

Pearl Harbor - Gram



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lant Americans who gave their lives for their country on Decem-

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PHSA National Officers Visit President Bush

"It was an honor and privilege that we three National Officers memorable never dreamed possible, grour invitation to the White House and the Oval Office to visit President Bush.

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Monday, May 8, 1989, was a memorable day. President Bush greeted us in the Oval Office at 0945 hours with a warm "Welcome fellas," and we, in return, greeted him by saying, "Good morning, Mr. President."

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National Secretary's Message

- Please make the following changes to your Handbook and the Constitution and By-Laws:
 - a. Page 11-1 para 2b, line 3. Line through "Treasurer" and add "Secretary."
 - b. Appendix A
 Change line 9 and 10 to
 read:
 - 9. Central Illinois Illinois #2 12-07-63
 - 10. John C. Berlier Indiana #1 12-07-63
 - c. Constitution and By-Laws. Article VII Membership.
 - (1) Heading title "National Secretary Membership" line through "Secretary" and add "Honorary." Renumber para 1 of "National Honorary Membership" to number 7.
 - (2) Under heading "Associate Membership" renumber para 1 to number 8.

Article XVI Adoption.

- (1) Change last para to read "All copies of this Constitution and By-Laws prior to the 1988 revisions etc. . . ."
- 2. Publication of Resolution No. 7 (Sons and Daughters of PHS) left out a word of the original text. Please correct Resolution to read, in the second sentence:

"They may participate in all meetings and functions but may not hold elected office or vote."

- 3. George Tressa, a new member, Hickam Field, was listed in the April 1989 *Gram* as living in Fairbanks, CA, should be Fairoaks, CA.
- Floyd Laughlin, former Penn. State Chairman, was appointed Assistant State Chairman by Steve Yorden the Penn. State Chairman. Floyd lives at RD #6 Box 104, McDonald, PA 15157.
- 5. We can save lots of time and postage if you'll review carefully the Constitution and By-Laws Article V para 4 and 5 describing the duties of the National Secretary and Treasurer. This will help you to know where to send what.
- 6. It is the Chapter Secretary's responsibility to keep the Handbooks, issued to the chapter, up to date with changes published in the Gram. A new handbook revision package as a separate mailing will not be made for four (4) years. This especially includes the Constitution and By-Laws. Too expensive. Personal copy holders are individually responsible for the changes to their Handbooks. Personal or extra copies are \$10.00 each.
- Subscription rate for Surviving Spouses is \$5.00 per year. Subscription rate for all others is \$7.00 per year. Member subscription is free.

Robert McClintock, Jr. National Secretary

Executive Board Directives

EBD 5-89: Ohio Chapter 5 requested authority for use of PHSA logo on the side of a coffee cup. To be used for donation and not for sale. 150 cups to be available for members attending Ohio State Convention in September 1989.

Approved: 9 No Vote: 1st, 7th & 8th District Directors

EBD 6-89: Space rental for National Secretary for space required for additional equipment resulting from realignment of duties between Secretary and Treasurer. Transfer of funds only. Decrease \$100.00 from space rental already authorized for Treasurer, and add \$100.00 to already authorized space rental for Secretary. Secretary's space rental will increase from current \$160.00 to \$260.00.

Approved: Unanimously

EBD 7-89: An official invitation has been made by the President of the United States to have PHSA National President, National Vice President, and 7th District Director meet with him in Washington D.C. on May 9 and 10, 1989. Request approval for air and ground travel and two nights lodging for President Ken Creese, and mileage and two nights lodging for 7th District Director Lee Goldfarb.

Approved: 11 No Vote: 7th District Director EBD 8-89: Round trip expenses for air and ground transportation and lodging for National President, Vice President and Treasurer to accept invitation to attend the PHSA Memorial dedication on June 14, 1989. at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO.

Approved: 9

No Vote: Vice President

Vote for expenses of President only by 5th District Director.

EBD 9-89: President of new Chapter 11 of the Rio Grande Valley of South Texas requested authority to use PHSA logo on the clasp for a bolo tie and/or matching belt buckle. The item is expected to sell for approximately \$9.00 each.

Approved: 9

No Vote: Vice President

Disapproved by 8th District Director

EBD 10-89: Clint Walden, member #70182-L, requested permission to use PHSA logo on a 3-inch cloth patch, by reducing the logo from the 12-inch patch for which permission has already been given. Colors will be the same as on the 12-inch patch.

Approved: 9

No Vote: Vice President

Disapproved by 8th District Director

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Executive Board Policy For 50TH Reunion Commemorative Items

The Executive Board in session at Virginia Beach in December 1988, has adopted the following policy with regard to any item designed, engineered, manufactured and marketed for sale commemorating the 50th reunion of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, Inc.

- 1. The PHSA Inc. will raise no objection to any item tastefully designed, engineered, manufactured and marketed for sale with appropriate PHSA Inc. designation displayed (i.e., logo, etc.) to commemorate the 50th Reunion.
- PHSA Inc. will not provide or be financially responsible for the product, any phase of its evolution, promotion or sales return.
- Use of the PHSA logo is encouraged, however, proper authorization for its use must be given by the Executive Board.
- The product design must be in good taste and examined by the Screening Committee prior to its promotion and sale.

National Officers Visit President Bush

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During this greeting and hand shakes, photos were taken with each of us, followed by group pictures.

Before we entered the Oval Office, the three of us made a bet, that we would not mention his goof of the September 7th date and that he would mention it during our conversations. If he did bring it up, whoever he was talking to at the time would win five dollars from the other two.

"... I asked the President if he would be our special guest for the 50th anniversary and be the speaker at our banquet on the evening of the 8th, 1991."

Sure enough, he did bring it up while shaking hands with Jerry Glaubitz, our National Vice President.

We then informed him of the bet and he thought it quite humorous and stated he would never make that mistake again.

Our conversation with the President was quite normal as he was observing our caps and the ships we were on that morning of December 7, 1941, asked each of us about our ships and what our experiences were that morning and we, in turn, asked about his being shot down in the Pacific by the Japanese.

After a few minutes of small talk, I asked the President if he would be our special guest for the 50th anniversary and be the speaker at our banquet on the evening of the 8th, 1991.

To our surprise, he spoke to his Aide and said, "Why not, see what we can do."

We thanked him and I informed the President that our membership would be proud and very pleased if he honored us with his presence, but we would understand if the affairs of state prevented his attendance.

By this time, his Aide had walked over to us and asked the President for the invitation that I had presented to him and the President informed him no, that he would open this letter and read it himself.

All in all, we were in the Oval Office with the President about 20 minutes. It was my feeling, also Jerry Glaubitz and Lee Goldfarb's, that the President was a very down-to-earth guy and had a warm personality and that the veterans of this country should have no ill feelings that we would be forgotten under his administration.

But our day was not done, at 1100 hours we were in the Pentagon for a meeting with Secretary of Defense, Mr. Cheney. After being escorted into his plush office and introductions had been made, he invited us all to set down at his roundtable and asked the purpose of our visit.

We told him our main purpose was the 50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor and of the problems we had in Hawaii during the 1986 convention.

He informed his Aide to take all this information down and we asked if it would be possible to go through his office to make any arrangements for the anniversary than go through the local commands out in Hawaii.

His feeling, at this time, is there would be no problems with this and they would gladly help in anyway they could.

He also felt that it would be possible to get at least three military bands and possibly another for our parade on the 6th of December, 1991.

Before departing, we invited him to be our guest speaker at our December 7th memorial services at the Punchbowl and here again, he surprised us with a positive answer, if his schedule would permit at that time.

After some picture taking and farewell hand shakes, it was off to the Post Office to see the Post Master General about our 50th Anniversary Stamp.

(Note: See "50th Anniversary Stamp" on page 10 of the *Gram.*)

The next two days in Washington and on Capitol Hill, were spent by myself, Jerry and Lee, visiting as many Congressmen as we could, trying to get support for our Congressional Commemorative Medal for



7th District Director Lee Goldfarb of New Jersey, Vice President Jerry Glaubitz and National President Ken Creese outside the White House Oval Office, Washington D.C.

members of the Armed Forces who were present during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941.

Several hours were also spent on the Senate side of the Capitol requesting support for "Our Remembrance Day of December 7th, 1941," being put in perpetuity

You will find a form letter in this issue of the *Gram*, titled, "Dear Legislator."

Congressman Guarini (D-NJ) will introduce a bill for our Commemorative Medal, but we do need all the support we can get from the Congressmen, so

please take the time to write your Congressman asking him to support this bill.

We three spent many hours on the Hill and have laid the groundwork, so it's up to the membership to follow through on this.

It was my feeling, also Jerry Glaubitz and Lee Goldfarb's that we had three full productive days in Washington. My many thanks, go to our Vice President and 7th District Director for all their support and efforts.

"A job well done, fellas!"

National President Ken Creese



Lee Goldfarb, 7th District Director; Vice President Jerry Glaubitz; Senator Alan Cranston (D-CA); National President Ken Creese and Maryanne Creese in the Senator's office (Capitol Bldg.).

UNIT LISTINGS

Requests for Unit Listings, which contain the names of the current PHSA members from your ship or station, are to be mailed to Gerald Glaubitz, 4507 Maple Rd., Morningside, MD 20746. Your request should be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. 85¢ postage should be included for Schofield Barracks and 45¢ for Hickam Field.

With your request, please give your PHSA identification number found on your membership card.

50th Anniversary Commemorative Medal

By Ken Creese, National President of PHSA

Congressman Frank Guarini (D-NJ) will be sponsoring a bill to have a commemorative medal struck for the 50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

Mr. Lee Goldfarb, 7th District Director, has worked long and hard to get this bill sponsored, and as stated, Congressman Guarini of New Jersey, has agreed to do so.

Myself, Lee Goldfarb and Jerry Glaubitz spent three days this past May, on Capitol Hill, walking the halls of Congress getting co-sponsors for Congressman

Guarini's bill.

It is not out of committee to date and has no number but the three of us were assured by many members of Congress that they would co-sponsor and support this piece of legislation.

7th District Director, Lee Goldfarb is to be commended for his hard work and efforts in pushing this bill into committee. Your time has come to write your congressman, to get him to support this bill.

Again, my thanks to Lee and and Jerry for their support in walking the Halls of Congress with me this past May.



Sponsor of Commemorative Medal Bill, Congressman Frank Guarini's (D-NJ) office, Rayburn Bldg., Capitol Hill. Left to right: National President Ken Creese, Congressman Guarini, 7th District Director Lee Goldfarb and Vice President Jerry Glaubitz.

101st Congress, 1st Session In The House of Representatives

MR. GUARINI introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on May 25:

A BILL

To establish a congressional commemorative medal for members of the Armed Forces who were present during the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

SECTION 1. PURPOSE.

It is the purpose of this Act to:

(1) commemorate the sacrifices made and service rendered to the United States by those veterans of the Armed Forces who defended Pearl Harbor and other military installations in Hawaii against attack by the by the Japanese on December 7, 1941; and

(2) honor those veterans on the 50th anniversary of that attack.

SECTION 2. CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL.

(a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED — The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate are authorized jointly to present on behalf of Congress, to the individuals certified by the Secretary of Defense pursuant to



National Officers with Congressman Bernie Dwyer (D-NJ).



National Officers at the Pentagon Office of Mr. Cheney, Secretary of Defense. From left to right: National President Ken Creese, Secretary of Defense Mr. Cheney, Vice President Jerry Glaubitz, 7th District Director Lee Goldfarb.

section 3 a bronze medal commemorating their service to the United States.

The presentation shall be made as close as feasible to the 50th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. The medal may be accepted by the next of kin of any such individual who was killed in action during that attack or who died thereafter.

(b) DESIGN AND STRIKING — The Secretary of the Treasury shall strike the medal established by subsection (a) in bronze with suitable emblems, devices and inscriptions to be determined by the Secretary.

(c) SALE — The Secretary of the Treasury may cause miniature duplicates of the medal established in subsection (a) to be coined in bronze and sold under such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe, at a price sufficient to cover the cost of such medal (including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery and overhead expenses).

SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE MEDAL.

(a) IN GENERAL — To be eligible to be presented the medal referred to in section 2(a), an individual must have been a member of the Armed Forces who was present in Hawaii on December 7, 1941, and who participated in combat operations that day against Japanese military forces attacking Hawaii. An individual who was killed or wounded in that attack shall be deemed to have participated in the combat operations.

(b) DOCUMENTATION — To establish the eligibility required by subsection (a), an individual must be present to the Secretary of Defense an application with such supporting documentation as the individual may have to support his or her eligibility of a next of kin. The Secretary shall determine, through the documentation provided and, if necessary, independent investigation whether an individual meets the criteria established in subsection (a).

(c) CERTIFICATION — The Secretary shall, within six (6) months after the date of enactment of this Act, certify to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President pro tempore of the Senate the names of the individuals eligible to receive the medal.

(d) NEXT OF KIN—If applications for a medal are filed by more than one next of kin of an individual who is eligible to receive a medal, the Secretary of Defense shall determine which next of kin will receive the medal.

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Errors in the April Gram

Please make the following corrections in the April 1989 Gram

On page 5, "National Committee Appointments," top of column 2, change "Chaplains," to "National Chaplain." Add "Reverend" in front of Frank Solomon's name and delete "(West)" following his name. Below that, for Dr. Richard Young, delete "(East)" and insert "(Ass't.)." In the same column under "Resolutions and By-laws," change the zip code for DeWayne Chartier to 94579.

The National Storekeeper's advertisement on page 25 was incorrect. In the October Gram, the wording in the ad was changed and some prices were increased. In the January Gram we made some additional changes in wording and the prices, which were to be printed in red had apparently fallen off of the overlay and were not printed.

For the April Gram, I cut out the January ad and stapled it on the top half of a sheet of typewriting paper. I then cut the October ad out and stapled it onto the bottom half. I indicated that the top one was the correct wording, but the prices on the bottom one must be used with the correct wording.

When I got the proofs from the layout people, they did not have the ad in the proofs. When I finished proofreading, I taped the information on the Storekeeper's ad to the top of the proofs and wrote that this ad must be in the April Gram.

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When I checked the final proofs, they did not return my

sheet showing what was to be in the ad. Without that sheet I stupidly forgot to check for the ad. They had used an obsolete one from their computer.

The layout people, P.S. Graphics, have assumed responsibility for the incorrect ad and will reimburse PHSA \$1.00 for each hat and \$5.00 for each flag sold during this past three months.

The poor print on the cover of the April Gram is because of unclear instructions given to the printer. On the final proofs, they had written to print darker, "it's too hard to read." It was not printed darker.

One additional comment on the cover. When I told Pete Brooks of P.S. Graphics that one member wrote that it was difficult for old timers with poor evesight to read, he said, "Old timers, hell. My 26-year-old eyes had trouble reading it!"

* * The roses on the back cover were supposed to be red. The printer printed in black. The printer is allowing credit for art to make up for these errors.

The item on page 12, "Looking for USS Jarvis Survivors." and the Memorial to Willard W. Wall on page 29, were poor judgement on the part of one of the layout people. They are repeated properly in this Gram.

The list of state chairmen on page 22 of the April Gram is rerun in this Gram due to multiple errors caused by getting the list from two different offices and using the wrong one.

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Our apology to new member Milford T. Liles, Hartford, KY (USS Vestal) whose name was spelled incorrectly in the April Gram.

To The Editor

To the Editor and Members of PHSA:

We, at P.S. Graphics, would like to express our sincere apology for substandard condition in which previous issues of the Gram have been printed. We would also like to reassure the readers that steps have been taken to ensure that the problems/errors incurred in the April Gram are not repeated in

the future.

We have deep respect for the members of PHSA and believe the members deserve a publication in which they can all be proud to share with others. It should be pleasant to the eye and easily read by its readers.

The Gram will continue to have 16 pages of color, which will be used in simple application such as color for heads, bylines and captions.

This issue of the Gram is the first step toward restoring the proud image this publication originally had. We will continue to work toward restoring the image of the Gram back to its former, more respectable self.

Sincerely. P.S. Graphics

To The Editor:

A group of our members were batting the breeze one day and someone commented on what a thrill it would be to make our 50th anniversary the most memorable in our existence.

As it is now, each year, less and less survivors can make it for one reason or another; possibly because of health, possibly financial reasons, especially the members who have to travel from the east and midwest.

A round-trip for two people runs around \$2000, including fare, hotel and meals.

We've known many survivors who would have attended the meetings in Hawaii, but couldn't hack it financially.

