## GAMEWARDENS OF VIETNAM MID ATLANTIC CHAPTER, QUARTERLY MEETING

**AUGUST 16, 2008** 

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm, by Gary Marker, Chapter, Vice President.

Present for the meeting were, A Billy Ratt Jr, Clarence Cooper, Gary Marker, Pat Doyle, Tom Glickman, Jim Morgan, Vaughn Shuler, Fred Olds, Allen Weseleskey, Bill Ferguson, Aleroco and National President, John Woody.

Visiting guest were Ms Rebecca Smith and Charlie Montgomery.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Gary thanked those members who assisted to make our recent Reunion a success!. He also advised that Letters of Appreciation had been prepared for the individuals from the SWCC Community who assisted with the preparation of the boat and assisted with the preparation and teardown of the Tent that was used for the Memorial Service.

Our visiting National President, John Woody was recognized. John advised that Chapter Member, Jim Morgan would assume the duties revelent to maintaing a Tax Free Status as an Organization. This duty had been carried out by John Williams.

John also presented a plaque of appreciation to Rebecca Smith for her outstanding assistance to Gamewardens during the recent Reunion.

It was reported to the Chapter members present that Burt Witham had passed away on August 6, 2008. Burt will be sorely missed by all members of Gamewardens.

John also talked about the recruitment of support units and other Riverine Related organizations and discussed his vision of having them all fall under one umbrella, and discussed the feasibility of an organizational name change to accommodate the incooperation of the present River Rats into the Gamewardens of Vietnam organization.

Allen "Wes" Weseleskey took the floor and discussed some of the Veteran support projects that he is undertaking to assist those in need.

Charlie Montgomery, a member of the Mayor's Veterans Committee, was introduced and spoke of the Veterans Day parade to be held November 11, 2008.

Following some discussion concerning mispelled names on the Gamewardens Monument at Little Creek and a discussion on the possibilty of "coloring" the Mid Atlantic LOGO, the meeting was adjourned. Our next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2008.