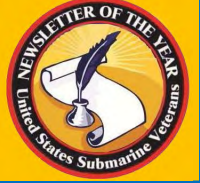




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# Clear The Baffles

## GOLD COUNTRY BASE



*Our purpose is "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."*



**Holland Club Commander Pat Noone performs the induction Ceremony for Jack Everett, Ron Rule and Adm. Jerry Ellis**

*"When we meet a Holland Club member, we are in the presence of the institutional memory of the U.S. Submarine Force. They, along with all their 'brothers of the dolphin', are the historical connection and inspiration for the Submariner of the future."*

### Nevada City Constitution Day parade.

Thank you to our shipmates who showed up to represent us. Les

Jamison, Tom Rumsey, Regy Bronner, Bill Hunt, Harry Beach, Warren Wiederhoeft, Roger Paul & Jerry Wentland.



**Make all preparation for getting underway.**

### Next Meeting—September 23, 2017

Potluck @ 1200 hrs Meeting Starts 1300 hrs  
Folsom Veterans Hall 1300 Forrest Street Folsom

### First Call to Morning Chow

**Monday October 16 @0930** Denny's 7900 College Town Dr. Hwy 50 and Howe Ave

**Titan Battalion Navy JROTC Cadets** from Luther Burbank HS join us for lunch.



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## Now Hear This!

**28 September** Sacramento Stand Down Gibson Ranch Park

**28 October** Base Meeting

**31 October** Master Mariner Nomination submission deadline

**4 November** Navy JROTC Drill Meet Luther Burbank High School

**11 November** Veterans Day Parade Capitol Mall Sacramento 1100

## COMMANDER'S CORNER

**Shipmates,** let me begin by apologizing for being so late this month on delivering the Newsletter to you. Preparation for my 2 week vacation to Hawaii and the recovery time upon my return kept me from the timely completion. I want to echo what Tom wrote in the COBs column and say that last month's meeting was a great example of our unifying effort to produce a forum which allows all of us to share time and experiences with each other, to



honor those who have served with, and before, us and to demonstrate our commitment to the future with our support of cadet member's of the Navy JROTC. It truly was a great meeting.

This month we continue our efforts to honor our service with an award presentation to all Vietnam-era veterans with a Vietnam War Commemoration Pin presented by Air Force Veteran and Rancho Cordova City Council member, Bob McGarvey and Sacramento County Supervisor, Don Nottoli. At last check almost half of our members qualify for this award and I am looking forward to the ceremony.

Well that's all the good news and I wouldn't be being honest with you if I didn't share that I have reached a space of frustration with my continued request for HELP. As with most organizations, we have a few people doing all the work and many enjoying the fruits of our labor and I consider myself as one of the workers. I am current the Base Commander, the Newsletter Editor, the Public Affairs Officer, and the Events Coordinator. For several months I have asked for help by looking for a member that would take on the responsibility of gaining the information, following through with arrangements and keeping the membership informed about the 5 or 6 annual events we participate in. This is not a heavy lifting job but combined with my other responsibilities it is more than I should have to handle. Please let me know if you are interested in stepping up. **Barry Wyatt, Base Commander**



## Officers Country (continued)

### Goat Locker



**Well guys as I sit here with my second cup of coffee** and reflect on my list of topics, I am most compelled to discuss the monthly meeting we just had and its significance to our creed / mission.

First of all, I'm going to say, it was one of the best meetings we've had since I came to this base. I was most impressed with every one's participation and conduct. I include in that the comradery I

witnessed among all the members, wives and guests alike. This is number one on my hit parade. I'm really here for the comradeship. The one thing missing in my life more than anything else until I joined USSVI, was my shipmates. The time I spend with you (all inclusive) is the icing on the cake for me. I might be just as happy to be just sitting at one of the long tables with everyone else but being your COB is truly an honor. I always look forward to walking in the front door knowing Howard will have the coffee on and some body has brought donuts (Harry).



This month's meeting was special however, in that we had Commander Tom with his cadets and Admiral Jerry with his entourage, wow what an honor. It all made for a very special Saturday, almost on the day I joined the US Navy in 1962.

