"There are several memorials in the United States of America dedicated to the 2,403 men and women killed and the 1,178 who were wounded on that day in December 1941 — that day that will live in infamy — and to those who still live, but there is none that will reach more people than our ship when she joins the Fleet. She will be a moving Memorial".

These solemn words were spoken by Mr. Robert McClintock, Jr., President of the National Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, in a speech delivered at the keel-laying ceremony for LSD-52 at Avondale’s New Orleans shipyard on January 27, 1995. LSD-52, Avondale’s latest Dock Landing Ship being built for the Navy, will be christened PEARL HARBOR at launching ceremonies in 1996.

The Navy has assigned LSD-52 the name PEARL HARBOR in honor of the Naval Base on the island of Oahu, Hawaii, and the men and women who fought so valiantly in response to the surprise attack by Japanese forces on December 7, 1941. The battle prompted the United States’ entry into World War II, and “Remember Pearl Harbor” became the rallying cry for the nation during the war years.

The keel-laying ceremony is a long-standing shipbuilding tradition marking the beginning of construction of a ship. Participants in the event wished the new ship well in its future voyages and recalled the significance of the name assigned to the ship.

McClintock, who was the Principal speaker at the keel-laying ceremony, continued:

FLY YOUR FLAG

- Armed Forces Day, May 20
- Memorial Day, May 29
- Flag Day, June 14
- Independence Day, July 4
USS Pearl Harbor Keel Laying

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ing, joined some 50 other PHSA members and Avondale and Navy officials at Avondale for the ceremony, at which he dedicated the keel on behalf of all the Pearl Harbor Survivors, and in particular, "in the memory of all those from the five Military Services who lost their lives that day".

Joining Mr. and Mrs. McClintock at the ceremony were the PHSA Louisiana Chapter President Charlie Swain and Secretary Ed Jones, several past and present PHSA officers, and several PHSA members' wives and family members. As part of the event, the PHSA members dedicated a memorial plaque and other memorabilia in a stainless steel time capsule that was welded to the LSD-52 keel.

The event began with the Presentation of Colors by the U.S. Naval Support Activity Color Guard, and was followed by the National Anthem performed by the Naval Support Activity Band. An invocation was delivered by Mr. John R. Zanca, Louisiana PHSA Chapter Chaplain.

Mr. Edmund C. Mortimer, Avondale's Corporate Vice President and Shipyards Division Manager, welcomed attendees and explained Avondale's modular ship construction techniques, which differ drastically from those used to build ships during World War II.

He was followed on the program by Commander James L. Jenkins, USN, Resident Supervisor of Shipbuilding, who spoke of how proud he was to be in the presence of so many Pearl Harbor veterans. Commander Jenkins then introduced McClintock, who thanked the Navy for this great honor and praised Avondale's shipbuilders.

"Men and women who work on ships have a special pride in their work," said McClintock. "They display a particular devotion to the ship and a special protection to the quality of their work. They are proud! The men and women of Avondale are cut from that same bolt of cloth. They are proud as we are today and you can be sure that this care and devotion will follow in the construction of our ship". The Navy Band then closed the keel-laying ceremony with a Benediction — a moving performance of "Eternal Father".

The ships are capable of a wide range of amphibious assault operations for the Navy and the Marines, such as carrying, launching and docking Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCAC) vessels, along with tanks, military vehicles, and deployments of Marines.

Avondale-built LSDs and LCACs have played prominent roles in our nation's military operations, including recent service in the Persian Gulf, and off the coasts of Somalia and Bosnia. LSD-52 is scheduled for delivery to the Navy in 1998.

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National President Robert McClintock, Avondale's Chick St. Germaine, Margie McClintock and Avondale's Edmund C. Mortimer.
By-Laws

2-18-95. TO ALL HANDBOOK HOLDERS: PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING PEN AND INK CHANGES:

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article III, para. 4, delete “government” and substitute “Constitution”.

Article VII, para.5(c) change to read: “Members shall receive the Pearl Harbor GRAM by 1st class mail. A $6.00 per annum publishing and mailing fee is required”.

HANDBOOK

Section 5. Chapter Organization
Paragraph 7, sub-para. a. delete “with or without vote”. Paragraph 9, sub-para. a. delete “with or without vote”.

Section 7. Chapter Meeting
Paragraph 1, sub-para. a. change to read: “Chapter meetings shall be conducted as required by the National Constitution and By-Laws, PHSA Handbook, and Roberts Rules of Order, Current Edition”.

Section 8. Chapter Finance
Paragraph 4, sub-para. b(4) delete.

Section 13. Pearl Harbor GRAM
Paragraph 3, sub-para. c. Change to read: “Members shall be assessed an annual six dollar ($6.00) publication and first-class mailing fee”.
Paragraph 4, sub-para. d. Change $5.00 to $6.00, Surviving Spouse Change $5.00 to $6.00, Sons and Daughters “All of the above mailings will be via first-class mail”.

Section 15. Expenditures of Funds, etc.
Paragraph 2. Change “routing” to “routine.”

Section 17. Miscellaneous
(Official PHSA Uniform Hat)
Paragraph 10. Add new sub-para. to read:
Paragraph 11. White hat with gold crown (1) Founding fathers
To Appendix A, page A-1, add the Binghamton #1 New York, National Charter No.18, charter date 6-20-64. Chapter 1D. Number 23-7188428.

