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Razorback Base
United States Submarine Veterans

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**USS Connecticut submarine grounded
on uncharted seamount, Navy says**



The USS Connecticut is in port in Guam after a collision with an uncharted seamount in early October. File Photo by Thiep Van Nguyen II/U.S. Navy

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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.

Fall may be arriving after all. Let's all hope so.

It has been a busy time so far. Unfortunately, we have lost two members, Herschel Kelley and our WWII vet Fred Weilminster on Eternal Patrol. The base will pay a tribute to both as part of our Veterans' Day Program on Thursday, Nov. 11 starting at 1130 at the Snook Memorial and finishing on USS Razorback. We will provide lunch at no cost however a donation would be honored. We hope you join the group.

Billy Holloway
Base Commander



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Nov. 2 (UPI) -- A U.S. nuclear-powered attack submarine grounded on an uncharted seamount in the South China Sea last month, and is now in Guam undergoing initial repairs, according to the U.S. Navy.

The USS Connecticut, built in 1997, collided with the seamount -- an underwater mountain -- on Oct. 2, the Navy said in a statement late Monday, nearly a month after the collision. Eleven sailors suffered non-life-threatening injuries and an investigation into the incident was completed last week. The Connecticut is currently in port in Guam, awaiting repairs.

The cause of the collision was first reported Monday by USNI News, the U.S. Naval Institute's online news and analysis portal. The Navy said that it did not publicly report the incident until October 7 so it could maintain operational security.

"The investigation determined USS Connecticut grounded on an uncharted seamount while operating in international waters in the Indo-Pacific region," the 7th Fleet said in Monday evening's statement.

"Commander, U.S. 7th Fleet will determine whether follow-on actions, including accountability, are appropriate," 7th Fleet officials said. Meanwhile, China on Monday and Tuesday continued its criticism of the United States over the incident, accusing it of not sufficiently explaining what happened. Chinese foreign ministry spokesman Wang Wenbin said Tuesday that the U.S. explanation was far from satisfactory, according the South China Morning Post reported on Tuesday.

"Nearly a month after the incident, the U.S. said the submarine hit an unknown sea mountain and blurred the location of the incident by saying it happened in international waters in the Indo-Pacific," Wang said.

"We once again urge the US to elaborate on the accident and fully respond to the concerns and doubts of the countries in the region," Wang said.

One of three Seawolf-class submarines in the Navy's fleet, Connecticut was commissioned on Dec. 11, 1998. It is the fifth vessel by that name, and its motto is "Arsenal of the Nation."

In 2019, the submarine underwent maintenance and modernization over a five-month period at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility.



ON ETERNAL PATROL

USS Corvina (SS-226)

1	<u>Defoie Allison</u>
2	<u>Josephus Marion Asher, II</u>
3	<u>John Doane Atwood</u>
4	<u>Stephen Baran</u>
5	<u>Lloyd Wilson Beaudette</u>
6	<u>Harold Nathaniel Britt</u>
7	<u>Russell Alexander Brooks</u>
8	<u>Marvin Joseph Busby</u>
9	<u>William Robert Busch</u>
10	<u>William Murray Chewning</u>
11	<u>James Golden Clark, Jr.</u>
12	<u>Glenn Riley Curtiss</u>
13	<u>Elwood Allen Dalton</u>
14	<u>George Williams Daugherty, Jr.</u>
15	<u>James Richard Ek</u>
16	<u>John Walden Emerick</u>
17	<u>Robert E. Ennis, Jr.</u>
18	<u>James Mathew Fahey</u>
19	<u>Robert Wilmer Finske</u>
20	<u>Enrico Bart Fiorot</u>
21	<u>Richard Lee Floyd</u>
22	<u>Ernest Louis Foster</u>
23	<u>Norman Bartlett Foster</u>
24	<u>George Frederick Gabel</u>
25	<u>Charles Cline Ghent, Jr.</u>
26	<u>Delbert Lloyd Green, Jr.</u>
27	<u>Sidney Eugene Grisham</u>

