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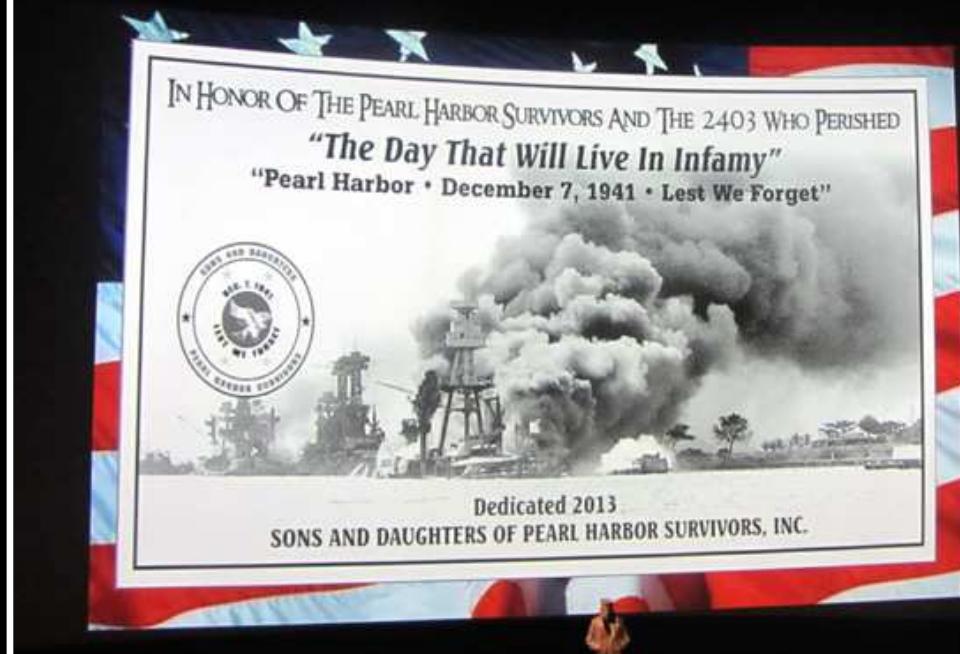
The National Newsletter of the SONS and DAUGHTERS of PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS, INC.

"Pearl Harbor ~ December 7, 1941 ~ Lest We Forget"

Winter Edition

NEW SDPHS MEMORIAL PLAQUE

The new SDPHS Memorial Plaque as it appeared on the large screen in the auditorium of the U.S. Navy Memorial, Washington D.C. at the Dedication Ceremony.



On Sunday, October 20, 2013, the Dedication Ceremony for the new SDPHS Memorial Plaque was held at the U.S. Navy Memorial in Washington D.C. District 7 Director Elaine McCann, acting as MC, introduced the speakers: National Secretary Carol Gladys, Mr. Paul Haley, Director at the museum, and National President Louella Large who was the keynote speaker. President Large gave a heartfelt moving speech about the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Many were brought to tears. Several SDPHS members were also present at the ceremony which coincided with the weekend's District 7 Convention. The Dedication was concluded with President Large ringing a bell for all of the Pearl Harbor Survivors who had deceased this year. See photo at right.

President Large has been asked by the Navy Memorial to return to Washington to speak at their ceremony on December 7th.





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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2014 National Convention – Dec. 4-8, 2014

Due to unforeseen problems, Dee Kelley has resigned as Convention Chairman. Carol Gladys, National Secretary and Rick Carraway, National Trustee are the new Convention Chairmen with Gordon Sparks, S.C. as their Assistant. The Holiday Inn of Charleston-Mt. Pleasant has been chosen as our Convention Hotel. Next Issue will have the registration form and information for hotel reservations. We hope to make this convention very memorable so please plan to attend.

