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We are dedicated to the memory of
Pearl Harbor and to those gallant
Americans who gave their lives for
their country on December 7, 1941

OUR MOTTO: Remember Pearl Harbor - Keep America Alert

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24TH NATIONAL REUNION, CLEARWATER, FLORIDA DECEMBER 4-5-6-7, 1965

The JACK TAR HARRISON Hotel in downtown Clearwater has been selected as the Convention Headquarters. Many facilities are available for members and their guests during the convention period (and longer if you desire to extend your stay).

Suncoast Chapter No. 1, PHSA, will have a special program printed for this reunion; it is going to be a professional job, with a national circulation, advertising, pictures, programs, etc., to a full scale. A section will be set aside for Boosters, their home addresses, and the units to which attached during the attack on Pearl Harbor. If you desire your name added on this list, please send in \$1.00; this will include a copy mailed to you, or presented to you at the time of the reunion. Additional copies will be available at the reunion. If you are interested in running an ad in this program please send in what you would like to have and we will let you know what the cost will be, prior to having it printed, and wait for your okay, before we bill you. Send Boosters and Ads to Hank Shane, 6488 Central Ave., St. Petersburg, Florida.

JACK TAR HARRISON ROOM RATES:

Single	Double or Twins
\$ 7	\$10 East rooms overlooking city
\$ 8	\$12 West rooms overlooking pool
\$10	\$14 New motel wing

Clearwater is one of Florida's most beautiful cities. Directly on the Gulf of Mexico, Clearwater's blue-green water and pure white sand beaches will make

our Reunion site the best ever. Ten air lines serve the Tampa International Airport, only 20 minutes from downtown Clearwater. Two Railroads and two bus lines serve Clearwater, so you have only the best in the way of transportation.

Fishing and golf, swimming and tennis, are but a few of the recreational activities available. In addition, we believe the Memorial Service this year will be held at one of the most beautiful sites available anywhere, and this particular service this year should be a must on your schedule. The U.S. Air Force will be our host service.

Our speakers for the Memorial Services and for the Reunion Banquet will be men of national prominence; their names will be announced later. This year's National Reunion Banquet is going to be open to the Public, and it is expected that a great number of prominent people and distinguished guests will be present.

You will note the Schedule of Events, and as you will see, Suncoast Chapter is really going "all - out" to make this a real big affair. Those of you who were at the National reunion in St. Louis will well remember the wonderful time you had — and we are going to try to make this a bigger and better affair — a sort of warm up for our 25th Anniversary Reunion which is to be held in Honolulu in 1966.

ASSOCIATION HATS

The Official Pearl Harbor Survivors Association hats are available from the National Office. Sizes: Large, Medium, or Small. Price \$6.50.

PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS SPECIAL GUESTS AT PREMIER SHOWING OF "IN HARMS WAY"

The U.S.S. Ward Chapter of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association were special guests at the premier showing of the motion picture "In Harms Way", which was shown in Kansas City, Missouri. Much publicity was given in the newspapers regarding the survivors expected attendance and at their arrival at the theater were piped into the movie with side boys, furnished by the Olathe Naval Air Station. These men were asked to stand before the movie began and were given a great hand by those in attendance. Incidentally, champagne was served during the intermission.

PRAYER ADOPTED AT 1962 REUNION

The National Office has recently learned that the prayer adopted at the 1962 reunion is as follows:

"Bless us O Lord, as we gather here in Thy name in remembrance of our shipmates and comrades who served our country, and to promote the defense of our American ideals and heritage. Guide and direct us in our deliberations that they may give glory and honor to Thee and be for the Good of all mankind in Thy Holy Name. —Amen."

—By Commander E. W. Andrews,
CHC, USNR

We are sorry that our records did not contain this prayer at the time we issued our last Pearl Harbor-Gram.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, December 4, 1965

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Registration — Sun Lounge.