I was lucky to serve on five U S Navy Submarines, serve with some of the finest men and women (shore duty) that I've ever met. Now, I'm happy to say I have that comradeship once again. I really hope that all our members feel that blessed about our group. I witness it at our breakfasts, the parades, holiday events and special occasions that we're together. I hope you all felt though that our August meeting was in fact a really nice event. See you at Nevada City.

Oh yes, (The icing is my favorite part of the cake.) (COMRADERY)

**Tom Rumsey, MMCS(SS) USN RET. Chief of the Boat**

### Can God Use an Army Veteran? A true Story from Acts 10. (continued)

Last time we closed with Peter saying: "Stand up; I myself am also a man."

FROM  
OUR  
CHAPLAIN



Peter then says: "For what reason have you sent for me?" Peter had come because the Spirit had told to go Cornelius but he didn't know why. Cornelius told

about his vision and then said: "When he (Peter) comes, he will speak to you. ... we are all present before God, to hear all the things commanded you by God." Then Peter opened his mouth and said: "In truth I perceive God shows no partiality." Peter goes on and gives a very brief introduction why Christ came and died and was raised from the dead. Then Peter says: "... whoever believes in Him (Jesus) will receive, remission of sin."

*To Be Continued*

**Blessings, Howard Grover, Chaplain**



**Shipmates, The 2018 USSVI Calendars are here. Stop by the Store-**

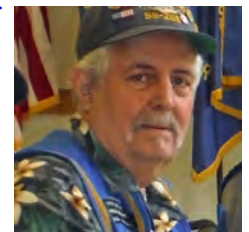
keepers table and get your early copy to be ready for 2018.

The theme for this year's calendar is classes of Submarines.

Also your friendly Storekeeper has a variety of glass ware for your enjoyment. I have shot glasses, wine glasses, and 16 oz beer glasses. Each has the USSVI logo on them.

Stop by the stores table and check them out. There are only a couple of each type on display and I have more in storage.

**Tim Spoon  
Treasurer, Storekeeper & Membership**



# Lost Boats

## September

### USS S-5 (SS-110)

Lost on September 1, 1920 when a practice dive went wrong and she sank bow-first, with her stern showing above the water. In a dramatic adventure, her exhausted crew was rescued during the next few days. Salvage attempts were unsuccessful, S-5 settled to the bottom and was abandoned.



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### USS Grayling (SS-209)

Lost on Sept 9, 1943 with the loss of 76 men near the Tablas Strait. Grayling was on her 8th war patrol and sank two ships before being lost



### USS Pompano (SS-181)

Pompano was sunk with the loss of 77 men while on her 7th war patrol. On Sept 17, 1943. Japanese records show that a submarine was sunk in her patrol area by air & depth charge attack off the Aomori Prefecture near Shiriya Zaki. Before being lost, she sank two enemy cargo ships. The exact cause of her loss remains unknown, but she probably was sunk by the air/sea attack above or fell victim to a mine on or after 9/25/1943. This boat's last recorded ship (Taiko Maru) sunk happened on Sept 25th, so she probably hit a mine on or after that date but before Oct 5th, when she was scheduled back at Midway.



### USS S-51 (SS-162)

Lost on Sept 25, 1925 with the loss of 33 men when it was sunk after collision with SS City of Rome off Block Island.



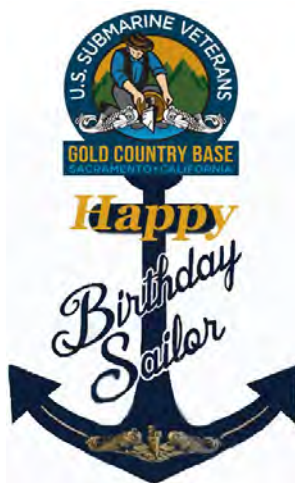
### USS Cisco (SS-290)

Lost on Sept 28, 1943 on her first war patrol with the loss of 76 men in the Sulu Sea west of Mindinao.



## September Birthdays

Reggie Bronner  
Steven Loomis  
Max Rhinehard  
Raymond Rockers  
Lon Schmidt  
Larry Shamus  
Roy Wilhite



## On The Lighter Side

There's an ARMY Sargent driving from West Point to the New York, a Submarine Sailor driving from New London to the New York, and an Marine driving from NJ to New York just to watch the Jets.

