

**ABATE OF NORTH IDAHO**

ABATE OF NORTH IDAHO KOOTENAI CHAPTER



NOVEMBER 4, 2021

Coordinators Comments

We were missing some key folks at our November Meeting, Karen Stewart our Safety Officer, Duane Justus, Susan and Paul Reese, plus a few others, but was great to see some of the new faces. The most exciting thing was our Guest Speaker.

Henry Netzer with the USS Idaho Commission Committee spoke regarding the SSN 799 Idaho Submarine that is currently being built. His presentation was fascinating and a few folks who were familiar with the Navy and Submarines had some great questions. Clark Anderson was hoping they would auction off the 100' prototype that was tested at Bay View, ID, but all agreed that it wasn't going to fit on anyone's mantle. If anyone is interested in what the commission does and to hear about Idaho's Submarine, it is worth scheduling a presentation. You can visit their website at [www.ussidahocommittee.org](http://www.ussidahocommittee.org).

December is our month for our Holiday Family donation. We have one submission so far and have been receiving canned goods, etc. for their pantry. All year we have a raffle at the end of our meeting. The money goes toward the Holiday Family, this is a biker family that is having a bit of struggle during the Holiday. We provide a Holiday meal and some non-perishable items for their pantry. Any funds left over in the designated account, after purchasing the meal, are given to them to use as needed. It is a great honor to be able to bless our Brothers and Sisters during the Holiday Season.

December is also the month for people to step up to run for Chapter Officers. It is a great opportunity to serve ABATE in this capacity and it helps keep the Chapter have new folks serve, bringing new energy and new ideas.

Our next meeting is December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Thursday at Sargent's in Hayden, ID 6:30pm