6 p.m. Hospitality Reception for Survivors and wives (cocktails). Courtesy of Suncoast Chapter, No. 1, PHSA — Roof Terrace.

Sunday, December 5, 1965

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Registration — Sun Lounge.

1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Films of Pearl Harbor Attack. (Will be shown continuously during the afternoon.) Public invited. — Zephyr Room.

A good day to go sightseeing — to the beaches, visit Tarpon Springs and the Sponge Docks nearby; PGA Golf Course in nearby Dunedin; take a ride to DeSoto National Park via Bayway Bridges; stop at the midway Lounge anytime after 2 p.m. for a Special Treat and Program supervised by John Andrews, a member of the PHSA.

Monday, December 6, 1965

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Registration — Sun Lounge.

8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Executive Board meeting. — Blue Room.

10 a.m. - Noon. State Chairmen meeting. — Blue Room.

1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Business meeting (Membership cards must be shown for admittance). — Ft. Harrison. Election of National officers. — East Room.

2 p.m. - 6 p.m. Films of the Pearl Harbor Attack (shown continuously) Public invited. — Zephyr Room. Sightseeing tour to World reknown Busch-Gardens in Tampa.

6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Hospitality Reception — Roof Terrace.

Tuesday, December 7, 1965

7:55 a.m. National Memorial Service, Clearwater Auditorium. This, the time of attack 24 years ago, is the highlight and prime purpose of our National Reunion. Here we honor our fallen and Dedicate ourselves anew to KEEPING AMERICA ALERT. The State of Florida, the City of Clearwater, and the U.S. Air Force are all contributing to make this the most outstanding Memorial Service in our History.

9:30 a.m. Wreath laying Ceremony. Soldiers and Sailors, Monument, at the Memorial Causeway.

10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Registration — Sun Lounge.

10 a.m. - Noon. Ladies Games. Prizes by PHSA. — Zephyr Room.

11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Trip to Weeki-Wachee Springs.

8 p.m. Memorial Banquet and Installation of Officers: There will be the presentation of Distinguished guests, roll call of Units; Speech by the Commanding Officer of this years Service Host,

RECENTLY ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE HOWARD I. SEPHTON CHAPTER OF SOUTH WESTERN PART OF NEW YORK STATE



Seated Left to Right: Vice-President Carl Peters, Ft. DeRussey; President Sidney J. Manwaring, Schofield Bks.; Secretary Robert Carson, U.S.S. Honolulu; Standing, Trustee Thomas W. Speed, U.S.S. Whitney; Trustee Donald Bosket, Hickam Field; Treasurer George Sydelko, Hickam Field, Trustee Clifton Hunt, Hickam Field.

the U. S. Air Force. Floor Show and Entertainment, followed by dancing to the music of the best Combo on the West Coast of Florida. A bar will be set up for our use and convenience. Public is invited to the Memorial Banquet. Dress—Optional.

Wednesday, December 8, 1965

Check-out — Farewell and Aloha — See you in HONOLULU in 1966.

CLARIFICATION OF DUES

Some confusion has arisen as to when our annual dues are payable. The membership year ends on December 7 each year. Therefore, all members who pay their dues annually should pay their following year's dues on or before December 7 of each year.

The existing Constitution and By-Laws does not contain any provision for partial year payments. Therefore, regardless of when a member joins the Association, he is issued a card for the current year and this card expires on December 7 of that year.

GREATER BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER NEWS

Walt Willison, Jr., President of the Greater Bakersfield Chapter reports that on June 20 they held a family day picnic. The Chapter tries to have a husband and wife get-together at least quarterly. This time the children will also participate.

Walt also reports that this Chapter collects discarded eye-glasses or eye pieces. These are then turned over to the California foundation for the blind. The eye-glasses are reground and made re-usable for the less fortunate, who cannot afford them.

This chapter is in the process of compiling a Chapter Log, which will contain a picture of each member as he appeared in 1941. A resume of what they were doing when the attack began and their reaction, and the activities for several hours after the attack. They also plan to have a picture of the members taken in 1965.

