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The purpose/creed of USSVI is 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 may be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments, and to pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution.

In addition to perpetuating the memory of departed shipmates, USSVI shall provide a way for all submariners to gather for their mutual benefit and enjoyment. Our common heritage as Submariners shall be strengthened by camaraderie. The USSVI supports a strong U.S. Submarine Force.

The organization will engage in various projects and deeds that will bring about the perpetual remembrance of those shipmates who have given the supreme sacrifice. The organization will also endeavor to educate all third parties it comes in contact with about the services our submarine brothers performed and how their sacrifices made possible the freedom and lifestyle we enjoy today."

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From the Base Commander

Greetings from the Commander,

What a great Christmas party we had at the Sand Castle. A big thank you for all that made the event successful.

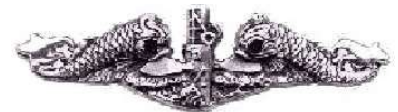
Congratulations to the USS ATLANTA (SSN-712) for being selected as the 2023 Hall of Fame Boat. I would like to thank the senior leadership of our Hampton Roads Base for making 2022 a successful year, we worked great together as a team. Looking forward to the New Year and seeing more members at the meetings.



Keep a Green Board,

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Hampton Roads Base meetings are held at 11:15 hours, on the third Saturday of every month (except March) at FRA #60 located at 9601 1st View Street, Ocean View, Norfolk, VA

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**From the Base Senior Vice
Commander**

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).



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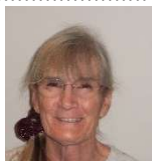
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From the Base Secretary

Hello to All, the new year is here. I hope everyone has a great first start of the year and good things come your way.



Respectfully,

Lynn Merryman

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

Lynn Merryman

Secretary.HRBase@gmail.com

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From the Base Treasurer

2022 1st through 3rd Quarter financial audit was completed by Harry Siebel with no discrepancies found and some recommendations for the Executive Board to consider at our next meeting on 10-December-2022, during our Holiday Party weekend. Bravo Zulu to Harry for his hard work and diligence in performing this audit for the Base.

Out of the 279 current base members we have 58 who will owe National and 72 who will owe HRB dues for the 2023 calendar year. Single-year dues are \$25 (National) + \$17.50 (HRB) for a total of \$37.50.

There is a table of all the dues options later in this newsletter for members that are not already one of 183 Life Members.



I will be sending out dues renewal email letters to all members that are due for renewal in 2023. If you prefer to pay dues by Credit Card, just send me an



email and I can send you an invoice for the dues using our Clover credit card pay app, or just see me at the next Base Meeting. Also, you can mail dues to: USSVI - Hampton Roads Base, C/O The UPS Store, 1215 N. Military Hwy., Box #813, Norfolk, VA 23502 Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

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From the Base Chaplain

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From the Base Storekeeper

Greetings from the Storekeeper,



I would like to thank everyone who contributed in making our ship's store successful in 2022. We had a great year and I am looking forward to 2023. We have two 2023 calendars left and please reach out to me if you have any questions/concerns. My email address has changed to: francesvorce@gmail.com. I hope you have enjoyed the New Year and my wish for you is health and happiness. God Bless! Xoxoxo Fran.

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or francesvorce@gmail.com.

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The CoB's Corner

Happy Hanukkah (December 18th through the 26th). Merry Christmas, to all our members and all submariners at sea during the holidays. Again, I am looking for recommendations in the Hampton Roads area to set up a stand to discuss our Base and purpose in the Hampton Roads area.



Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

MM1(SS) Gary Merryman U.S.N. (Ret.)
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From the Editor

Greetings all, I am starting out my first time as the Editor of this



newsletter. I decided to volunteer to get more involved with USSVI HRB. I joined this base when the convention was held in Norfolk in 2012. I am super glad that I found this group, because once you wear dolphins you are part of a group of very special folks and to keep in touch with the submarine way of life and the great people who are part of the Submarine community is an Honor I am pleased to share with you all.