In the middle of the night with no other cars on the road they hit each other and all cars go flying off in different directions. The Sub Sailor manages to climb out of his car and survey the damage. He looks at his twisted car and says, "Man, I am really lucky to be alive!" Likewise, the ARMY guy scrambles out of his car and looks at his wreckage. The Marine just shakes his head and says to himself, "I can't believe I survived this wreck!"



The Marine walks over to the Soldier and the Sub Sailor and says, "Hey guys, I think this is a sign from God that we should put away our petty differences and live as friends instead of arch rivals." The ARMY guy thinks for a moment and says, "You know, you're absolutely right! We should be friends." The Sub Sailor says, "Let me see what else survived this wreck." So, he pops open his trunk and finds a full unopened bottle of Jack Daniels. He says to the Marine and Army guys, "I think this is another sign from God that we should toast to our new found understanding and friendship." The Soldier says, "You're right!" and he grabs the bottle and starts sucking down Jack Daniels. After putting away nearly a third of the bottle he hands it to the Marine and says, "Your turn!" The Marine sucks down a third and hands the bottle back to the Sub Sailor who promptly puts the cap back on the bottle and says, "I think I'll wait for the cops to show up."

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## VA Information



Veterans and their loved ones can call **(800) 273-8255** and Press 1, [chat online](#), or send a text message to **838255** to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, or call your local [24-hour mental health crisis line](#).

### Veteran Services / Benefits Education

As a veteran, there are education programs available which you may use for a wide variety of approved education and training programs including: apprenticeship and on-the-job training, college degree and certificate programs, flight training, and correspondence courses. Each program provides different benefits to different groups of individuals and offers a specified number of "months" of benefits. Typically, most education benefits can be collected for 36 months; however, the maximum amount that can be collected under any combination of VA education program is 48 months. Please note that veterans can only use one VA education benefit for training at a time.

### Veteran Services / Benefits Advocacy / Assistance

Our staff are qualified benefits specialists trained to help veterans and their family gain benefits they are entitled to. We provide counseling and referral services to individuals and their families and offer a complete referral service to provide veterans with accurate and current information on the entire range of issues associated with veterans' benefits and entitlements.

## Gold Country Base Meeting Minutes. July 22,, 2017

**CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order @ 1300 by a toll of the bell. Base Commander Barry Wyatt read the USSVI Creed and Purpose and Warren Weiderhoeft led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION:** Base Chaplain Howard Grover gave the Invocation.

**TOLLING THE BELL:** The Lost Boats for the month of August were read by Vice Commander Reggie Bronner and the Chief of the Boat Tom Rumsey tolled the bell once for each Lost Boat with an additional toll for those shipmates on Eternal Patrol.

**MEMBER INTRODUCTION:** There were 29 members and 7 guests in attendance.

### **FORMAL REPORTS:**

**BASE COMMANDER:** Barry Wyatt reported the following: Sacramento County Supervisor Sue Frost formed a Veterans Advisory Council and appointed BC Barry Wyatt as a member.

The Base will participate in the Constitution Day Parade in Nevada City on Sept. 10.

A one-day Sacramento Standown will be held at Gibson Ranch on Sept. 28. Max Schell has details.

Burbank NJROTC Drill Meet will be held on November 4. Snack bar volunteers are needed.

The Holiday Party will again be held at the Lake Natoma Inn on Dec.13.

A \$99 donation was requested for the USS Scorpion Memorial. Members to vote.

Pete Juhos has been nominated for another term as USSVI District Commander. A vote will be held at the meeting.

**VICE COMMANDER:** Reggie Bronner reported the following: We are within the projected budget for the year. Master Mariner candidates are due by the end of October.

**TREASURER / MEMBERSHIP/STORES:** Base Treasurer Tim Spoon reported the following: The books are in balance. Gold Country Base does not publicly release financial information in the Newsletter. Any Base member can request a report from Base Treasurer via email. Base membership: 109 members in good standing, 7 associate members and 2 prospective members.

**PAO / NEWSLETTER EDITOR:** Barry Wyatt reported the following: Member biographies are needed for the Base Newsletter. This is a good way to become familiar with the background of the membership.