FORD ISLAND SURVIVOR HEADS SECOND MISSOURI CHAPTER

Robert H. White, a survivor from Ford Island was elected president of the newly formed U.S.S. Ward Chapter of the Pearl Harbor Association. This is Missouri's second chapter and was named the U.S.S. Ward Chapter since one of their charter members was a member of the gun crew aboard the U.S.S. Ward, which fired the first shot of World War II. Since this chapter was formed, many new members have been received from the Western half of Missouri. Bob lives at 120 North 4th Street, Blue Springs, Missouri. Others officers are, Vice-President Carroll Hutchings, Grain Valley; Secretary-Treasurer Eugene Henry, Independence; Trustee Richard Hall, Kansas City; Trustee Earnest Kempfer, St. Joseph; and Trustee Harold P. Flanagan, Kansas City.

ORGANIZATIONAL FLAGS AVAILABLE

Official Pearl Harbor Survivors Association flags are now available from the National Office. These flags are approximately 45 inches by 68 inches. The flags are constructed using 100 percent white rayon taffeta, and are dry cleanable. Price \$15.00. Allow two weeks for delivery.

PORTLAND CHAPTER SCHEDULES

DINNER MEETING

Harry Neihoff of the Portland Chapter reports that a dinner meeting is scheduled on July 17, 1965 at the Timbertopper 1135 SW Washington, Portland, Oregon. Harry expects a large turnout at this meeting and hopes that a record breaking crowd will be in attendance.

COLORADO CHAPTER OFFICERS



Back row, left to right: Trustee, Albert F. Peterson, 4132 Xavier Street; Trustee, Edward L. Hutchin, 4744 Sherman Street; Treasurer, Walter Ewing, 4320 Elizabeth Street; Vice-President Edward F. Frause, 4682 South Penn; Trustee, David W. Gillespie, 708 Jackson Street, Serling, Colorado; President, Ralph I. Murphy, 5826 South Lakeview Street. Front row, left to right: Secretary Luz L. Valerio, 4143 Steele Street; Assistant Co Chairman, James W. Snider, 1658 South Wenona Ct.; State Chairman, William F. Jones, 4865 Garrison Street.

The plaque shown in this photo was hand painted and was presented to the Chapter by Mr. Charles Benoit.

LAPEL PINS AVAILABLE

Lapel pins are now available from the national office at a cost of \$5.00 each which includes federal excise tax. If you desire one of these pins please forward

your check payable to the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association and the lapel pin will be mailed to you within a few days. These pins are one-half inch diameter, have the military clutch attachment, and are made of 10 K. gold.

To: Hank Shane — Pearl Harbor Survivors Assn.

6488 Central Avenue

St. Petersburg, Florida

I plan to attend the Pearl Harbor Survivors Assn. National Reunion in Clearwater, Florida, December 4, 5, 6, 7, 1965. My party will consist of _____ adults and _____ children.

Name _____

On Dec. 7, 1941 I was attached to:

Address _____

City and State _____

**Pearl Harbor Survivors Association
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(Minimum donation of \$10.00 will carry your name or firm name for period of 1 year.)

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ZIP COD REQUIRED

The United States Post Office Department recently advised the National Office that in the near future all mail sent under the "Non profit postal permit" must be zip-coded. When we put our records on punch cards the Post Office Department coded all of the members free of charge. Due to the large number of new members who have joined our association and the address changes of our existing members, many of the zip codes are missing. Please examine the mailing label used to send you this issue of the Pearl Harbor-Gram and if no zip code is indicated, please advise the National Office in writing at once.

The use of the non-profit postage permit is a very economical way for our Association to mail its publication, in fact, in mailing the last issue of the Pearl Harbor-Gram we were able to save \$145.00 over the cost of using first class mail.