We would like to suggest the

Pearl Harbor Gram run a small article and insert a form to be filled out to determine if the majority of members would approve making our golden anniversary the last reunion in Hawaii.

In subsequent years, each state could continue to hold ceremonies in accordance with survivors' preferences.

In this way, the ceremonies would be perpetuated until there are no more survivors, and the golden anniversary would always be remembered as the greatest event since our organization.

If the forms indicate approval of the idea to make the 50th anniversary the last of the events every five years in Hawaii, we could begin immediately to organize this granddaddy of them all.

If the response is negative, as might be the case of the west coast because of proximity to Hawaii, the majority of course will rule.

However, if survivors really express their views, the combined total membership from the midwest to the east coast, will be greater.

It all depends on how much interest members will have. Obviously, those who have never gone to Hawaii for the ceremonies, nor don't ever plan to go, will probably ignore the poll.

Looking forward to your response, we remain.

> **Gold Coast Chapter** of PHSA, Florida

REUNION LOCATION POLL

| FROM THE EDITOR | R: |
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| any comments you w | s form, mark it with a check mark, add rish, and mail it to Editor, Pearl Harbon 8, Hacienda Heights, CA 91745. |
| 50th anniversary | eunion in Hawaii, in 1991, marking the of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor t meeting in Hawaii. |
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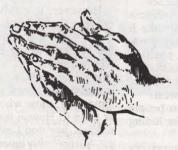
OLD SAILORS

By Marvin Kassel USS Tern

Old sailors never die They just sail to a port they've never seen. A haven for their ship Upon the deep sea green.

They meet old mates, they share a drink And spin a yarn or two. Then board their ship and sail again To places far and new.

Though life has gone for all the crew New ports still come in view, And as the bell doth toll and chime Restores old memories locked in time.



IN MEMORIAM

Another dear friend and warrior is gone from our midst. John Edward Smith of California Chapter 4 passed away on Sunday, May 21, 1989, after a long battle with cancer. John came into this world on August 1, 1919, in Baltimore, MD.

There were over 300 friends, family and Pearl Harbor Survivors present at his services to pay their final respects to this giant of a man.

John was a lovable guy who would go out of his way to help those in need; help or even simple advice.

We laid him to rest this past Wednesday, May 24, 1989, with full military honors at Lompoc, CA.

Big guy, all of PHSA will miss you, none more than I. He always addressed me as White Hat when we met and I, in return, always called him Airdale. John was at Hickam Field on December 7, 1941.

To his family and dear wife, Maxine, our deepest heart-felt thoughts and sympathies go out to you in this time of sorrow.

DEAR FRIEND and FELLOW SURVIVOR, may you rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon you.

KEN CREESE, National President

IN MEMORIAM

It is with deep sadness in my heart that I have to say good-bye to a very good friend and fellow survivor.

Louis Grabinski, who came into this world on August 25, 1920, and entered into Eternal Life on April 28, 1989, was a very special Pearl Harbor Survivor.

He was a dedicated trooper who gave his best for the organization, serving at the *USS Arizona* Memorial at Pearl Harbor and also living up to the standard of this association by being very involved with National Chapter 1 of Gardena, CA, in all of their endeavors.

Lou's interment was on Thursday, May 4, 1989, at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery in San Diego, CA.

We will miss you, Louis. You were very dear to all of us in the association.

Rest in peace, shipmate. We know the dear Lord will watch over Miss Millie.

Miss Mille wishes to give her many thanks to all of the association for their support in her time of sorrow and especially to Harley Eppler for all of his assistance.

KEN CREESE, National President

IN MEMORY OF months

Willard W. Wall, who passed away in Texas recently.

He was a Survivor of December 7, 1941. He served with me as assistant drill instructor, Company A, 1st Chemical Mortar Battalion, Schofield Barracks, and with me on duty with the Office of Civilian Defense (military instructors) on Hilo, Hawaii, through 1942.

He will be missed by his family and friends, but not forgotten.

Clarence B. Wiley, Pearl Harbor Survivor Columbia, South Carolina

A PAID MEMORIAL (2000)

Calif. Chapter 11 Shares Loss Of Honorary Member/Hero

By Mayo Fowler Secretary, CA Chapter 11

We have lost another Pearl Harbor Survivor. He was not a member of our organization because he was a civilian.

Arthur S. Heley was an honorary member of this chapter. He was a Navy civilian diver and was in Pearl Harbor waters on 7 December 1941. He rescued several people from the water that day. He also pulled a flag from the water near the *USS Arizona*. He presented this flag to this chapter about 10 years ago.

In 1986, during the 45th reunion in Honolulu, this chapter, with Mr. Heley's permission, donated the flag to the Shoreside Museum at Pearl Harbor.



Prayer for the Dead

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



EARL C. DEITZLER Submarine Base New Carollton, MD

SYDNEY C. PINKSEN USS Avocet (AVP-4) LaMesa, CA

ROBERT E. CROOK USS Rigel (AR-11) Omaha, NE

ARLINGER D. BRIGGS USS California (BB-44) Lakeland, FL

THOMAS J. RABIG Station Hospital, Schofield Newtown, PA

SIRRINE E. HARDY USS Dobbin (AD-3) Tuxedo, MD

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CLINTON J. VIOLETTE PT Boats San Diego, CA

JAMES C. RIFFLE USS St. Louis (CL-49) Santee, CA

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EARL F. CRITES USS Detroit (CL-8) Lakewood, CA

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JAMES O. GILLMORE Naval Hospital Mobile 2 Potomac, MD

RUSSELL V. COGLE USS Case (DD-370) Anderson, CA

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JOHN DEVINE Hickam Field Elkhart Lake, WI JACK E. GAMBLE USS San Francisco (CA-38) Long Beach, CA

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WESLEY H. BARLEY USS Honolulu (CL-48) Auburn, CA

GAIL M. HULSEBUS USS Medusa (AR-1) Lincoln, NE

ANGELO H. BELOTTI USS Maryland (BB-46) Little Rock, AR

PATRICK J. McGARVEY Hickam Field Philadelphia, PA

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FRANK J. PERKOVICH 34th Eng. Schofield Ladysmith, WI

CRAIG V. GATES USS Detroit (CL-8) Scottsdale, AZ

DONALD C. HYMERS USS California (BB-44) Prescott Valley, AZ

THOMAS F. HELTON USS Helena (CL-50) Huntsville, AL

FRANK H. STRYJEWSKI Hickam Field Maspeth, NY

JOSEPH C. BORYS 19th Inf. Reg., Schofield Hastings-on-Hudson, NY

WALTER W. OSBORN USS California (BB-44) Lakewood, CA

THOMAS A. MEANY USS Argonne (AG-31) Plainstow, NH

RICHARD N. BOURBONNIE USS Detroit (CL-8) Marysville, WA

RAYMOND W. STEPHAN 24st Inf. Div., Schofield Oshkosh, WI ANTHONY L. PALMESI USS California (BB-44) Carlsbad, CA

DONALD D. JOHNSON USS Utah (AG-16) Cheyenne, WY

JOSEPH F. GIUDICI USS West Virginia (BB-48) Sparks, NV

CLIFFORD F. GRIFFIN USS Medusa (AR-1) Tucumcari, NM

WILLIAM O. MORELAND USS Tennessee (BB-43) Seattle, WA

GRANT SEVIER VJ-2 NAS, Ford Is. Littleton, CO

CURTIS H. HOLVERSTOTT USS Pelias (AS-14) Everett, WA

HUGH MOORE USS St. Louis (CL-49) Norfolk, VA

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USS James C. Owens (DD-776) Oct. 15-19, 1989, at Stardust Hotel, Las Vegas, NV. Contact Lee Warren, 750 Oddstad Blvd., Apt. 312-A, Pacifica, CA 94044. (415) 359-8070.

USS Ross (DD-563)/USS Chickasaw (ATF-83) Oct. 17– 19, 1989, in Las Vegas, NV. Contact D. F. Cox, 14552 Florita Rd., La Mirada, CA 90638. (714) 521–1371. USS Honolulu (CL-48) Oct. 6-8, 1989, at Villa Hotel, San Mateo, CA, 1-800-341-2345. Contact Frank Sabato, 2028 Howard Ave., San Carlos, CA 90470. (415) 593-4055.

USS Ralph Talbot (DD-390) and ships of Destroyer Squadron 4, Oct. 5-8, 1989. Contact D. MacHaffie, P.O. Box 669, Magalia, CA 95954. (916) 873-3342.

USS Helm (DD-388) Oct. 4-8, 1989, at Lake Wright Motel, Norfolk, VA. Contact Clifford Ryan, 6957 Riddick St., Norfolk, VA 23518. (804) 855-5976.

USS Henley (DD-391) Sept. 15-17, 1989, in Kissimmee, FL. Contact Roy Anglen, P.O. Box 3, Hume, IL 61932. (217) 887-2372.

Space Shuttle

Chapter 14

Celebrates 6th Anniversary

USS Maryland (BB-46) Sept. 5-10, 1989, at the Regency Hotel, Denver, CO. Contact William Haligas, 481 E. 66th Ave., Denver, CO 80229. (303) 286-8207.

USS Pyro (AE-1 and AE-24) Sept. 8-10, 1989, at the Julien Inn, Dubuque, IA. Contact Paul Simon, 52 Bluff St., Dubuque, IA 52001. (319) 583-9985.

USS Boston (CA-69/CAG-1/SSN-703) July 21-23, 1989, in Nashua, NH. Contact USS Boston Reunion, P.O. Box 816, Amherst, NH 03031.

USS Patterson (DD-392) and WW II survivors rescued by the Patterson, Se st. 21–24, 1989. Contact Carl Allison, Turnpike Road, Rt. 2 Box 326A, Horse Shoe, NC 28742. Phone (704) 891–9504.

USS Boggs (DD-136/DMS-3/AG-19) WW II crews Oct. 19–22, 1989, in Vallejo, CA. Contact Mark Schaitel, Rt. 1 Box 254A, Sparta, WI 54656. (608) 269–7266.

USMC—3rd and 4th Defense Battalions, Sept. 20–23, 1989, in Syracuse, NY. Contact James Deavers Sr., Box 55 Gladding St., South Otselic, NY 13155. Phone (315) 653–4482.

USS Case (DD-370) Sept., 1989, in Portland, Maine. Contact John Hinson, Box 67, Twain Harte, CA 95383.

USS Bagley (DD-386) Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 1989, in St. Louis, MO. Contact Walter S. Morley, P.O. Box 608, West Dennis, MA 02670. (508) 398-8553.





Photo by E. H. Neener, Jr.

6th anniversary dinner, Space Shuttle Chapter 14, Cape Cannaveral, Florida, on May 3, 1989. From left: Margie McClintock, National Secretary Robert McClintock (guest speaker), Navy Nurse Virginia Jo Mann (who was captured by the Japanese on Guam, December 10, 1941) and Chapter President Jimmy Jones of Space Shuttle Chapter 14.



Space Shuttle Chapter 14's 6th anniversary birthday cake.



USS VESTAL REUNION By William T. Wall

Twenty-six PHSA members were included in the 67 shipmates that attended the USS Vestal reunion held in Arizona in September 1988. Total including guests was 111 persons.

- IN SEARCH OF LOST COMRADE -

This member has been trying for years to locate Vincente Abate, Jr., ACRM USN NSN 224-05-47. They served together in VP-24 at Ford Island on December 7, 1941, and later in VPB-118. His hometown was Union City, NJ.

If you have any information on Vincente Abate Jr., please contact A. J. Hopkins, Box 7372, San Diego, CA 92107. Phone (619) 222–2930.

50th Anniversary Stamp

7th District Director Lee Gold farb, National Vice Pres. Jerry Glaubitz and myself spent the afternoon of May 8, 1989, in the office of Frank B. Thomas, Program Manager, Philatelic Design, Washington, D.C. to verify the status of our anniversary stamp for 1991.

We were assured by Mr. Thomas that we will have a stamp for our 50th anniversary, but it will be issued along with a series of other World War II stamps.

He informed us that there could be a possible unveiling of the Pearl Harbor stamp at our 1990 Convention in Albuquerque, NM.

They will not tell us what the stamp will look like, but it will be the first one issued in that series.

Lee, again, has spent many hours on this project for the last few years and all the credit should go to him for its success.

The Philatelic committee is a hard group to communicate with as some of you know, so please leave all further action on the stamp to Mr. Goldfarb, until it is issued. We will keep you informed.

Ken Creese, National President

Dear Mr. Lee Goldfarb:

Thank you for contacting my district office to ask that I become an original co-sponsor of legislation honoring the survivors of Pearl Harbor.

You and your fellow servicemen at Pearl Harbor responded with valor and distinction to Japan's vicious surprise attack. We must never forget those who sacrificed so much in defense of our country.

As a result of this belief, I will become an original co-sponsor of Congressman Guarini's bill, which will be introduced later this month. Please be assured that I will work hard to ensure that the House approves this legislation.

Again, thank you for contacting me to express your support for Congressman Guarini's legislation. Please do not hesitate to contact me again if I may be of service to you in the future.

Sincerely, Dean A. Gallo Member of Congress

POSTMASTER GENERAL Washington, DC 20260-0010

Dear Mr. Goldfarb:

It is my pleasure to reconfirm to the officers and other members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association the Postal Service's previous commitment regarding philatelic commemoration of the events at Pearl Harbor in 1941.

As you know, we plan to pay tribute to this significant historic occasion, and to the brave Americans who fought there, as part of a series of issues honoring the many World War II related subjects which currently are being considered by the Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee.

In addition, we will consider your request to unveil the design.

Thank you for your kind remarks regarding the personnel of our Stamp Information Branch. I always am pleased to learn that postal people are treating our customers with the courtesy and respect they deserve.

Best wishes to all the members of your Association for a successful and enjoyable convention in 1990.

Sincerely, Anthony M. Frank



Left to right: National Vice President Jerry Glaubitz, Frank Thomas, Program Manager, Philatelic Design, and National President Ken Creese, at the Post Office Bldg., Washington D.C.

Medal Bill . . .

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SECTION 4. AUTHORIZATION APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) AUTHORIZATION — Effective October 1, 1989, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

(b) REIMBURSEMENT OF APPROPRIATION — The appropriation used to implement this Act shall be reimbursed out of the

proceeds of sales under subsection 2(c).

SECTION 5. NATIONAL MEDALS.

The medals struck pursuant to this Act are national medals for purposes of Chapter 51 of Title 31, United States Code.

PHSA's Oldest Survivor

By Ken Irwin PHSA Ray Glover Chapter Seattle, WA

Carl M. Moe (Commander, USN Ret.), a member of the Ray Glover Chapter, Seattle, WA, will be celebrating his 99th birthday on July 6.

He served aboard the USS Curtiss on that incredible day of

Dec. 7, 1941.

He was born near Bergen, Norway, but spent most of his life in the Ballard area of Seattle, WA, being very active in community affairs. He sang in the Norwegian Male Chorus for most of his adult life.

He and his wife, Olise, celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary on Aug. 6, 1986, but Olise has since passed on.

All of us in PHSA wish you a very "Happy 99th Birthday," Carl, and we hope you are able to celebrate many more.

Survivors who wish to send birthday greetings to Carl please address them to: Carl M. Moe, 2204 N.W. 70th St., Seattle, WA 98107.

Dear Legislator:

As we approach the 50th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, many special events are being planned and we would like to make you aware of several of them.

First and foremost, of course, will be our return to Hawaii for the observance and commemoration of the events that occurred on December 7, 1941.

In addition, a Commemorative Stamp will be issued by the Postal Service and we would be honored if you would be part of another great event that is in the making.

Congressman Frank J. Guarini is about to introduce a bill which would establish a Congressional Commemorative Medal for members of the Armed Forces who were present during the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.

We are asking your support for this once in a lifetime event with the hope that you would be an original co-sponsor when this bill is introduced.

Congressman Guarini's office is located in 2458 Rayburn HOB and his phone number is 202/225—2765. His legislative assistant is Michael Hutton who may be reached at the same office.

May I thank you in advance for your cooperation and may I close with the thought that as we reach this milestone, we will truly believe that all America "Remembers Pearl Harbor."

With deep gratitude,

Young and Old Remember Pearl Harbor Day

Reprinted from the Staten Island Advance

Young and old, two distinct generations, joined hands to remember the spirit of Pearl Harbor.

A delegation of Staten Island high school students for the first time joined with members of the Island chapter of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, Inc., during their annual ceremony to commemorate the Japanese bombing of the Navy fleet that marked the United States' entry into World War II.