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Effective January 1, 1995 ALL Members in the United States, Guam and Puerto Rico must pay $6.00 annual assessment for the Pearl Harbor Gram. All Grams for Members in the United States, Guam and Puerto Rico will be VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL. Prices for all subscribers are:

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Pearl Harbor Day Work Of Many

The following is reprinted from the February 1995 issue of the VFW Magazine. It concerns an article that was in the December 1994 VFW Magazine which gave Richard Foltyniewicz full credit for legislation resulting in Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

“Pearl Harbor Day Becomes a Reality, Thanks to One Veteran” (December) is a grave injustice to the many members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association (PHSA) who worked for so long to see the realization of National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

Richard Foltyniewicz successfully lobbied Rep. George E. Sangmeister (D-III.) to introduce a bill in the House of Representatives, but he did not single-handedly achieve this victory.

PHSA had petitioned Congress for 10 years to make Dec. 7 a national day of remembrance in perpetuity. PHSA formed a National Capitol Liaison Committee in 1986 for this purpose. But perpetuity was held up by the chairman of the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee.

Moreover, Mr. Foltyniewicz had nothing to do with the law’s passage in the Senate, where it was sponsored by Sen. Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ.).

How do I explain to survivors — especially Tony DiLorenzo of Maryland, Frank Costagliola of Virginia and George Danko of New Jersey — who walked the halls of Congress seeking and acquiring sponsors for HJ Res. 131, the headline of this story? The editor must take the blame for the headline.

Finally, PHSA members also received a letter from President Clinton thanking them for their help in securing passage of the resolution. Lee Goldfarb (Past President, PHSA) 18 Bunker Rd., East Hanover, N.J. 07936

VFW Magazine Editor’s Note: The headline chosen by me was totally inappropriate. Like most long-term endeavors, creation of Pearl Harbor Day was achieved through the dedication of many individuals — not one.
National President

Gotta' Minute?
The keel-laying of the USS Pearl Harbor (LSD-52) was held in Avondale, LA. on January 27, 1995. The next big event for our ship will be the christening and launching to take place in late February or early March 1996. You will be kept up to date by the Gram. Everyone who can is encouraged to attend. It will be an event you won’t easily forget.

The Pearl Harbor Survivors Association owes a debt of gratitude to Mr. Ed Mortimer, Corporate Vice-President and Manager of the Avondale Shipyards Inc., for his perseverance in making the keel laying of the USS Pearl Harbor (LSD-52) on January 27, 1995 an important event for us. His selection of Mr. Bernard J. “Chick” St. Germaine of Avondale to arrange and to conduct the entire affair was excellent and was responsible for its huge success.

The previous Administration has signed the contract that will place the 1996 Convention at the Sheraton Waikiki in Honolulu December 5-9, 1996. You will be kept posted by the Gram.

David Klingensmith and Murray Penhollow have written to me in regards to the tugboat HOGA. They are interested in preserving the tug and moving her to Pearl Harbor as a memorial. It has been suggested that it be used for a repository for our memorabilia. Environmental problems can interfere, as well as space.

The Committee of the Future has given us an excellent report. Excerpts are found in the February Gram. Remember, the recommendations must go through the proper channels of our Constitution and By/Laws before becoming operational.

Remember . . . if you want truly to understand something, try to change it.

Robert McClintock

Painting Of USS Pearl Harbor (LSD-52)

By Robert McClintock

The painting of the USS Pearl Harbor (LSD-52) that is to be presented to our ship at Christening and Launching, in lieu of the traditional silver set, is finished and paid for. I made a trip to Inverness, Florida and to American Naval Art to see the painting. A proposal will be presented by American Naval Art for reduced reproductions suitable for framing and available for sale.

A judgment will be made between lithograph and professional color photography for quality, sales price to our Survivors, ability and cost to reproduce additional copies if and when needed.

Professional Commercial artists, who are Pearl Harbor Survivors, will be consulted prior to final decision as to the method that will suit our needs and that will provide prints considered affordable and of good quality.

In order to have adequate time for this decision, the August Gram has been chosen as the time to promulgate this decision and with full information.

You may be assured that every effort will be made to provide prints at a price you can afford.

The painting is good and the artist has brought events into the picture that memorialize the time span between December 7, 1941 and now.

Secretary’s Message

The membership contest has been terminated by action of the National Executive Board.

The “Application for Membership,” PHSA Form 1 (Rev 1995), has been sent to all state chairmen for distribution to the Handbook holders of each chapter. All applications not submitted on the 1995 revision will be returned to the applicant.

WE NEED YOUR HELP.
PLEASE submit a change of address to the PHSA Administrative Office AND to the U.S. Post Office. If you have sent a change of address to the U.S. Post Office every time you move, they will forward your GRAM. However, when the forwarding time expires, your GRAM is sent to the PHSA National Secretary. If neither the U.S. Post Office nor the PHSA National Secretary receives a change of address, your GRAM is automatically sent to the Administrative Office office and you become a “lost” member, and we sure do hate to lose you.

This could be a smooth operation if all survivors, especially “Snowbirds,” would send changes of address each and everytime they move to U.S. Post Office and Administrative Office. The ultimate change of address requires a notification to your chapter secretary or the administrative office so as to generate a Death Report.

The PHSA, Inc. has an appointed Future Committee with the responsibility of providing the direction along with the National Executive Board and ultimately with the membership sitting in convention with ideas and suggestions to ensure our organization remains solvent and, above all, to keep alive our motto “Remember Pearl Harbor — Keep America Alert” and the Preamble to the PHSA, Inc. Constitution. Any ideas, suggestions, thought-provoking or otherwise, are always welcome from the membership. SEND THEM IN.

Julius A. Finnern

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Executive Board Directives

EBD 1-95
In accordance with National Organization, Section 2, para. 9, sub-para. a, of the PHSA, Inc. Handbook, Anthony DiLorenzo, 7th District Director, requested the appointment of Clark O. Martin as Assistant 7th District Director.