I thank the leadership for allowing me this opportunity to contribute my time and talents to add support to Hampton Roads Base USSVI, I look forward to getting into the groove and making this newsletter a source of information and entertainment for us all. I hope you will support me and join me in sharing

MS2(SS) Tony Ficca U.S.N.

Any questions or contribution to the newsletter should be sent to the following email address

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Membership

Membership drive is a 365-day job. Membership renewals should be done before the end of the year. It makes Sid and Lynn's job easier. Please renew your dues now and consider life membership, then you never have to worry about it again. Thank you.

- # Members: 279
- # with E-mail: 261
- # Owe National Dues: 58
- # Owe Base Dues: 72



- # Regular Annual: 74
- # USSVI Life Members: 183
- # Base Life Members: 172
- # Holland Club: 129

HRB Currents, January 2023



- # Reg Associate: 10
- # Life Associate: 2
- # Charter Members: 0
- # Senior Members: 0
- # War Veterans: 249

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

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Ways & Means

As always, we're on the lookout for ideas for Base fundraising opportunities. You can present them to the Base leadership or contact me directly at any time.

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

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Public Relations and Publicity

The Base will be purchasing a feather flag for identifying our group at events. Once we purchase the flag, we will mount it outside the FRA Hall when we have meetings. We hope this proves to be a positive recruitment for our group.

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

Lynn Merryman

Secretary.HRBase@gmail.com



Hampton Roads Base
United States Submarine Veterans, Inc.

*"To Perpetuate the Memory of our Shipmates, who gave their lives
in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country."*

We are a fraternal organization of Submarine Veterans.
We are open to and welcome any and all who have qualified to wear dolphins.
Contact us by email at USSVI.HRB.Secretary@gmail.com with any questions
and come visit our website at <https://www.hrb-ussvi.org>

Join us for our monthly meeting at 11:15 hours, the 3rd Saturday of every month
(except March). We meet at FRA #60 in Ocean View, 9601 1st View Street,
Norfolk, VA 23503-1603 (the corner of 1st View St. & Balview Ave. and across
'A' View Ave. from the Post Office).

We look forward to meeting you at a meeting.

HRB Scholarship Program

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I would like to thank Sid and Rick 'Doc' Perez for continuing on this year as scholarship committee members. We had our first meeting to go over the new scholarship application for the coming 2023-2024 Scholarship year. The new applications should be out around the first of the year. Filing deadline will be 2400 hours, 31 March. Let's make plans to have our eligible children and grandchildren apply for this scholarship. Thank you.

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

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[Submarine Memorial and Hall of Fame](#)

Congratulations to our winner of HOF Boat

USS ATLANTA (SSN 712), in commissioned service from 1982 to 1999, and was nominated by Bill Heron.

Follow for more information as the induction ceremony is in planning for May 2023

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

CAPT Ken Swan, U.S.N. (Ret.)
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[About The Base Website and Social Media](#)

The web address for the Base website is:

<https://www.hrb-ussvi.org/>.

Note that the 'members only' area is currently being revised for new content. New Base members (or previous Base members who now wish to gain access to the 'members only' area) should take the following steps for access:"

1. Click on "Login" at the top right of the website pages.
2. Once selected look for blue lettering and
3. Select Sign up to create your account.

Note:

When entering your email address during account creation, please enter the same email address you used when joining the Hampton Roads Base. (If your email address has changed, please contact the Base Secretary, Lynn Merryman, to update your



email in the Base roster BEFORE applying for or creating your account.)

Also of Note: The USSVI National website, while still under construction in some areas, is now open. You should have received a member-specific email recently detailing how to gain and maintain access to the site. Check your email for this important information from USSVI National.