**HOLLAND CLUB CHAIR:** Pat Noone led the induction of three new members of the Holland Club.

**EAGLE SCOUT CHAIR:** Nothing to report.

**CHAPLAIN REPORT / BINNACLE LIST:** Chaplain Howard Grover reported that Bernie Richter is still having health issues.

**OLD BUSINESS:** A motion was made to accept the minutes from the July meeting and seconded. The membership voted in favor of approval.

**NEW BUSINESS** A motion was made to donate \$99 to the USS Scorpion Memorial. The motion was seconded and membership voted in favor of the motion

### **GOOD OF THE ORDER/COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Rancho Cordova City Council member Robert McGarvey will present pins to members who were active duty during the Vietnam era. Les Jamison is pursuing the Kaps4Kids program. He will be meeting with the national chairman at the USSVI Convention.
- Sacramento Standown applications will be available September 1. The stand down will be held at Gibson Ranch on Sept. 28. Contact Max Schell for more information.
- Burbank NJROTC Drill Meet will be held Nov. 4. Snack bar volunteers are needed. Max also has the details.
- Nevada City Constitution Day parade will be held 10 September.
- Sacramento Veterans Day parade will be held 11 November.
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony will be held Dec, 7 at Discovery Park.
- Holiday Party will be held on December 13 at the Natoma Inn where it was held last year.
- Reggie Bronner won the 50/50 raffle in the amount of \$95.