MAHALO to those who donated to the SDPHS funds this quarter:



Kerry A. Sawick

Ralph Jeffers

Bronson Metz

George L. Murray

Mary Lynn Reid

Brenda A. Hollis

Bonnie Wissink

Memorial Fund

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NEXT MEMORIAL FUND

We are looking for the next place that we can have an SDPHS Memorial. If you have any suggestions, please contact National President Lou Large. We welcome your input on this project and will consider all responses that come in.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We will be offering the SDPHS Scholarship Award in the year 2014 and anyone attending college, any year of college will be considered. The form is on our web site at www.sdpbs.org

Some of Our Pearl Harbor Survivors who have recently passed away

Ray James	Hickam AFB	01/27/2013
Harold Lacy	USS Tennessee	03/24/2013
Eugene Daniel Dorosz	Ford Island	09/22/2013
Jesse Love	Ford Island	09/25/2013
Bert VanDeWeerd	USS San Francisco	10/02/2013
Hilton "Hank" Reynolds	USS Detroit	10/17/2013
Martin G. Gipe, Sr.	USS Nevada	10/04/2013
Robert Barlow Ruffato	USS Utah, AG16	10/24/2013
Bernard Lee Degrave	USS Montgomery	11/10/2013
Glen E. Mott	USS Ramapo	11/20/2013
Chester A. Goellner	USS California	11/21/2013



*Our Fathers, Our Heroes...
may they rest in peace.*



OFFSPRING DEADLINE

Send all content for articles to: OffspringEditor@gmail.com. Any questions? I am a phone call away. 301-774-5577/ 240-997-4327. Final deadline for the next issue is **FEBRUARY 15**.

FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT *Lou Large*



This year has been one of many trials and tribulations. We have had resignations but we also have new additions. More members are becoming reinstated and new members are signing up. Please welcome Rick Carraway, our 3rd National Trustee, who has joined the Executive Board. Rick is from the 7th District and brings with him a wealth of information and will be able to help in so many ways. He is a great leader. He is also joining our Convention Staff for 2014. We have had a change in the Convention Chairman, as well. Dee Kelly had to resign but Carol Gladys and Rick Carraway have stepped up to the plate and will be our new Convention Chairmen's along with Gordon Sparks of South Carolina as the Assistant Chairman. We will miss Dee in the preparation for Convention but understand that family must come first. I have full confidence in all 3 of our new convention leaders and know that the next issue of the Offspring will hold all the information you need to start making plans to attend. Just remember our National Convention is December 4 - December 8, 2014. Mark your calendars for those dates. Carol will take care of things on the National level and will work closely with Rick who is knowledgeable and has many contacts.

Gordon lives in S.C. and has first hand knowledge of the area and assistance we need. He is one of our early members and stays in contact with our PH survivors there. He publishes a newsletter from the area regularly and keeps us informed with death notices for our records.

December 7, 1941 Remembrance Ceremonies were held across our country more than ever this year. Our next issue will be filled with articles and pictures of that day. Please send everything to our Editor (and also to me), speeches, pictures, (as a jpeg attachment) pertaining to memorial services that you attended or were a part of. Please list names of people in pictures. The SDPHS is being recognized across the U.S. as the preserver of the memories of the Japanese Naval attack on Pearl Harbor. If you have not sent me a picture and memory article of your Pearl Harbor survivor, please do so ASAP. We display these memories and pictures at our National Convention and tell their stories when we speak. I spoke at the U.S. Navy Memorial this year and since then I have been contacted by many who will be sending information to me. This project is very important. PLEASE make sure you send information to me. Also, I have been receiving some memorabilia of survivors. Hopefully, one day we will have enough for a Dec. 7, 1941 Library located stateside so that those unable to visit Hawaii can still learn the tragedy of that day, and the days that followed for our survivors. This is so important to have, not just because it is our legacy and goal, but because the men and women in uniform stationed in Hawaii that day deserve to keep their memory alive. Everyone in the U.S. needs to remember and honor those who fought for our freedom. We must learn from the Greatest Generation! Please make this your New Year's Resolution, to send me anything about your survivor and December 7, 1941. Make copies if you want to keep items, or take pictures. Send anything you can and make sure names are listed correctly.

Have a Safe and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Louella "Lou" Large



FROM THE NATIONAL SECRETARY *Carol Gladys*

In October, while attending the 7th District Convention, I had the privilege and honor to take part in the Dedication Ceremony for the SDPHS Memorial Plaque at the U S Navy Memorial. The Memorials which have been placed by the Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors are a way in which we honor those who perished on the Day of Infamy and also those who survived.

