

# COLUMBUS BASE SUBMARINE VETERANS

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## The Green Board



ALL SEAS ARE NAVIGABLE

### Columbus Base Visits Nationwide Children's Hospital For Kaps for Kids



Bill Anderson, Marv Pastor and Bob McDaniel with two of the Kaps for Kids recipients.



Galin Brady and Jim Koogler With the parade sub outside the hospital.



Marv and Bob with another 2 recipients.





## Tolling of the Boats



**USS Squalus (SS-192)** Lost on 23 May 1939 with a loss of 26 men when it flooded and sank off Portsmouth, New Hampshire. The boat was salvaged and re-commissioned under a new name.



**USS Largarito (SS-371)** Lost with all hands (85 men) on 3 May 1945 in the Gulf of Siam during a Japanese surface attack.



**USS Stickleback (SS-415)** Rammed on exercises off Hawaii by USS Silverstein (DD-534) on 28 May 1958. all crew safely evacuated prior to sinking.



**USS Scorpion (SSN-589)** Lost with all hands (99 men) on 22 May 1968 possibly due to own torpedo detonation 400 miles southwest of the Azores in the Atlantic.



### OUR CREED

“ 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.”

## Commander's Corner

By Jim Tolson



Two of our shipmates went on Eternal Patrol within 7 days of each other. Joe Murphy was a WWII veteran during the early days of the Cold War and qualified on USS Bugara (SS-331). Jim Morton served during the early days of the Viet Nam war and qualified on USS Baya (SS-318). Both had important jobs on their submarine. Remember their families as they grieve the loss of their loved one.

The Franklin Heights High School NJROTC conducted their annual Sunset Review and Award Ceremony. Columbus Base presented 2 awards. The Columbus Base Award for Military Excellence was presented to senior Jacob Miranti. He was Cadet Battalion Commander and said he had already joined the Navy and will be a CTI (Cryptologic Technician Interpretive) in Linguistics. The John Leers Junior Cadet Achievement Award was presented to Ben Osterloh. Ben is active with the Color Guard and drill teams.

Recently, a high school teacher from near Cincinnati was in the USO at MEPS and shared that he taught a course on World War 2 history. When I asked if he covered the submarines in the Pacific, he said no. I gave him contact information for the Cincinnati Base commander and the Cincinnati Base web site. I told him I was sure someone from the base would be glad to visit Harrison High School and talk about the role of submarines during WWII. I even think someone from Columbus Base would drive down and spend an hour talking about WW II Submarine Service. If you hear of any opportunities in central Ohio to share submarine history, let me know.

If you enjoy watching current US Navy video, take advantage of the DVIDS (Defense Video & Imagery Distribution System). You can watch the keel laying of USS John Warner (SSN-785) <http://www.dvidshub.net/video/284235/john-warner-ssn-785-keel-laying-ceremony>

Bill Anderson and Bob McDaniel are working on the Kaps(SS)4KID(SS) project. Thanks to Bill Anderson for his 50/50 donation to the Kaps4Kids project.

Our first parade will be the New Albany Founders Day Festival on Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1100. Columbus Base will again provide the color guard and it looks like several from our last meeting will be participating. Thanks to Galin Brady for pulling the submarine during this parade.

### Activities

- May 14      Kaps for Kids at Nationwide Children's Hospital
- May 18      New Albany Founders Day Parade & Color Guard, step off 11:00 AM.
- May 25      Place flags on Veteran Graves at Resurrection Cemetery
- May 27      Worthington Memorial Day Parade, step off at 10:00 AM.
- June 1      Annual Columbus Base Picnic at Bill & Sara Dumbauld's home



## Medal of Honor

The Medal of Honor is the highest military decoration awarded by the United States government. It is bestowed on a member of the United States armed forces who distinguishes himself *conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States*. Because of the nature of its criteria, the medal is often awarded posthumously.



CAPT George L. Street III

Awarded the Medal of Honor on 4-1-1945

While on the USS Tirante (SS-420)

Also served on: USS Concord (CL-10), USS Arkansas (BB-33) and  
USS Gar (SS-206)

George Levick Street, III (July 27, 1913 – February 26, 2000) was a submariner in the United States Navy. He received the Medal of Honor during World War II.

Street was born in Richmond, Virginia. He joined the Naval Reserve in 1931 and was selected for an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy in 1933; he graduated in 1937.