The 47th anniversary of Pearl Harbor was observed with a somber service at Naval Station New York, Fort Wadsworth, attended by about a third of the 24 Islanders who survived the attack and members of their families, as well as representatives of nearly a dozen different veterans' groups.

Members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association stood at attention as the muster of those who served was read aloud.

Then, members of the Fleet Reserve Association staged a "two-bell ceremony" for deceased members.

A ship's bell was sounded twice for each name as Retired Chief Petty Officers Bill Wagner and Sam Foti read a list of "those who served at Pearl Harbor and who are now on the staff of their Supreme Commander."

Students representing public, private and parochial high schools who are also reporters and editors on their school newspapers listened intently to the ceremony.

Earlier, they were welcomed by Rep. Guy V. Borough, President Ralph J. Lamberti, Capt. Edward Froelich, commanding officer of the navy station; and Al Seton, program chairman for the Survivors Association.

Seton, who served on the USS St. Louis, said young people have "much misinformation" about the Pearl Harbor attack. "Probably the biggest thing young people say is they didn't know there were any survivors of the attack. From what they've heard and read, they think everyone was killed."

After they viewed a film about the attack, titled "Victory at Sea," the high school students were invited to ask questions of the survivors in a "news conference" format.

According to Seton, the students will go back to their schools and write and prepare special editions of their school newspaper that will focus on Pearl Harbor.

On that Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941, the sailors, soldiers and Marines at Pearl Harbor and on the island of Oahu, were unaware that a task force of Japanese aircraft carriers and destroyers had reached within 200 miles of Hawaii and would rain death and destruction on their Pacific paradise.

More than 3,500 people were killed during the two-hour sneak attack. Eighteen ships were sunk or sustained heavy damage, and 170 planes were destroyed.

The attack took most of the Pacific fleet out of commission for more than a year but also rallied the country around the war effort.



Flora Chan, a New Dorp High School student, listens intently as Pearl Harbor Survivors Association members address the audience.

Anne Tavani, a student at St. John Villa Academy, asked the survivors what was their emotional reaction to the attack at the time.

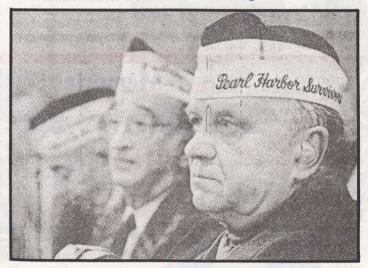
"Extreme frustration," Seton replied. "We saw the first planes come over, and then we knew what was coming." Frank Karpicki, who served on the *USS Pennsylvania*, said he and his colleagues "really didn't have a chance to react emotionally; we were trying to do our jobs as we had been trained to do."

The students agreed it was a good idea to join in the commemoration of Pearl Harbor and make more young people aware of the facts that led to the attack.

"It's important that we not just study this as history, but get a chance to talk to those who were actually there," said Curtis High School senior Vincent Sena, a member of the Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training program at Curtis.

"We have to make sure," he said, "that this kind of a sneak attack will never happen to

America again."



Al Seton, foreground, program chairman for the Survivors Association, prepares to answer a student's question during the "news conference."

National Events Planned To Remember Pearl Harbor

Pearl Harbor, the "Day which will live in infamy," is emblazoned forever in the memories of those who were alive on December 7, 1941.

As the 50th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor approaches, more than 20 veterans and civic organizations want to ensure that younger generations of Americans never forget about that day or the sacrifices which their nation underwent to preserve freedom for them.

The first national event is scheduled for Lexington, Kentucky, December 7, 1989. Organizers are hoping to find coordinators in every state to help bring people from all across America to Lexington on December 7.

These groups are planning

annual national remembrances culminating with the 50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor in Washington D.C. on December 7, 1991.

These events are designed as both solemn days of remembrance and days for celebrating the eventual American victory in World War II.

Members of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, Medal of Honor recipients and other notables will be invited guests at the events.

For more information, contact Ellis McCollum, Coordinator, Pearl Harbor Commemorative Committee, in Lexington, Kentucky, at (606) 277–1629, or Pamela Hoots, Columbia, Kentucky, (502) 384–4963.

The PHSA Memorial Wall was dedicated 14 June 1989. It now stands in harmony with the existing Wall and the planned additions to the Memorial Area of the USAF Academy cemetery in Colorado.

"Well Done-Well Done-PHSA"

Space for the 13" × 13" bronze plaques is limited and will be allotted by the Air Force Academy on a first-come, first-served basis. Interested PHSA

members must write to:

Mr. William V. Hanchey, Jr. Chief, Gifts and Memorials (XPAG) USAFA, CO 80840

To be eligible, Combat Units (Naval and Military) must have been on or within three miles of Oahu, T.H. on 7 December 1941 during the Japanese attack.

Let us now continue the Fund and place PHSA Memorials at all of the Service Academies. The PHSA Memorial Wall Committee has served almost five years in this endeavor and, once again, thanks all who helped with their generous endowments.

Over 300 members, wives and guests were present for the dedication. Many thanks to Frank Mack.

The PHSA Memorial Wall Committee is now disbanded.

F. L. (Frank) Mack, Chairman Wallace J. Kampney, Treasurer Frederick T. Bowen, Secretery Elmo E. Clark, Member Joseph A. Greco, Member Harold C. Fishencord,

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Not shown are Raymond LaBer and Mark Ferris. Hopefully, we will have photos of them for the October *Gram.*

Founding Fathers were presented gold hats by National President Ken Creese at the meeting of National Chapter 1 on May 20, 1989. From left: Bob Kronberger, George Schaffer, Edward Kronberger, Clarence Bonn and Lewis Smith. Unable to be present due to health were Raymond LaBer and Mark Ferris.

PHSA Members Mark Wedding Anniversaries

50th Anniversaries

F. L. (Frank) (Hickam Field) and Louise R. Mack, 12485 Mt. Shasta Drive, Elbert, CO 80106 — July 29, 1989.

Arthur Lyle (Submarine Base) and Dagmar Marie Campbell, 3209 E. Fountain, Colorado Springs, CO 80910 — May 19, 1989.

Dick (USS Tennessee) and Audrey Doherty, 1700 NE 162nd G-1, Portland, OR 97230 — September 10, 1989.

C. Ray (Dispensary, NAS Ford Island) and Dorothy J. Minger, 2811 Garden Lane, Bensalem, PA 19020 — August 18, 1989.

Clarence N. (USS Chew) and Helen D. Correll, RT 1, Box 131, Gerald, MO 63037 — June 3, 1989.

45th Anniversaries

Charlie Ray (USS Tennessee) and Waldine Boswell, RT 2 Box 171, Sweeny, TX 77480 — September 5, 1989.

J. G. (Jack) (USS Ralph Talbot) and Susan Aupperlee, RT 1 Box 276, Irons, MI 49644 — April 1, 1989.

C. Robert (USS Nevada) and Guida Chamberlain, 424 Vista Ave., Golden, CO 80401 — August 5, 1989.

George (44th Pur Sqdn, Wheeler Field) and RaDora Oelkers, 6817 So. Birch Way, Littleton, CO 80122—July 9, 1989.

Harold T. (USS Shaw) and Rose Mijanovich, 1174 Island Drive, Alameda, CA 94501 — April 20, 1989.

George L. (USS Ramapo) and Kathleen Bernhardt, RT 3 Box 319, Dawson Springs, KY 42408 — September 23, 1989. C. Robert (VJ-2 NAS, Ford Island) and Mildred E. Smith, 210 So. Maple St., Bowling Green, OH 43402 — July 4, 1989.

Jesse L. (Co. E. 19th Inf., Schofield Bks.) and Daily L. Foster, 6608 Powhatan St., Riverdale, MD 20737 — November 3, 1989.

Thomas E. (VP-11 NAS, Kaneohe) and Helen Roth, 8421 Springfield Road, Soddy-Daisy, TN 37379 — May 21, 1989.

Ray (USS West Virginia) and Betty Bray, 16195 Laguna, Victorville, CA 92392 — November 21, 1989.

Roy J. (674th Ord, Wheeler Field) and Cathleen Clark, 15768 Joshua St., Victorville, CA 92392 — October 14, 1989.

J. C. (Mac) (USS Tangier) and Edith Miller, P.O. Box 311, Mukilteo, WA 98275 — January 9, 1989.

Thomas H. (USS Pyro) and Peggy Ryan, 36317 SR 172, Lisbon, OH 44432 — December 9, 1989.

Bob M. (USN Mobile Hospital #2) and Grace Atchley, 6541 Kingsbury Drive, Dallas, TX 75231 — July 15, 1989.

John M. (Bellows Field) and Anita Neuhauser, P.O. Box 48, Phillips, WI 54555 — October 14, 1989.

George (MPs Honolulu) and Gerry Fisher, P.O. Box 66, Oak Harbor, WA 98277 — July 1, 1989.

Raymond A. (USS Detroit) and Mary J. Newsom, 3120 Del View Drive, Del City, OK 73115 — December 27, 1989.

Edlef K. (USS West Virgina) and Margaret Carstens, 6881 Scott St., Hollywood, FL 33024 — January 22, 1989.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

are not automatically entered in the *Gram*. The National application for membership does not call for that information, so there is nothing on file Nationally. Members must submit the information in time for publication. Note that we print anniversaries every five years. You must send the information to the *Gram* editor.

Ray H. (USS Pelias) and Dell Frost, 23835 Horsefly Road, Montrose, CO 81401 — June 1, 1989.

E. H. (Johnny) (USS San Francisco) and Kay Johnson, 1521 3rd Ave. North, Texas City, TX 77590 — August 15, 1989.

H. Mickey (USS West Virginia) and Goody Fischer, 6301 Starkes Grade Road, Pollock Pines, CA 95726 — October 5, 1989.

Harold A. (USS Maryland) and Jane Schreiber, 2113SE 29th Terrace, Topeka, KS 66611 — March 21, 1989.

Vernon H. (USS Helm) and Frances M. Kent, 23103 83 W., Edmonds WA 98020 — September 19, 1989.

Ralph (USMC NAS Kaneohe) and Jane Burris, 16789 Hawthorne, Fontana, CA 92335 — April 3, 1989.

Eugene V. (USS Blue) and Helen L. Posey, 75 3rd Ave. #17, Chula Vista, CA 92010 — June 18, 1989.

Hank (USS Tangier) and Peggy Freitas, 548 Fireside Court, Walnut Creek, CA 94598 — September 2, 1989.

40th Anniversaries

Harold W. (USS San Francisco) and Ellen Rogers, 204 East Edgewood, Springfield, MO 65807 — May 21, 1989.

Frank (Wheeler Field) and Kitty Nutt, 13207 Winona Road, Apple Valley, CA 92307 — May 14, 1989. George (USS Curtiss) and Dorothy Ihle, P.O. Box 329, Ongmns Ferry, PA 18328 — September 10, 1989.

Charles (Schofield Barracks) and Rose Aslanian, 9142 Dresden Lane, Port Richey, FL 34668 — July 17, 1989.

William F. (Co. M, 19th Inf., Schofield Bks.) and Carol Almon, 534 Park, Ardmore, OK 73409 — September 24, 1989.

Andrew (25th Div., Schofield Bks.) and Jean Carol, 4210 Charles, Dearborn, MI 48126—November 12, 1989.

Marlin E. (Hickam Field) and Ruth N. Wagner, 2920 Wayne St., Harrisburg, PA 17111 — May 18, 1989.

35th Anniversaries

Hazelet V. (55th CA, Fort Kamehameha) and Corrine Villa, 4331 NW 34 Court, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33319 — July 17, 1989.

30th Anniversaries

Stanley (USS Selfridge) and Helen Seck, 5 Winding Way Road, Stratford, NJ 08084 — August 1, 1989.

15th Anniversaries

Harold A.(USS Nevada) and Mary Louise Kern, P.O. Box 67, Odessa, WA 99159 — July 13, 1989.



DUES

In just three months, we will be starting a new fiscal year for P.H.S.A. This is an early notice to all annual members to remind them that 1990 Dues should be paid between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31.

Over the past year, we had to drop 215 members for non-payment of 1989 Dues. California alone lost 50 members

We no longer charge a \$5.00 reinstatement fee for late Dues; so Chapter Officers, let's find and reinstate these fellow Survivors. Almost everyone is just a phone call away.

On the good note — We have gained over 300 new members since Jan. 1 and your National Secretary and National Treasurer thank all the sponsors for their efforts.

Chinese Warship Pays A Bicentennial Visit Here

The trip marks the 200th anniversary of Chinese immigration

Reprinted from the Star-Bulletin

Submitted by Robert Hudson

Picturesque but subdued pageantry marked the historic Pearl Harbor arrival of a 435foot Chinese warship, coinciding with the bicentennial of Chinese immigration to Hawaii.

At dockside, members of the local Chinese community greeted the ship and crew with small Chinese flags along with a few American flags.

Adm. David Jeremiah, Pacific Fleet commander, referred to this first visit of a Chinese warship to a U.S. port as a "momentous occasion," amid the "new life and the new beginnings of spring," alluding to the thaw that began between the two nations in the 1970s.

About 200 guests attended the arrival ceremonies; scores more watched through a chain-link fence along Bravo Pier, main dock facility at Pearl Harbor.

High-ranking visitors and greeters spoke at length of friendship between the two countries and of the significance of this first port call to a Western nation of a Chinese warship, its deck guns in full view.

Gov. John Waihee ended his remarks with thank you in Chinese; Vice Adm. Ma Xinchun, commander of the People's Liberation Army's North Sea Fleet, concluded with mahalo. Waihee referred to the 200th anniversary celebration of Chinese immigration to Hawaii and praised Chinese contributions here. When his remarks were translated by an interpreter, aloha came out the same in both languages.

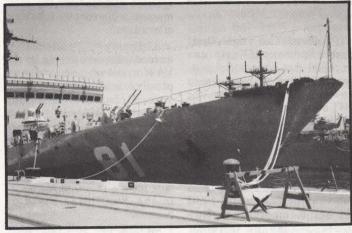
"The citizens of Oahu are eager to share with you their spirit of aloha," Waihee said. "We welcome you to Hawaii, we hope you enjoy your visit to our islands."

"We have come here for the very purpose of advancing the friendship between the people of the armed forces and the people of China and the United States, and again for the major objective of maintaining global peace," said Ma, speaking through an interpreter.

He spoke of "glamorous Hawaii," hoping it "will continue to enjoy its prosperity."

Honors for Ma included a 17gun salute fired from the nearby USS Coronado, 3rd Fleet flagship. The Pacific Fleet Band played national anthems of both countries, and Ma inspected two smartly drilled platoons of U.S. Marines.

Strict discipline prevailed as Chinese visitors manned the rails of the training ship Zheng He for almost two hours. Crew and civilian members of a cultural troupe, including a number of young women, stood for the arrival and remained standing for lengthy formal ceremonies,



The 435-foot Chinese warship, Zheng He, with possibly the world's largest lei on bow.

their many-colored uniforms complementing the flagfestooned ship with 89 midshipsmen, 123 crew members and 38 civilians aboard.

A series of cultural and social events is planned, along with an exchange of naval training and tours. A basketball game will take place at 1 p.m. Friday between Chinese visitors and a Pacific Fleet team at Bloch Arena.

The cultural troupe will present concerts at 7 p.m. tomorrow at Pearl Harbor and at 10 a.m. Sunday at Kapiolani Park.

The USS Ingersoll, a Pearl Harbor-based destroyer, is host ship to the Zheng He, which probably will leave Tuesday on its homeward voyage.

Three U.S. naval ships visited China in 1986, and this port call of the *Zheng He* is a return visit. The U.S. 7th Fleet is expected to send ships to visit China again in May.

The Zheng He, known as a training ship, set sail March 31 from Qingdao, a deep-water port in Shandong Province.

The Zheng He is named for a 15th-century eunuch, also known as Cheng Ho, who commanded seven naval expeditions to the Indian Ocean and the east coast of Africa during the Ming dynasty.

A relatively new ship, the Zheng He was built in a Shanghai shipyard, entering service in 1988.

This Pearl Harbor arrival marked only the second foreign visit of a Chinese warship. The previous voyage was to Bangladesh and Pakistan in 1985, a U.S. spokesman said.

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Robert Hudson of Aloha Chapter 1 with Vice Admiral Ma Xinchun Lu Hsiao-Bo, journalist for the Chinese Navy; and Ding Lingging, correspondent for Xinhua News Agency of Beijing.