**First Call to Morning Chow:** 0930 Sept. 11@ Brookfield's, Hwy 50 and Sunrise.

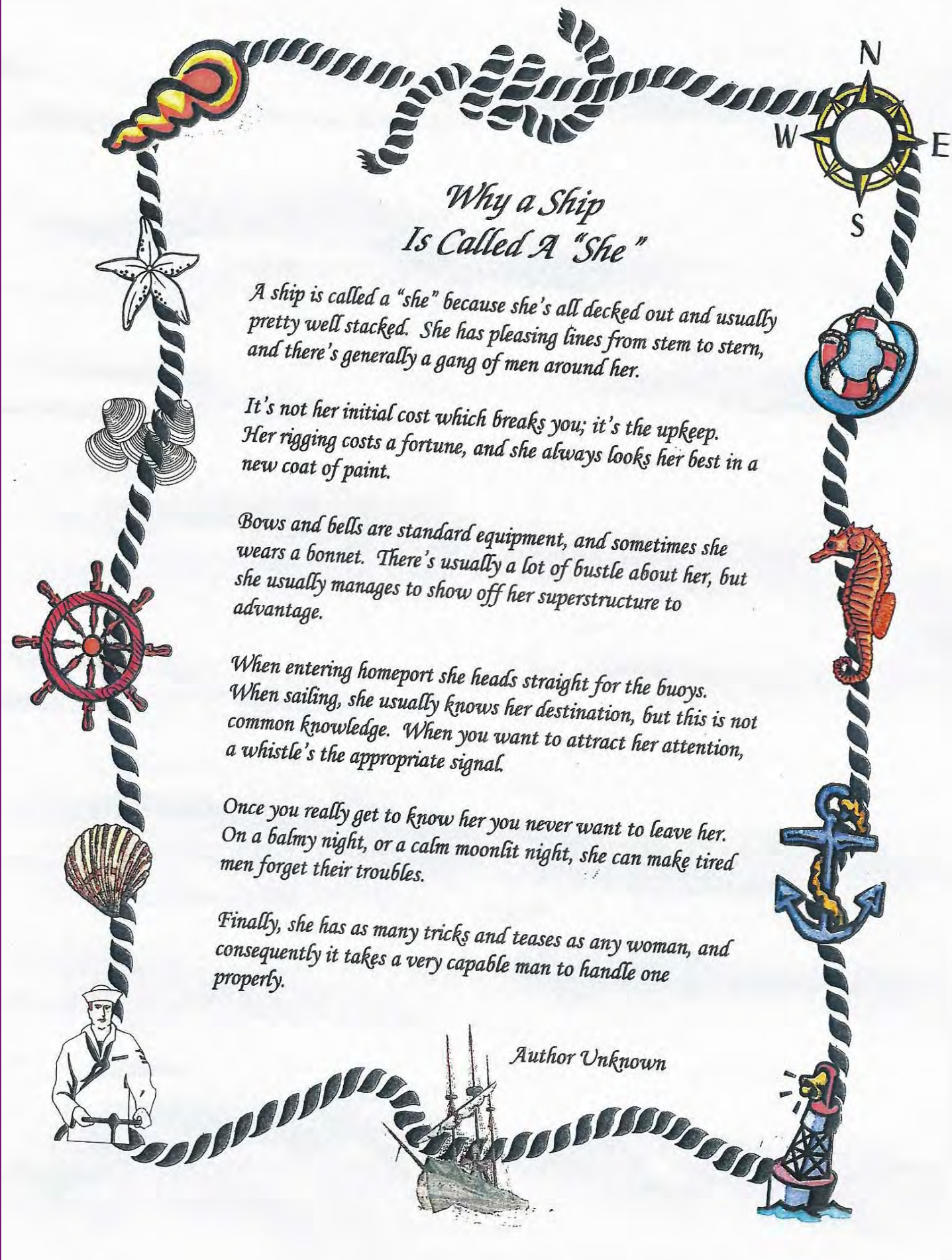
**Next Base Meeting:** Sept. 23, 2017

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT:** Base Chaplin gave a closing prayer. Chief of the Boat surfaced the Boat @ 1415 hrs.



**Bill Hunt, Secretary**

**Submitted by Bill Hunt, Base Secretary**



## *Why a Ship Is Called A "She"*

*A ship is called a "she" because she's all decked out and usually pretty well stacked. She has pleasing lines from stem to stern, and there's generally a gang of men around her.*

*It's not her initial cost which breaks you; it's the upkeep. Her rigging costs a fortune, and she always looks her best in a new coat of paint.*

*Bows and bells are standard equipment, and sometimes she wears a bonnet. There's usually a lot of bustle about her, but she usually manages to show off her superstructure to advantage.*

*When entering homeport she heads straight for the buoys. When sailing, she usually knows her destination, but this is not common knowledge. When you want to attract her attention, a whistle's the appropriate signal.*

*Once you really get to know her you never want to leave her. On a balmy night, or a calm moonlit night, she can make tired men forget their troubles.*

*Finally, she has as many tricks and teases as any woman, and consequently it takes a very capable man to handle one properly.*

*Author Unknown*

# News From National

## USSVI NATIONAL AWARDS

**NEGRI LINK** FREDERICK W. BORGMANN – BREMERTON BASE

TERRY L. BOLEN - CORVINA BASE  
CHARLES W. BUTCHER - MARE ISLAND BASE  
BRIAN A. DAUGHERTY - HAMPTON ROADS BASE  
THOMAS S. McFADDEN - TARHEEL BASE  
CHARLES R. PETITT - CAROLINA PIEDMON

BASE

GENE E. RUTTER - TARHEEL BASE  
BRIAN WATSON - BATON ROUGE BASE  
GENE A. WEISBECKER - USS CHICAGO BASE  
CHARLES ( CHIP ) WISARD – USS ASHEVILLE BASE  
BOWFIN BASE  
HAMPTON ROADS BASE  
MARBLEHEAD BASE

**DCOY** WARVEL ( TOM ) WILLIAMS - BRAZOS VALLEY BASE

### MERITORIOUS AWARD ( INDIVIDUAL )

DOUGLAS A. BRYANT – MARBLEHEAD BASE  
JAMES IRWIN - ALBANY – SARATOGA BASE  
PAUL ORSTAD - GROTON BASE  
MICHAEL R. VARONE – NORTHERN VIRGINIA  
WILLIAM W. WHELAND – TARHEEL BASE

### MERITORIOUS AWARD ( BASE )

USS CHICAGO BASE

### GOLDEN ANCHOR

CLASS ONE – HAMPTON ROADS BASE  
CLASS TWO – NO ENTRY SUBMITTED  
CLASS THREE – CENTRAL TEXAS BASE  
CLASS FOUR – USS SNOOK BASE

### SILVER ANCHOR

LARRY L. FERRELL - MAINE BASE  
DOMINICK GRIMALDI - GROTON BASE  
JACK JEFFRIES – CAROLINA PIEDMONT BASE  
THOMAS R. SHANNON – MARBLEHEAD BASE  
DAVID M. VROOMAN – BLUEBACK BASE

**BASTURA** DON and DALE JOHNSON

### NEWSLETTER AWARDS

#### CLASS ONE

HAMPTON ROADS BASE “CURRENTS”

#### CLASS TWO

GOLD COUNTRY BASE - “CLEAR THE BAFFLES”

#### CLASS THREE

CAROLINA PIEDMONT BASE – “PIEDMONT PERISCOPE

#### CLASS FOUR

CUTTLEFISH BASE – “W. R. T.”