28	<u>Bill Davis Hale</u>
29	<u>Donald Kenneth Hall</u>
30	<u>Joseph Edward Halpin, Jr.</u>
31	<u>Alfred William Hasty</u>
32	<u>Michael Havrilecz</u>
33	<u>Leon Paul Hazel</u>
34	<u>William Peet Hemphill, Jr.</u>
35	<u>Frank Decker Hotz</u>
36	<u>Eddie Jackson</u>
37	<u>Ernest Emin Jones</u>
38	<u>Charles Francis Jordan, Jr.</u>
39	<u>Leonard Norman Lense</u>
40	<u>Robert Dale Lloyd</u>
41	<u>Wallace Eugene Loken</u>
42	<u>Gordon Oscar Madison</u>
43	<u>Marvin Leroy Maier</u>
44	<u>Thomas James Maloney</u>
45	<u>James Robert Manning</u>
46	<u>Matthew Mautner</u>
47	<u>Forrest Orange McHolland</u>
48	<u>Marvin Harold Meizlik</u>
49	<u>Max Frederick Micha</u>
50	<u>Virgil Andrew Miller</u>
51	<u>Daniel Finucane Murphy, Jr.</u>
52	<u>Harvey Lorne Nesbitt</u>
53	<u>Edmond Ocumpaugh, IV</u>
54	<u>Paul Carney Oliver</u>
55	<u>Randall Ward Osburn</u>

56	<u>Soterios James Pitarys</u>
57	<u>Robert Joseph Reardon</u>
58	<u>John Levering Redman</u>
59	<u>James Bonnyman Roak</u>
60	<u>Arthur Forest Robb</u>
61	<u>Maxwell Howard Roberts</u>
62	<u>Roderick Shanahan Rooney</u>
63	<u>John Rosta</u>
64	<u>Earl Maynard Ryder</u>
65	<u>Paul Schladensky</u>
66	<u>Leon Lloyd Schless</u>
67	<u>Gale Morris Schuldt</u>
68	<u>Walter Krancher Schulz</u>
69	<u>Francis William Simunaci</u>
70	<u>William Reuben Slagle</u>
71	<u>David Kinney Sloan, Jr.</u>
72	<u>Boyd Franklin Smith</u>
73	<u>James Doran Smith</u>
74	<u>Roger Joseph St. Aubin</u>
75	<u>Roy Earl Summers</u>
76	<u>Francis Aloysus Thoben</u>
77	<u>James Leo Thomas</u>
78	<u>Theodore Toms</u>
79	<u>Carl Albert Trojan</u>
80	<u>Lawrence Robert Wade, Jr.</u>
81	<u>Bernard Earl Williams</u>
82	<u>Erwin Edwin Wood</u>

James Robert Manning



Rank/Rate	Seaman, First Class
Service Number	600 08 15
Birth Date	November 1, 1919
From	Schenectady, New York
Decorations	Purple Heart
Submarine	USS Corvina (SS-226)
Loss Date	November 16, 1943
Location	Just south of Truk
Circumstances	Probably sunk by Japanese submarine I-176
Remarks	James was born in Green Island, New York.