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KANSAS PHSA NEWS

By James D. Denison Honorary Member, Wichita PHSA

It's official. That's right, Pearl Harbor Survivors of Kansas can be proud that a memorial marker dedicated to servicemen who died that December 7th, 1941 morning is on VA grounds of Wichita, Kansas.

With full ceremony and respective service, honor guards in full "Class A" dress; December 7, 1988, was a beautiful day for such a ritual ceremony; also honoring the first official Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day signed into law by Governor Mike Hayden.

Several Survivors and their forgotten.

spouses gathered for the ceremonies with special luncheon afterwards.

A display of Pearl Harbor memorabilia was set up in the VA Hospital where several people and school kids viewed several pieces, remembering December 7, 1941.

Several television interviews were held with Survivors.

It was a fine day for the finest bunch of people I know who now have a beautiful memorial in the Sunflower State of Kansas.

Generations will remember December 7, 1941. It will not be forgotten



Survivors gather around the newly set marker dedicated to the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association.



PHSA Memorial V.A. Hospital Wichita, Kansas



Joe Nambo (USS West Virginia) President of Greater Wichita Chapter, getting wired for sound for TV interviews.

— HOT NEWS

FROM NEW MEXICO CHAPTER 1

By Leo Smith NM State Chairman

Thanks to the efforts of Frank Camperell (USS Utah), the bill for our PHSA license plate was presented to the Legislature as HB 436 and is sponsored by Representative Thomas Foy, District 39, and co-sponsored by many other Representatives and Senators.

The bill received an unanimous DO-PASS vote by the Transportation and Appropriations, and Finance Committees.

Members of our Chapter were present at both of these hearings, wearing their PHSA hats.

These are just the preliminary steps in the process, now the bill must be presented to the Members of the House, approved by them, then presented to the Senate and approved by them before it is ready for the Governor's signature.

So, it is important that we continue to call, write or wire our Representatives and Senators and solicit their cosponsorship and support of this bill if we are to succeed.

Remember, numbers count and as there are not many of us, we must all get on the job! We will need as many as possible in the gallery when the bill comes before the House and Senate; so let us all try to be there and let them know that we are serious about reminding our citizens to "Remember Pearl Harbor — Keep America Alert."

Note: HB 436 passed the House 66 to 0. It now goes to the Senate looking good.

News From Alaska's North Star Chapter

By Al Stokes President, North Star Chapter

Our 28-member group of Survivors of the North Star Chapter, PHSA have found a home! Our wonderful fellow veterans of the American Legion Post 29, located at 1467 Muldoon Road in Anchorage, have totally adopted us!! Because of the vast area between members, cost of air travel and hotel rooms, it is practically prohibitive to attend meetings unless you live in or near Anchorage.

This left us with too few mem-

bers to support the rental costs as well as other functions of the chapter. Though small but proud, we continue to do all we can to tell the story of Pearl Harbor.

Through the use of our personal appearances as well as the use of the video production, we are carrying the message to the younger generation.

Our only form of revenue is through the sale of our video, "There Are Some Days You Can't Forget."

Wyoming PHSA License Plates

The State of Wyoming has joined the growing number of states that have authorized special automobile license plates for Pearl Harbor Survivors.

The law was signed by the Governor of Wyoming on March 9, 1989. Requirements are the same as for membership in PHSA.

The bill will also authorize special license plates for members of the Wyoming Army or Air National Guard.

WA Seeks Change In PHSA License Bill

By George Fisher Washington State Chairman

The State of Washington is considering a change to their bill authorizing special automobile license plates for Pearl Harbor Survivors.

The change would authorize surviving spouses of Pearl Harbor Survivors to obtain and use the special license plates.

Senate Bill No. 5284, Sect. 1(3): The department may also issue such plates to the surviving spouse of any deceased former Pearl Harbor survivor, upon application, payment of fees, and furnishing of proof as required by subsection (2) of this section.

News From Tennessee

By Jerry Gammon **Tennessee State Chairman**

My legislator in the State Capital submitted a bill to abolish the \$25.00 yearly renewal fee for the Tennessee special license plate for the Pearl Harbor Survivors.

The governor signed the bill. Since all plates expire in March of each year, it is too late for this year, but, next March, they will not have to pay the renewal fee; just once when you buy your first plate.

The 1989 yearly Tennessee State meeting was held May 13th at the Airport Quality Inn, in Nashville, TN.

There were 25 members, three Sons and Daughters, and nine wives. I would have liked to have had more, but I am pleased as it is.

We held a pre-luncheon meeting for registering and whatever else. The luncheon was at 12:00

After the meal, the ladies

went on an escorted tour of the Oprvland Hotel.

This was arranged by Mona Lewis and since she could not be there with us, she sent her lovely daughter to take the Pearls on the trip.

We had three of our new members present. I spoke of the Pearl Harbor Gram being very informational. About the Bronze Plaque and the Unit List. About the license plate. Also, "old business and new business."

The four chapter presidents then spoke about their chapter's activities which included speaking to schools and other groups about Pearl Harbor.

The members were asked to speak up on anything. The new members identified themselves and told of where they were stationed.

My thanks to Mrs. Clyde (Elsie) Hudson for taking and typing the minutes of the state meeting.

Seventh District News

By Lee Goldfarb 7th District Director

Just a very brief report on the activities of the Seventh District.

On January 22, I attended the Maryland State meeting held at Fort Meade. It was a well attended meeting. In attendance were Gerry Glaubitz, our National Vice President and of course, Tony DiLorenzo, Maryland State Chairman.

All officers were duly sworn in and progress on the license plate was discussed. It was an excellent meeting and the hospitality shown to me was first class.

On April 28, 29 and 30, I attended the Michigan State Convention and once again I must say, I was very delighted by the wonderful reception.

Gerry Lipscomb and his committee did an excellent job and all in attendance enjoyed them-

Also present was our National President Ken Creese and our National Secretary Bob McClintock.

New Jersey has been very active and although the state chapters will not be together until December 7, when a dinner dance will be held at Fort Monmouth, State Chairman George Danko informs me all three chapters are doing well.

A license plate has been approved for New Jersey and already several new members have joined based on the news of the special plates.

On May 19, 20 and 21, I will be attending the Virginia State Convention and I know that State Chairman Martin and his fellow Virginians will do their usual excellent job.

I have visited Liberty Bell Chapter in Philadelphia and have met with State Chairman Steve Yorden on several occasions and there has been a lot of activities as Pennsylvania works on the Seventh District Convention which will be held in 1990 in Reading, PA.

I have been in touch with the remaining three chapters and although I do not have much to report, we are in communication. Ohio is making plans for its convention and Bob Bayham informs me it will be held in September.

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information must be sent to the National Secretary. He maintains the membership list, runs the mailing labels for the Gram, etc. When you send the information to the Gram editor, you are delaying getting it to the proper person. Use the form on page 39 and send it to the National Secretary.

PEARL HARBOR MEMORY PERPETUATED

By George J. VanGleri HQ 17th A/B CP, Wheeler Field

The date was March 22, 1989. The place, Greenlawn, Long Island, New York. The school - a junior high school eighth graders (13-year olds). Assembled in the school auditorium were about 165 students and ten members of the faculty.

My prearranged presentation, due to a limitation of school time, included our Chapter's "Day of Infamy" film (in part) plus a recitation of historical Pearl Harbor facts, which was followed by enthusiastic questions galore from the audience and equally enthusiastic responses from the three PHSA members who participated in this program.

A two-minute ovation concluded the program indicating it was well received. Lots of appreciative handshaking from the students who lined up to ask further appropriate questions.

The perpetuation of the memory of Pearl Harbor was accomplished on March 22nd at Greenlawn, Long Island, NY.

PHSA Rug On Display Klamath Fal



U.S. Marine Aboard USS New Orleans

The above is a 5-foot by 7-foot rug which weighs about 45 pounds and represents many skeins of yarn and many hours of work. The PHSA logo is in gold, brown, black and red. The two banners are in gold and all print is in black.

From Veterans Day until after the first of the year, it hangs in the Marine Corp League's Leatherneck Club in Kalmath Falls. The League has agreed to build a glass case for the rug so that it can hang year round.

★ WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS



The second quarter of 1989 closed with many new members joining PHSA.

To date, 199 Survivors have signed up at least one new member. Keep up the good work.

We welcome all new members to our Association.

Due to the unauthorized use of names and addresses of new members printed in the Gram, the full address is not listed. If any member desires to obtain the full address of a fellow Survivor, please contact the National Vice President, who is the membership chairman. His address is on page 2.

Please enclose a legal size, self-addressed stamped envelope when requesting the information.

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GOLD, Alan N. Miami Beach, FL (Marine Bks, PH)

PROVOST, Louis Lafavette, LA (USS San Francisco)

BOWMAN, Paul V. Bellvue, WA (USS Raleigh)

CASTONGUAY, Euclid F. Newport News, VA (USS Tennessee)

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MATHER, Walter E. Virginia Beach, VA (34th Eng. Reg, Schofield)

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RUDDELL, George R. San Carlos, CA (USS Vestal)

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STEVENS, George S. Redding, CA (15th C/A, Ft. Kamehameha)

ROLL, Philip A. Greensboro, NC (USS New Orleans)

DEMATTIA, Samuel L. Newark, NJ (98th C/A Schofield)

LIEURANCE, Max B. Council Bluffs, IA (USS Nevada)

MIHALJEVICH, Boris Green Valley, AZ (Bellows Field)

VANDENBERG, Elmer A. San Jose, CA (USS Solace)

COFER, James E. Sepulveda, CA (USS Dobbin)

SINK, Robert E. San Diego, CA (USS California)

STOUT, Bryan Jr. Seagoville, TX (USS Nevada)

KEATING, Edward S. Jamul, CA (USS Dale)

SHRIVER, Robert L. Baltimore, MD (USN Mobile Hosp. 2)

MILKOVICH, Steven Price, UT (USS Maryland)

ZURO, Albert N. Hudson, FL (3rd Def Btn, USMC) ZURO, Albert N. Hudson, FL (3rd Def Btn, USMC) PHILLIPS, Floyd W.

Santa Clara, CA
(USS Maryland)

PERSTEIN, Arthur S. Roslyn Heights, NY (USS Solace)

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(251st C/A, Camp Malakole)

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Melbourne, FL
(Hickam Field)
HEWITT, James J.
Lawrenceville, NJ

(98th C/A, Schofield) THOMAS, Frank C. Oklawaha, FL (USS Maryland)

HOWARD, Edmond E. Anacortes, WA (USS Raleigh)

WEAR, Charles B. Kerman, CA (27th Inf Reg, Schofield)

BURK, Kramer J. Fullerton, CA (USS California)

TANTON, Norris V. Campbell, TX (USS Pruitt)

GROBE, George H. Blanco, TX (USS Maryland)

BRIEN, Earl B. Luling, LA (USS New Orleans)

DENNEY, Stanley A.
San Diego, CA
(USS Conyngham)
BRODERICK, Walter S.
Orlando, FL
(USS Aylwin)
TAYLOR, John E.

Culbertson, NE (USS San Francisco)

FULTZ, Wilber O. Fort Benton, MT (Submarine Base P.H.)

BODOR, Guy H. Aurora, IL (USS San Francisco)

JONES, Herman Anaheim, CA (USS Oklahoma)

LOGSDON, Harold K. Canton, MO (USS Conyngham)

ELLIOTT, Elmo Checotah, OK (Ewa Airbase)

BEAUCHAMP, James E. Denton, TX (USS Tennessee)

HAMMER, Alexander M, Jr. Lexington, MA (USS Conyngham)

COPPER, Major E. Watonga, OK

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BANKS, Dana W. Camarillo, CA (Submarine Base)

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CADENHEAD, Harley S. Kingston, MA

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DOVEY, Paul F. Levittown, PA (USS West Virginia)

SALTERS, Charlie R. Columbia, SC (USS Tennessee)

KEEL, James H. Cedartown, GA (Schofield Barracks)

PALOVITZ, John A.
Dover, NJ
(97th C/A Et Weaver)

(97th C/A, Ft. Weaver) WENNER, Gerald M.

Natchitoches, LA (47th Pur. Sqn, Wheeler Fld)

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WHISNANT, Robert C.
Hickory, NC
(34th Eng, Schofield)

RANDALL, Carl D. Greenwell Springs, LA (USS Detroit)

PIERSON, Dale G. Lady Lake, FL (USS New Orleans)

ST. CLAIR, Earl T. Marysville, CA (USS St. Louis)

TRIGON, Robert L. Hovato, CA (USS Tangier) BYRD, Alfred E. Midland City AL

(11th F/A, Schofield)
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Peewee Valley, KY

(USS Pennyslvania) STOEBER, Jack A. Milford, CT (USS Whitney)

BUCHANNAN, Andrew E. Belen, NM

(USS Maryland)

CHAMBERS, Hugh S. Valley, WA

(USS Conyngham)

ARREGUIN, Jose G. Hayward, CA (USS Pennsylvania)

PARRY, Lawrence C. Baldwinsville, NY (Fort Armstrong)

EVERETT, Francis R. Yuba City, CA (USS Pennyslvania)

LEWIS, Clinton L. Pampa, TX (MP, Schofield)

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(USS Vestal)

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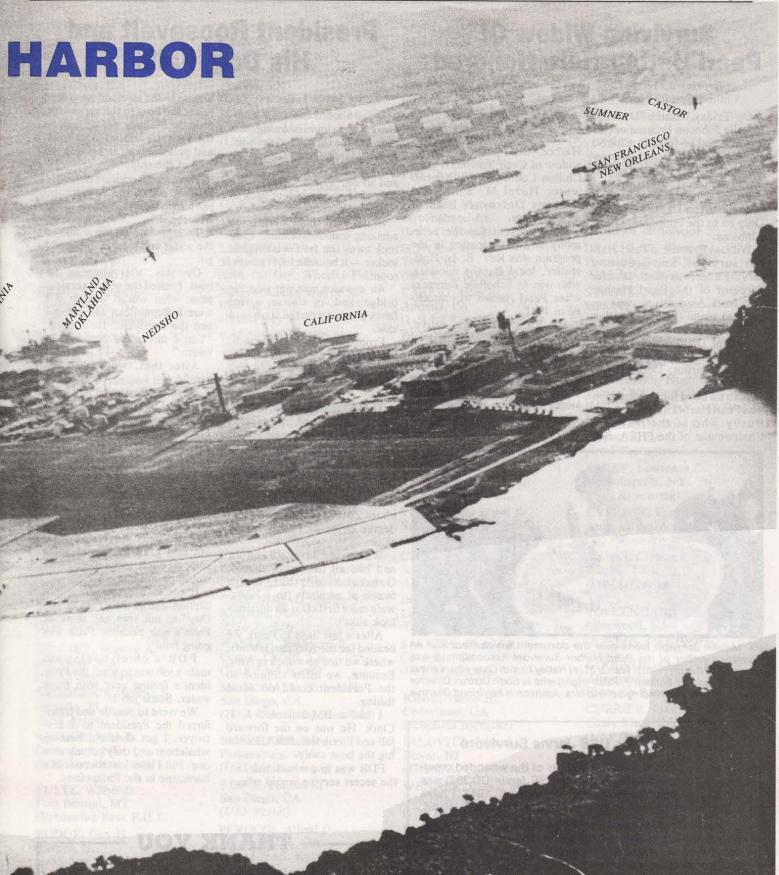
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Photograph taken by Japanese squadron leader of first wave about 0800



December 7, 1941. Photograph found November 8, 1945 in Yokasuka Naval Facility, Japan.

Surviving Widow Of Pearl Harbor Hero Honored

Reprinted From Chilton County News

On Friday, March 31, Mrs. Matalie Johnson became one of a rare breed of folks in Chilton County. She is now an honorary member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, and there are only a half dozen or so of them left in Chilton County. Only 85 in the entire state of of Alabama.

William P. Rush, a Pearl Harbor survivor, and presently serving a term as Sixth District Director of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, was on hand to make the presentation to Mrs. Johnson. She is the widow of Dr. Samuel Johnson who died in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941.

Also on hand for the occasion was Pearl Harbor survivor Anna Busby who is the National Chairwoman of the PHSA. She

was a nurse on Pearl when it was attacked.

Three retired nurses were with Mrs. Busby, who are all widows of survivors of Pearl Harbor. One, Valerie Vinson, widow of Cecil Vinson, is from Chilton County. The other two were: Hazel M. Smith and Frances Dufresne, both of Montgomery.

Also present for the ceremony and participating in the program was Rev. E. L. Huffstutler, local Baptist minister, who was at Schofield Barracks when Pearl Harbor was attacked in 1941.

