RIDING THE VENTS

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 it's Constitution.

USSVI Tang Base News Letter

News Letter for NOVEMBER 2026

Monthly news letter to keep base members, families and friends informed of the activities and events of the Tampa Bay, Tang Base. And most importantly to perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties aboard U.S Navy Submarines.

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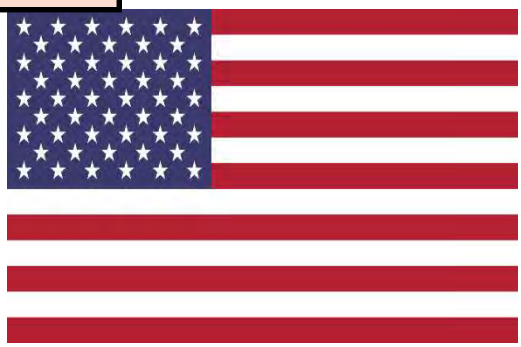
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TANG BASE Meeting at Post #7

Tang Base meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month except April, May, October & December at

American Legion Post #7
1760 Turner St
Clearwater FL 33756

Tang Base Website & Facebook
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Next Meeting

Saturday, November 21, 2026
Social at 11:00 – Lunch at 11:30
Meeting at 12:00



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In the Beginning, God Created Submariners
Submariners Created Submarines And Submariners Created the Brotherhood

Lost Boats for November

Name of Submarine	Approximate Date of Loss	Number of Men Lost
ALBACORE (SS-218)	7-Nov-44	**85**
GROWLER (SS-215)	8-Nov-44	**86**
SCAMP (SS-277)	16-Nov-4	**83**
CORVINA (SS-226)	16-Nov-43	**82**
SCULPIN (SS-191)	19- Nov -43	**63**

Sailors, Rest your Oars

Lord, these departed shipmates with Dolphins on their chests are part of an outfit known as the best. Make them welcome and take them by the hand. You'll find without a doubt they were the best in all the land.

So, Heavenly Father, add these names to the roll of our departed shipmates on patrol. Let them know that we who survive will always keep their memory alive; and also, for all our shipmates currently serving, and those of us still here, and for all our futures.

The Binnacle list includes any of our Shipmates, Families or Friends that could use a little help with good thoughts or prayers. Please keep the Tang Base Chaplain and POC Updated for those that desire to have cards sent.

Base Chaplain : Ken Cook. POC: Bob Sommer. Newsletter: Bob Brady

Prayer for our brothers and friends in need.

Heavenly Father, we are so helpless. We care so much for our brothers and friends.
They are special to all of us. It hurts us to see them suffering.
And while we cannot be with them Lord, you be with them please.
Be with those who attend them. Comfort those who love them and need them, as well as those who must wait. Amen.

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Command Corner By
Commander Jerry Anderson
and
Vice Commander Barry Hammond



Hello Shipmates

November is here and the year is coming to a close. I hope we have a good turnout at our meeting at the American Legion Post 7 on 21st of November. The social hour and lunch will start at 1100 with the meeting starting at 1200. They're several important items to discuss and vote on.

Our picnic at Constitution Park, Redding Shores was a great success. We had numerous visitors including Fernando Borges, Southeast Regional Director and Bill Heck our new District 5 Commander.

We also had the honor of hosting two wife's of members who are on eternal patrol, Natalie San Filippo and Lauren Duignan. We are a family not just those who served but wife's and children also. Love and support was evident from all who were present.

I am pleased to announce that Ken Cook stepped up at the picnic and accepted the position of Base Chaplain and gave the Benediction at the closing of the festivities.

The annual Christmas luncheon at the old Shrimp Boat is on the 5th December more information and the menu will be provided soon.

Annual dues for the Base and National for those not life members are due now, the treasurer will be at the November meeting to receive payments.

Fair winds and following seas.

Jerry Anderson, Tang Base Commander
Surface, Surface, Surface,

BELOW—FBM Submarine Pictures





UPCOMING EVENTS

November 15th, 2026. November Monthly Meeting
Meet at American Legion Post #7 at 11am

December 12th, 2026. Pinellas Park Christmas Parade
Starts at 1600 Across from AL post 104

December 5th, 2026. Christmas Luncheon
The Shrimp Boat, 1020 Bloomingdale Ave, Valrico, FL 33596
Starting at 11:30AM

From Your Librarian.