## Gold Country Base Newsletter

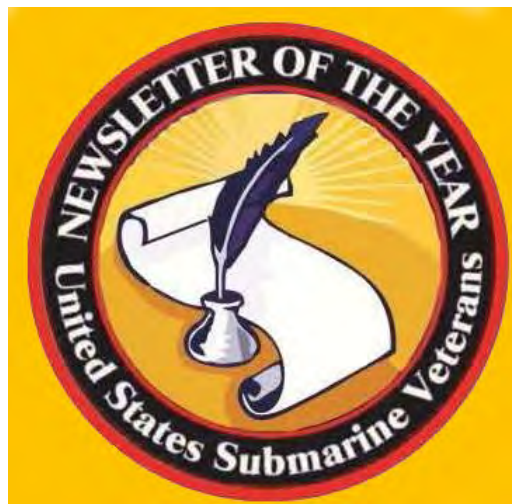
**“Clear The Baffles” Was awarded top honors for Class II Base at the annual USSVI National Convention held in Florida during the first week of September.**

“Barry, congratulations on being recognized by the United States Submarine Veterans, Inc. as recipient of Newsletter of the Year – 2017 (Class II Base) for Gold Country Base. This award speaks highly to your superior and dedicated efforts to publish “CLEAR THE BAFFLES”. This year’s award marks a unique achievement as it’s the second consecutive year this award has been presented to Gold Country Base, and you as Newsletter Editor. Well Done!”

Very Respectfully,

Peter T. Juhos, MMCS(SS/SS1), USN (Ret).

Commander, Western Region District 5



# Regional & Local News

26<sup>th</sup> Annual



## SACRAMENTO STAND DOWN

September 28, 2017  
0800 to 1800  
(8:00 AM to 6:00 PM)

This event is for Homeless or at-Risk Veterans and their dependents only.

### New Location: Gibson Ranch County Park

8554 Gibson Park Road, Elverta, CA 95626 (Elverta Rd. at Gibson Ranch Rd.)

RT Passes available at the registration locations.

#### Free Support Services Provided at this Event

- Breakfast/BBQ Lunch/Snacks
- Showers & Personal Care Kits
- Barbers available for Haircuts
- Legal Services (includes Court Date Registration)
- VA Benefits Information
- State Disability Information
- Job Services & Unemployment Insurance Info
- General Assistance/Calworks/EBT
- Medical Services to include HIV & HEPC Testing
- Dental Services
- Optical Services
- Mental Health Services
- Spiritual Guidance
- Housing & Job Referral Programs
- Drug & Alcohol Counseling
- California ID Cards by DMV

Pre-Registration will be conducted  
September 18 - 25, 2017 at the following locations:

- Sac County Veteran Services Office @ 19th & T Downtown (9 AM to 2 PM)
- Sacramento Veterans Resource Center 7292 Southgate Blvd (9 AM to 2 PM)
- Loaves and Fishes (9 AM to Noon)
- Mather VA Hospital - Homeless Primary Care Program (9 AM to 4 PM)
- Volunteers of America/Veteran Service Center - Mather (9 AM to 4 PM)

Pre-Registration is strongly recommended so we can better assist you!

**NOTE:** We had to find a new site which took longer than expected and did not allow us the time to organize a Full Stand Down this year, so we decided to put on an intense 1 Day event instead of cancelling all together. A 3 Day Stand Down is planned for 2018.