## Citation

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as commanding officer of the U.S.S. Tirante during the first war patrol of that vessel against enemy Japanese surface forces in the harbor of Quelpart Island, off the coast of Korea, on 14 April 1945. With the crew at surface battle stations, CDR (then LCDR) Street approached the hostile anchorage from the south within 1,200 yards of the coast to complete a reconnoitering circuit of the island. Leaving the 10-fathom curve far behind he penetrated the mined and shoal-obstructed waters of the restricted harbor despite numerous patrolling vessels and in defiance of five shore-based radar stations and menacing aircraft. Prepared to fight it out on the surface if attacked, CDR Street went into action, sending two torpedoes with deadly accuracy into a large Japanese ammunition ship and exploding the target in a mountainous and blinding glare of white flames. With the Tirante instantly spotted by the enemy as she stood out plainly in the flare of light, he ordered the torpedo data computer set up while retiring and fired his last two torpedoes to disintegrate in quick succession the leading frigate and a similar flanking vessel. Clearing the gutted harbor at emergency full speed ahead, he slipped undetected along the shoreline, diving deep as a pursuing patrol dropped a pattern of depth charges at the point of submergence. His illustrious record of combat achievement during the first war patrol of the Tirante characterizes CDR Street as a daring and skilled leader and reflects the highest credit upon himself, his valiant command, and the U.S. Naval Service."



## COLUMBUS BASE MEETING MINUTES

May 4, 2013

Meeting was called to order by Base Commander Jim Tolson. COB Marv Pastor led the salute to the Flag. The invocation was conducted by the Chaplain Walt Fleak. Tolling of the Bell for lost boats of May was performed by Marv Pastor and Sharon Lloyd. There were 25 members and guests present. The BC welcomed everyone.

**Secretary's Report** – April meeting minutes were published in the *Green Board*. The secretary read a thank-you letter from the VA for our donation of coffee, tea, and playing cards.

**Treasurer's Report**- Dave gave a report on the state of the Base's Treasury.

**Webmaster's Report** – Cliff reported that we will be updating and/or adding pictures of members for the sailing list at the annual picnic next month. He will be updating the sailing list throughout the year as needed.

**Chaplain's Report**- Sick Bay report –Sharon reported nothing new this month. She said she talked to Mamie after Joe's funeral and she said she appreciated members who came to the memorial service. Sharon said we should keep Mamie in our thoughts and prayers as she does miss Joe. The BC was recognized for his good job at the memorial service.

**Membership Report/Introductions** Harry Gall was recognized. He was qualified on the USS Sea Poacher (SS-406). Dave O'Carroll met him at a soccer game their grandchildren were participating in. The BC met Jim Anderson who was qualified on the USS Groton (SSN-694). Jim met him at the funeral home where we had the memorial service for Joe Murphy. Jim said he wouldn't come here to look for business. Woody introduced Captain Jim Worthington. He was in the diesel submarine service.

### **Committee Reports-**

#### Activities –

- NJROTC Award Ceremony will be at Franklin Heights High School at the football field on May 8<sup>th</sup> starting at 1730. BC recognized Jim Koogler for doing a good job in making the certificates.
- Kaps for Kids will be May 14<sup>th</sup> at Children's Hospital. We are waiting for final approval to bring the submarine float. They will allow only 4 visitors on the floor for the Honorary Submarine presentation. More members/guests can be with the sub outside.
- New Albany Parade will be May 18<sup>th</sup> with step off at 1100. We will provide the color guard. The BC asked for a show of hands that plan on attending. Enough interest was shown that we will have the numbers for the color guard.

- Placing of flags at Resurrection Cemetery on May 25<sup>th</sup> at noon. We have not had any contact yet this year. Jim Koogler said he would email coordinator for confirmation.

