

BLOW NEGATIVE



The Official Newsletter of South Lake Florida Subvets



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. We pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution."

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2026 Meeting Dates

Membership meetings are held at Minneola
Town Hall, convening at 1800hrs.

May 21

June 18

July 16

August 20

September 17

October 15

November 19

December - Annual Social Event



The 2025 USSVI award submissions are due, <mailto:http://ussubvets.org>

Board of Directors Meetings at KeKe's following breakfast

May 13

July 8

September 9

November 11

The newsletter is titled "Blow Negative" as a nod and hand salute to the earliest days of submariners. The earliest submarines, WWI, were built with a positive buoyancy which included a "negative" tank. This tank was located within the submarine such that, when the tank was flooded with sea water, the submarine could dive.

Our meeting location is at Minneola Town Hall. Minneola, Florida. The newsletter is published and edited by Timothy Blevins MM1(SS), blevinst@gmail.com. Suggestions, corrections, and submittals are always appreciated. Publication takes place once a month with the occasional email update.

South Lake Florida chapter of USSVI consists of members living in and around Clermont Florida. Our monthly meetings take place on the third Thursday of every month except December, when we hold a social event. Veterans from all services and submarine enthusiasts are always welcome at our meetings.

Currently the newsletter does not solicit advertisers. The chapter is grateful to our local sponsors for their support.

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Stop the presses...

Just in from USSVI. "Starting at 12 am EST, 11 pm CST, 10 pm MST, and 9 pm PST on March 27, 2026, all USSVI websites will be shut down so we can move all data over to our new website, with the goal of relaunching 12 am EST, 11 pm CST, 10 pm MST, and 9 pm PST on March 31, 2026.

Please do not access or add any data whatsoever to the website, as it will not be captured. You will receive a launch email detailing all the particulars when we bring everything back up."

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