

Arizona Submarine Veterans Perch Base



2021
Annual Awards Banquet
January 15, 2022

THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE ARIZONA SUBMARINE
VETERANS, PERCH BASE USSVI EXTENDS A WARM WELCOME TO OUR
2021 ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET.

COMMANDER:	GEORGE WOODS
VICE COMMANDER:	CARL MINER
PAST COMMANDER:	HOWARD DOYLE
COB:	DON ROBERTSON
TREASURER:	JOE TROTTER
SECRETARY:	MARCIA UNSER
CHAPLAIN:	GOVERNOR JOY
COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER:	CHUCK LUNA
WEBMASTER:	DAN MARKS
MEMBERSHIP:	JOAN MINER
STOREKEEPER:	MARCUS HENSLEY
EVENTS COORDINATOR:	DON UNSER
HISTORIAN:	CHUCK EMMETT

MENU

Appetizers

Assorted Hors D'oeuvre

Salad

Salad with assorted dressings

Entrée (Selections)

Ancho Chili Steak

Rosemary Lemon Chicken

Grilled Salmon

Vegetables

All entrees come with a vegetable and a starch

Dessert

Cheesecake



<u>Time</u>	<u>Action</u>
1800 – 1900	Muster on Station <i>(No host cocktails – <u>Silent Auction</u> bids)</i>
1900 – 1915	Welcome, Invocation <i>(Base Commander, Chaplain)</i>
1915 – 2000	Evening Meal
2000 – 2005	Base Commander’s Remarks
2005 – 2015	Membership Awards <i>(Longevity, “Early Bird” Dues Drawing)</i>
2030 – 2040	2020/2021 “Sailor of the Year” Awards
2040 – 2045	Introduction of Guest Speaker <i>(Base Commander)</i>
2045 – 2130	Guest Speaker <i>Vernon Parks</i>
2130 – 2200	Results: <u>Silent Auction</u>
2200 – 2210	Tolling for the Boats – January
2210 – 2215	Remembrance, Departed Shipmates <i>(Base Chaplain)</i>
2215	Closing Remarks – Benediction <i>(Base Commander – Chaplain)</i>

Vernon J. Parks Jr
Captain, USN, Retired
Senior Professional Staff, JHU APL

Vern Parks, a native of New Jersey, is a career Naval Officer, serving as a Submarine Officer and as a Joint Officer in various and diverse assignments over the course of 30+ years. He recently retired as a Captain from the US Navy and started a second career as a Senior Professional member of The Johns Hopkins University's Applied Physics Laboratory (JHU APL). Vern graduated from the Pennsylvania State University in 1989 with a B.A. in Political Science and holds advanced degrees in Business Administration from Brenau University and National Security Strategy from the National Defense University.

He is leading JHU APL's work in SSBN Operational Analysis as well as providing Naval and Joint Military subject matter expertise in several study projects including Anti-submarine Coordinated Operations, Lethality and Kill Chain effectiveness, and sea-bed operations.

In the Navy, Vern commanded Submarine Development Squadron TWELVE (DEVRON 12) from May 2012 - June 2014, where he was responsible for leading tactical development and the center of excellence for the US Submarine Force as well as manning, training, and equipping 9 front-line Los Angeles-class and Virginia-class fast attack nuclear-powered submarines.

He also commanded USS SANTA FE {SSN 763} from January 2007 - January 2010, during which time his crew completed a Depot Modernization Period, conducted a homeport shift and interfleet transfer from Portsmouth, NH to Pearl Harbor, HI, deployed to the western Pacific and was awarded the COMSUBRON SEVEN Battle Efficiency "E" award for calendar year 2009, as well as several other ship and department awards.

At-sea, he served in USS BATON ROUGE (SSN 689), USS HYMAN G. RICKOVER (SSN 709), PCU/USS LOUISIANA (SSBN 743G), and USS HELENA (SSN 725).

Ashore, his Naval and Joint Military staff assignments included Assistant Operations and Exercise Officer for Commander, Submarine Force, Atlantic; Material and Engineering Training Officer at COMSUBRON SIXTEEN; Executive Assistant to Commander, Submarine Forces; Deputy Director, Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program Management; Assistant Deputy Director for Regional Operations and Global Force Management (ADDRO) on the Joint Staff; Director of Navy's Future Strategy; Executive Assistant to the Assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Chief Strategist for the Chief of Naval Personnel, and Director of Innovation, Results Delivery Office for the Chief of Naval Personnel where he was directly responsible for transforming the Navy's MPT&E enterprise.