Mr. Rush, a Clanton native, who was elected Sixth District Director last year, serves one of eight such districts in the United States, and the Sixth District is comprised of eight southeastern states including Alabama. He was aboard the *USS Phoenix* in 1941 at Pearl.



Mrs. Matalie Johnson looks over the document which made her an honorary member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association. It was presented to her on Friday, March 31, at Hatley Health Care where she is now a resident, by William P. Rush (right) who is Sixth District Director of the association. Standing behind Mrs. Johnson is her friend Deannie Lawrence.

Looking For USS Jarvis Survivors

I am trying to find out the names of the wounded crewmen put off onto Tulagi after the USS Jarvis (DD 393) was hit by a torpedo at Guadalcanal August 8, 1942. I have information there were at least nine men left at the island.

The Jarvis sailed early morning August 9, 1942, for temporary repairs at Sydney, Australia, and was caught and sunk with all hands aboard about 1300 hours, 40 miles southwest of Guadalcanal.

All were my former shipmates and I am very interested in those names.

If you have any information, please write to: Charles Ramsey, 3613 Harold Dr., Corpus Christi, TX 78415.

President Roosevelt and His Dog, Falla

By James J. Butte

I was aboard the USS Baltimore for commissioning and rode her for the rest of the war, in the Marshall and Gilbert Islands, Truck, Iwo Jima, Taraw, and so on.

In 1944, we were sent back to Vallejo, California.

In the yard there were some amazing transformations. They took away the 1st Division gear locker — it became FDR's bathroom.

An elevator was put into the bridge, and, of course, a real fancy gangway on the starboard side.

From my division, the 6th, they took my whaleboat ashore, and when it came back, it had white rubber seats forward and aft.

The boat coxswain, boatswain mate second class called "Round Head" Thompson, sat in the engineer's compartment to run the engine and steer with a small wheel instead of a tiller.

In the aft compartment, was installed a chair with arms; the chair could swing in a 360-degree circle — FDR's fishing chair.

We arrived in Pearl Harbor and had all the brass aboard, General MacArthur, and a bunch of admirals (to a boatswain mate first class all admirals look alike).

After a few days in Pearl, we headed for the Aleutian Islands, where we tied up a dock in Attu. Enroute, we often stopped so the President could do some fishing

I had a BM-2 named J. J. Clark. He was on the forward fall and I took the aft fall, lowering the boat away.

FDR was in a wheelchair, so the secret service would wheel him up to the side and we would lower the boat to the waterway, drop the lifelines, put a jigger on the forward and aft boat falls, and pull the boat in against the side of the ship.

The secret servicemen would lift him out of the wheelchair, put him in the fishing chair in the whaleboat.

Then, we would lower him to the water and a fishin' he would go.

One day, after lowering the boat, I asked the secret serviceman, what would you do if I were a Republican and I dropped the President. He replied, "You'd never see him hit the water."

After that, we were very careful.

President Roosevelt had a Lt. J. G. — I don't recall his name — but he was the dog walker. The only problem was he would let Falla go, and he'd go alright in my boat falls coiled up on deck.

Finally, we had to hang them up on the davits.

Every time Falla walked by one of the deck division's gear locker, a hairy arm would reach out and grab Falla and snip, snip, a couple locks of dog hair would be missing.

It got so bad that the ship's captain put in the "Plan of the Day" to not snip any more of Falla's hair because Falla was going bald!

FDR's chief boatswain mate's job was to wash the President's fishing gear with fresh water. Some job!!

We went to Seattle and transferred the President to a destroyer. I got their old beat-up whaleboat and they got my nice one. But I later lost that one in a hurricane in the Philippines.

THANK YOU -

Many thanks to all the members and friends for all the kindness, telephone calls, cards and help after my husband, **Louis Grabinski**, passed away.

- Millie Grabinski

Attention State Chairmen!

Dear State Chairman:

You have probably already read, in the *Gram*, that our president, Ken Creese, has asked me to again take the post of assistant VA hospital volunteer service officer (VAVS). Harold F. (Sarge) Cook will be the National VAVS Representative. He will deal with all states east of the Mississippi River, and I will have all states west of said river.

You can see this is a big job and I need the help of all of you State Chairmen!! What I need is:

- For you to contact all chapters in your state and get names of all PHSA members who are doing any volunteer work at VA hospitals. I need their name, chapter number, and total hours they have worked.
- Any specical events a chapter has done at a VA hospital. Such as a bingo game, a BBQ for the patients, or any other good deeds.

A Winning Couple

"Fred and Ginger Award" (Couples Award — Most Years Served as a Couple)



Harold and Lou Cook Representative and Deputy Representative, PHSA

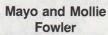
This lovely couple has waltzed their way through many years serving our veterans at Bay Pines. They are one of a kind! 3. Awards given to these PHSA members. We have several who now have received 300 or 500 hour awards. We even have a man who was given his golden 5,000-hour recognition. However. I don't expect to find this many hours spent by most members.

One chapter holds bingo games several times a year, and gives "script books" to the winners. They can buy articles at the small store at that hospital. They collect Christmas cards, with money in them, hang the cards in the VA hospital. Then, they buy the gift books and give those to patients as gifts.

Any and all types of effort will be recognized. And don't forget the wives!!! If they help, be sure to include their names.

All your letters will be appreciated and I hope we can get an article into the *Gram*. I shall thank you in advance . . .

Sincerely, Aloha, Karl A. Johnson VAVS West



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SUNCOAST FLORIDA CHAPTER 1, PHSA

December 7, 1988 Memorial Services at Bay Pines VA Medical Center, FL. Stanley Azevedo (298th Infantry)



Suncoast, FL, Chapter 1, December 7, 1988 Memorial Service held at Bay Pines VA Medical Center, Bay Pines, FL. Left to right: Master of Ceremonies Past Sixth District Director Harold F. (Sarge) Cook, Medal of Honor Winner John Mihalowski (Guest of Honor), Henry Gomez (Incoming Chapter President), Richard F. McElligott (Bay Pines Director), W. B. Mackall (Guest Speaker).



Harold F. (Sarge) Cook, Past Sixth District Director, National PHSA VAVS Representative, National Liaison Officer to SDPHS is presented Veterans Administrative Leadership Award by Ms Debbie Inaldo, Volunteer Specialist, Bay Pines VA Medical Center, Bay Pines, FL. Sarge has 14,000 hours as volunteer at this hospital and has been given many awards for his performance of duties and hours of service. Sarge is working for his 15,000 hours Silver Platter Award hopefully next year.

Pearl Harbor Survivors Annual Gridley Gathering

Reprinted from The Gridley Herald

Washington, Dec. 7 - Oahu was attacked at 7:55 this morning by Japanese planes.

Wave after wave of bombers steamed through the clouded morning sky from the southwest and flung their missiles on a city resting in peaceful Sabbath calm . . .

So read the United Press report in the Honolulu Star Bulletin, on Dec. 7, 1941, in the wake of the bombing of Pearl Harbor by 360 Japanese planes. President Roosevelt called Dec. 7 "a date which will live in infamy.

Military personnel who survived the attack, which killed or wounded 3,700 people, have been meeting annually in Gridley for the past 13 years as part of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association.

The PHSA, whose motto is "Remember Pearl Harbor -Keep America Alert," was founded in 1958 as a result of a crew member reunion for the USS West Virginia.

According to founding member Bob Kronberger, the association started as a social group and "ended up as a patriotic organization."

Association members were in *****************

one of the service branches and within a three-mile combat radius on Oahu. Civilians in the combat area can become honorary members.

From its 12 initial members, the PHSA has grown to include about 10,000 members nationwide, 25 percent of them from California.

The 300 members and their spouses who came to Gridley this year, met for 5 days at the Butte County Fairgrounds, the majority of them in RVs.

Feather River Chapter 25 of the PHSA hosted the annual event, which celebrates the chapter's "birthday."

Members from as far as South Carolina, Florida, Askansas and Idaho topped off the event with a clambake in celebration of Chapter 25's anniversary.

Each chapter hosts an annual gathering open to the other chapters.

The state convention is held yearly and the national convention is held every other year.

Every five years, the group meets at Pearl Harbor.

The next Pearl Harbor gathering will be 1991 and will mark the 50th year since the surprise attack.

Not surprisingly, the survi-

vors interviewed could readily recall what they were doing nearly 50 years ago at 7:55 on a Sunday morning in Oahu.

"I had just got done eating," said Gil Olinger of Selma, who was on the USS Tangier, "and was getting ready to take a nap when GQ (general quarter, all hands on deck) was called. I wondered, 'why GQ on a Sunday?""

Olinger has a photo presentation of the attack that he gives to schools and service clubs in his

After the presentation, Olinger said, some of the school children ask him "Were you really there?'

Tom Martin, who lives in Los Angeles, was at Hickam Field and the "first thing I saw was the hangars blowing up" on Ford Island.

Tom Bates, Santa Rosa, was on the deck of the USS Ramsay, in his skivvies." I thought it was a practice, until I saw torpedoes explode behind the Ramsay.'

John Crandall of Boise, Idaho, was on the gangway of the USS Dobbin "ready for liberty when I saw the first bomb dropped on the hangars on Ford Island." Crandall was a musician and had competed in the Pacific Fleet Band competition the evening before the attack.

Bill Davis of Apple Valley was in the Army Air Force on Dec. 7, 1941. "I was in an A-29, a twin-engine bomber. We attempted to take-off but the plane was damaged by a Japanese fighter before the second engine could be started.'

Mayo Fowler of Vallejo was "driving a '39 Chevy along Hickam Street." Darwin Talmage of Mountain View was "just finishing breakfast." John Murphy of Ventura was aboard the USS Vestal and "saw the very first planes dive down and drop bombs on Ford Island."

The accounts could go on; the attack that thrust the United States into World War II remains a vivid memory to the men stationed at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.



The largest state with a total membership of 28 supports the GRAM. The North Star Chapter Anchorage, Alaska, 99508.

5,000 Attend 11th Annual Retirees Day

Reprinted from Florida Today

Local survivors of the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor found more of their own Saturday in record crowds at Military Retirees Day at Patrick Air Force Base.

More than 5,000 attended the 11th annual event, considered the nation's largest gathering of its kind, organizers said.

Among them were four prospective members of Space Shuttle Chapter 14 of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association.

"We run into new contacts here every year," said James Jones of Satellite Beach. He rescued servicemen in the burning harbor with a tugboat during the attack.

But Jones, at 64, the youngest member of the group, downplayed his heroics. "The real heroes are still laying over there," he said.

Elwood Neener, 69, of Indian Harbour Beach showed his aging comrades photographs of a crater left by a 600-pound bomb that landed in barracks near where he hid. He told of friends who were not as lucky.

"We like to put the theme of Pearl Harbor before the public and this is the best place to do it," said survivors group member Gerald Pearl of Melbourne. "We're afraid the younger generation will forget what happened over there.'

The event also featured 48 booths to provide current information on veterans' issues and to issue military identification cards and car decals.

We use the services here quite a lot," said Robert Ludlow of Hobe Sound, near Stuart. He also attended the first Retiree Day at Patrick.

'It's a handy day to get things done and it's good to be here among friends. It's a community," Ludlow said.

After a brief goodbye from Eastern Space and Missile Center commander Col. Lawrence Gooch, who retires next week, keynote speaker Maj. Gen. Larry Dillingham, deputy chief of staff for Air Force personnel in the Pentagon, praised the event. "It really is impressive," he said.

We support the GRAM and the dedicated purpose of PHSA, Inc. North Carolina, Chapter #1

Greetings from California Mare Island Chapter 11. We love the GRAM. Our officers wish you the best.

Pres. Verl Odneal. USS Antares: Vice Pres. Al Sidebottom, Receiving Station; Secretary Mayo Fowler, Hickam Tow Target, and Treas. Marshall Carver, USS Tangier.

We are now 20 years old. Hope to see you in Albuquerque . . .!

Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors



At the National Convention in Virginia Beach were the officers of the Sons and Daughters of PHS. Seated: Florida State Chairperson Debra Guest. Standing: 6th District Director Diana H. Owen, Secretary Francine Bowhay, President Andrew Shemberger, Vice President Martha Cassidy, and Treasurer Bette Jo Berryman.

If you have sons, daughters, or grandchildren interested in joining this fine group, they should contact Bette Jo Berryman, 1507 Elm Place, Meridian, ID 83642. Phone (208) 888–3431.

USS Shaw (DD-373) Reunion



By Harold T. Mijanovich CA Bay Area Chapter 2

The former crewmembers of the USS Shaw (DD-373) held their fourth reunion in Laughlin, Nevada, April 11-13, 1989. We had a very successful reunion with 168 former officers, men, wives, family members, guests, and widows of our departed shipmates in attendance.

We paid homage to our officers and men who were killed at Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941, along with those killed as a result of enemy action during the capture and occupation of Cape Gloucester, New Britain, December 26, 1943, and all who have since departed.

Our first reunion was held April 25-27, at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, in 1980.

On the second day of our reunion, we rode the *USS* Carpenter DD-825, from the

Alameda Naval Air Station to the Mare Island Navy Yard.

While enroute, some of the Shawmen volunteered to steam the USS Carpenter. They informed the commanding officer that there was enough of the old Shaw crew, including one of our former commanding officers, Captain Victor Graff, for a complete steaming watch.

The C.O. of the *Carpenter* stated "Thank you but no thank you." He felt his young crew could do a fine job without our help.

Our second reunion was held in Corpus Christi, TX, May 20– 22m 1983, at which time we were honored to have Senator John Tower as our guest speaker.

The Third reunion was held in Philadelphia, PA, May 16–18, 1986





Glimpses Of USS Shaw Reunion



50th Reunion Return

(Tentative Schedule)

It is too early to publish the specific activity dates for the 50th Reunion Return to Hawaii. However, for tentative planning purposes, the general broad outline of dates is as follows:

Dec. 3, 1991 Early arrivals.

Officers and Board Members.

Dec. 4, 1991 General arrivals.

Executive Board meeting 9:00 a.m. Registration 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Dec. 5, 1991 Registration 10:00 a.m.

Flag Raising ceremonies 8:00 a.m.
Reception and dance 7:00 p.m.-10:00

p.m.

Dec. 6, 1991 Parade 10:00 a.m.

Free day after the parade for Luaus, Island trips and catamarans.

Dec. 7, 1991 Sunrise services.

Luncheon with show and music. Sunset services.

Dec. 8, 1991 Free day. Banque

Free day. Banquet. No-host cocktails 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Music and dinner 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. At 7:30 p.m. Introductions, Ships and

Stations, Speaker.

Dec. 9, 1991 Departure day.

Executive Board meeting. 9 a.m.

Remember, the Sheraton Waikiki is the Reunion headquarters and the American Airlines the carrier. The use of either is your choice. There will **not** be a tour or travel agency and you will be permitted to purchase only the activities from the registration package you desire.

The **Gram** will carry more details in each publication as

it becomes available and firm.

Please give serious consideration to plans for early reservations for both transportation and lodging. Indications are that there will be a large attendance at this 50th Reunion.

ROBERT McCLINTOCK, JR. National Secretary

New Members . . .

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MOORE, Edward J.
Nevada City, CA
(USS Honolulu)
DZIEDZIC, Stanley F.
Norfolk, VA
(USS Patterson)
BOWMAN, Jack L.
Victoria, TX
(251st C/A, Camp Malakole)
PERCY, Arden L.
Willis, TX
(USS Nevada)
JOHNSON, William Y.

BLACK, James H.
Tucson, AZ
(USS New Orleans)
ZIMMERMAN, Floyd L.
Waurika, OK
(Mobile Hospital 2)
FRIES, Harry O.
Colfax, WA
(USS Medusa)

(34th Inf Div, Schofield)

Morrow, GA

DUFF, James S.
Gig Harbor, WA
(USS Nevada)
HIGGINSON, Leon A.
Washougal, WA
(NAS Ford Island)
HISER, Earl J.
Ridgecrest, CA
(USMC Bks./Navyard)

TOWNSEND, David W. Vero Beach, FL (USS Maryland) LUCE, Percy O. Desert Hot Springs, CA (Submarine Base) JANSEN, Warren H. Sunnyvale, CA (USS Pennsylvania) MONTGOMERY, Gene P. Newport Beach, CA (Patwing 2 NAS, Ford Is.) ZEBER, Ralph L. Millersburg, PA (USS Maryland) STEVENS, Duane A. Ridgecrest, CA (Schofield Bks Chemical) LINDENMEYER, Chester R. W. Columbia, SC (USS Dobbin)

BENNETT, Howard A.