2013 will soon be ending and we look forward to 2014 arriving. Of course, that also means that our chapters will have reports which will be due by March 6th. This includes Form 8 (Report of Chapter Officers), Form 10 (Financial Report), Form 16 (Trustees Annual Report of Operations and Conditions) and a copy of your Form 990N E-Filing Receipt. Be certain to also include a list of current active chapter members (dues paid for 2014). Copies of these reports should be sent to the National Treasurer and National Secretary.

Wishing each of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year.

Carol Gladys

SDPHS FINANCIAL REPORT - by Carolyn Sparks, National Treasurer

1/01/2013 - 9/30/2013

BEGINNING BALANCE, 1/1/13.....\$ 7500.30**Income**

Annual Dues	\$ 3,100.00
Donations to General Fund	400.00
New Member Fees	475.00
New Chapter Fees	0
Small Stores	1,794.61
Offspring Ads	130.00
Miscellaneous	10.33
Audit Adjustment	406.20
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 6,316.14

Expenses

Florida Dept. of State	70.00
Indiana Sec of State	7.14
E-Board meetings	0
National President	0
Handbook	36.58
National Secretary	325.86
National Treasurer	62.97
National Registrar	0
Executive Travel	
National President	0
National VP	600.75
National Secretary	0
National Treasurer	0
District Directors Travel	0
Trustees	0
Memorial Wreaths	115.00
Offspring Printing/Postage	1,387.23
Small Stores Inventory	403.88
New Chapter Start-up	50.00
Chapter Membership Awards	500.00
Stamp, Postage, Office Supplies	131.02
Bank Fees	0
Miscellaneous	0
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 3,690.43

ENDING BALANCE, 9/30/13.....\$10,126.01**MEMORIAL FUND REPORT**

Beginning Balance, 1/1/13	\$3,075.00
Income: Donation	50.00
less Expense: Memorial Plaque	<u>3,000.00</u>
Ending Balance, 9/30/13	\$ 125.00

SCHOLARSHIP FUND REPORT

Beginning Balance, 1/1/13	\$409.34
Income: Donations	170.00
less Expenses:	0
Ending Balance, 9/30/13	\$579.34

CONVENTION FUND REPORT

Beginning Balance, 1/1/13	\$1,894.80
Income: Donations	1,470.94
less Expenses:	<u>130.00</u>

Ending Balance, 9/30/13 \$3,255.74**TOTAL FUNDS as of 9/30/13.....\$14,086.09**

(one outstanding check) \$50.00

Bank Statement Ending Balance 9/30/2013.....\$14,136.09**SDPHS MEMBERSHIP REPORT As of 9/30/2013****Carol Gladys, National Secretary****WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Rita Marie Sona

Alvaton, KY

WELCOME NEW PHS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS!Harley B. Guynn
Lester C. Hartley
Lucille M. Hartley
Charles E. KessingIndianapolis, IN
Indianapolis, IN
Indianapolis, IN
Toledo, OHUSS Maryland
USS Jarvis
PHS Spouse
USS Pennsylvania

DISTRICT/STATE/CHAPTER REPORTS

DISTRICT 5 by Bette Sue Row, District Director

Indiana - We have all enjoyed a great summer. Our SDPHS has combined our meetings with the Honor Flight Veterans Chapter of Greater Indianapolis. We have made new friends and traded stories with the group. Our August meeting speaker was Gene Taylor from the American Merchant Marine Veteran WW11. The Goshen Blueberry festival was organized by our Indiana State Chair, **Jim Laud** with our survivor Jim Dewitt in attendance, giving many attendees the ability to say "Thank You"! Our speaker for the July meeting was Kermit Davis, who was at Iwo Jima. Our new business consisted of PHSA members who will become Associate Members of SDPHS. Applications were signed by 2 of our survivors. Certificates of appreciation were presented by PHSA Paul Kennedy to **John Haessig**, (President), **Kathy Dalton** (treasurer), and **Bette Sue Rowe** (Child Survivor) for their service to the organization. The Veterans Parade in Indianapolis was attended by **Paul Kennedy**, **Kyle and Tom Wehr**, **John Haessig**, and our bugler Ben Benjamin. Many people lined the streets viewing our SDPHS Banner and the Arizona mock up, made by the Wehr family. It was very rewarding when the people would shout "Thank You" to us! We look forward to the December 7th ceremony in Indianapolis.