Thursday November 11, 2021

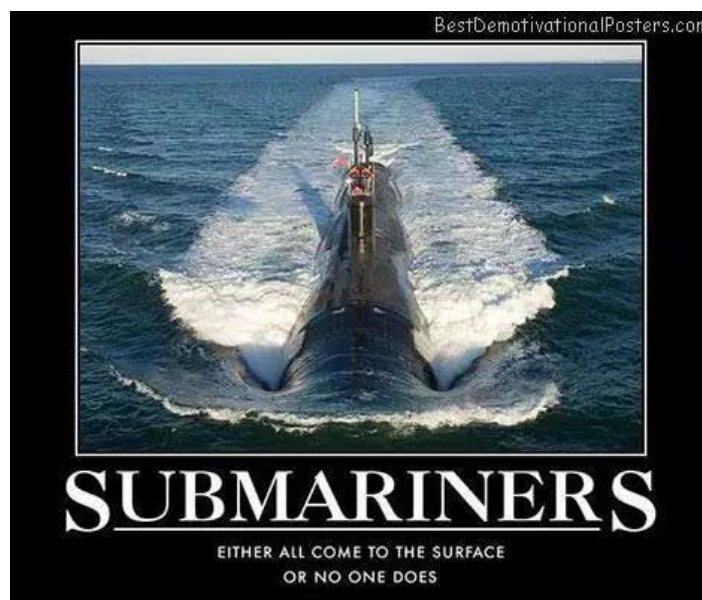
Razorback Base and AIMM will have a 2021 Veterans' Day observance to include a wreath posting on the USS Snook WWII Memorial and a brief memorial service for departed shipmate ICCS(SS) retired Frederick L. Weilminster, WWII on USS Pintado who departed on Eternal Patrol on 10 October 2021. Also honor Hershel Kelley who departed on eternal patrol too. All ceremonies will begin at 11:30 at the Arkansas Inland Maritime Museum on Riverfront Drive, North Little Rock. A luncheon is planned afterwards.

We will assemble first at the Snook Memorial (weather permitting). Following that service we will move down to the Museum for a ceremony in honor of our shipmates, followed by a lunch.

The menu is not set yet. Pizza, maybe chicken spaghetti, or both, or something else. Any which way, it is free grub. Because we are providing food, would like to know how many of you might attend. Please let John Barr know if you (and others in your party) might attend by no later than Monday, November 8.

HOGA Plaque

The base has voted to buy a plaque for the HOGA listing personnel from Arkansas that were killed during the attack on Pearl Harbor. The intent is to dedicate the plaque on December 7 aboard the Hoga. The plan is a metal plaque with raised letters.





TREASURER'S REPORT	Oct-21	YTD
TOTAL BASE FUNDS BEGINNING BALANCE	\$14,090.00	
General Fund Beginning Balance	\$ 4,163.29	
<u>Credits</u>		
Dues - USSVI		\$125.00
Dues - Base		
SK- Sales		\$200.00
Raffles		
Booster Club	\$320.00	\$730.00
	Pete Jilek - \$200	
	John C. Barr \$120	
Donation		\$20.00
CD Interest		\$2.50
<u>Debits</u>		
NSK Calendars		
NSK Long. Pins		
NSK HC Items		(\$322.50)
Dues - USSVI		(\$400.00)
Newsletter Toner		(\$212.41)
Liability Insurance	(\$25.00)	(\$25.00)
Admin. Costs		(\$100.00)
Boat Spsorships		(\$210.00)
General Fund Ending Balance	\$ 4,458.29	
Designated Funds		
	Maint. Fund Bal. \$ 2,652.66	
	Charity Fund Bal. \$ 372.00	
	Snook Mem. Fund Bal. \$ 1,386.86	
Designated Fund Balance	\$ 4,411.52	
Checking Balance (General + Designated Funds)	\$ 8,869.81	
Other Funds		
	CD Balance \$ 5,368.19	
	Cash on hand \$ 147.00	
TOTAL BASE FUNDS ENDING BALANCE	\$ 14,385.00	
Respectfully submitted,		
John C. Barr, Interim Base Treasurer		

Booster Club

*The Booster Club is listing names of individuals who donated money to the booster club. Your name is run based on the donation you make. \$100 will run ten times and the number behind the name indicates how many more times the name will be listed in the newsletter. This money is used to help maintain the USS Razorback.

- November

Enrile Del Fierro Trinidad	1
Donald L. David	2
Kenneth E. Chambers	4
James Paul Hammack	4
Emma Jane Farmer	8
Jerry D. O'Neal	13
Charles M. McMinn	16
Bernard C. Carroll	17
Herbert F. Wise	19
Eugene L. Prohl	24
Wanda Malone	24
Bill Keel	28
Roger Allen Lyle	30

December

Robert G. Keyes	1
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Timothy L. Arnold	6
Kenneth Canitz	10



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