(15th Pur Grp, Wheeler HQ)

N. Ft. Myers, FL

POLSTON, Claude R. Las Vegas, NV (USS Pennsylvania) PAYNE, Willie L. Duncan, OK (4th Def. Btn, USMC) WYRICK, Leslie E. Cypress, CA (USS Dale) WILSON, Robert A. Seattle, WA (USS Monaghan) ROSSI, Eric W. Virginia Beach, VA (35th Inf. Reg, Schofield) HARRIS, Robert J. Austin, TX (Wheeler Field) SWEDBERG, Kenneth C. Alamo, TX (USS Ward) MELTON, James E.

Duncanville, TX (USS Helena)

POTTER, Raymond A. Santa Clara, CA (USS Selfridge)

CASEY, Charles D. Fresno, CA (15th C/A Fort Weaver)

EVANS, Harry G. San Jose, CA

(USS Tangier)
COCCIA, Joseph J.
Bloomfield, NJ
(98th C/A, Schofield)
SHESTOCK, John
Orlando, FL
(Navy Mobile Hospital 2)
ARTLEY, Richard L.
Vancouver, WA

(USS Oklahoma)
WESTFALL, Walter C.
Long Beach, CA
(USS Tangier)

ROYAL, Fritz, L., Jr. Jacksonville, FL (USS San Francisco)

SHAW, Strather S. Corpus Christi, TX (VP-12, Kaneohe)

HEFFELFINGER, Donald L. Los Altos, CA (VP-11, Kaneohe)

SWIDER, Joseph J. S. Plainfield, NJ (251st C/A, Camp Malakole) HUNT, William T.

Waterville, ME (Hawaiian Div, Schofield) BUZZELLI, Dominic J. Uniontown, OH (97th C/A, Schofield) HILBURN, JOHN P. Rockmart, GA (3rd Def. Btn, USMC)

SMITH, David A.

Harrisville, WV (USS Phoenix) CHIASSON, Antoine Mariposa, CA (Marine Det. NAS, Kaneohe)

HEATHMAN, Glenn R.
Sun City West, AZ
(USS Whitney)
HANKINS, Lawrence E.
Colorado Springs, CO
(15th C/A, Ft. Kamehameha)
MERDO, Albert M.
Jersey City, NJ
(Fort Kamehameha)

CLOUD, John L.
Dallas, TX
(Schofield Barracks)
O'FEARNA, Charles J.
Corinda, Queensland, Aust.
(M.P., Schofield)

REYNOLDS, Charles C. Hale, MI (46th Pur Sqn, Wheeler Fld.) BURKEY, Bernard A. Marshfield, MO (8th F/A, Schofield)

FREDERICK, Norman E. Bay City, MI (USS Phoenix) ANDERSON, William F. Glendora, CA (USS Maryland)

SAVIOLA, Pasquale D. San Francisco, CA (64th C/A, Fort Shafter) KRANZFELDER, Edgar P. Phoenix, AZ (USS Maryland) EDLER, Harold M.
Bay St. Louis, MS
(97th C/A, Fort Kamehameha)
MORGAN, Donald K.
Renton, WA
(USS Pennsylvania)

GRZESZKIEWICZ, Anthony Hillcrest Heights, MD (USS Detroit) JENKINS, Robert Statesville, NC

(Schofield Barricks)
BUTTERFIELD, Clyde U.
Landers, CA
(Ewa Air Base)
BEYERS, Clifford F.
Long Beach, CA
(251st C/A, Camp Malakole)

TRIPET, Darrell Bremerton, WA (USS Hull) KOTTONG, Harold Homeland, CA (USS Oklahoma)

WINTERS, Doyle E. Heavener, OK (USS Oklahoma) GEDE, Melvin J. Millsboro, DE (25th Inf. Div., Schofield)

STEPHENS, Avery N. Sparks, NV (M.P., Schofield)

TERRY, Glenn L. Milan, TN (41st C/A, Fort Kamehameha)

O'DRISCOLL, Donald I. Vernal, UT (USS Ontario)

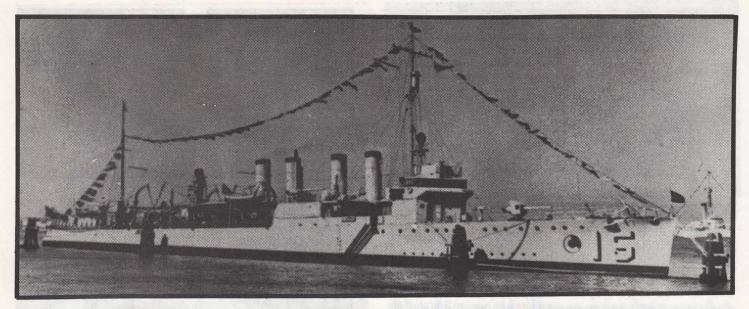
SEAMAN, Herbert Ramona, CA (USS Tucker) GIACONE, John L. Yountsville, CA (VJ-1 NAS, Ford Island)



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History of USS Gamble (DM-15)

Named jointly in honor of two brothers, heroes of the War of 1812.

Lt. Peter Gamble was born in Bordentown, NJ, appointed midshipman 16 January 1809, served on MacDonough's flagship, Saratoga, in the Battle of Lake Champlain, being killed in action while in the act of sighting his gun 11 September 1814. MacDonough deplored his loss and commended his gallantry in action.

Lt. Col. John M. Gamble, USMC, was born in Brooklyn, NY, in 1791, appointed 2nd Lt. 16 January 1809, and distinguished himself by coolness and bravery in many enterprises, including critical encounters with hostile natives of the Marquesa Islands during the absence of frigate, Essex, with only a fourman crew and without benefit of a chart in a remarkable 17-day voyage to the Hawaiian Islands. He was breveted a Lt. Col. 3 March 1827 and died in New York 11 September 1836.

Gamble (DD-123) was launched 11 May 1918 by the Newport News Shipbuilding & Dry Dock Co., Newport News, VA, sponsored by Miss Evelyn H. Jackson, relative of Secretary of the Navy, Josephus Daniels, and commissioned at Norfolk 29 November 1918, Comdr. H. J. Abbett in command.

After shakedown training out of the Virginia Capes, Gamble sailed from New York 13 January 1919, to take part in maneuvers off Cuba, Key West, FL, and the New England seaboard until June 1919.

Following overhaul at Norfolk, she joined the Pacific Fleet at San Diego 7 August 1919, and operated along the Pacific coast until placed in reserve status in the Mare Island Navy Yard 1 December 1919.

In October 1920, she came out of reserve and assisted the flotilla in torpedo practice, maneuvered with the Battle Force, and cruised along the California coast as a training ship for reservists. She decommissioned at San Diego 17 June 1922.

Gamble recommissioned 24 May 1930, was reclassified DM-15 on 13 June and converted into a light minelayer in the Mare Island Navy Yard.

Arriving in Pearl Harbor from the West Coast, she became flagship of Mine Squadron 2 in July 1930, and later served as flagship of Mine Division 1, Mine Squadron 1.

She cruised Hawaiian waters instructing Naval Reservists in mine warfare and acted as plane guard and radio tracker for seaplanes each year participating in fleet readiness and fleet problems until she returned to San Diego where she decommissioned 22 December 1937.

Recommissioning 25 September 1939, as Europe was plunged into World War II, she joined Mine Division 5 in patrol

and schoolship duties out of San Francisco.

In April, 1941, she proceeded to Pearl Harbor for war readiness patrol in Hawaiian waters as a unit of the Mine Division 2.

On 7 December 1941, Gamble has returned from offshore patrol, when her peaceful Sunday morning routine was broken by the first of the Japanese carrier-based planes which pounded American ships in the harbor.

Gamble's gunners joined the fire of other warships and had the satisfaction of seeing one enemy plane fall into the water on her port beam.

After the attack, she took anti-submarine patrol station in the screen of the carrier *Enter-prise* (CV-6), and later guarded the approaches to Pearl Harbor.

In mid-February, 1942, she headed south in the escort for a convoy to Pago-Pago, Samoa, then joined *Ramsey* in laying a protective mine field of Tutuila. At the end of March, the two minelayers shifted to the Fiji Islands, to lay a minefield in Nandi waters 7–14 April.

Returning to Pearl Harbor for heavier armament, Gamble helped safeguard convoys to Midway during the time of that crucial and historic battle, then headed south with Breese and Tracy to lay a defensive minefield off the entrance to Second Channel Espiritu Santo, New Hebrides Island.

On 27 August 1942, Gamble

joined a task unit headed to Guadalcanal. Although designated a destroyer-minelayer, the old four-piper still carried anti-submarine gear.

On the morning of 29 August, when her lookouts spotted a large enemy submarine, she immediately went into action.

After several depth charge attacks, *Gamble* ran through large oil slicks, found deck planking, and observed a large air bubble break the surface.

Later, her victim was identified as Japanese submarine I-123 whose dying radio had signaled "under heavy enemy attack." That afternoon she proceeded at full speed to Nura Island where she rescued four stranded aviators from aircraft carrier Saratoga.

Continuing to aid in the bitter struggle for Guadalcanal, she transported 158 marines to the island 31 August, patrolled off Lunga Roads, then on 5 September, assisted in freeing grounded transport William Ward Burrows (AP-6) and escorted her to Espiritu Santo, New Hebrides Islands. Her patrol, escort and transport duty continued as the drive for Guadalcanal pressed on to victory.

Five minutes after midnight, 6 May 1943, Gamble, with minelayers Preble and Breese turned simultaneously in rain squalls which broke at times to disclose each to the other in perfect formation.

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PHSA Northeast Chapter 6, Florida

Submitted by William Tardiff Chapter Six Historian



President Alex D. Cobb, Jr. standing behind Mr. Colebert Forbis after presenting him with a plaque honoring him as "Survivor of the Year" for his outstanding work as chairman of our school program.



President Alex D. Cobb, Jr. presenting a plaque to Mrs. Pat Guest, wife of Survivor Mr. Fred Guest, Florida state chairman, for her hard work as our welfare chairperson. Pat is very compassionate with our sick and shut-ins, not only as a nurse, but as a friend.



President Alex D. Cobb, Jr. presenting a plaque to Phillip and Peggy O'Brien honoring them as "Survivor and Spouse of the Year."

Pegrl Harbor Memorial Monument

Submitted by Phillip L. Willis Past President, Chapter 4

PHSA Chapter 4, Texas

May be the largest memorial monument to Pearl Harbor in the nation.

Remember Pearl Harbor They Live — If You Remember



Twelve-foot Pearl Harbor Memorial Monument erected by Laurel Land Memorial Park, Dallas, Texas, in early spring of 1942, honoring 18 servicemen from the Dallas area who gave their lives Dec. 7, 1941.



Past President North Central Texas Chapter 4 Phil Willis, Master of Ceremonies, December 7, 1988, at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Monument, Laurel Land Memorial Park, Dallas, Texas.



Master of Ceremonies, Phil Willis, with wreath at Pearl Harbor Memorial Monument, Laurel Land Memorial Park in Dallas, TX, December 7, 1988.



Chapter 4 Past Presidents Jack Randall (left) and Jim Gross (right) about to lay wreath.

New PHSA Chapter 11 Of Mission, Texas

Submitted by Albert Fickel Texas State Chairman



Swearing in of officers of new PHSA Chapter 11 in Mission, Texas. From left to right: Ken Swedberg, Treasurer; Leopold Brunmier, 1-year Trustee; John Stansberry, 3-year Trustee; Vivian Scribner, Secretary; Owen Pitzer, Vice President; Edwin Bush, 2-year Trustee; Elmer Breeze, President; and Al Fickel, State Chairman.

Florida Chapter 14 Attend Military Retirees Day Program

Submitted by William Faulk Chaplain/Public Relations



WAR MEMORIES: William Faulk, left, and Elwood Neener look over an album of photographs from the Pearl Harbor bombing Saturday, at the Military Retirees Day at Patrick Air Force Base. Various groups had tables set up in a hangar on the base.



Florida Chapter 14 members at annual Retirees Day at Patrick Air Force Base. Left to right: Elwood Neener; Past Chapter President Joe Morris; Chapter President James Jones; Vice President Virgil Rainey; Chaplain/ Public Relations William Faulk; and Secretary-Treasurer Gerald Pearl.



Florida PHSA exhibit for Retirees Day at Patrick Air Force Base.



GARDEN STATE CHAPTER 3

Six members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Club spoke to the Hammonton Lions Club at a recent meeting. The men recounted their experiences of Dec. 7, 1941. Seated from left are: Mario Musciano, Charles P. Gazzara, Carroll J. Oliver; standing from left: King Lion Steve Streitfeld, William Kushina, Joseph Dawson and Stephen Acocella.

National Appointments

I have asked the 7th District Director, Lee Goldfarb, and 8th District Director, Wally Kampney, to check with the Naval Academy at Annapolis, MD, and the Military Academy at West Point, NY, on the feasibility of placing a memorial for Pearl Harbor Survivors at the Academies.

The cost of the Memorial at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, ran over \$30,000 and took many months to raise this amount.

I, as president, don't want to keep asking the association members to continually contribute to these projects but it would be nice to have memorials at all three academies.

Here, again, the cost of these two memorials will be according to what design West Point and Annapolis want placed there. We can suggest, but they will have the final say.

After Wally and Lee report back to me, we will publish their thoughts on these two projects and follow through with them one at a time, if costs permit.

With our 50th anniversary coming up in 1991, we have been receiving many suggestions from chapters and outside interests on projects that they wish to pursue, and get permission from the Executive Board for their approval.

This is a time-consuming job and with the duties of the National Officers and the District Directors, I am, at this time, appointing a five-man screening committee to review these projects, chapter requests and articles before they are sent to the Executive Board for approval.

They will have much to say if your project gets to the Board. All we ask is that whatever you wish to build, make or publish, be in good taste with our association standards. Any use of the PHSA logo will have to be approved.

The committee is as follows: James Daw, 2468 S. Primrose Ave., Monrovia, CA 91016; Oscar Svenson, 2453 Mill Run Blvd., Kissimmee, FL 32743; Hank Shane, 5725 80th St. N. Ivy 417, St. Petersburg, FL 33709; Thomas Stockett, 38 Brentwood Rd., Woburn, MA 01801; and Charles Newkirk, 1316 Techumseh, Indianapolis, IN 46201.

James Daw will be the chairman of the committee, and I would ask you to please get your project in early for approval.

Ken Creese, National President

Remember Pearl Harbor They Live — If You Remember

Les & Arlene Echelberger
Feather River Chapter #25

U.S.S. Detroit

Chico, CA

Support the GRAM

Granite Radio To Recall Pearl Harbor Attack

Reprinted from The Houston Post

Remember sitting around an oval-topped table radio back in 1941 and hearing President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaim Dec. 7 a day that "will live in infamy?"

People visiting the Texas Capitol soon may be doing double takes as they explore the statehouse grounds. Just north of the Capitol and in front of the Supreme Court Building they'll see a pink-granite replica of such a radio.

It's a soon-to-be erected memorial to the Texas servicemen and women who were on the island of Oahu or within a three-mile radius when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor and plunged the U.S. into World War II.

Inscribed on the monument will be "Remember Pearl Harbor" and "Keep America Alert," the motto of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association.

The monument, its some \$14,000 cost financed entirely by contributions to the PHSA, will be put up in the next three weeks and will be dedicated in a ceremony at 11:30 a.m. May 29, Memorial Day.

Invitations to the ceremony are being sent to 377 contributors to the project, which included many veterans' groups, schoolchildren and others.

The monument's site is in the area where land is scheduled to be excavated starting in 1990 for

the proposed four-floor underground addition to the Capitol, if the Legislature finances that project this year, as expected.

But Albert L. Fickel of Thrall, state chairman of the PHSA, said his group will go ahead and erect the memorial with assurances from Capitol Architect Allen McCree that it can be disassembled and stored during the Capitol project and afterward either put back in the same location or given another site.

Relocating the 9,300-pound, 6-foot-6-inch monument will be "no big deal," McCree said, because of its simplicity.

The Legislature authorized the memorial about two years ago at the PHSA's request.

The group has 518 duespaying members and 11 chapters in Texas, including the San Jacinto Chapter with about 100 members in Houston. It has about 10,000 members nationally.

Fickel, who will conduct the monument dedication ceremony, is one of about 52,000 American servicemen and women who were in the Pearl Harbor area when the Japanese attacked.