APPROVED: 12

EBD 2-95
As required by Article IX, para. 2, sub-para. c(1 ) of the PHSA, Inc. NC&BLs, the Bay Patriots MA Chapter 1, National Number 41, requested approval from the PHSA, Inc. Executive Board of their Chapter By-Laws.

APPROVED: 11

EBD 3-95
In accordance with Article VI, para. 4, sub-para. f, of the PHSA Inc. NC&BLs, the National Treasurer requested approval from the PHSA, Inc. Executive Board to employ a part-time clerical assistant at Six ($6.00) Dollars per hour.

APPROVED: 12

EBD 4-95
The Bay Patriots MA Chapter 1 petitioned the PHSA, Inc. Executive Board to publish the details of the revocation of membership in the PHSA, Inc. of Charles Toohey in the PHSA GRAM.

A Committee was authorized by the PHSA, Inc. Executive Board to compose a draft, outlining the reasons for the revocation of membership.

APPROVED: 9

DISAPPROVED: National President, National Secretary and 5th District Director.

(The published draft was unanimously approved by the Bay Patriots MA Chapter 1 Executive Board.)

Revocation Of Membership - Charles Toohey

On December 8, 1994, a question was posed to President Lee Goldfarb from the floor at the business meeting of the National Convention on the revocation of the membership of Charles A. Toohey, #2537. The President responded, making a verbal report of the circumstances. On December 3, 1994, the old Executive Board had resolved to publish information on the matter and on December 8, 1994, the new Executive Board reaffirmed that decision and authorized and directed that the May issue of the GRAM include an article amplifying the decisions (EBDs 23-92, 26-93, 3-94 and 7-94) related to the revocation.

On August 16, 1992, a committee appointed by the National President conducted a hearing on a grievance from the Treasurer of the Bay Patriots Chapter of Massachusetts that funds had been diverted from deposit in accounts for which he was accountable and that his attempts to perform his duties were being obstructed by superior officials. That committee found that Charles A. Toohey had solicited funds as President of the Chapter for several projects (the Pearl Harbor Flag, travel to Hawaii, an “ad book” to support a send-off), had deposited in his personal bank account one or more checks payable to PHSA and had failed to render an accounting of funds coming into his custody. The Committee also learned that, to access the bank records, a court order would be needed. The E-Board authorized employment of counsel to do so (EBD 23-92). Counsel confirmed and amplified the findings in time for consideration by the Executive Board during the 1992 Convention.

At meetings during that convention, the Executive Board considered several alternatives, but tabled motions related to suspension or revocation of membership in an attempt to achieve settlement discreetly and in consideration of the long and valuable service of the person involved. Negotiations between counsel for Mr. Toohey and PHSA continued into 1993. On March 26, 1993, another committee, chaired by the National President and including two District Directors, met to provide a hearing for Mr. Toohey, with counsel for each party present. During that hearing Mr. Toohey admitted that he had solicited funds as the Chapter President using official stationery and the PHSA logo and that he had deposited checks payable to PHSA in his personal bank account. At the conclusion of the hearing a proposal was offered to Mr. Toohey that he provide an affidavit under oath stating the facts and explanations that he had provided during the hearing, that he would cooperate in an effort to recover funds due PHSA or the Chapter from the fundraising activities involved in the 1991 projects, that he would pay the fees of approximately $4,000 to the attorney engaged by PHSA and that he would request that his PHSA membership be suspended for a period of two years.

Mr. Toohey had not complied with the terms of the settlement by August 1993 and the Executive Board considered and approved the revocation of membership (EBD 26-93). The Executive Board in 1994 was asked if further action to pursue and expand the recovery of funds was desired in view of the cost incurred and to be incurred and authorized termination of legal action (EBD 3-94). The Bay Patriots Chapter and the Eighth District Director later requested that the general membership be informed of the revocation of membership (EBD 7-94).

California State Convention

California Santa Clara Valley Chapter 7 will host the 34th annual State convention at the San Jose Red Lion Hotel September 6 - 9, 1995.

Hotel rate for the convention is $69.00 for single or double occupancy. Reservations may be made by calling the hotel at (408) 453-4000 by August 21, 1995.

The convention will offer bowling, golf, welcome reception and dance, banquet, Gilroy Factory Outlet tour, Roaring Camp tour and barbeque, ladies luncheon, chapter officers meeting, and California State business meeting.

For additional information contact Convention Chairman Frank Karas, 974 Lantana Dr., Sunnyvale, CA 94086-8631 phone (408) 739-4853.
Pearl Harbor Memorial Service

By John Reimer
Navy Yard
Veterans of Chillicothe, Illinois and others gathered on the bank of the Illinois River at Cutright Park on Sunday, December 4, 1994, to honor those who died in the attack on Pearl Harbor and the surrounding area on December 7, 1941.

The event was sponsored by VFW post 4999, American Legion Post 9, and AMVETS Post 77, who were joined by veterans organizations from surrounding communities. Eleven Pearl Harbor Survivors were in attendance, as were two former prisoners of war from World War II, and one from the Korean War.

A highlight of the ceremony was the reading by 12-year-old Justin Schnauber of an essay entitled "My Name Is Old Glory", which was written by his grandfather, Howard Schnauber. Mr. Schnauber had enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps on December 8, 1941, at age sixteen. More than a few tears were shed during the reading. Some World War II veterans, now in their seventies, were seen to wipe their eyes.

The Chillicothe community volunteer Fire Department availed the use of their rescue boat to take auxiliary ladies out on the river to cast a wreath on the water while ladies from the audience were given flowers to cast in honor of those who were buried at sea and in graves around the world. Crew members of a passing tug boat were seen standing at attention at salute during the firing of the 21-gun salute and the sounding of taps.

Marty Gollnitz, Post 4999 of Chillicothe has been conducting the Pearl Harbor memorial service annually since 1985.