**Unfinished Business –**

**New Business**

**For the Good of the Order –**

- If you are interested in attending the USS Minnesota (SSN-783) commissioning, let the BC know. The cutoff date for ticket requests is May 28<sup>th</sup>. The commissioning is September 7, 2013 in Norfolk.
- Open discussion from floor. The BC said we will have annual picnic at his place this year at Bill and Sara Dumbauld's home. June 1<sup>st</sup> is the date. Bill said Wade would play/dj before he has another engagement that night. Bill said he had tents but members would need to bring chairs. He has a stocked lake if anyone wants to bring fishing gear and wet a line. The base will provide the meat from City Barbecue. Members are asked to bring a covered dish, drinks, and eating utensils.
- **50/50**
  - Bill Anderson won \$62 (donated to Kaps4Kids donation jar)
  - Scott Steele won a loaf of homemade bread
  - Woody Cook won a Navy hat
  - Jim Koogler won a plate of homemade cookies
  - Bob McDaniel won a plate of homemade cookies
  - Sharon Lloyd won a Hunley calendar
  - Galin Brady won a loaf of homemade bread
  - Bill Dumbauld won a loaf of homemade bread
  - Marv Pastor won a set of cooking dishes
  - Tim Barker won a loaf of homemade bread
  - Jim Worthington won a pocket calendar, pen, and stress ball
  - Cliff Dodson won a Chinese checker set
- BC reminded everyone to help clean up the room. The next meeting on 6/1 at the Dumbauld's' for our annual picnic starting at 1430.
- Next officer meeting will be on May 25<sup>th</sup> (tentative) to plan for the picnic. We will meet at the AMVETS Post #89 at 3535 Westerville Road, Columbus, Ohio 43228 at 0900(tentative). Breakfast is available starting at 0800.

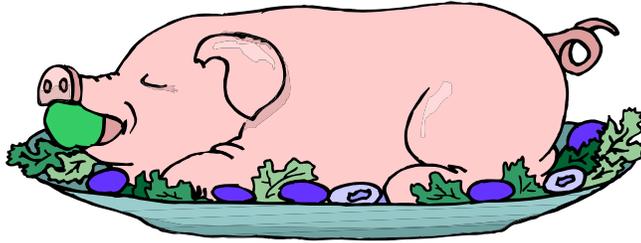
Benediction was performed by Walt Fleak. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Bob McDaniel

Base Secretary



Picnic Time



June 1st at Bill & Sara Dumbauld's (Rain date is June 8th)

7537 Northridge Rd. Johnstown, Ohio 43031

Time 1430 to when ever.

Bring a covered dish or dessert.

Bring chairs for your group.

Bring drinks if you wish something besides water or ice tea.

Bring an appetite.

Last name A to K bring a dessert

L to Z bring covered dish.

If you have a favorite that you want to brag about please feel free to bring that dish.

Please RSVP [creek636@columbus.rr.com](mailto:creek636@columbus.rr.com) by **May 27th**

### Upcoming Events

May 18th	1100	New Albany Founders Day Parade and Color Guard
May 25th	1330	Placing of flags at Resurrection Cemetery, watch for email on time
May 26th	1000	Worthington Memorial Day Parade
June 1st	1430	Annual picnic at Bill and Sara Dumbauld's house, more information will be emailed.

## **Stackley: SSBN Replacement Program Presents 'Daunting Challenge' to Shipbuilding**

*Budget, Seapowermagazine.org, April 24*

**ARLINGTON, Va.** – The U.S. Navy's acquisition chief said the service will not be able to keep the shipbuilding budget within historical limits even if all program affordability objectives of the next-generation undersea strategic deterrent force are met.

Testifying April 24 on the 2014 defense budget request before the House Armed Services seapower and projection forces subcommittee on Capitol Hill, Sean Stackley, assistant secretary of the Navy for research, development and acquisition, said the requirements of the Ohio Replacement ballistic-missile submarine (SSBN) are "stable and development and early design are on schedule to support procurement in 2021.

"Affordability of the Navy's shipbuilding during the period of the SSBN construction remains a priority, however," Stackley said. "And while design-for-affordability is a central tenet of our Ohio Replacement strategy, meeting our cost objectives will not alone bring our shipbuilding topline within reach during that program.

"The most significant issue in that [shipbuilding] plan regards the impact of recapitalizing our strategic deterrence capability," he said. "Clearly, that program, which in then-year dollars, when you consider the R&D [research and development] investment and procurement dollars, we're talking about \$100 billion, roughly, over about a 12- to 15-year period. That dominates the affordability discussion during that period and does place a lot of weight overall on the 30-year period.

"That's the most significant, most daunting challenge that we're staring at in terms of our shipbuilding program," he said. "While we are focused on affordability ... [and] we're making the progress we need to make today, all of our efforts to improve affordability of that boat program will not be sufficient to bring our shipbuilding requirement during that period down to within our historical budget. So, I'd have to point back to the build-up of the 600-ship navy during the '80s when we last saw those levels of shipbuilding investment."

When asked by subcommittee chairman Rep. Randy Forbes, R-Va., about whether the funds needed for the new SSBN would be included in the mid-term shipbuilding account or come from outside the account, Vice Adm. Allen G. Myers IV, deputy chief of naval operations for integration of capabilities and resources, replied, "There's no question that when you look at the mid-term of our 30-year shipbuilding plan, half of our [ship construction] resources in a typical year goes to one ship. So it's an understatement to say that that's going to challenge us."