Veterans Day Parade - L to R: **Tom Wehr**, **Kyle Wehr**, **Paul Kennedy**, **John Haessig**

OHIO - Lake Erie Chapter 2 by Carol Gladys, Chapter President

The members of Lake Erie Chapter 2 were pleased to welcome Ed and his wife Corinna Martinez as Friends of the Chapter members in September. Ed has shared with us his mothers memories of December 7, 1941. She was a young girl of fourteen living on a sugar plantation overlooking Pearl Harbor.

In October, **Carol Gladys** and her daughter **Debbie Kroupa** attended the 7th District Convention in Maryland. They enjoyed seeing old friends, and making new ones. The tour to Washington DC was not only fun, but they were able to see many of the memorials, including the World War II Memorial. November arrived and it was time for the Chapters Veterans Day Thank You cards to be addressed and mailed to the Pearl Harbor Survivors in Ohio. Sadly, our list gets shorter each year. This year we mailed out 49 cards. We wish each of the SDPHS members and their families "Mele Kalikimaka".

IOWA by Fred Wise, Vice President, Iowa Chapter

Labor Day Weekend 2013

On Labor Day Weekend my brother **Rob Wise** and I decided to go on a motorcycle ride and visit two places that honor Military Men and Women.

Our first stop was the "Freedom Rock" done by artist Ray "Bubba" Sorensen II of Greenfield, Iowa. The Freedom Rock is a large (approx. 60+ ton) boulder located in rural Iowa that is repainted every year in May for Memorial Day, with a different "Thank You" for our nations Veterans. It honors their service to our country and is visited by thousands each year from all 50 states and different countries. To find more information on the rock go to thefreedomrock.com.

Our second stop was in Audubon, Iowa where we connected with friends Doug Baker, Harlan, Iowa, a Vietnam Veteran and a Purple Heart Recipient and Mr. Clarence Pfundheller, Greenfield, Iowa, a Pearl Harbor Survivor to view "The Wall That Heals" that was on display. "The Wall That Heals" is a traveling Vietnam Veterans Memorial that features a half-scale replica of the Memorial that's in Washington, D.C. It is approximately 250' in length, and like the original Memorial, is erected in a chevron shape. Look for the "Wall that Heals" at the website: www.youtube.com.

During the day we all felt different emotional feelings, but also experienced the "Healing"! It was an awesome day to ride, be with good friends and take the time to truly appreciate what so many great people have done for our country. Our thanks goes out to all veterans and active duty personal!



DISTRICT 7 by Elaine McCann, District Director

7th District Convention, October 18 - 20

Over the past 6 months, I have had the pleasure of working with Maryland Chapter 1, planning our convention at the Holiday Inn, Gaithersburg, MD. I reread "A Note from Your Editor" that **Carmen Harding** had written for the last edition of the *Offspring*. My "life experiences" that Carmen referred to certainly led me to meaningful growth as a member of SDPHS. I had the opportunity, through the hard work we did together, to get to know my fellow chapter members much better. Their commitment to SDPHS is impressive.

Matt Zaborsky, Chapter Vice President made arrangements for our delightful Hawaiian dancer and **Rick Carraway**, arranged for our bus tour of Washington D.C. memorials. We were able to gather for a group picture at the National World War II Memorial monument that remembers the attack on Pearl Harbor. Another highlight was that of the Navy Memorial. SDPHS now has a plaque at this memorial that is dedicated to those who died and those who survived the attack on Pearl Harbor. The plaque was placed on Saturday during our visit and dedicated on Sunday by National President, **Lou Large**.

Carmen Harding created the program & other materials for our event. Her creativity and tech skills are superb and her talent for hospitality was the glue that brought the parts of the convention together. She also arranged for our dinner speaker, Delmas Wood who reenacted President Roosevelt's "Declaration of War" speech that was given on December 8, 1941. Listening to Delmas gave us a realistic sense of what the world was like for our survivors and their families.