The Website may be found at:

<https://www.ussvi.org/>

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

STS1(SS) Sam Stevens, U.S.N. (Ret.)
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[Holland Club News](#)

Gentlemen,

I am hopeful you all will be able to join us at our 15 April meeting for this year's Holland Club Induction ceremony. According to the roster I have the following members qualified in 1973:

William Hazzard qualified on USS George Bancroft (SSBN 643)

Robert Rogers qualified on USS George Marshall (SSBN 654)

Bob Saenz qualified on USS George Bancroft (SSBN 643)

Pat Urello Qualified on USS Simon Bolivar (SSBN 641)

Craig Werner qualified on USS Pargo (SSN 650)

Bob Saenz has requested to receive his induction at the National Convention in Tucson in August, but I'm hopeful the rest will be available for our April 15th meeting.

Also, I still have Holland Club packages for the following members that did not attend any of last year's inductions:

Bradley Matters qualified in 1970 on USS Spadefish (SSN 668)

William Ralston qualified in 1970 on USS Salmon (SSR 573)

Oscar Hudson qualified in 1972 on USS Lewis and Clark (SSBN 644)

Anthony Walker qualified in 1972 on USS Scamp (SSN 588)

If you are eligible for induction into the Holland Club and have not been inducted, please contact me at bill.heron1@verizon.net.

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

EMCM(SS) William (Bill) Heron, U.S.N. (Ret.)
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The Norfolk Sail Project

Working on a logo for our project. Details to follow.

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

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Emergency Relief Fund

Submarine Brothers, Submarine Sisters, and other associated members of Submarine Veterans Hampton Roads Base, the Base Emergency Relief Fund was created to help base members in need without having to wait for the next base meeting. This will also, allow the member in need to discreetly reach out to one of the following members: Craig Dudley on my Cell (757-618-5624), EM2(SS) Paul Schmidt (Cell: 757-481-1297), or HMCS(SS) Jack Ritz (Cell: 757-647-4669), or contact our Base Secretary, Lynn Merryman (Cell: 757-354-7259). Then the members can talk about the issue privately and vote to approve or reject and once approved reach out to the Base Treasurer to get the funds released.



There is a designated ERF donation container at each of our meetings. All funds donated are kept separate from other Base Funds.

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

Thank you to all that came out and supported the December Base Meeting. I hope you are excited to add the USS Atlanta to the Submarine Hall of Fame in May 2023.

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The USS SCORPION Memorial

The 55th Memorial will be held at 1400 hours, Sunday, 21-May-2023 at the SCORPION Memorial, located at the Virginia War Memorial Museum, Huntington Park, Newport News, Virginia.

At the virtual meeting conducted on 16-October the family members participating decided that a hotel in Hampton or Newport News be selected to host the attendees at the 55th Memorial with a dinner the night before. Local HRB members may be requested to volunteer to assist in the planning for the dinner and also provide transportation from the hotel to the Memorial service. There will be another virtual meeting at 1830 hours, 15-February-2023 (the date SCORPION departed on her final mission) to firm up plans. The link to the February virtual meeting will be promulgated in the January issue of Currents.

Any questions should be sent to me by email (below).

CWO4 John Donaldson, U.S.N. (Ret.)
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HRB Members with January Birthdays

(If I've gotten your birthday wrong, or missed it, please let me know.)

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3rd Earl Densten
Stephen Shultz
Michael Lamy

8th, Richard Corey
Carl Bourne
David Hinkle

10th , Ronald Hyson

11th , James Gazard

12th, Alford Crowder

14th, Robert Phillips

18th, Albert Budd

19th, Ruben Holstrom

20th , Anthony Franzitta

23rd, Harry Biela
Brian Krammes

24th , Lanty Thompson

26th, Robert Frye

27th, James Beauchamp

28th, Dennis Olson
Robert Tobin
Brian O'Neill

29th, Alan Stubbe

30th , David Yoh
Glen Little
Curtis Thompson

We remember....



Boats Lost in January

USS S-36 (SS 141): Lost on January 20, 1942, with no loss of life, on her 2nd war patrol. She ran hard aground on a reef and radioed for help. The entire crew was rescued by a Dutch ship after they scuttled her.