Following the service, a luncheon was served at the post home to more than one hundred participants. The Sons and Daughters of The Pearl Harbor Survivors Association held a business meeting following the luncheon.

The production watch will have NAM across the face and the starting and finishing dates. All of the battle area is shown in the background. The Wall is displayed with 3 names picked at random from the actual Wall in Washington D.C. The Grunt with the bayonet represents what it takes to take the high ground and win the battles. Cassette comes with watch. If you have relatives or friends that were there, show it to them.

Price is $125.00
See back of this GRAM to order.

1996 National Convention

The National Convention for the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association will be held at the Sheraton Waikiki Hotel in Honolulu, Hawaii, December 3-8, 1996. This is in regard to our national by-law Article XI, which states that national conventions will be held on said location island when said year is an even number year.

A contract is signed with the Sheraton Hotel as our headquarters hotel and the Hawaii Aloha chapter as our host.

Hawaii To Be Site Of V-J Day Anniversary Celebration

The State of Hawaii has been selected by the Department of Defense World War II Commemorative Committee to host the national anniversary celebration of the end of World War II.

A World War II commemorative working committee has been set up to coordinate the celebrations. The committee is chaired by retired Vice Admiral Robert K.U. Kihune. Committee members include: Major Gen. Edward V. Richardson, state adjutant general; Col. Bill Earon, representing Commander in Chief Pacific; representatives of the Governor's office; the State Department of Defense; the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, and the City and County of Honolulu.

Commemorative activities will take place throughout 1995, culminating in activities marking the official Japanese surrender Sept. 2. The events will honor those who died during WWII, recognize the veterans who fought and the sacrifices and efforts required to end the Pacific campaign, and instill an awareness of the economic, social, and political impacts of the war.

NAS Kaneohe

John S. Kennedy (Boat House, NAS Kaneohe) is writing a book on Kaneohe Bay 1941-1945. He is interested in hearing from any one who served at Kaneohe Bay and sharing any photographs that may be available.

He has about 150 pages laid out that cover seven sections: NAS base personnel, Marine Barracks, Patrol Wing 1, VP-11, VP-12, VP-14 and the 1991 50th anniversary at Kaneohe. He hopes to finish the book by the end of the year so it can be printed.

If you have anything you would like to contribute, write to John at 17271 Via Carmen, San Lorenzo, CA 94580.

Florida State Convention

The 1995 Florida State Convention, hosted by Chapter Six Northeast Florida, will be held June 29, 30 and July 1, 1995 at the Ponce de Leon Golf and Conference Center, located at the north end of St. Augustine, Florida where over 400 years of history await you in St. Augustine's Old City. Visit the city's many museums, quaint shops, historic attractions and national landmarks. Contact Convention Chairman, Fred H. Guest, 10928 Aloha Drive, Jacksonville, Fl. 32246-8802 Phone (904) 641-9943.
## Prayer for the Dead

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

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Tennessee Volunteer
Chapter 1

By John W. Seagle
Chapter President

In December the Volunteer Chapter 1 had the honor of having breakfast with California State Chairman William "Bill" Davis who was on his way to Tampa, Florida for the national convention.

In the photo are Chapter Vice President Ernest Blake (27th Infantry Regiment, Schofield Barracks), Bill Davis, Chapter President John Seagle (55th Engineers, Schofield Barracks), Trustee Bill Layman (USS St. Louis), and Trustee Chester Porg (13th Field Artillery, Schofield Barracks).

First District

By Robert S. Kronberger
District Director
Founding Father

The First District is alive and well and intends to maintain the pep and vigorous attitude that it has enjoyed over the past years. The District Chapters have developed a varied and ambitious calendar for the future.

The present plans include, in addition to the normal and required ceremonies, the following activities: the 1995 State Convention will be held in San Jose, California to be hosted by Santa Clara Valley Chapter 7, while the 1996 State and First District Convention will be hosted by San Fernando Valley Chapter 12.

The 1996 National Convention will be held in Hawaii under the watchful eye of the Aloha Chapter 1.

The 1998 National Convention will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada and will be hosted by Nevada Silver State Chapters 1 and 2.

April will find the Survivors heading for Griseldy for the Cambake and the Northern California Chapters Joint meeting with Chapter 25 in charge. On September 14-15 we are looking forward to the Fallfest in Placerville with Hangtown Chapter 30 doing the honors.

Chapter 29 Roadrunners will host their annual Yamboree along with the Southern California Chapters Joint Meeting October 19-21. Chapter 21 of Yucca Valley is hosting a celebrity golf tournament to raise funds to produce a TV program and VCR Tapes, both to educate the children of the High Desert on the principles of Americanism and to promote the memory of December 7, 1941.

San Diego's Carnation Chapter has many events scheduled for the chapter, the schools, the public and the PHSAA as a whole. Chapter 31, better known as the Tri-City Chapter, has an excellent program in effect for telling the Pearl Harbor story to the public.

Chapter 27 in Hemet has several programs also in progress to make the association more friendly.

Lake Isabella Chapter 19 reports that the Living Memorial is doing well and of course they remind us that they still accept donations to keep the program going. All the other chapters in the District are also busy on PHSAA and civic projects.

The whole District can be proud of their participation in the Citizens Flag Alliance, as they have produced about 800 signatures to date, asking that Congress call for an amendment making the desecration of the American Flag a felony. We hope to secure more signatures as the days go on.