The U. S. Navy awarded nearly 77 billion in contracts for another series of nuclear-powered submarines.

General Dynamics Electric Boat and Hill New Port News Shipbuilding will build nine Virginia Class fast Attack submarines and five Columbia-Class Ballistic Missile Submarines.

Until next month, see you around the library.

Dave Farrugia, Past Commander, National Secretary, and still your Librarian.









Traveling Dolphins

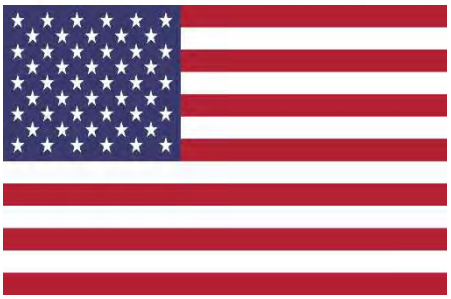
November Birthdays

Robert Urso	11/7
John J. Kelly	11/15
Frank Klier	11/15
Leland B. Holmes	11/17
Eugene Ray Girtman	11/19
Peter Wilcox	11/26











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When the Navy Found This Sunken Submarine, the Crew Was Dead. Why Were They Just Sitting There?

The H.S. Hunley crew corpses didn't show any signs of a struggle or panic, which stumped scientists for 17 years. Researchers just figured out why. It took more than 100 years to find the historic, sunken H.L. Hunley.

The remains of those eight men, including Lieutenant George E. Dixon, would remain sealed in the wrought-iron casket that was the H.L. Hunley for over a century. When the sub finally resurfaced in the last months of the 20th century, their bodies told the story of their final moments; it was unlike anything the excavators could have imagined.

Accounts of the Hunley's sinking had assumed horrific scenes, but the men aboard the Hunley evidently made no such effort. They were, instead, seemingly serene. Each man was still seated peacefully at his station.

What could explain this bizarre, moribund arrangement? In a letter written just 17 days before his death, Lt. Dixon called his "splendid crew" the "best I think I ever seen," but could even the best of men knowingly sit at their stations and simply accept the aqueous grip of oblivion? Why did none of these eight men make even an attempt at an escape?

In a study published in PLOS One in 2017, a team of researchers affiliated with Duke University announced that they had solved the mystery of the H.L. Hunley's crew. Indirectly, the men aboard the Hunley may have been felled by the very same weapon they deployed to take down the USS Housatonic. The torpedo they used to sink the ship was not "launched" the way we in the modern world envision submarine warfare. Instead, the 135-lb. black powder torpedo was attached to a pole 16 feet from the Hunley's own bow.

By constructing a 1/6th scale model of the Hunley, graduate student Rachel M. Lance was able to measure "black powder and shock tube explosions underwater" as well as "propagation of blasts through a model ship hull." The data she and the team gathered, in tandem with archival experimental data, allowed them to determine what exactly had killed the Hunley's crew. When the torpedo that felled the Housatonic exploded, it sent a secondary blast wave through the Hunley, causing a "flexion of the ship hull" on the submarine. By the team's calculations, that blast wave was of such a magnitude that the chances of survival were "less than 16% for each crew member."

The reason that none of the men tried to escape the sinking submarine is that none of them were alive to know that they were sinking. They died, as they say, with their boots on, having just made naval history.

Shipmates

Welcome to our new website, which you can reach at https://ussvi.org or https://ussubvets.org Your email address is your username, and you can use the forgot password option to reset your password. The email takes 3-5 minutes to arrive and provides a temporary password, which you should change.

This system is very similar to our old one, except with modern technology. Your role as a Member, Base, District, Region, or National Officer is already configured, so that portion of your onboarding should be seamless. In the upper-right-hand corner, three horizontal lines indicate the menu for the dashboards you have access to. There are menus for Guest, Member, Base, District, Region, or National Officer. We will likely require two-factor authentication for any "Tools Users" in the near future.

Another major feature is to find a base, which is located under advanced search. Here you can find almost any type of search available.

Dues and renewals can be paid online, plus a 3.5% fee from Stripe.

There is a "Bug Report" and a "New Feature/Change Request Report." While we had 39 bug reports during testing, we believe we have resolved 30 of them so far.

