which he will bring up again at our next meeting. He wants to wait until the weather gets a little warmer.

Rich Holmes, Tom Shields and Mike Smith will be going to Philadelphia to the USS Becuna for a luncheon with the Philadelphia Base and meet guest speaker Cdr. Bruce Shick.

Rich Holmes and Bill Klose will be going to Groton, Ct. in May for the Groton Base 43rd Anniversary.

Good of the Order:

Frank McDevitt is in Cleveland at the Cleveland Heart Clinic for heart valve replacement surgery. They have an interesting website called "thestatus.com". Rich sent us an e-mail stating how we could access Frank's webpage and get updates on his status.

Next meeting will be held at the American Legion, Wilson-Fisher Post in Pocono Pines, PA. on 18 April 2007 at 1900 hrs.

Respectfully submitted

Michael D. Smith
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