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Total new members this quarter ........................................ 48
Total new members since 01/01/95 ..................................... 48

Total membership .......... 11,552

New Members by States
Alabama .......................................................... 1
Arizona .......................................................... 1
California ....................................................... 15
Colorado ........................................................ 1
Connecticut ..................................................... 2
Florida .......................................................... 3
Georgia .......................................................... 1
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Maryland ......................................................... 1
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Michigan ........................................................ 1
Nebraska ........................................................ 2
New York ......................................................... 4
Ohio ............................................................... 4
Pennsylvania .................................................... 1
Texas ............................................................. 5
Utah .............................................................. 1
Washington ..................................................... 3

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Lynnfield, MA

COBIA, Tom H.
35th Inf Reg Schofield Bks
Cedar Bluff, AL

FIELDER, Franklin R.
USS Medusa
Silbbee, TX

STERNER, Floyd E.
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Stockdale, PA

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USS Henley
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USS Pennsylvania
Norfolk, NE

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Easton, WA

VODEHNAL, Albert E.
USS Preble
Montrose, CO

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Bay City, TX

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39th QM Det Wheeler Fld
Bantam, CT

WOOTON, Ralph C.
CINCUS Staff Sub Base
Pensacola, FL

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Warren, OH

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Fallbrook, CA

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VP-12 NAS Kaneohe
Mynokern, CA

HALL, Chester G., Jr.
USS California
Evaston, IL

GRAY, Lee E.
USS Vestal
Ocean City, MD

AYERS, William H., Jr.
USS Rigel
Chula Vista, CA

TOMPKINS, Charles W.
VP-12 NAS Kaneohe
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SEAMAN, Wayne L.
USS Rigel
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Ocotillo, CA

NANCE, Rufus F.
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Rancho Santa Margarita, CA

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VP-12 NAS Kaneohe
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CONTER, Louis A.
USS Arizona
Indian Wells, CA

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Puaula Pt, U.S. Navy
El Paso, TX

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Wauseon, OH

WEARS, Leo G.
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Williamsburg, Mi

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696th Ord Wheeler Fld
Jericho, NY

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Durham, CT

BRIGHT, Charles A.
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SEDER, Ladislaus
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San Jose, CA

ARCIVAR, Angelo
USS Tennessee
Fort Worth, TX

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USS Farragut
Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Virginia Tidewater Chapter 2

These are the words inscribed on the Pearl Harbor monument by Virginia Tidewater Chapter 2, on small plot at Little Creek, Virginia Amphibious Base. Memorial Services were held on the site on December 7, 1995.

INSCRIPTION ON THE MONUMENT
IN MEMORY OF THOSE 2403 HEROES WHO MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE, AND TO THE SURVIVORS OF PEARL HARBOR OAHU, HAWAII DECEMBER 7, 1941 A DAY THAT WILL LIVE IN INFAMY REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR KEEP AMERICA ALERT

Florida Chapter 2

Florida Chapter 2 held their Valentine Party meeting in the city of Orlando on February 11.

6th District Director Ed Eads installed Florida State Chairman Fred Couture.

In the photo are National President Robert McClintock Jr., 6th District Director Ed Eads, Florida Chapter 2 President Ralph Lott and new Florida State Chairman Fred Couture.

Virginia Chapter 2

By John F. Costa
Chapter Secretary

Virginia Chapter 2 continued to provide exciting travel opportunities for its members and their guests. In January, 28 people boarded a bus to Florida for a week of sightseeing in Sarasota, Tampa and Ocala. The group was entertained at the Ringling Museum, Weeki Wachee, Busch Gardens, Silver Springs, and the Comedy House Theater. Six night’s accommodations, frequent rest stops, meal breaks en route and a generous stock of refreshments on board, prevented any boredom to spoil the fun.

The chapter was near the head of the column in Norfolk’s Saint Patrick’s Day Parade on March 18. Survivors distributed green leis to children and ladies of all ages along the route.

Memorial Day will see the same marchers wearing red, white and blue leis in Portsmouth’s parade.
PHSA Members Mark Wedding Anniversaries

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 should send the information to the GRAM Editor six months in advance.

60TH ANNIVERSARY
SEMANSKI, Stanley A. (USS Utah) and Lela, 7772 Squirehill Ct., Cupertino, CA 95014-5017 - July 7, 1995.

55TH ANNIVERSARY
BELLUS, Charles (USS Pelias) and Veronica, 20 E. Maxwell Dr., W. Hartford, CT 06107-1403 - August 2, 1995.

ALFRED, Harold D. (USS Nevada) and Elina, P. O. Bex 9082, Bremerton, WA 98310-9082 - June 9, 1995.

BONDS, Hugh F. (USS West Virginia) and Dottie M., P. O. Box 865, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043-0865 - January 27, 1995.


ARMLIN, James F. (USS Oklahoma) and Victoria, 625 Anthony Ct., Sonoma, CA 95476 - June 17, 1995.

JENSEN, Leo R. (VP-24 NAS Ford Island) and Betty, 7167 Murray Park Dr., San Diego, CA 92119-2937 - August 11, 1995.

50TH ANNIVERSARY


SLETEN, Donald P. (11th Field Artillery, Schofield Bks) and Eloise, HC-2 BOX 2640, Isabella, MO 65676 - July 9, 1995.

WATTS, Frank "Virgil" (USS Honolulu) and Evelyn, 713 Scenic View C, Modesto, CA 95354 - March 3, 1995.

MOE, Jack (USS Phoenix) and Agnes, 1308 Pullman Dr., Sparks, NV 89434 - July 1, 1995.

BALLARD, George Hume (USS Maryland) and Jean, 2819 James Louis Dr., Amarillo, TX 79110-2305 June 6, 1995.

STROBAK, Edward (USS Pennsylvania) and Barbara, 6233 Lakeville Rd., Orlando, FL 32818 - June 2, 1995.

STOWELL, Finch (USS Oklahoma) and Lida, 212 N. Ostrom Ave., Princeville IL 61559 - July 7, 1995.