USS S-26 (SS 131): Lost on January 24, 1942, with the loss of 46 officers and men in the Gulf of Panama, on her 2nd war patrol. She was rammed by the USS PC-460 and sunk within seconds. The CO, XO, and one lookout on the bridge, were the only survivors.

USS ARGONAUT (SS 166): Lost on January 10, 1943, with the loss of 102 officers and men off Rabaul, on her 3rd war patrol. While attacking a convoy, she torpedoed a Japanese destroyer who along with 2 other destroyers depth-charged her. As she tried to surface, the destroyers sunk her by gunfire.

USS SCORPION (SS 278): Lost on January 5, 1944, with the loss of 77 officers and men in the East China Sea, on her 4th war patrol. It is assumed she was sunk by a mine.

USS SWORDFISH (SS 193): Lost on January 12, 1945, with the loss of 89 officers and men somewhere near Okinawa, on her 13th war patrol. Probably was lost to a mine.

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The newest Submarine Hall of Fame Boat

USS ATLANTA (SSN 712)



Motto: *Resurgens (Latin: “Rise Again”)*

Callsign: *November – Alpha – Yankee – Foxtrot*

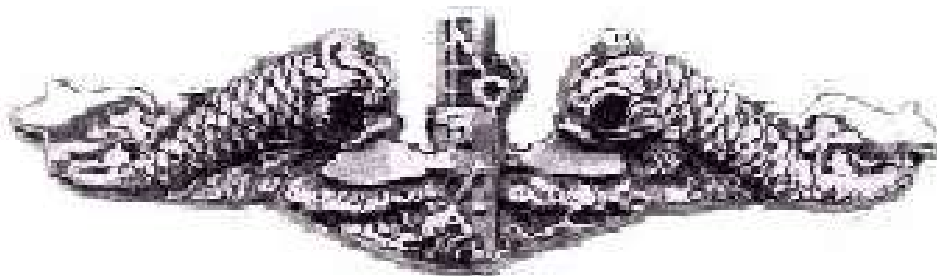
USS ATLANTA had a short career of only 17 years. She was commissioned in March 1982 and Decommissioned in December 1999 through no fault of her own, it was due to the defense budget when she was due for refueling. However, during this relatively short career she accomplished many significant “Firsts” as well as successful clandestine operations of great importance in support of defending the United States during the Cold War.

- The First 688 Class Submarine to be certified to carry MK-48 Torpedo, MK-48 ADCAP Torpedo, Harpoon Missile, and the Tomahawk Cruise missile.
- During her second year of service ATLANTA spent 265 continuous days at sea in the Western Atlantic, that’s just 5 days shy of nine months continuous sea time. (One of three very successful Western Atlantic Cruises.)
- She deployed for six highly successful Mediterranean Cruises, three Western Atlantic deployments and five Northern Runs.
- The First Nuclear Powered submarine to directly support an Amphibious Ready Group (ARG).
- In March of 1983, USS ATLANTA successfully fired a Harpoon missile at the Destroyer USS WOOD DD-715 off the coast of Puerto Rico with a live war-shot Harpoon missile. She won “Best ASW Unit” for her role in this exercise (READEX 1-83).
- In June of 1983, for a ‘SinkEx’ of USS BUSHNELL AS-15 - USS ATLANTA launched two MK 48 war-shot torpedoes to successfully complete the sinking exercise. The initial tasking was for ATLANTA to fire one torpedo followed by a second from USS FINBACK SSN 670. However, FINBACK failed to launch their torpedo. Within 3 minutes of receiving the revised order ATLANTA fired a second war-shot torpedo to complete the sinking. This feat earned ATLANTA the highest tonnage ever to be sunk in peacetime as well as a “Clean Sweep”.
- November 1983 – ATLANTA passed all requirements and certifications becoming the first submarine authorized to deploy Submarine Launched Tomahawk Cruise Missiles.