We were most fortunate to have one of our Pearl Harbor Survivors with us, Bob Van Druff and his wife Helen (Carmen's parents). Two other Survivors, Clarence Davis and George Martin were not able to

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DISTRICT/STATE/CHAPTER REPORTS

District 7 continued

be with us. We missed them both! Others in attendance were National President **Lou Large** (OH), National Secretary **Carol Gladys** (OH), **Rick & Dawn Franks** (PA), **Martha Cassidy**, former National President (VA), **Eloise Meyers**, child survivor (VA), Kate and Jim Walsh, **Kim Dewhirst, Bob Wagner, Flo & Gene Strawser, Mike Davis**, MD State Chair & Chapter President & his wife **Kathy Davis** and **Carmen & Wayne Harding**.

I find that when I give something in life, so often what I receive in return is so much greater. Working on the convention was for me a labor of love. My involvement in SDPHS is a way to honor my father, Thomas J. McCann, 1919-2006, Schofield Barracks on December 7, 1941. I met members of SDPHS that I did not know before & became better acquainted with the members I have known. My commitment to SDPHS has certainly increased. For the coming year, I hope to reach out to the members in some of the states in District 7 to determine interest in becoming active. There is another need that I became aware of while working on the convention. I was contacted by several organizations looking for Pearl Harbor Survivors to speak, particularly on December 7. It can be difficult to find a survivor that is able to

speak. I see a need for us, the Sons and Daughters, to prepare ourselves to continue the education about the Attack on Pearl Harbor.



Front L to R: Carmen Harding, Bob Wagner, Lou Large, Dawn Franks, Flo Strawer, Carol Gladys, Elaine McCann. Back: Wayne Harding, Mike Davis, Rick Franks, Debbie Kroupa, Matt Zaborsky, Rick & Theresa Carraway

PUBLIC LAW 103-308 - Did you know...

submitted by James Laud, Sr., Indiana State Chair

The 72nd anniversary of the Bombing of Pearl Harbor is fast approaching, and we, as Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors are obliged to pay honor and tribute to those who fell on that “Day of Infamy”, to those who have passed since, and to the Survivors among us,” as described in our handbook.

Many of us do this during the course of the year by participating in parades, festivals, speaking engagements, etc. I commend all of you for doing this. However, we need to continue to come up with ideas to reach the masses, because our message only sticks with a small number of those we reach. Even when speaking engagements are held at schools and other events, one can't help but wonder how many people we are actually getting through to.

Academic standards set forth in many states require that students be taught about key events resulting in the United States entering World War II. The bombing of Pearl Harbor is a key event! Here in Indiana, the Indiana Academic Standards require this to be covered in seventh grade, and again, in more detail, in high school. Teachers at earlier grade levels have the option of covering this as well, but it needs to be done in a developmental appropriate manner. There are a number of classrooms that skim right over it and sometimes even don't cover it.

The key, here, is to educate our youngsters about the events of that fateful day and get it across to them in such a manner as to excite them enough that they will be inspired to remember it and act upon it to help others be aware of it. Most times, hands on activities are of great value in this area. One such activity is to arrange and/or conduct a flag-lowering ceremony in conjunction with the Boy Scouts, American Legion, or VFW, to name a few, at the schools on or around December 7th each year.

August 23, 1994 Congress approved Public Law 103-308 which designated December 7 of each year as “National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day,” and also calls on the President to do two things. First, issue a proclamation calling on Americans to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities. Second, to urge all Federal agencies, interested organizations, groups, and individuals to fly the U.S. flag at half-staff in honor of those who died at Pearl Harbor. Many people are not aware of this!

In addition to a flag-lowering ceremony, each of us can take part in a year-round activity. Many of us still use the U.S. Mail, especially with Christmas fast approaching. Any idea how many people a single letter comes in contact with? I'm not sure either, but I am sure that if there was something that got their attention on that letter, they would share it with others. Then those individuals might be so inclined to share it, and so on, and so on....