**OCTOBER 23, 1965 TO BE DATE OF
NEW YORK STATE REUNION**

John Kuzma, New York State Chairman, 114 West End Ave., Binghamton, New York, announced that the New York State Reunion will be held on October 23, 1965 in Binghamton, New York. All survivors from the state of New York as well as surrounding states are urged to attend. The reunion will consist of a meeting, dinner dance and entertainment. Please contact Mannie E. Siegle, 21 Isabell Dr., Cortland, New York for reservations and further information.

**NEW JERSEY SURVIVORS PLAN
MEET IN SEPTEMBER**

The survivors in New Jersey are busy making final plans for their meeting in September. Merle Stouffer, New Jersey State Chairman, 445 Ricky Lane, Long Branch, New Jersey announced that final details of the meeting have not been completed at this time. Further details may be obtained by contacting Merle.

**Departed Members Of The Pearl
Harbor Survivors Association**

Prayer for our Dead

Eternal rest grant unto them, and
let perpetual light shine upon
them and may they rest in peace.

AMEN

Lt. Russell L. Bennington USN (Ret)
Pompano Beach, Florida

GEORGE H. YOUNG
154 Farnham Avenue
Garfield, New Jersey

KENNETH VEACH
Williams, Arizona

RALPH E. WILEY
Branson, Missouri

WALTON A. WHITE
1130 Veronica Springs Rd.
Santa Barbara, California

**DEPOSITS POUR IN FOR
HAWAIIAN REUNION**

Deposits for the Hawaiian reunion in December, 1966 continue to pour in to our travel agent "FitzPatrick Travel Service" 8624 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, California 90069. The deposit is the only sure way to know who and how many plan to be on hand for this unforgettable occasion. The FitzPatrick Travel Service has been selected as our Official-Exclusive Travel agent for the Pearl Harbor return. This agent is responsible for booking all Air Line, Rail, and Ship transportation from your major airport city to Honolulu and return. All hotel reservations, ground transportation in the Islands and many other details. PLEASE contact this agency for any details or questions you may have concerning this trip. The inquiries received in the National Office must be forwarded to them for reply and this delays your answer. Due to the many recent changes in Air Line rates the Pearl Harbor Survivors Assn. Inc. and the FitzPatrick Travel Service have mutually agreed not to quote Firm rates for Air Travel from your nearest major airport city to the West Coast, early next spring firm rates can be determined. The quoted price of \$289.50 in the April 1965 issue of the Pearl Harbor-Gram still remains unchanged, and applies to members, their family and friends.

**U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE ISSUES
DETERMINATION LETTER TO
NATIONAL OFFICE**

The U.S. Treasury Department of Internal Revenue Service issued a determination letter to the National Office of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association dated June 25, 1965, stating that our association was exempt from federal income tax. They further added that donations and contributions to our association are deductible for income tax purposes by the donor, under section 170 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**VIRGINIA SURVIVORS TO HOLD
REUNION ON JULY 17**

Jesse E. Pond, Jr., Virginia State Chairman advises that a social hour and dinner will be held on July 17, 1965 at the General Washington Inn, Princess Anne Street, Fredericksburg, Virginia. Jess has requested additional applications from the National Office. We hope that after this meeting that his supply of applications is depleted.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP OPENED

The National Executive Board recently voted to open for an indefinite period Life Memberships. This matter was brought before the Board due to the many requests from Officers and members of the association. New members desiring Life Membership must pay \$50. This includes the \$5.00 Initiation fee, existing members who have paid their 1965 dues must remit \$40.00. This offer will remain open until officially changed by the Executive Board and notice published in the Pearl Harbor-Gram.

PLAQUE FOR THE U.S.S. ARIZONA MEMORIAL



Last month the Association sent to Pearl Harbor a fifteen inch square bronze plaque mounted on walnut, to be placed on the U.S.S. Arizona Memorial. The Association plans to hold a special dedication ceremony during our week-long reunion in Hawaii in 1966.

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