- June 1984 – ATLANTA became the very first Navy platform (not just submarine) certified to carry and deliver nuclear tipped Tomahawk cruise missiles. She had been outfitted with the necessary ‘Over the Horizon’ targeting systems just one year prior – a remarkable achievement to complete in just one year given the rigorous requirements of nuclear armament.
- Fall 1984 – ATLANTA launched a war-shot Harpoon missile into the Troop Transport ship USS CLINTON APA-144 as part of Readiness Exercise 2-84. She was awarded the “ASW – A” award from Submarine Squadron 8 for excellence.
- 1985 – ATLANTA was chosen to be the test platform for the deployment mechanisms of a newly developed “Quick Strike Mine” system.
- November 1985 – ATLANTA successfully conducted the East Coast’s first launch of an ‘Over the Horizon’ TLAM (Tomahawk Land Attack Missile) to an inland target.
- April 1986 – ATLANTA was called upon for Operation El Dorado Canyon – The United States’ bombing raid conducted in response to Libyan aggression in Berlin, more on that to follow.
- 1986 – ATLANTA launched more torpedoes than any other boat in the squadron. In addition to her own operation schedule, ATLANTA was assigned to pick up PCO Operations when BATON ROUGE had a handling incident while loading out for that operation. ATLANTA also fired many MK 48s trying to resolve the problem of the wire getting caught in the screw. This involved trying many different firing angles, rudder orders, and even varied colors of wire to determine if it was any specific tube causing the problem. Along the same lines ATLANTA was also used to test a wire cutter back by the screw.
- January 1989 – ATLANTA was chosen as the test platform against the Air and Surface fleet’s new MK 50 Torpedo which was designed for use against the Soviet Union’s newest deep diving submarines. It was later determined – as part of this testing – that the MK 50 Torpedo was not a viable platform and therefore never went into production to the fleet. There is no measure available to calculate the amount of money saved by the fact that the MK 50 platform was never deployed.
- 1990 – ATLANTA earned the National Defense Service Medal as part of the war against Iraq and terrorism.

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United States Submarine Veterans Inc (USSVI)

Hampton Roads Base

2023 Annual Base Sponsorship Program

Sponsor Level	Benefits	Donation
COLUMBIA Class Sponsor	2 Christmas Party Tickets 4 Summer Picnic Tickets 8 Raffle Tickets at Each Monthly Base Meeting** Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$500*
VIRGINIA Class Sponsor	2 Christmas Party Tickets 2 Summer Picnic Tickets 3 Raffle Tickets at Each Monthly Base Meeting** Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$300*
SEAWOLF Class Sponsor	1 Christmas Party Ticket 2 Summer Picnic Tickets 3 Raffle Tickets at Each Monthly Base Meeting** Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$200*
OHIO Class Sponsor	2 Summer Picnic Tickets 3 Raffle Tickets at Each Monthly Base Meeting** Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$150*
LOS ANGELES Class Sponsor	1 Summer Picnic Ticket 3 Raffle Tickets at Each Monthly Base Meeting** Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$125*
STURGEON Class Sponsor	3 Raffle Tickets at Each Monthly Base Meeting** Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$100*
41 for FREEDOM Sponsor	1 Raffle Ticket at Each Monthly Base Meeting** Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$75*
NAUTILUS Era Sponsor	Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$50*
DIESEL BOATS FOREVER Sponsor	Name on Website Sponsorship Recognition Page Supports HR Base Operations	\$25*

As an added incentive, starting in 2023, if you renew your sponsorship at the same level or higher you will receive a 10% discount.

****Must attend the meeting to collect raffle tickets, all tickets are for the same raffle, your choice. *Donations are NOT tax-deductible.**



Thank you for your support



Hampton Roads Base Sponsorship Program Update

Ken Swan has volunteered to make a hand-crafted teak coin/jewelry holder for any new sponsors who sign up at the Columbia or Virginia Level. See the sample picture above:



HOLIDAY PARTY 2022

Bravo Zulu to Beverly Galles and her crew who did a phenomenal job organizing this years Subvet Holiday party
Beverly submitted the following report on the party

We had an awesome time at this year's Christmas Party. We had 46 attendees. The food and music was a great hit!!! We are looking forward to next year's!!!

