

MINUTES OF MEETING  
ALBANY-SARATOGA BASE, USSVI

**Meeting Date: July 16, 2003**

Location: USS Slater, Albany, NY

- \* The meeting was called to order by CDR Al Singleman at 7:20 PM following a tour of the USS Slater.
- \* The crew saluted the colors, recited the Pledge of Allegiance & the bell was tolled for each boat lost in action or by accident & for shipmates lost on these boats.
- \* Attendance was taken; 21 members were present. A quorum was present.
- \* WWII Sub Vets were asked to stand. Ralph Folger & Walt Bydairk were given a hand for their service.
- \* Minutes from the previous meeting on June 18, 2003 were passed around for those who did not receive them by email. Reading of the minutes was waived. The minutes were accepted as published.
- \* Members stood & introduced themselves & announced the boats they had served on and there jobs on board.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Fred Carlson, Treas., was absent, but a financial report which was emailed to the Commander was read & accepted by the members without change.
2. The Saratoga County Fair runs from July 15th-20th. Walt Bydairk will set up the display. He will need help to man the booth.
3. A few base members marched in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in Pittsfield, MA. It was a very nice parade.
4. Storekeeper, Diane Singleman, reminded those who ordered orange shirts that they need to pay \$18.00 per shirt. She also reminds everyone there are District 2, Eastern Regional & Rickover Patches for sale.
5. We have been asked to set up a display at the Altamont Fair, Aug. 12-17th. The display will be in the Dutch Barn, just inside Gate 3.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. We need to reserve 2 tables at the Reno Convention.
2. Walt Bydairk gave a summary of the presentation he made to the Veterans Committee & Board of Supervisors. We are asking the County for \$15,000.
3. Base Commander, Al Singleman, explained the process for voting for National Officers. He also stated that we need to set up a nominating committee for 2004 Base Officers.
4. Gus Negus is in the hospital with pneumonia.

A motion was made & seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Next meeting will be on Wed. Aug. 20, 2003. The 2004 Convention meeting will start at 6:30 PM, which will be followed by our regular meeting at 7:00 PM at the American Legion Post #1450, Grooms Road, Clifton Park, NY.

Submitted by: Diane Singleman, Assoc. Member  
Albany-Saratoga Base