Retired at 68, he is a 20-year Navy veteran who subsequently was employed 21 years by the federal General Services Administration.

He recalls well the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, when he was a fireman first class on the battleship *Pennsylvania*, the flagship of the Pacific Fleet.

Japan's attack messed up his birthday plans. It was the day before his 21st birthday, and he was planning to start a three-day leave to celebrate.

Fickel had just gone on watch in the *Pennsylvania's* Number 3 engine room. Had he reached his post only seconds later, he says, he might have been hurt or killed when a 1,500-pound Japanese bomb hit the vessel midship.

Except for a change in plans, Fickel said, the *Pennsylvania* might have been sunk in the harbor instead of — or like — its sister ship, the battleship *Arizona*.

The Arizona had been in drydock at Pearl the week before, he explains, and a cruiser was scheduled to take its place when it moved out.

However, in the change of plans, the *Pennsylvania* was put in the drydock when the *Arizona* was moved out.

when the air attack came, the Japanese fliers found and sank the Arizona while it was tied up in the harbor where the Pennsylvania had been moored before it moved into drydock. The Japanese might have thought they were sinking the fleet flagship instead of the Arizona, Fickel speculates.

China Clipper: An Interesting Beginning

November 22, 1935 . . .

Pan American Airways launches the first trans-Pacific airmail service with the *China Clipper's* six-day journey from Alameda, California, to the Philippines.

Passenger service began a year later, after Pan Am built hotels on four stopover islands: Hawaii, Midway, Wake and Guam. For \$799 one way, passengers enjoyed sleeping berths, private sitting rooms, and five-course meals served in the dining room.

After landing, travelers were greeted with leis and escorted to their hotel. The adventure and glamour of the Clipper flights sparked Depression-era imagination — the name China Clipper turned up on restaurants and as the title of a Warner Brothers movie featuring Humphrey Bogart.

Everyone loved the flying boats except Japan, which protested U.S. Navy assistance of Pan Am's expansion into the

Pacific.

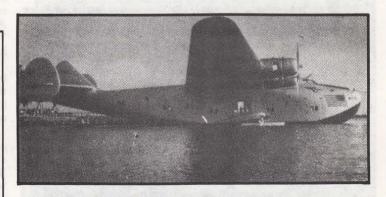
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Apparently, about two years ago, a manila envelope "loaded with memorabilia about Pearl Harbor" was sent to the previous editor. He cannot locate the items and they were not turned over to me.

The articles pertained to Battery "B," 41st Sea Coast Artillery, Fort Kamehameha, and included full group photograph, pictures of searchlights, 1941 guns and equipment, railway artillery, personal photos taken during the attack, and old newspaper articles of Battery "B" in action.

The package may have been returned to the wrong Survivor in error. If you received these articles, please send them to the *Gram* Editor so that I may forward them to John C. Hatton, the rightful owner.

BOB WATSON, Gram Editor



The China Clipper

Survivors Dedication Remembered

An American Portrait, 305 W. 21st Street, New York, NY 10011 Telephone: (213) 691-9286

Dear Pearl Harbor Survivor:

The following questonnaire is to help the An American Portrait Co. — a non-profit organization — gather information for a Public Television Special on Pearl Harbor, to be aired December 7, 1990.

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The 'Official Position' Of PHSA?

Harbor, Oregon February 22, 1989

President Ken Creese P.H.S.A., Inc.

Dear President Creese:

At this writing, President Bush prepares to join 54 other heads of state in attending the funeral of Emperor Hirohito in Tokyo.

Representatives of some 163 countries will attend. Most of the civilized world will mark the occasion.

The unswerving policy of our association has been to oppose any action which might be construed as forgiving of the Japanese nation for their sneak attack, some 48 years ago.

Certainly, all of us, in the common bond we share, would have been united in that position on that Sunday long ago. It is clear there are many who still hold that feeling.

This is to confirm the passage of time has produced a change for some of us in that belief - as individuals.

Has this change been so extensive as to suggest the unstated, but obvious, position of our association should now be considered and discussed?

Shouldn't we reexamine that before the 50th anniversary of that day in infamy?

The Associated Press reports today that rocket launchers were discovered near the Tokyo airport and are believed to be the work of radicals opposed to the state funeral.

The apparently official position of our association seems to be aligned with the objective, though not the means, of that radical group.

I submit that is not proper, not wise, not in the long-term interests of our association.

Our single unswerving purpose: "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.

A close corollary is the reminder to our country that we must be so strong and vigilant as to discourage aggressors and thereby prevent another sneak attack on our nation.

be better served without an official position in contradiction with the bulk of world opinion, with many in our nation - and the beliefs of a number of our association members.

Lest there be a mistaken belief that this suggested changed denigrates the memory of our comrades not here to take part in the discussion proposed, I submit the larger honor to their memory is to deny decay of our association in the eyes of the nation's public and the world.

I conclude with the repeated request that the subject be discussed with the object of a conclusion by the majority of our association members.

It is not necessary that we officially forgive the Japanese for their attack, but rather that we reconsider whether or not our association should continue to express hostility to the nation of Japan.

It is worth remembering that people alive in America, in Japan - and the world - on December 7, 1941, are now a minority.

Sincerely, Charles D. "Chuck" Hodge USS Henley (DD-391)

EDITOR'S NOTE:

I do not see anything in our national constitution and bylaws that says we must hate the Japanese people.

How many members drive Japanese cars, watch Japanese televisions, use camcorders made in Japan, etc? Do they hate the Japanese people?

Chuck Hodge states: "Our credibility . . . would be better served without an official position in contradiction with the bulk of world opinion . . .

Where is this written in our national constitution and bylaws? I have never heard this "official position" expressed or implied.

Founding Father Robert Kronberger, at National Chapter One meeting on May 20, 1989, after receiving his gold hat from National President Ken Creese, commenting about the founding of PHSA, said: "We started the Association for I submit our credibility (and fraternal and friendship pur-

our service to the nation) would poses. We had no axe to grind, no holes to dig . . ."

We are not a racist organization. If the President of the United States and the Congress thought we were, we would not have a federal charter.

If we hate the Japanese people for what the warlords caused, then should we still hate the German people for what Hitler provoked, or the Italian people for what Mussolini did?

I believe that as Americans. we do not harbor resentment towards the people of a country for what the rulers may have done.

If you have comments on the letter or my notes, please drop me a few lines setting forth your feelings.

A Message From The Editor

An American Portrait, the people responsible for the advertisement on the back of this page, wrote and thanked me for the wonderful response you members gave to my message on page 10 of the April Gram, and to their advertisement on page 9. They feel that they are now beginning to get the stories and personal accounts from Survivors that are needed to produce an informed documentary movie for public television.

They are very interested in finding Survivors who may have actual 8mm or 16mm film taken in Hawaii around the time of the attack. They believe that is the kind of footage that will help bring the film alive.

If you have any 8mm or 16mm film taken about that time, fill out the form on the back of this page, describe what you have, and send the form to them. They will contact you.

And for those of you who have not done so yet, write up your memories of December 7, 1941, fill out the form, and mail both to An American Portrait at the address on the form.

Let's all get behind this project, not only because they are advertisers in the Gram, but so they will be able to produce a documentary of which we can be very proud.

Write To Your Congressman

To the Editor:

I am enclosing a letter which I have already mailed to the Secretary of the Navy in followup of Mr. J. A. Finnern's letter.

Maybe we can get the word out and flood his office with more letters.

If this cannot swav his answer, could we get some petitions going? With enough signatures maybe we can change his direction of thought.

Also, our 50th anniversary is coming up. Why not a postage stamp in our memory?

> Sincerely. Oscar V. Jacobson Winlock, WA 98596

USS Pearl Harbor

Honorable William L. Ball, III Secretary of the Navy Pentagon Washington, D.C. 20350

Dear Mr. Secretary,

I had read Mr. Julius A. Finnern's letter to you, asking that a war ship be named the USS Pearl Harbor, in memory of the many who gave their lives and of the many more of us who put our lives on the line.

You stated that it does not represent a significant victory in the sense normally memorialized in the assignment of a ship's name.

The USS Sullivan was named in memory of five brave brothers in a battle that was lost, not a victory. I believe that the men who lost their lives at Pearl Harbor should be remembered by naming a war ship the USS Pearl Harbor.

We were not looking for a fight at Pearl Harbor, it came to us unexpected and we gave a good account of ourselves with what we had to fight with.

> Respectfully yours, Oscar V. Jacobson

Editor's Note:

The stamp is being worked on and is almost a sure bet.

Excerpts From Speech By Rear Adm. J. W. Adams

Submitted by Harry Hall, Jr. CA Chapter 3 Publicity

"I am very proud to be with you, today, in solemn remembrance of December 7, 1941. Each year, Pearl Harbor Survivors throughout the country pay their highest respect to those who gave their lives 47 years ago, and reunite with comrades who survived that fateful day. Here, in San Diego, the Carnation Chapter keeps this tradition intact in a most outstanding manner.

"Pearl Harbor Survivors are representative of what we revere most — for they have shared in the opportunity to provide us freedom. One thing has remained steady through all difficult periods.

"It was evidenced at Pearl Harbor and is in view today — that is the wonderful performance of our soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines.

"Examples of this abound, right here in this assembled group. I'm sure Woodrow Derby, who served on USS Nevada and Ralph Lindenmeyer, at the air station on Ford Island, along with Dan Howlett, on USS California; Jack Young, aboard USS Tennessee; and Tom Ingram, on board USS Phoenix, recall all too well December 7, 1941.

"Even at the naval hospital where Nelly Meador was a nurse, down to the U.S. Army Fort Kamehameha where Joe Trasher was stationed, the story was the same — and we all remember.

"In the Book, Pacific War, Mr. John Costello recounts: 'The first wave of 18 dive bombers struck Hickam Field south of Pearl Harbor—where row upon row of fighters and bombers were parked wingtip to wingtip.

"The raid came with such sudden fury that for the first few minutes, few aboard the warships of the Pacific Fleet could understand what was happening.

"'The forenoon watch had just been piped and color details assembled on fantails, awaiting the 8 o'clock signal to hoist ensigns. This calm was abruptly drowned by the sound of machine gun fire, bombs and exploding torpedoes.

"An astonished band continued playing out a few more bars of the Star Spangled Banner without missing a beat. Patrol Wing Two broadcast the alarm from the control tower at Ford Island: "Air raid Pearl Harbor, This is not a drill."

"After half an hour of continuous torpedo and divebombing attacks, there was a comparative lull as the strafing and bombing continued, but at a slower pace.

"The lull ended with the resumption of high-level bombing as the second wave of 86 dive bombers, 54 level bombers and 36 fighters swept around the east coast of Oahu.

"During both attacks, not one U.S. Navy pilot managed to get his airplane into the air. But a handful of Army fighters did somehow get airborne and accounted for 11 enemy kills.

"On the morning's action, the executive officer of USS West Virginia wrote, 'Throughout the action, there was never the slightest sign of faltering or cowardice. The actions of the officers and men were wholly commendable.

"'There was no panic, no shirking nor flinching, and words fail to describe the truly magnificent display of courage, discipline and devotion to duty of all.'

"When the final curtain fell on the slaughter and destruction of World War II, at Tokyo Bay, September 2, 1945, it was peculiarly fitting that it should have been effected in a ceremony conducted aboard a U.S. Navy battleship, and any person who sets foot on the surrender deck of USS Missouri will, at that

time, remember.

"By our very presence here today in remembering Pearl Harbor, we are humble and salute those who have given the ultimate for freedom, for it represents the essence of patriotism.

"Its spirit is the spirit of the American nation. Its history is the history of the American people. The fathers of the republic devoted their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to the support of freedom. The people at Pearl Harbor devoted no less.

"The debt we owe to those who served so valiantly and to those who fell in battle is beyond measure. Their ranks are legion, the stories of their heroism countless. We will always remember.

"I thank the Chapter President, George Freese, who for 14 years has been so intrumental in these services, and the Carnation Chapter of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association for including me in today's memorial service and to all of you for sharing in this salute to those to whom we owe the deepest debt of all.

"God bless you and God bless America."



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Attention All California Members!

Having successfully guided a bill through the California Senate and House of Representatives for special Pearl Harbor Survivors license plates, the same PHSA members are now working for two additional actions.

The committee of State Secretary Jim Moe, Joe Nemish and DeWayne Chartier is now working on Senate Bill 697, which would require the governor to annually proclaim December 7th as "Pearl Harbor Day."

Usually, December 7th is recognized by gubernatorial declaration. This bill would cause the observance to be recognized annually without further governmental action.

Currently, the California Paralyzed Veterans Assoc. and the VFW are supporting the bill. The American Legion, Fleet Reserve Assoc., Retired Officers Assoc., and V.E.T.D. have also been asked for their support.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 17 memorializes the President of the United States and the Congress to enact legislation to proclaim December 7 as "Pearl Harbor Day," an annual day of remembrance.

Both actions have been introduced by Senator Don Rogers.

All California PHSA members have been requested to solicit support by writing letters to their Senators and members of the House of Representatives.

Maryland Chapter 1 Commemorates 47th Anniversary

Anthony DiLorenzo Maryland State Chairman

Maryland Chapter 1 Pearl Harbor Survivors Association participated in ceremonies commemorating the 47th anniversary of the Japanese sneak attack at Pearl Harbor, Territory of Hawaii.

Beginning at 6:15 a.m. December 7, 1988, Channel 2 News interviewed Survivor Gerald W. Hamill, 58th Bomb Squadron, Hickam Field, aboard the U.S. Coast Guard cutter, *Taney*, in Baltimore Harbor.

Taney is the only vessel still afloat that was on duty at Pearl Harbor during the attack.

At 1:55 p.m. (EST) about 30 members, with wives and friends, were honored by the Baltimore Maritime Museum aboard the *Taney* before the dedication of the ship as a national historic landmark by the

National Park Service.

The Taney will be berthed in Baltimore Harbor and Chapter 1 may hold future ceremonies and chapter meetings aboard the ship.

Ceremonies commemorating the December 7th attack have been an annual affair aboard the USS Frigate Constellation since 1980.

This note about the ceremony appeared in the program:

"We are honored to have members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Assoc. with us today as we remember those who gave their lives on December 7, 1941, as well as all those who served in the Armed Forces.

Due to the solemn nature of this ceremony, we will honor these men and women before the Taney's dedication as a national historic landmark."

The ceremony was opened

with the Presentation of Colors, by V.F.W. Honor Guard, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Invocation was given by Chaplain Elsie McKinney, LCDR USNR.

Chapter President Bob Weaver gave a short talk and told of his location on December 7, 1941.

This was followed by a short speech by Jessie Foster, who also read an article on Pearl Harbor Day, which was signed by Ronald Reagan.

Frank Bartos read a proclamation from the Governor making December 7, 1988, Pearl Harbor Survivors Day.

The memorial wreath was dropped into the water from a Baltimore City Police helicopter. This was followed by Taps.

The meeting was then turned over to the people from the

Maritime Museum. About 300 people attended the service.

After the meeting, some members of the PHSA met at the Rusty Scupper Restaurant for dinner, where the drawing for the annual raffle was held.

Robert Weaver, Chapter President, Schofield Barracks; and Survivor Gerald W. Hamill were invited to attend a "smoker" (boxing bouts) at the Fountains Bleu in Glen Burnie, Maryland, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at which we presented the colors in mid ring during a Pearl Harbor remembrance ceremony before the boxing program.

December 7, 1988, was a full day of recognition of the attack at Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941, and to top it off, PHSA State Chairman Tony DiLorenzo was featured speaker at a ceremony in Frederick, Maryland, December 11, 1988.

News From Portland, OR

By James Wright Secretary-Treasurer

The Portland, Oregon Chapter celebrated its 25th anniversary on April 8, 1989. The event was held at the Officers Open Mass at the Portland Airbase with 73 members and guests attending.

Dignitaries attending were National President Ken Creese and his wife, Mary Ann, Second District Director Joe White, and his wife, Marie, and Oregon State Chairman John E. Pfeifer, and his wife, Evelyn.

Ken Creese was the featured speaker and gave a resounding reminder of the Pearl Harbor Survivors motto, "Remember Pearl Harbor, Keep America Alert."

Ken's topic was about the dangers of foreign investments in the American economy.

While we fought valiantly against a military challenge in World War II, America continues to greedily seize every opportunity to sell itself to foreign investments.

Ken pointed out that this has a potential long-range adverse effect on our independence. The end result could be foreign ownership of the United States.

