

**USS Virginia Base
Meeting Minutes for the Month of February 2017
On 2/11/2017**

- Meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
 - Lasagna, pizza and salad were on the buffet menu
- 17 members and 4 guest were present
- Al Ptasznik won the 50/50 raffle and received \$38.00 and the Base received \$37.00.
- The ladies were excused
- Base Commander Kenn McDermott called the meeting to order with the traditional sounding two blast from the Diving Alarm and a good hearty "DIVE, DIVE" from all those in attendance. And a word of prayer.
- Opening ceremony was lead by Vice Commander Pete Fortier and Base Storekeeper Bob Kutzenberger
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Reading of the USSVI Creed
 - Tolling of the Boats for February
 - 5 Boats lost with the loss of 373 Souls
 - USS Barbel (SS-316) 2/4/1945 All hands 81 crewmen
 - USS Shark (SS-174) 2/11/1942 All hands 59 crewmen
 - USS Amberjack (SS-219) 2/16/1943 All hands 72 crewmen
 - USS Grayback (SS-208) 2/26/1944 All hands 80 crewmen
 - USS Trout (SS-202) 2/29/1944 All hands 81 crewmen
 - Birthdays for the Month of February
 - Mickey Loses
- Associate Member Curtis Anderson built and presented to Ways & Means Committee Chairman John Lamsen a folding table/case for the 50/50 Raffle. John was very thankful
- A discussion on recruiting was held
- Treasurer's Report was read and approved
- Secretary's Report was read and approved
- Kenn McDermott discussed and demonstrated the new USSVIRGINIABASE.ORG website.
- Jim Lencalis gave a short presentation on the Therapeutic Adventures a program for disabled veterans
- The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1430

Respectfully

Bill Anderson
Base Secretary