

John C. Butler Arizona Destroyer Escort Sailors Association
12 MAR 07

Minutes of meeting this date;

1100: Meeting commences, Hometown Buffet, Scottsdale

Fourteen members present;

In absence of Exec Lloyd, Chief Yeoman Bob Sayers reports we have \$650.00 in treasury;

Skipper Tom read a proposal from DESA National that all veterans earned the right to salute the flag during the pledge or any function involving presentation of the flag. The intent is to show how many veterans are in this country. Discussion followed. Motion made and second that each individual member shows respect for the flag as he deems fit. Salute, if covered, hand over heart if uncovered. The individual member makes his choice to go either way. Passed unanimously;

Webmaster Mel put on the 45 minute show, **Death of the Japanese Navy*** the all-inclusive Battle of Leyte Gulf. Henry Hight, a veteran of the Taffy III Battle off Samar Island, as a Radioman 1/c aboard Kalinin Bay CVE 68, filled us in with many details. Featured in the film was Jack Yusen a member of the North Pacific DESA who was a Signalman 1/c aboard the Samuel B. Roberts DE 413 and has met our member Henry on a few occasions commemorating Taffy III.

Henry Hight won the 50/50 draw for the third time in a row. His share was \$24.00, which he donated to the treasury. Thanks Henry, you're a true blue member.

Adjourn: 1200

After chow most of the members stayed until 1400 swapping stories.

New member Al Guier was signed up and welcomed to the association;

John Weber reports he had a conversation with a possible new candidate for membership. Skipper Tom will follow up.

Check our website; jcbutlerazdesa.com

Submitted: Tom Alexander, Skipper