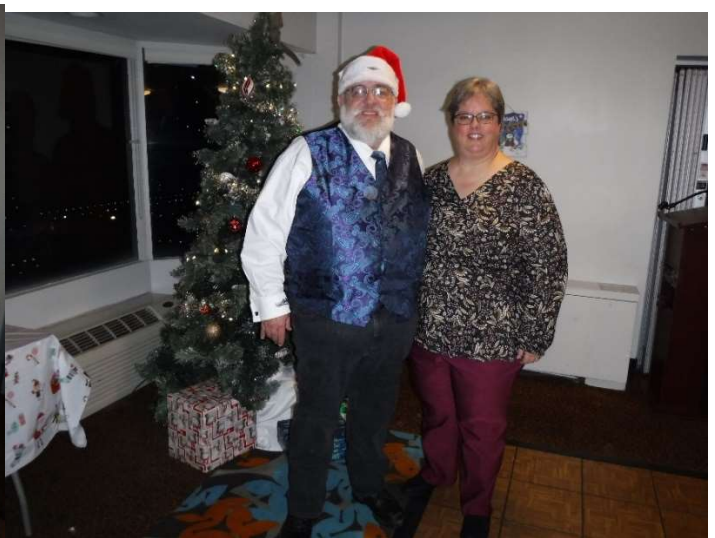
I want to personally thank each and everyone who helped in any capacity!!! The saying, "many hands make light work" has never been truer!!!! Thank you to those who attended as well!!!

We hope to see you all next year!!!

Holiday Party Photos Courtesy of Neal Chavis











Memories of Night Baking on a Boat

Grrroooowl (JA inter-submarine phone system ringing)

COW: "Chief of the Watch".

Night Baker: "Hey Chief, I'm tryin'ta bake the cake for tonight's dinner, but the boat keeps floppin' all over the fuckin' place"!

COW: "Hang on a minute...Officer of the Deck, the night baker is having problems making tonight's cake with all the rockin' and rollin' and shit".

OOD: "Very well. Dive, make your depth 4-0-0 feet"!

Dive: "Make my depth 4-0-0 feet, Dive Aye".

OD: "Helm, ahead 1/3...steady as she goes"!

Helm: "Ahead 1/3...steady as she goes Helm Aye".

OOD *picks up the mic for the 2MC*

OOD "Maneuvering, Conn, make turns for 3 knots"

Over the 2MC: "Make turns for 3 knots...Conn, Maneuvering Aye.

bzzzz (Captains phone)

OOD: "Officer of the Deck"

Captain: "Why the hell did you slow my boat down and take her to 400 feet"?!

OOD: "Sir, the night baker needs a steady boat to make tonight's cake"

Captain: "Oh"

Pause

Captain: "What kind of cake"?

OOD: "One moment Sir...Chief of the Watch, what kind of cake"?

COW: "Wait One..."

talking on the JA

COW: "Hey, what kind of cake"?

Night Baker: "It's a Golden Sponge cake with Strawberry filling and Vanilla icing".

COW: "OK...Standby".

COW: "Officer of the Deck... It's a Golden Sponge cake with Strawberry filling and Vanilla icing".

OOD: "Very Well Chief"

on the Captains phone

OOD: "Sir, It's a Golden Sponge cake with Strawberry filling and Vanilla icing".

Captain: "Mmmm...sounds good...keep me informed"

OOD: "Keep you informed Aye Sir". *hangs up phone*

OOD: "Chief of the Watch, inform the night baker we have a steady boat".

COW: "Inform the Night Baker we have a steady boat Aye Sir".

talking on the JA

COW: "You got a steady deck...let me know when you're done"

Night Baker: "You got it Chief"

...and that's how things are done on a Submarine.