If we were to write something on an envelope or use a label, we could reach a good number of people with that message. I encourage all of us to put something on your mailings similar to this: Please lower your US flag to half-staff every December 7th in honor of those who died and persevered the bombing of Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941 Lest We Forget Public Law 103-308. Granted, that is a bit lengthy, but it gets the point from across. You are welcome to adapt it however works best for you.

So this is your mission, should you decide to accept it: Do all you can to help see that the U.S. flag is flown at half-staff on every December 7th, National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, for we ARE the Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors...Lest We Forget!



They Remember... We Won't Forget - *Submitted by his son, John A. Latko*

JOHN J. LATKO (MARINE) - USS WEST VIRGINIA

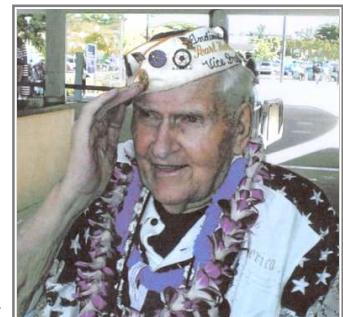
We would go out to sea for 10 days, maneuver with our task force of cruisers & destroyers, then come back for 10 days of liberty. On Thanksgiving I noticed how many of our ships were in the harbor. All the battle ships were moored to each other. Cruisers were tied 2 & 3 together & destroyers were 4 & 5 together. In boot camp we were taught that you don't put all your eggs in one basket. I remember telling my co-partner & mess mate "What the hell are all these ships doing in the harbor?" On Sunday, Dec. 7th the crew of the port side of the ship was going on a picnic at the naval ammunition dump, which the marines were guarding. We were going to play baseball. No one went on liberty or to church until Colors were played, but before Colors were over we saw planes flying overhead. We saw the red circle on the wings and a ship burning on the other side of the harbor. Our ship sounded the alarm for fire and rescue but before we could respond, the loud speakers blared out "belay that order" and the call then went out for "general quarters". I went to case mate #10, my regular 5" gun post. My position on the gun crew was to see if there was any fire in the bore after each salvo. Facing the USS Tennessee (we were tied up next to her), we could not fire our guns without hitting her.

The officers' galley was between case mate #9 and #10. The Japanese planes were dive-bombing us like hell, their planes also torpedoing our ship. After we took a few hits we began listing starboard. To try and keep my balance, I was leaning on nearby lockers, saying the Lord's Prayer, and thinking about my mother who did not want me to join the marines... but I went anyway.

Someone then opened the sea cocks on the port side of the ship and we sank to the bottom of the harbor! As we could feel the ship settling on the bottom, we heard the order to abandon ship. I looked to see how I could get to the USS Tennessee to save my life. While I was leaning on the lockers, praying that I return home to my mother and family, I could also see men from the USS Oklahoma hanging on to the rudder of their ship for dear life. (*Sometimes in my sleep, I wonder if those men made it to safety.*) I slid into the water and found the Coffee brothers in the water with me. They climbed the hawser rope to the top of the USS Tennessee, and I followed. I could not climb a rope in school, but I sure followed the Coffee twins up that oily rope to save my life on that terrible morning! When we got to the top deck the Japs were machine gunning everything that moved but we were able to hide in the Tennessee's paint locker. I walked the plank between our ships that someone had put there, and got back on board my own ship. I went to starboard looking for my friend from Wisconsin, but did not find him. Someone brought an injured sailor on the forward deck and a motor launch took him away to the liberty dock. The coxswain said he would be back to pick us up when he returned. I was still following orders, "fight fires and help the wounded", so I went back to case mate #10, but the fire from the burning oil was so hot I could not see or hear anyone. The motor launch did come back like the coxswain said he would. My friend Dougie stepped down 2 or 3 feet into the motor launch. I could have joined him, but I was still looking to help the wounded and fight fires but the fire was too hot and I could not be helpful to anyone. When I got back, the motor launch had pulled away due to the fire and I could see it about 20 feet away. I hollered "Hey, wait for me" and the coxswain did just that, he stopped the engine and waited but he did not pull back along side of the ship the way I thought he would. I had no choice, when I saw that he was not coming along side, I ran to midship behind our 15" gun turret #2 and started praying the Lords Prayer again and giving all the power I had to jump that distance. I landed with my feet in the boat, but my hips hit the rim of the boat. I remember thanking God for giving me the strength to make that long jump!