Thank you to our testers for Phase III Final Testing: Tom Williams, NJVC, Sharon Walsh, National Officer Manager, Fred Borgmann; Dennis Nardone, Past National Office Managers, Pete Juson, WRD, Rick Mitchell, CRD, Jeff Walsh, NERD, Jim Sandman, National Chaplain, Fernando Borges, SE-5, Jim DeMott, WD4, Brian Bell, WD2, Charlie Murray, Groton Base, Bill Dornik, Mare Island Base, Nick Nichols, Charleston Base, and Ileene Davis Bremerton Base Commander.

Our core Tech Team on this project was Gil Aguilar (Developer), Gerry Smith (Wyoming Base), Bill Stuple (Snug Harbor Base), Nick Sadowy (Gold Country Base), and me (Mare Island Base).

All of our volunteers - Bravo Zulu! Your efforts are a game-changer!
Please explore our site and enjoy! Respectfully, Tim Carlisle, CTO



Telling Sea Stories

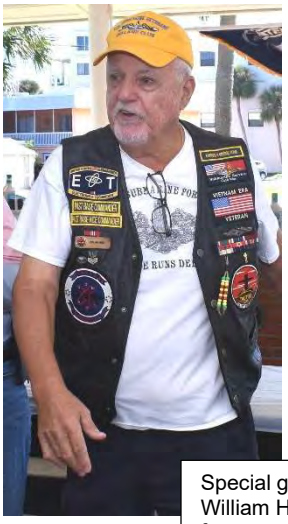




Pledge









Chow



Special guest William Heck from Southeast District Five.



50/50







Mike Cailor Telling Stories about his Navy Career



Dues Payment







Tolling of the Boats















Socializing at the Fall Picnic. It was a great time to be with fellow Submariners, Wives, and special guests.

TANG BASE BOOSTERS

2026			
Sally Key	Special fund In Memory of Charles Key	David Frazier	General fund
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Joseph J. Lilenfeld USS Sailfish SS-192 8/8/2000	Werner Fridman USS Cavalla SSK-244 10/20/2000	Edgar A. Chase USS S-7 SS-132 10/24/2000	Rudy Burkett USS Flyingfish SS-229 5/15/2001	Doyle Rowell USS Pickerel SS-524 6/1/2002	John McNelis USS Spot SS-413 Unknown
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Prayer for our Departed Shipmates

Almighty God, our heavenly father, who art our refuge and strength and a very present help in times of trouble. Help us at this time to put our trust in thee, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to see us through our times of sorrow.

We thank thee for the life and love, of our shipmates and we ask that the work they started here on this earth be carried in the hearts and hands of their family and friends. They leave more than just memories.

Help us to go our way bravely. Even though alone and to do our tasks faithfully day-by-day. Make our true love and brotherhood be a constant inspiration to our lives and may their memory live on through us. Grant us peace and strength for the battle of life while it lasts, and rest at the close of day, when work is done.

Father, when we too are tired, and would prepare ourselves to slip beneath the final wave. Grant that we may let loose the moorings and sink slowly into the deep waters trusting like them, to wake with thee.

We commend into your hands of mercy, most merciful father, the souls of our departed shipmates may they be found acceptable in your sight.

They now sail under your orders on their eternal patrol, Shipmates rest your oars, Amen

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Click here to view the September 2026 US Submarine Veterans Charitable Foundation Newsletter:
https://ussvcf.org/wp-content/uploads/newsletters/Newsletter for September 2026.pdf





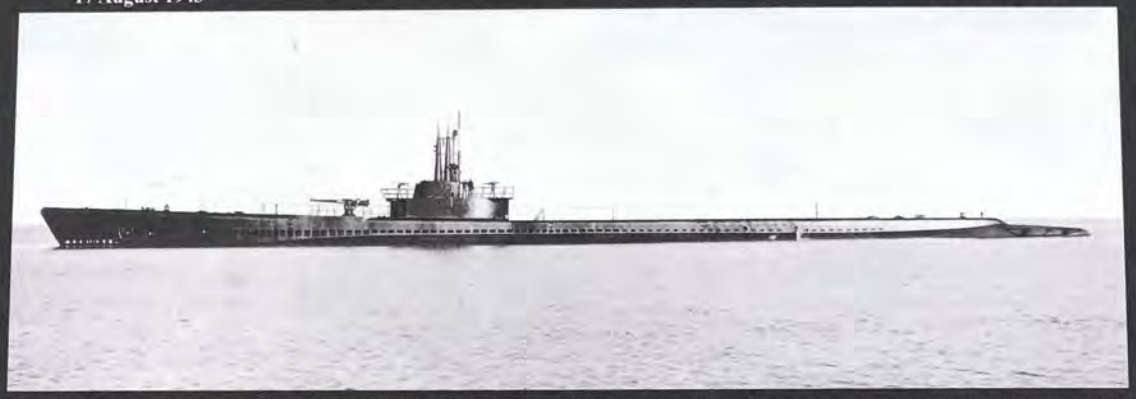
USS Tang plaque at the NTC Park Submarine Memorial Point Loma at what was on the Grinder at RTC San Diego

