

MINUTES OF MEETING  
ALBANY-SARATOGA BASE, USSVI

Meeting Date: August 25, 2007

Location: Lanthier's Grove, Latham, NY

The meeting was called to order by CDR Al Singleman at 3:00 PM with 27 members & guests at the picnic. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all & the Tolling of the Boats for August was read by Chaplain Janet Irwin. Jim Irwin read part of an obituary of Cohoes resident John A. Chestara a decorated WWII SubVet who although not a member of the Albany-Saratoga Base, he deserved our recognition.

Members of the base introduced themselves & their guests.

The readings of the Secretary's & Treasurer's reports were waived as both Officers were out of town.

National Commander Tom Conlon was introduced & said a few remarks.

New Business:

The Albany-Saratoga Sub Vets Memorial has received official notification from the IRS that it has been approved for its 501(c) (3) status. We are now eligible to receive tax deductible contributions.

Saratoga County Board of Supervisors will again be hosting a free concert to honor all Veterans at SPAC on September 21<sup>st</sup>. The concert will feature the US Army Field Band and Soldiers Chorus. Tickets are available at any Stewarts Shop located within Saratoga County or from Jim Irwin (383-2481). All Saratoga County Veterans will automatically receive 2 tickets in the mail.

October 9<sup>th</sup> will be the Veterans Assistance Program held at the Saratoga Springs City Center. We will have a table set up as part of the program.

Jim Irwin presented a proposed By-Law change concerning Honorary Membership in our Base. A copy of this proposal along with a copy of the previously submitted proposed change concerning length of term and term limits of Base Officers will be included with the minutes and will be voted on at the September meeting.

If anyone wants a 2008 USSVI calendar, please notify Diane Singleman by Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> Calendars must be ordered thru her & she will be placing an order after the Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.

All members recited the Creed.

A motion was made & seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday September 26, 2007 at 7:00 PM at the American Legion Post #70, 34 West Avenue, Saratoga Springs, NY. The meeting is being held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month since many base members will be at the USSVI Convention.

Minutes taken by Paul Hartnagel & transcribed by Diane Singleman