**For more information call: (916) 389-8917 or check the web at: [StandDownSacramento.org](http://StandDownSacramento.org)**

**GOLD COUNTRY BASE  
SUBMARINE VETERANS TO  
BE AWARDED VIETNAM VET-  
ERAN LAPEL PIN AT OUR  
SEPTEMBER MEETING**



*"A Lasting Memento of the  
Nation's Thanks!"*

**Presented by Air Force Veter-  
an & Rancho Cordova City  
Councilman, Bob McGarvey  
and Sacramento County  
Supervisor, Don Nottoli.**



**Base member Bernie Ritscher with his wife Evelyn**  
backed up by Base members Barry Wyatt, Harry Beach and  
members of Bernie's VFW post, pose after the presentation.

### Quilts of Valor

Freedom Quilt-  
ers from Placer-  
ville present a  
Quilt to Gold  
Country Base  
member  
Bernie Ritscher





### JUSTICE FOR VETS



### BENEFITS THEY'VE EARNED SUPPORT THEY DESERVE

The majority of our veterans return home strengthened by their military service, but many struggle with trauma, mental illness (such as PTSD), and substance use disorders. These issues can be exacerbated by the loss of structure and camaraderie found in the military. Veterans treatment courts (VTCs) provide treatment, accountability, and mentoring, and they help connect justice-involved veterans with the benefits they've earned. VTCs save the lives, families, and futures of our veterans while also saving taxpayer dollars.

Sacramento Area veterans: There is a Veterans Treatment Court Mentor Boot Camp being held in Sacramento on October 16-17. There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. If you are interested, please see the info below on how to register and other details.

#### Veterans Treatment Court Mentor Boot Camp

October 16 - 17 Sacramento, California Registration closes on October 2.

More info and registration here:

<http://www.cvent.com/events/justice-for-vets-veteran-mentor-boot-camp-california-statewide/event-summary-7f7126f812ba4b9b9cd08812118db873.aspx>

Together as one, the Justice For Vets Mentor Corps builds on the undeniable truth that there is no bond as strong as the one that exists between those who have served their country. Our Veteran Mentor Boot Camp provides the foundation for a successful veteran mentor program for veterans treatment courts (VTCs) across the nation.

VTCs thrive, in part, because they facilitate veterans in the community to be of service to their fellow veterans in need. The Justice For Vets Veteran Mentor Boot Camp is a two-day curriculum designed to provide veteran mentors working with VTC participants the knowledge and skills to support them throughout the program.

Our experienced faculty and staff encompass a broad range of disciplines, from clinicians and attorneys to current VTC mentor coordinators and mentors. This expert team will guide you as you strategically identify community resources that will allow the veteran mentors to accomplish their mission of engaging, encouraging, and empowering their VTC participants and court teams.

#### Registration

There is no fee to attend the mentor boot camp, but all mentors and visitors attending the boot camp must register. Please utilize this website to register for the training by **October 2nd**. Training materials are created and shipped based on the number of registered participants.

**TITAN BATTALION  
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**Luther Burbank High School**



**Gold Country Base Navy JROTC Liaison Max Shell**  
make a presentation of the bases semi-annual \$500  
contribution to help support the Titan Battalion.



## **'Master Mariner' Award Nomination**

The Master Mariner award is presented to a Gold Country Base crewmember who meets the following requirements;

Nominees will be members in good standing; who have, by his or her personal individual effort and participation during the preceding year (or years) have demonstrably contributed to the advancement and embodiment of the Gold Country Base, and the USSVI creed and purposes; by his or her dedicated service and support to the same, and to his or her fellow submarine veterans and associated members exemplifying the meaning and spirit of the word "Shipmate."

Factors to be considered in nominating and assessing members for the Master Mariner and Base Commander's Commendation must take into consideration their demonstrable achievement in:

Good Character. Provides a 'model' for others based on personal involvement in Base activities, including attracting and mentoring new members.

Required dues paid on time; attends regularly scheduled Base meetings.

Performed assigned duties in such a manner as to positively reflect on the Gold Country Base, and USSVI, with the general public.

Performed one or more specific difficult tasks in the minds of the membership which are considered 'above and beyond.'

**Please complete and submit the information below to the Awards Committee Chair, Regy Bronner, at [regybear@aol.com](mailto:regybear@aol.com) prior to the submission deadline of October 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**Award will be presented at the Annual Holliday Dinner.**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Print)

Nominee Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_

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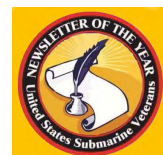
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