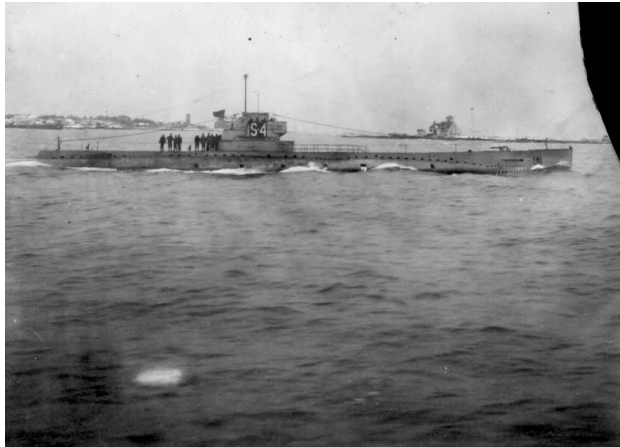


United States Submarine Veterans, Inc.

Pocono Base – Meeting Minutes

20 December 2020



USS S-4 (SS-109)

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It is with regrets that we were unable to come together this year for our annual dinner. 2020 has been a trying year for all of us. We were at least able to cherish the times when we could meet, but this month was not the case. Please remember all of those who went before us for this month and for our members who are on Eternal Patrol.

16 Dec 1917	USS F-1 (Carp I)	SS 20	19 Men
17 Dec 1927	USS S-4 (Snapper I)	SS 109	34 Men
10 Dec 1941	USS Sealion I	SS 195	5 Men
10 Dec 1941	USS Seadragon	SS 194	1 Man

Shipmates on Eternal Patrol:

Charles Butler, Edgar Coumes, George Eckert, Harold Franklin, Grover Kiick, Joseph Kolb, Don Malkames, George McCutcheon, Oliver Nordmark, Eugen Rees, Harold Schedin, Tom Shields, David Spence, James Staub, Ezra Swartz, Robert Vaughan and Richard Holmes

Sailor's, rest your oars.

Meeting Minutes: The November 2020 minutes have been posted to the base website

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer gave the secretary a copy of the financial report for Oct 31 – 30 Nov 2020. There is an actual ending balance of \$x as of the 30th of November.

Committees: No reports, other than welcome aboard to Chris Eckert, the son of our former member George Eckert, as an Associate Member of our base.

Since we usually have a short meeting before our dinner, we do not have a reading of a lost boat for December. This month, let us remember the USS S-4. She was accidentally rammed and sunk by the Coast Guard Destroyer USS Paulding off the coast of Cape Cod. She went down with all hands. The S-4 was salvaged a year later and served until stricken from the records in 1936 and intentionally sunk.

Old Business: There was no meeting

New Business: No Report.

Good of the Order:

Just a reminder that base and national dues are due by Dec 31, 2020, or you will be listed as DINQ.

The base supply officer has 2021 calendars for the members and they are \$8 apiece.

Calendar of Events:

25 Dec 2020: Merry Christmas

1 Jan 2021: Happy New Year.

20 Jan 2021: Monthly Meeting at the Wilson-Fischer Post at 1900 Hrs.

17 Feb 2021: Monthly Meeting at the Wilson-Fischer Post at 1900 Hrs.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 20 Jan 2021 at 1900 Hrs. at the American Legion, Wilson-Fischer Post.

“To perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country. That their dedication, deeds and supreme sacrifice be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments. Pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution.”

Respectfully submitted,
Michael D. Smith
USSVI – Pocono Base Secretary