MILLER, Herbert A. (USS Detroit) and Wilma, 1128 Ruby St., Redwood City, CA 94061-2040 - July 7, 1995.

SCOTT, George F. (86th Observation Squadron, Bellows Field) and Rose A., 501 Hidden River Dr., Adrian, MI 49221 - August 23, 1995.

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HUNT, Edwin C. (USS Pennsylvania) and Joyce, 1534 Wind Chime, Dallas, TX 75224-4815 - May 12, 1995.


LAYTON, Robert A. (64th Coast Artillery, Fort Shafter) and Frances, 880 Milburn Rd. NE, Messillon, OH 44646 - June 10, 1995.

HEWITT, William A. (Military Police, 25th Infantry Div., Schofield Barracks) and Geraldine, 6650 Mariner Dr. #103, Racine, WI 53406 - August 14, 1995.

ALDRICH, Del (USS Ramsey) and Mickey, 4339 Meadowwood Dr., Rapid City, SD 57702 - May 19, 1995.

MARSHALL, Benjamin F. (USS Tern) and Margaret, RT 1 Box 2060, Phillipsburg, MO 65722-9743 - August 8, 1995.

BUCHHOLZ, Oliver H. (Station Hospital, Schofield Barracks) and Leora M., 5239 W. Strong St., Chicago, IL 60630 - July 14, 1995.

HARRELL, Kyle (Marine Detachment on USS Honolulu) and Jane, 3560 Lake Garden Dr., Fallbrook, CA 92028 - June 20, 1995.

GROVE, Paul E. (98th Coast Artillery AAA, Schofield Barracks) and Rachel Mae, 703 Broadway St., Fostoria, OH 44830-2712 - June 24, 1995.

CHERRY, Ashley R. (USS Raleigh) and Agnes, 5517 Bayberry Dr., Norfolk, VA 23502 - July 7, 1995.


McGLASON, Elmer D. (27th Infantry Regiment, Schofield Barracks) and Iris, RR1 Box 141H, Calera, OK 74730 - August 7, 1995.

KUHN, Raymond J. (Navy Yard Post Office) and Lavonne L., 16142 Arctic Dr., La Pine OR 97739 - July 21, 1995.

MITCHELL, Frank “Buck” (USS Maryland) and Marion L., P. O. Box 41, East Smithfield, PA 18817-0041 - May 23, 1995.

QUASYNOVSKY, John E. (73rd Pursuit Squadron, Wheeler Field) and Miriam, 7 Park St., Norwalk, CT 06851-4820 - August 11, 1995.

THORSBIEK, Leonard, Jr. (USS Nevada) and Geraldine, 1611 Ross Lane, Rockford, IL 61109-3061 June 30, 1995.


BLOOMFIELD, Donald L. (QM Detachment, Camp Malakole) and Leona, 404 Grove St., Midland, MI 48642 - July 14, 1995.

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PRATT, Henry F. (27th Infantry, Schofield Barracks) and Doris W., 4062 Second St., Farmington, MO 63640 - July 29, 1995.

McCLUNE, Blair (Yardcraft Sotoyomo) and Alma, 1701 West Park Dr. #91, Little Rock, AR 72204-2501 January 27, 1995.

HILL, Wilbur "Rabbit" (21st Infantry, Schofield Barracks) and Mildred, 2311 New Berne Rd., Richmond, VA 23228 - June 4, 1995.


AVANT, Howard (USS Honolulu) and Adele, 884 N. Bethel, Sanger, CA 93657-9468 - June 7, 1995.

DUCHATEAU, Bernard (USS Dale) and Pauline, 1872 County Road U, Green Bay, WI 54313-4407 - April 7, 1995.

McKHEEAN, Joe (21st Infantry Regiment, Schofield Barracks) and Joyce, 1408 Pine Haven Dr., New London, NC 28127 - July 29, 1995.

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NORWOOD, Russell "Kenny" (USS Honolulu) and Nita, 1 Winesap Ct. Apt A, Baltimore, MD 21228-6039 - July 29, 1995.

BOCKSTAHLER, Martin (13th Quartermaster, Hickam Field) and Hildegard, 28446 Barbosa, Mission Viejo, CA 92682 - February 1, 1995.

O'CONNOR, Harold (USS Thornton) and Iris, 3704 Skyline Blvd., Texarkana, TX 75503 - June 20, 1995.

McGAHA, Eldon (U.S. Navy Hospital) and Marie, 7592 Bestel Ave., Westminster, CA 92683 - August 1, 1995.

THURINGER, George (USS California) and Violet, RR 1 Box 6, Waubay, SD 57273 - March 6, 1995.


GURA, Andrew (USS New Orleans) and Stella, 125 Highlawn Rd., Fairfield, CT 06430 - January 20, 1995.

MOULTON, Harford J. (Quartermaster Detachment, Hickam Field) and Irene, 2605 Lilly Rd., Brookfield, WI 53005 - April 7, 1995.

BENTLEY, James H. (Signal Aircraft Warning, Schofield Barracks) and Alva, 1491 Austin Dr., Decatur, GA 30032-3842 - June 29, 1995.


LEAMAN, Richard H. (USS Helena) and June M., 703 Floyd St., Rudd, IA 50471 - July 8, 1995.

HAYDUCKO, Michael (USS Solace) and Julia, 733A Chatham Lane, Lakehurst, NJ 08733 - June 9, 1995.

DOVE, Harold L. (USS Sacramento) and Mildred, 2019 E. 65th St., Indianapolis, IN 46220 - July 26, 1995.

SKIBBE, Charles M. (USS Nevada) and Julia J., 856 Cornell St., Youngstown, OH 44502 - June 9, 1995.