Other chapters represented were the Crater Lake and Willamette Valley chapters of Oregon and Vancouver, Washington Chapter.

Special thanks to wives Audrey Doherty, Arlie Wright, Evelyn Pfeifer for decorating the banquet site and providing the anniversary cake. Thanks also to Joyce Reed for her great effort in obtaining door prizes from local area merchants.

George J. Van Gieri Locust Valley, NY (Wheeler Field) L.I. Chapter #135

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STATE AND DISTRICT CONVENTIONS AND REUNIONS

It is requested that the Adminstrative Office be notified of all state and district conventions and reunions a year in advance, if possible, but no later than 6 months prior to the commencing date of the affair.

The information should be as complete as possible and will be used to assist the officers and members who wish to attend, to make more definite plans.

Conventions and reunions are usually scheduled during the best seasonal times of the year and, as a consequence, conflict with each other. It will help to know the scheduled date ahead of time and will improve the attendance.

> Robert McClintock, Jr. National Secretary



CHARTER MEMBERS OF PORTLAND, OREGON PHSA

Front row (left to right): Eva Moreland (wife of Ernie, deceased), Oregon State Chairman John Pfiefer and Marge Brown (wife of Harold, deceased). Back row: Art Boyle and Bob Hawkins.

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Future Farmers Hold Pearl Harbor Memorial for Alabama Chapter 1 Survivors

By George L. Murray Schofield Barracks

Members of the Alabama Chapter 1, Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, were guests at a Pearl Harbor Memorial Program, organized and conducted by the Jacksonville High School "Gold" Chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

The program was presented on December 7, 1988, at the Paul Snow Stadium on the Jacksonville State University campus. All high schools students attended.

The 14th Army Band played while guests and students arrived in the stadium. The program was started by parachutists jumping into the stadium to present the gavel to Chris Young, FFA President.

A Color Guard from the Jack-

sonville State University ROTC presented the Colors, followed by the Jacksonville "Gold Quartet" singing the National Anthem.

The keynote speaker was Command Sergeant Major William Nestor, U.S. Army retired. Command Sergeant Major Nestor is the Secretary/Treasurer of the Alabama Chapter 1, PHSA.

The 365th US Army Transportation Company from Fort McClellan fired a 21-gun salute, while buglers played *Taps*.

Members of Alabama PHSA Chapter 1 attending were: State Chairman Norman Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McNeill, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Horsley, Mr. and Mrs. Welton Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Kitchens, Mr. and Mrs. George Murray and Mr. James Johnson.

Minnesota News Update

By Walter T. Larson Minnesota State Chairman

Minnesota PHSA members sponsored their fifth Winter Texan Pot Luck luncheon, in February, at the home of Walt and Jere Larson in Alamo, Texas.

Present were 22 Survivors plus wives and guests for a total of 48 persons.



Front row: Ted Weeks, Garvin McComas, Ken Swedberg and Leo Brunmeier. Center: Walt Larson, Bob Rohrer, Herman Hinrichs, Richard Ludlee and Ward Bond. Back: John Ketterl, Red Breeze, Burnell Reed, Vic Paradis, Paul McMurtry, Bob Lundquist, Don Wilson, Ed Leach and John Stansberry. Attending, but not in photo: Jerry Sheridan and Bill Golden.

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Illinois Chapter 1 Update

By Mike Rusbashan USS San Francisco



Illinois Chapter 1 Pearl Harbor Survivors held their meeting and had dinner at Lambs Farm, Libertyville, IL, on April 13. President Bill Foster presided over the meeting which was attended by 33 Survivors.

Edward Block was elected President of Chapter 1 and Bill Keith was nominated Chairman of the State of Illinois.

**** IT'S TIME TO SAY THANKS ***

By Maynard C. Hoffman Bremerton, WA

Capt. Don Ross' recent publication detailing the heroes of Pearl Harbor was most interesting and well written. As I read it, I was struck with a singular thought—what about those soldiers, sailors and Marines whose actions reflected bravery and courage above and beyond the call of duty who were not rewarded in any form?

The writer has first-hand knowledge of a few cases and will relate them in this article to the best of his ability.

Since most *Gram* sea stories commence with name, rank and duty station, I was, on December 7, 1941, a sergeant attached to Marine Fighter Squadron 211, Ewa Marine Air Station, and functioned as the company clerk. (Note: this was the rear echelon of VMF-211; the forward echelon was at Wake Island.)

At the time of the first attack, I was dressing to go on liberty in Honolulu. Our field music had just blown First Call to Colors, when a series of explosions took place on the air strip about 500 yards distant from our newly constructed barracks.

I immediately joined a group of six or seven Marines gathered in front of the 211 barracks.

Upon seeing smoke arising from the air strip, one of the group speculated, "The Army Air Corps must be on maneuvers."

Moments later, a 211 mechanic, Sgt. Oravsky, exclaimed, "I don't think so — I've never heard an engine that sounds like that!"

A hush fell over the group. I looked at Master Sgt. Tom Chellis, who worked for the group commander, and his face had turned white.

It was then that I sensed something was wrong. This was followed by a Japanese Val making a pylon turn around our flagpole next to the guard shack, and sure enough, we were staring at the big red meatball! WW II was on.

And now to one of my unrewarded heroes, Corporal Marshall E. Papke of Chicago, Ill.

After gathering my wits several minutes later, I entered the barracks to pick up my 1903 Springfield rifle and so did Papke.

At 6-foot, 4-inches, with blonde curly hair, this former sea-going Marine was an impressive figure.

He advised me that ammunition could be had at the guard shack, and we both dashed across a compound to that site, surviving a strafing by a Zero en route.

After grabbing bandoleers of ammo, Papke headed for the flight line and I took cover in a clump of Kiawe trees just outside the main gate.

Reaching the flight line, Papke witnessed F4F fighters and SBD dive bombers exploding in flames.

One SBD remained untouched, so the quick-thinking Papke climbed into the rear seat and commenced firing at enemy aircraft with the Lewis free gun. He was aided by another Marine (name unknown) who fed the belts of ammo.

After firing several belts, the gun jammed, forcing Papke to evacuate.

As he did so, a ricochet bullet struck him just above the knee and exited near his groin.

Nearby Marines hauled him off to the hospital tent just as the first attack ended.

When the second attack commenced some 10 minutes later, the indominatable Papke, rifle in hand, exited through a window and hobbled back to the flight line, firing at strafing enemy planes until the attack ended.

On the following day, aided by the old Marine Corps manual, I composed a letter to the group commander, citing Papke for bravery and courage above and beyond the call of duty.

The VMF-211 skipper, Major Sam Moore, said, "Well done," signed the letter and delivered it to the group commander.

That was the last ever heard

of the proposed citation. Rumor—and I emphasize rumor—has it that the group commender said, "We took a licking and there will be no medals awarded."

As a matter of comparison, a Navy chief received the Congressional Medal of Honor for performing a similar type action at the Kaneohe NAS!

Papke received his Purple Heart some two years later. Marshall Papke is still alive and is a retired captain, USMC, living in the Los Angeles area.

An equally heroic action was performed by a Sergeant Butterworth who was the NCOIC of our Post Exchange. His present status, full name and location is unknown to me.

At the very onset of the Japanese attack, Butterworth commandered the PX officer's station wagon, drove across the airstrip under heavy fire, rammed the doors of an ammo bunker, loaded ammo and delivered it to the guard shack.

Had he not done so, we would have had to throw rocks at the enemy!

Butterworth then made a second trip to the bunker; this time, accompanied by Corp. James J. O'Connor and again, under fire.

O'Connor is a retired Lt. Col., USMCR, and resides in Issaquah, WA.

It can be truly said, "The few and the proud" did take a licking. We did not put one aircraft in the air although one pilot made a valiant effort to do so.

First Lt. Milo G. Haines, aided by his plane captain, Sgt. Earl Reid, endeavored to release the ropes to a secured F4F, but in the process, Haines received two wounds.

One bullet creased a finger and another creased his head, negating his courageous effort. The lucky Haines is a retired colonel, USMC, residing in Dallas, TX, and is a PHSA member.

Nearly all aircraft of Marine Air Group 21 were destroyed. They were a most "cooperative" target inasmuch as they were all

tied down in neat rows, resulting from our annual inspection on Saturday, December 6.

Strangely enough, all the fighters and dive bombers were armed! Only one F4F and a couple of utility planes were unscathed.

Ewa's personnel casualties were minimal — two or three Marines KIA and a dozen or so wounded. Unlike the white hats in the Harbor, we were able to take cover.

Before concluding, I would like to touch briefly on an event which has an ironic touch of humor.

As previously stated, I took cover in a clump of Kiawe trees. There were approximately 10 Marines there and we formed a line, firing in volleys at the lowflying enemy aircraft.

After we had fired just a few volleys, a senior master sergeant popped out of a hole in the ground and shouted, "Cease firing you damed fools — all you will do is draw their fire!"

A skinny little PFC at the end of the line promptly replied, F*** you!" and we resumed firing.

Well, the venerable master sergeant was not so dumb, for a few minutes later a Zero dove on the trees and strafed us.

Miraculously, not one Marine was hit. I can still see the bullets kicking up dirt at my feet. It is possible that we had hit one or more enemy aircraft, precipitating the strafing.

And now, in conclusion, fellow survivors, to the very best of my knowledge, none of those Marines whom I considered to be heroes ever received as much as a "well done" or "thanks" and that is why I have entitled this article, "It's Time To Say Thanks."



Was the Silver Service On Board the *Arizona* When She Sank?

The following is from Dr. L. J. Pristo, who is requesting information on behalf of the Arizona State Capitol Museum. If you have definite information on the subject, please contact him.

My project concerns the full documentation of the silver service from the Arizona. The service was donated to the battleship by Arizona residents, and consists of a punchbowl, cups, dishes, candlesticks, etc.

There has been controversy on whether or not the service was on the *Arizona* when she sunk.

Some records indicate that the service was taken off prior to the attack, and others indicate the service was salvaged.

I felt that the final answer may come from someone who was actually on board.

What I would like to know from members of your association (if they will respond) is (1) their name, (2) rank and position aboard the *Arizona*, (3) ANY information they know about the

silver service — though I am seeking someone (most likely in authority) that had direct contact with the silver; hearsay would also be appreciated.

My goal is some one that can factually state that either the silver was or was not on the *Arizona* when sunk, and possibly provide some form of documentation.

Again, I emphasize, any information or leads from members would be greatly appreciated — if the matter is not resolved now, with you, it may never be.

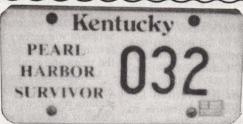
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New York City Celebrates 'Fleet Week '89'



USS Forrestal eases out from her berth on Manhattan's west side at the conclusion of New York's Fleet Week '89 celebration. The carrier and 12 other Navy and Coast Guard vessels spent five days in New York City as part of the city's "Fleet Week '89 Celebration." USS Forrestal, lead ship of her class and first of the modern "Supercarriers," tied up near her older sister, the former USS Intrepid (CVS 11). The WWII Essex-Class carrier permanently resides in Manhattan as a sea-air-space museum. Berthed next to the Intrepid and part of the museum complex is the former USS Growler (SSG 577) second of the Grayback-Class submarine built to carry regulus missiles. (Official U.S. Navy photo by PHC John F. Fleming)



Kentucky PHS license plate assigned to George L. Bernhardt.

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PHSA New York State Chairman Paul Alberts talks with Captain Louis E. Thomassy, Commanding Officer of the aircraft carrier USS Forrestal (CV 59), in the hangar deck of the former USS Intrepid (CVS 11) on April 30. The WWII Essex-Class carrier is now a sea-air-space museum permanently berthed on Manhattan's west side. The large-scale model of the battleship USS Arizona displayed behind them is the centerpiece of the museum's Pearl Harbor exhibit. The Intrepid hosted a Sunday ecumenical service during New York City's "Fleet Week '89" celebration. USS Forrestal and 12 other Navy and Coast Guard ships enjoyed a week's liberty in the "Big Apple." (Official U.S. Navy photo by PH2 Rudy Valentine)

Pearl Harbor Memorial Carries On

Reprinted from the Massapequa Post

Twenty-one planes from the Antique Aircraft Club of New York took off from Republic Airport at noon on Wednesday, Dec. 7, to drop roses over the Statue of Liberty in commemoration of the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Forty-seven roses were drop-

ped — one for each year since the attack.

The annual tradition was started more than a decade ago by the late Joe Hydrusko, a resident of Massapequa and a survivor of Pearl Harbor.

A ceremony prior to takeoff included the Massapequa High School Band and an honor guard from the U.S. Marine Corps.

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The USS Gamble . . .

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Making 15 knots, each ship dropped a mine every 12 seconds, planting over 250 mines in 17 minutes across Blackett Strait, the western entrance to Kula Gulf and directly in the favorite route of the worrisome "Tokyo Express."

The ships then sped north to join the protective screen of Rear Admiral Ainsworth's cruiser-destroyer force before refueling at Tulagi.

On the night of 7-8 May, four Japanese destroyers entered the mined waters. One ship, Kurashio, went down. Two others, Oyashio and Kagero, were badly damaged and sent out calls for help that brought the fourth destroyer, Michishio, to the scene.

Aircraft, alerted by a coastwatcher, intercepted the rescue operation sinking the two destroyers and sending *Michishio* limping back to port, badly damaged.

On 30 June 1943, during the invasion of New Georgia, *Gamble* laid a string of mines off the beachhead, before returning to Tulagi.

In July, welcome orders sent her back to the United States for overhaul. She headed west again 20 September 1943.

Her minelaying duties then brought her to Empress Augusta Bay 1-2 November 1943, to support landing operations; Bougainville Strait, 7-8 November; Purvis Bay, Florida Island, 23–24 November, then to the New Hebrides Islands for escort duty among the Solomons until she returned to San. Francisco 12 October 1944.

After overhaul and refresher training, Gamble departed San Diego 7 January 1945, en route via Hawaii and the Marshalls to Iwo Jima where she arrived 17 February, to lend fire support to the various sweeping units and to explode floating mines.

During her shelling a direct hit on an ammunition dump exploded the enemy magazine like a giant firecracker at the foot of Mt. Surabachi.

On 18 February 1945, Gamble was hit just above the waterline by two 250-pound bombs. Both firerooms immediately flooded and hands fought raging fires, jettisoned topside weight and shored damaged bulkheads.

Five men were killed, one missing in action and eight wounded. As marines stormed the shores of Iwo Jima the next day, *Gamble* was taken in tow by *Dorsey* who turned her over to LSM-126 for passage to Saipan. She arrived at Saipan 24 February and went alongside *Hamul* for repair.

Some hope remained for Gamble for a long time, but on 1 June 1945, she decommissioned and on 16 July, she was towed outside Apra Harbor, Guam, and sunk

Gamble received seven battle stars for service in World War II.

"Asleep In The Deep"

Requirements for burial at sea:

The Retired Personnel Support Branch, NMPC-643, receives numerous inquiries for information on the requirements for burial at sea. This article provides that information.

Eligibility

Eligibility for burial at sea of casketed intact remains and cremated remains from a naval vessel or aircraft are as follows:

Active duty and retired members of the Uniformed Services are eligible as well as former members of the Uniformed Services who were discharged under honorable conditions, U.S. Civilian Merchant Marine personnel of the Military Sealift Command, dependents of members and former members of the Uniformed Services. Additionally, U.S. citizens may be determined to be eligible due to outstanding contributions to the United States.

Individuals desiring burial at sea should indicate their wishes in writing and make this available to their next of kin or executor of the estate, whom at the time of demise, should contact the Commanding Officer of the nearest Naval Medical Center to coordinate the arrangements.

Documents Needed

The following documents must be submitted to the Commanding Officer:

A transit permit issued by the appropriate civil authorities at the place of death or a certificate of cremation.

(A civil death certificate and a signed request/authorization committal from the primary next of kin or executor of the estate.)

The authorization should include the decedent's full name, grade, service number, Social Security number, branch of service. Also include dates of service, retirement and date of death. Be sure to include religious preference, whether scattering of cremains from a naval vessel/aircraft or committal of casketed remains from a naval vessel is desired and the body of water in which the cremains/remains should be committed.

Advance commitments cannot be made because compliance with the request would depend upon the conditions and availability of a ship at that time.

Services onboard ship while it is in port may be permitted on a not-to-interfere basis; however, civilian personnel cannot be authorized to attend at sea services.

Any expense incurred for delivery of remains/cremains to the point of embarkation of a naval ship must be borne by the estate of the deceased.

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