I felt pain in my legs and hips, but I was alive. After the coxswain saw that I was in the boat, he went to the rear of the USS West Virginia and we saw heads bobbing in the water. He again would not go near the fire, but I wanted to help those men... they were from my ship. I found a rope in the motor launch, did like the cowboys in the movies, and threw it just in front of a sailor. He reached out for the rope, got it, and I pulled him close to the motor launch and got him into the boat. The coxswain was pulling away and I hollered to him "There are two more men out there!" The chicken shit coxswain (not the navy) left those men like he would have left me if I had not broad jumped into the boat.

I was put ashore with the others. There was a Japanese man working on the dock and I honestly didn't know if he would have killed us or we would have killed him. At that time, if I'd had a weapon, I would have killed an innocent man! As the day ended I thanked God once again that I was still alive. I later heard that the captain of the USS West Virginia had been wounded in the gut and died. We had a make-believe funeral for him. And that is my story of "The day that will live in infamy".



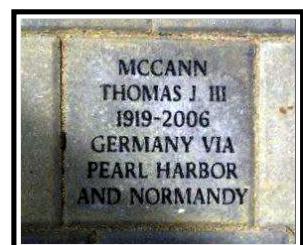
Editors Note: *As we were getting ready to go to press, I got word from Indiana State Chair, Jim Laud that John had passed away yesterday, Dec. 18. He was 94 years old. Our condolences to the Latko family.*

Delaware County Veterans Memoria in Newtown Square, PA



7th District Director, Elaine McCann recently found that a stone memorial to her father, Thomas J. McCann had been purchased by her neice. This is a beautiful Veterans Memorial located in Newtown Square, Pennsylvania. For more information or to learn more about this you can visit their website at:

<http://www.delcoveteransmemorial.com/>



WE REMEMBER AND HONOR OUR LOVED ONES

IN LOVING MEMORY of Richard "Dick" Brown,
USS Solace.
Beverly Cummings, Daughter
Heidi Tucker & Michelle Pauly, Granddaughters

IN LOVING MEMORY of John H. "Jack" McCarron, USS
Arizona, Gunners Mate 2nd Class; 5"/25AA MS# 7
Eileen Sampson, Daughter; Grandchildren
Adam & Teri; GG'Children Alexis & Katelyn

IN LOVING MEMORY of our father, Leonide (Lee)
Soucy, USS Utah, Pharmacist Mate 2/C.
Mary McCormick and Margaret Soucy

IN HONOR of our Dad, Robert Bishop, Fire Controlman;
USS Tennessee.
From daughters: Gay Blackann, Sue Blake, Joy Bayless

IN MEMORY OF BILL ECKEL
Howard Snell

NJ PHSA supports SDPHS

IN LOVING MEMORY of my dad, Solomon F. Oden,
USS Pennsylvania BB38, LCDR Asst. Gunnery Officer
Thomas Oden

IN LOVING MEMORY of my Father, Benjamin Bossi
Oct. 30, 1920 ~ Nov. 19, 2005 Hickam Field 12/7/41
Dennis Bossi

Deceased Survivor Name: _____ Date of death _____
Duty Station: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
SDPHS Relative _____

SEND FORM TO:
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7514 Lincoln St. S. E. East Canton, OH 44730-9564

Notification of Change of Contact Information

My _____ has changed. I have included my new information below.
 Name _____
 Member No. _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Email address: _____
 Phone #: _____ Cell Phone: _____

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36675 Giles Road, Grafton, Ohio 44044-9124

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CHILD SURVIVOR HISTORY PROJECT Send articles and photos to: **Joedy Adams**, 4065 Paducah Drive, San Diego, CA 92117-5321. (858) 273-1036 or e-mail: joedy@san.rr.com