USS TANG (SS-306)

Launched 17 August 1943

CDR R. H. O'KANE, USN, COMMANDING OFFICER

Lost 24 October 1944



The exploits of *Tang* are legendary in submarine history. Under the bold leadership of CDR Richard H. O'Kane, *Tang* executed five brilliant patrols, sinking 24 ships for a total of 93,824 tons. *Tang's* rescue of 22 downed naval pilots off Truk Lagoon during her second war patrol made headlines and proved the value of submarine lifeguard duty.

It was not the enemy but fate that finally ended *Tang's* career. Patrolling the Formosa Straits, *Tang* had already sunk seven enemy ships, when on 24 October 1944, she launched a nighttime surface attack on an enemy transport. Only two torpedoes remained on board. The first of these was fired and when it was observed to be running "hot, straight and normal", the second and last torpedo was loosed. It broached, curved sharply to the left, and circled. Emergency speed was called for and the rudder was thrown hard over, but the torpedo struck *Tang* in the after torpedo room. The explosion was catastrophic. People as far forward as the control room received broken limbs. The nine men topside were catapulted into the sea as the after three compartments flooded and *Tang* quickly sank by the stern in 180 feet of water.

One officer escaped from the flooded conning tower. The remaining men on board assembled in the forward torpedo room to escape. The escape was delayed by a Japanese escort vessel, which dropped depth charges and started an electrical fire in the forward battery. Thirteen men escaped from the forward torpedo room, and using Momsen Lungs, ascended 180 feet to the surface. By the time the last made his exit, the heat from the fire was so intense that the paint on the bulkhead was scorching, melting, and running down. Of the 13 men who escaped, only eight reached the surface and of these only five were able to swim until rescued. By morning just nine survivors including O'Kane remained to be pulled from the water by a Japanese escort vessel. They were imprisoned for the duration of the war, but lived to tell the story of their 78 shipmates' final battle aboard *Tang*.

Tang is one of only two American submarines to twice receive the presidential unit citation, and her skipper CDR Richard H. O'Kane, earned the nation's highest award for valor, the Congressional Medal of Honor.

On Eternal Patrol

ACCARDY, John G.	SM3	DeLAPP, Marvin V.	CMoMM	IMWOLD, Stewart S.	MoMM2	RAIFORD, Rubin M.	Ck3
ADAMS, Ralph F.	StM2	DORSEY, William E.	MoMM1	JENKINS, Donald M.	Y3	REABUCK, Francis J.	F1
ALLEN, Dwayne D.	MoMM2	ENOS, Fred M., Jr.	LTJG	JONES, Sidney W.	CQM	RECTOR, Darrell D.	GM3
ANDERSON, Philip E.	TM3	ERICKSEN, Lawrence H.	F1	KAISER, Louis C.	MoMM3	REINHARDT, Ernest	F1
ANDRIOLO, Charles L.	RM2	FELLICETTY, Daniel C.	Y3	KANAGY, John T.	EM1	ROBERTS, James L.	SC3
ANTHONY, Homer	F1	FINCKBONE, Bruce H.	EM2	KASSUBE, John T.	COX	ROBERTSON, George L.	MoMM2
BALLINGER, William F.	CTM	FLUKER, John W.	TM1	KEY, John A.	SC3	SMITH, Seymour G., Jr.	QM3
BAUER, Edwin C.	Y3	FOSTER, John M.	TM1	KNAPP, Ralph B.	FC3	SPRINGER, Frank H.	LT-XO
BEAUMONT, Edward H.	LT	GALLOWAY, William C.	TM2	KROTH, Richard J.	LTJG	STEPIEN, Edward F.	F1
BERGMAN, Edwin F.	RM1	GENTLE, Thomas E.	F1	LANE, Le Roy R.	EM1	SUNDAY, Fred L.	EM3
BISOGNO, Frederick N.	TM3	GORAB, George J., Jr.	EM3	LARSON, Paul L.	CPhM	VAUGHN, Paul B., Jr.	Cox
BOUCHER, Wilfred J.	TM3	GREGG, Osmer D.	COX	LEE, Robert P.	RM3	WADSWORTH, Charles W.	TM3
BRESETTE, Bernard V.	QM3	HAINLINE, Howard W.	QM3	LLEWELLYN, Lindley H.	RM2	WALKER, Howard M.	StM1
BUSH, John	EM2	HARMS, Frank G.	MoMM2	LONDON, Charles W.	F1	WEEKLEY, Leland S.	CTM
CHIAVETTA, Benjamin	Y3	HAWS, Glen O.	MoMM2	LOVELESS, Chester	EM1	WELCH, Robert E.	QM2
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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Regular ☐ Life ☐ Associate ☐