WILLIAMSON, Boyd D. (USS San Francisco) and Norah, 222 Sunny Hill Dr., North Bend, OR 97459 - April 2, 1995.


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BREDDLOVE, Isaac D. (35th Infantry Regiment, Schofield Barracks) and Louise, 1102 First St., Lake Arthur, LA 70549 - July 4, 1995.

EVANS, James L. "Jim" (USMC at NAS Kaneohe) and Kay, 1776 Troy Lane, Oceanside, CA 92014-5648 - May 4, 1995.

SCHAEFFER, Earl M. (72nd Bomb Squadron, Hickam Field) and Rozella, Box 282, Assaria, KS 67416-0282 - June 23, 1995.

PAGANIE, Theodore (34th Engineers, Schofield Barracks) and Marie, 27361 Markberry Dr., Euclid, OH 44132-2109 - January 13, 1995.

WILLIAMS, George W. (USS Maryland) and Ida Lau, Box 68, Shawsville, VA 24162 - August 19, 1995.

HARKINS, John P. (12th Signal Platoon, Hickam Field) and Gwen J., 1053 Cranston Dr., Greensburg, PA 15601-1159 - June 4, 1995.

WRIGHT, Harley S. (USS Hulbert) and Marjorie, P. O. Box 518, Seaview, WA 98644-0518 - June 2, 1995.

LIBRIE, Pasquale J. "Pat" (21st Infantry Regiment, Schofield Barracks) and Stella, 731 Fischer Circle, Sebastian, FL 32958 - August 19, 1995.

UTKE, Roger C. (U.S. Navy Hospital) and Wilfred, 2709 Northland Circle Dr., Marinette, WI 54143-4277 - August 19, 1995.

LEEDY, Taylor L. (58th Bomb Squadron, Hickam Field) and Lucille, 95059 Ayres Lane, Junction City, OR 97448 - May 12, 1995.

MINER, Bernard R. (16th Coast Artillery, Fort Ruger) and Marcelle, P. O. Box 368, Jewett City, CT 06351-0368 - August 23, 1995.

OMOTH, Tilfred J. (USS Grebe) and Gertrude, 1244 Granite Dr., Hemet, CA 92543-7840 - August 23, 1995.


APALATEA, Frank (25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks) and Bernese, 914 So. Mills, Euless, TX 76040 - May 5, 1995.

RICHARDSON, Elisha (USS Pennsylvania) and Marian, 23273 Road 18-3/4, Chowchilla, CA 93610 - August 13, 1995.


CREESE, Kenneth R. (USS Detroit) and Maryanne, 44310 13th St. E., Lancaster, CA 93535 - June 3, 1995.

GARDNER, Lloyd Dale (USS Raleigh) and Martha, 106 Avalon Dr., Troy, IL 62294 - January 15, 1995.

DELLA RIPA, Dominic J. (USS Reebird) and Mary A., 27 Crest St., Wethersfield, CT 06109 - July 8, 1995.


LATHAM, Thomas E. (Barracks, Navy Yard, USMC) and Eva M., 37833 Granada Ave., Zephyrhills, FL 33541 - May 6, 1995.


CURTULLO, Michael (USS Tucker) and Marion, 19 Dairy Farm Rd., Norwalk, CT 06851 - May 31, 1995.

STRATTON, Donald G. (USS Arizona) and Velma, 1420 Michele Lane, Yuma, AZ 85365-9629 - April 23, 1995.

DUDE, Merrill (USS Nevada) and Mae, 1461 Shiprock Dr., Sun City, AZ 85351-2462 - June 18, 1995.

BEEM, Nathaniel E. (Quartermaster Depot, Fort Armstrong) and Mae, 4003 Lucerne Dr. SE, Huntsville, AL 35802 - June 11, 1995.


ROOP, Howard D. (USS St. Louis) and Barbara, 4619 Mark Twain Pl., Stockton, CA 95207 - May 27, 1995.


BUTTS, G. Kenneth (USS West Virginia) and June, 439 Del Medio Ave. #1, Mountain View, CA 94040 - June 14, 1995.

MERKOWSKI, Thomas (USS Solace) and Mary, 379 Walden Green, Branford, CT 06405 - June 21, 1995.
Ohio Chapter 6 Survivors at the PHSA Memorial site at Wright Patterson Air Force Base Museum Memorial Gardens. Kneeling are Alex Ross and Jack Good. Standing, front row, are Jack Grodecki, Mike Pavlic, Chapter President Frank Kluska and Dick Paull. Standing, back row, are Ed Kaczor and Don McCarthy.

Len Kawalski and Bill Weber unveiled the Memorial. Each Ohio State PHSA Chapter was represented at the Dedication. Over 100 persons attended the Dedication.
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Above: The PHSA bronze plaque with granite base.

Right: Ohio Chapter 7 Acting Secretary Jean Green (wife of State Chairman Jim Green) represents the living Survivors, and Jean Lewis (Surviving Spouse of Ethan Lewis, who died in 1992) represents deceased Members, presenting the PHSA Ceremonial Wreath at the Dedication.

By Ohio State Chairman James F. Green
Eighth District

By Arthur Schreier
District Director

The Eighth District Convention will take place from October 13-15 at the Resort Hotel, Nevelle, in the New York Poconos. The New York State Chapters, Dan Fruchter State Chairman, are hosts.

In as much as several of the Chapters in District 8 do not hold meetings in the winter months, this quarter’s news will be short.

CONNECTICUT: Frank Stebbins, State Chairman

Remembering the men and women who serve and sometimes die for their nation was the focus of the third annual Red, White and Blue special service held at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Norwich. The Connecticut Chapter PHSA was represented by James Fitzgerald.