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I AM A CHILD SURVIVOR If you are a child survivor of the Attack on Pearl Harbor, contact **Mary Ellen Smith** and be recognized. Also, send an account of your memories leading up to, during & after the attack. If you would like the patch, "I am a Survivor", please send \$6 payable to: **Mary Ellen Smith**, 5903 Arbor Road, Lakewood, CA 90713 or email her at sdphs@earthlink.net

CONTACT INFO FOR HAWAII STATE CHAIR

Cecil Meadows, 45-1024 Kamehameha Highway B-1, Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744. Phone: 808-735-7029

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IN LOVING MEMORY of my dad, Lt. Joy W. Beezley,
 USN Retired, USS Medusa (ARI).
Carol and Dave Gladys

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To those we're lucky enough to still have around
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 SDPHS Pearl of Indy (IN Chapter 1)



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A note from your Editor....

REGARDING THE ARTICLE ON PAGE 6...

After reading the article on page 5 sent by our Indiana State Chair, James Laud, I had some thoughts that I would like to share. A few years back a history teacher, Mr. David Hoffert, from the Warsaw High School in Warsaw, Indiana reached out to the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association and obtained names and addresses of some of our survivors. He had each of his students write a letter to an individual Pearl Harbor Survivor thanking him for his service but also asking him for his experience, thus gaining first hand information about this particular segment of our nations history. What a "hands on" way to bring history to life! What a creative and inspiring teacher! My father wrote back to "his student" a very well written and detailed 3 page letter of his experience and thoughts on the war. I imagine that these students will probably remember in a more personal way what they learned in Mr. Hoffert's history class.

I think that if the SDPHS would collaborate to create their own History Project with Story Boards and/or Power Point presentations that could be shared with our members to use during public speaking engagements it would be a wonderful and most useful undertaking. I know that our 7th District Director Elaine McCann, among others, are interested in such an endeavor. Maybe other interested members could form a group or committee to work on such a project.... hmmm

Carmen

Changed your e-mail?? Moved?? Please notify the National Secretary so records can be kept current & you can continue to receive your *Offspring*. (see form Page 6)

Heard of the death of a Pearl Harbor survivor?? Please notify our National President. (See form on Page 6). With no prior records, it is important that you send this information to us. Also send an e-mail to our Offspring Editor for publication in the *Offspring*- give NAME, DUTY STATION & DATE of death.

If you did not send in your favorite recipes for the first printing, you can still do so along with your survivors photo and his/her story. Carol Gladys will be updating future editions. The new SDPHS Cookbook is now listed in our Small Stores items for only \$15. An addition to the cookbook will be added for our 2014 convention. Remember - also send recipes from WWII, parent's favorites & yours to Carol Gladys, National Secretary.

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A Young Person's Meditation on Things He Knows Not Of

*Written by Zach Prevedel
Age 17, Fort Collins, CO
Grandson of Pat Smith, 2nd District Director*

Remember, remember, that day in September
When evil flew in from above?
When amidst all the ruin and rubble and embers
You could not see the face of your love?

Remember the droning of sirens, the moaning
And calling for friends still unfound?
While God, looking down from his high-flying throne
Stood by with this pain all around?

Did I get it right? For try as I might,
Remember that day I cannot.
But as young as I am, maybe at least I can
Present you a worthwhile thought.

I ask you, remember that day in September
For something other than the grief.
Don't think of it in fear - no, remember the heroes
Who helped us turn over that leaf.

Remember the men who made their way back in
To save those still trapped and alone.
Remember the morning that, after the mourning,
Still lit up with bright sunlight, shone.

Remember the brothers that joined with the others
To build up our nation once more.
Remember that God, though it seems a bit odd,
Was there with us throughout the chore.

If we just give in to the fear, then they win
And our country takes it on the chin.
Remember to be the American We;
Forget terrorists and their sin.

Remember, remember, that day in September
That failed to stifle our light?
When amidst all the ruin and rubble and embers
We lived on to keep up the good fight?

Editors Note: 9/11/2001 was a vicious attack on American soil as was the attack on Pearl Harbor 12/7/1941. It is fitting for our young people to remember through us and through history the significant impact that each of these incidents had on our country and how we overcame each to strengthen ourselves with the help of God. Thank you, Zack, for your keen awareness. I do believe you got it right!!