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 it's Constitution.

With my signature below I affirm that I subscribe to the Creed of the United States Submarine Veterans, Inc., and agree to abide by the Constitution, all Bylaws, Regulations and Procedures governing the U.S. Submarine Veterans, Inc., so long as they do not conflict with my military or civil obligations. I will furnish proof of my eligibility for Regular membership, including my discharge under honorable conditions, and proof of my U.S. Navy (SS) Designation, if required by the Base or the national Membership Chairman. If I am not discharged, the discharge requirement is waived. If I am not U.S. Navy submarine qualified, I am applying as an Associate and my sponsor is indicated

☐ I certify that I was designated qualified in USN Submarines aboard _____ in _____ (Yr).

(Honorary designations regardless of source do not apply under any circumstances.)

Signature: _____ Date: ___ / ___ / _____

Printed Name: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Street Address: _____ Apt/Lot #: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____ Tel: (____) _____ - _____

Next of Kin {Name}: _____ Relationship: _____ (Spouse, Partner, Son, Daughter, Parent, Other)

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ___ Zip: _____ Tel: _____
(Leave this address line blank if the same as your home address)

If Associate applicant: ☐ Veteran ☐ Spouse of Veteran ☐ Other (specify _____

Who is your sponsoring USSVI Regular Member? {Mandatory for Associate Members}: _____

Addr: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** ___ **Zip:** _____ **Tel:** _____

(Leave this address line blank if the same as your home address)

U.S. NAVY BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): --___ / ___ / _____ If other military service, What Branch? _____ Highest Rate & Rank Attained: _____

Mil Retired (Y/N): ____ On Active Duty? (Y/N): ____

Year entered Mil Service: _____ Year left Mil Service: _____ (Active/Inactive reserve time also counts)

◊ Check if your Military Service falls within any of these time periods: 7 Dec 1941 thru 31 Dec 1946; 27 Jun1950 thru 31 Jan 1955; 5 Aug 1964 thru 7 May 1975; and from 2 Aug 1990 to date.

◊ Check if you have been awarded an Expeditionary Medal.

Submarines and ships served aboard as ship's company (attach additional sheets if necessary}

_____ Hull#: _____ From: Yr _____ to _____

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USSVI National Dues

Nat'l Member Dues year runs from Jan 1st thru Dec 31st

1 Year (Jan-Sep): $40 ~ (Oct-Dec includes the next year): $47

3 Years: $113 5 Years: $185

USSVI National Life Membership

(age 76 and up = $150) (66 to 75 = $300) (56 to 65 = $450)
(46 to 55 = $625) (46 and younger = $750)

Note: You cannot belong to Tang Base unless you belong to National
Please indicate your National dues term preference: _____

Then combine **National (see left) and Base ($15.00 / year)** dues making check payable to: ***U.S. Submarine Veterans Tang Base***

Send check with this form to: David Frazier, 10265 ULMERTON RD #11, LARGO, FL 33771-4107.

e-Mail: davidfrazier594@gmail.com or phone: (417) 268-8538

Or BRING TO A MEETING