## **Jude Law Joins Kevin Macdonald's Submarine Thriller 'Black Sea'**

*blogs.indiewire.com, April 25*

First announced over a year ago, the pieces are coming together on the submarine thriller "Black Sea" -- something Macdonald described as "one of those hard, intelligent B-movies they used to make -- dark, little vicious B-movies" -- and Focus Features have snapped up the worldwide rights, with Jude Law slated to star. So what's it all about? Well, it sounds perfectly pulpy. Law would play an unemployed submarine captain hired by some shady folks to lead an expedition to find a sunken sub supposedly loaded with gold. So he puts together a ragtag crew to take on the gig, and get back at his ex-employers as well. Sounds like a nice tweak on "Treasure of the Sierra Madre."



### June Birthdays

Greg Leonard	06-01
Al Albergottie	06-03
Tom Baughman	06-13
Gary Pelini	06-14
Robert Clark	06-20
Frank Lloyd	06-23
John Pendleton	06-25



#### The Conn

##### **Base commander**

Jim Tolson

##### **Vice Commander**

Tim Barker

##### **Treasurer**

Dave Creekmore

##### **Secretary**

Bob McDaniel

##### **Chaplain**

Sharon Lloyd / Walt Fleak

##### **COB**

Marv Pastor

##### **Membership Chairman**

Jim Tolson

##### **Storekeeper**

Frank Lloyd

##### **Web Master**

Cliff Dodson

##### **Editor**

Jan Creekmore

##### **Activates Chairmen**

**Remember to bring your donations of coffee, tea and / or hot cocoa to the monthly base meeting. Your donations are very much appreciated by the veterans at the Chalmers P. Wylie Veterans Clinic**



#### **Editor's Note**

If you have comments or articles, please contact the base newsletter editor.

Jan Creekmore at e-mail [creek636@columbus.rr.com](mailto:creek636@columbus.rr.com)



## Holland Club Members



Al Albergottie: 1960 USS Blenny SS-324  
 John Alexander: 1945, USS Haddock SS-231  
 Galin Brady: 1962, USS Swordfish SSN-579  
 Bill Dumbauld: 1957, USS Caiman SS-323  
 Ed Ellsworth (EP): 1944, USS Blackfin SS-322  
 Dick Estell (EP): 1944, USS Scabbardfish SS-397  
 Russ Ferguson: 1946, USS Haddo SS-255  
 Bob Frier: 1960, USS Menhaden SS-377  
 Ben Grimes (EP): 1944, USS Raton SS-270  
 "Gus" Hoehl (EP): 1944, USS Flounder SS-251  
 Bill Holly (EP): 1957, USS Ray SSR-271  
 Gene Horton (EP): 1951, USS Chivo SS-341  
 Bernie Kenyon: 1954, USS Hardhead SS-365  
 John Leers: 1954, USS Sea Owl SS-405  
 "Butch" Leffin: 1957, USS Hardhead SS-365  
 Chuck Martin: 1956, USS Pomfret SS-391  
 Lee Mather: 1954, USS Crevalle SS-291  
 Bill McCorkle: 1956, USS Dogfish SS-350  
 "Doc" Morin: 1957, USS Raton SSR-270

Joe Murphy (EP): 1947, USS Bugara SS-331  
 Marvin Pastor: 1955, USS Razorback SS-394  
 Clem O'Brien: 1944, USS Albacore SS-218  
 Dave O'Carroll: 1957, USS Salmon SSR-573  
 John Palmer: 1951, USS Guavina SSO-362  
 John Pendleton: 1954, USS Toto SS-422  
 Phil Philipps: 1949, USS Segundo SS-398  
 Ron Rossington: 1954, USS Conger SS-477  
 "CO" Smith (EP): 1944, USS Nautilus SS-168  
 Denver Smith: 1943, USS Grayling SS-209  
 Ken Strahm: 1960, USS Bream SS-243  
 Sam Templeton: 1956, USS Trutta SS-421  
 George Trace: 1951, USS Caiman SS-323  
 Lynn Trump: 1960, USS Sea Cat SS-399  
 Ron Waldron: 1953, USS Charr SS-328  
 Robert Wells: 1947, USS Capitaine SS-336  
 John Woodmansee: 1956, USS Hardhead SS-365

"Sailor, rest your oar"

### Eternal Patrol

Joe Murphy  
 April 27, 2013

### Eternal Patrol

Jim Morton  
 May 3, 1943—May 4, 2013