Decatur Chapter #4 Newseyletter

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VACATION NOTICE: Keep in mind I have left for Florida (wife kidnapped me) and won't have access to my mail until the end of October. If you get a note that your balance is low, please don't send a new deposit until near the end of October. If you do your check will sit in the pile of mail until I return. Thanks. Rich

Vietnam Christens Sub Rescue Ship in Haiphong



On the morning of July 30, in Hai Phong, Z189 Factory under the General Department of Defense Industry held a ceremony to hand over the multipurpose submarine search and rescue ship MSSARS 9316 (ship number 927-Yet Kieu) to the Navy. Attending the ceremony were Rear Admiral Tran Thanh Nghiem, Member of the Party Central Committee, Commander of the Vietnam Navy; Major General Luong Thanh Chuong, Deputy Director of General Department Defense of Industry: representatives of functional agencies of the Navy, General Department of Defense Industry, Damen Group (Netherlands). Ship 927-Yet Kieu has a displacement of 3,950 tons, a length of 93.11m, a maximum width of 15.99m, a side height of 7.20m, a maximum depth of 4.25m, a maximum speed of 15.7 knots/ hour. The ship is equipped with a modern propulsion system, equipment, medical equipment, lifesaving and rescue, continuous operation time at

sea 30 days and nights, ability to withstand waves of level 9, high winds. 12, range of 4,000 nautical miles. The ship will house the submarine rescue module *LR11* built in Great Britain.

Republic of Korea Commissions submarine

The Republic of Korea Navy (RoKN) has commissioned its first locally developed, diesel-electric attack submarine (SSK) capable of deploying submarine-launched ballistic missiles (SLBMs). Named *Dosan An Chang-ho* (pennant number SS 083), the 83.5 m-long boat, which is the RoKN's first of a planned fleet of nine KSS-III-class submarines, entered service in a ceremony held on 13 August at the facilities of Daewoo Shipbuilding and Marine Engineering (DSME) at Okpo on Geoje Island.



The RoKN commissioned *Dosan An Chang-ho*, its first KSS-III-class SSK, in a ceremony held on 13 August 2021.

Pictorial approved for WW I unknown soldier event



USCS member Phil Schrieber has approval from the USPS to issue a pictorial at the Philadelphia PA post office, to note the 100th Anniversary of the return of the Unknown Soldier aboard the Cruiser OLYMPIA. An example is shown above. I am not sure of the address but past pictorials were processed at:

Postmaster, USPS, Retail Customer Services, USS Olympia Sta., 3190 S. 70th Street Philadelphia PA 19153.