Two events in February were held in North Haven to honor the Four Chaplains who gave up their life jackets and their lives when the troopship Dorchester was torpedoed and sunk during WW II. One was the 29th annual Memorial service held at American Legion Post 76 and the other the 29th annual Mass held at St. Therese’s Church. The Connecticut chapter was well represented at both events.

On February 23, Connecticut Chapter members were among about 1000 people from the Northeast who participated in the unveiling and dedication of the Iwo Jima Memorial on the grounds of Central Connecticut College. This memorial, while not a replica of the flag raising on Mt. Suribachi, does closely resemble it.

Ernest Arroyo, member of the Pearl Harbor History Associates and faithful and helpful supporter of the Connecticut Chapter PHSA was elected to Honorary Chapter membership. Welcome aboard Ernie.

The bill to name part of I-95 “The Pearl Harbor Memorial Highway” is currently working its way through the State Legislature.

MASSACHUSETTS: Walter Maciejowski, State Chairman.

The Chapter was well represented at the National Convention in Tampa. The members who attended were well satisfied that our grievances was well presented to all the members at the business meeting.

The first meeting of the Chapter E Board was held on January 23 when the schedule of meetings for 1995 was set up.

Ceremonies held at the State House commemorating the 50th anniversary of the invasion of Iwo Jima were attended by Officers of the Chapter.

The Bay Patriots Chapter has committed to participation in the Armed Forces Day parade to be held at Swampscott on May 20.

NEW YORK: Dan Fruchter, State Chairman
Chapter 4, Joe Medure, President

The Chapter met on March 19 aboard The Intrepid Sea, Air, Space Museum at Intrepid Square, New York City. Plans were made for the year ahead and reports given by Officers. A buffet luncheon followed the meeting.

Chapter 7, Edward W. Stone, President

Following the winter hibernation the Chapter met on March 19 for its first 1995 get together. This meeting was held at the American Legion Post 229 in Utica, Joe Voce, Host.

Chapter 135, Ted Tupper, President

The Long Island Chapter commenced its 1995 season by meeting on March 19. Plans were developed for the coming season. It is anticipated that this being the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II, the Chapter Members will be involved in several observances of that event.

Fred Mello and Frank Logan of Rhode Island Chapter at the 50 year reunion of Battery B, 55th Coast Artillery, Fort Kamehameha.

RHODE ISLAND: Alan French, State Chairman

‘Little Rhody’ Chapter was active in the December 7 services held at the Veterans Monument in Jamestown.

VERMONT, Green Mountain Chapter, 1994 Activities

On May 15 the Chapter met at the “Inn at the Tavern” in Stowe, Vermont. Following brunch and fellowship period, a meeting was convened and conducted by President Silas Jewett.

On July 10, met at the Steak House in Berlin, Vermont for fellowship and a meal. We then adjourned to the home of Herb and Vi Hunt for dessert and a meeting. The meeting was convened with President Silas Jewett presiding.

On August 28, met at the Lincoln Inn in St. Johnsbury, Vermont for fellowship and a meal. No official meeting was held.

On October 16, met at the Charlemon Restaurant in Morrisville, Vermont for fellowship and a meal. No official meeting was held.
By Ed Eads
District Chairman

In January, Delores and I visited with the committee members for the 6th District Convention in Columbia, South Carolina, to be held June 20-22, 1996. We met at the proposed convention hotel, the Ramada Inn, which is centrally located and went over their planned activities.

South Carolina State Chairman Jim Covington and his wife Julie gave us a tour of Columbia. Jim, Julie and all committee members and their wives gave me the definite feeling that we are in for one great convention in Columbia in 1996.

Tennessee State Chairman Marshall McCloon reports to us on the “Friendship Bell”, donated by a Japanese electric power company. This bell is to be erected in a bell tower (at their expense) at Oak Ridge, Tennessee. I imagine the Japanese media will describe this as a bell tolling out our atonement for the atomic bombing of Japan. Marshall also reports that the state of Tennessee has agreed to make changes, as requested by the PHSA members, in the artwork on their state PHSA license for this year.

Florida State Chairman Fred Couture has advised me that the Florida State Convention will be in Saint Augustine, Florida, June 29-July 1, 1995 with NE Florida Chapter 6 hosting and Fred Guest as Convention Chairman.

Since Fred assumed the Florida State Chairmanship from Johnny Richardson, due to his injuries received in a car accident, things have been humming.

Ed and Delores Eads

In February Delores and I were guest of Central Florida Chapter 2 Valentine special meeting and luncheon in Orlando. National President Bob McClinton and his wife Margie and Florida State Chairman Fred Couture and his wife Mary were present. I installed Fred as the Florida State Chairman at the business meeting. Mac gave a detailed report on the keel laying of the USS Pearl Harbor held in New Orleans.

February 26 I attended the North Georgia Chapter 4 luncheon meeting in Jasper. The meeting was well attended, however, the Chapter President, Charlie Vaughn was absent due to back surgery. Vice President Charles Abrams presided at the meeting.

Please keep me advised by copies of minutes of your meetings as to your planned activities. It is our intention to visit as many chapters as possible during my tenure.

New York Chapter 7

By Edward Stone
Chapter President

Survivors Edward D. Williams (USS Raleigh), Harry P. Kilpatrick (741st Ord Wheeler Fld), A. Francis McCaw (35th Inf Reg Schofield Bks), Edward W. Stone (USS Pyro), Elmer Boice (16th C.A. Fort Ruger), Ladislaus Vinciguerra (27th Inf Reg Schofield Bks) and Bernard G. Schoen (USS Pennsylvania) met with Mayor Roy A. Bernardi of Syracuse, center of photo, on December 5, 1994.

The Mayor made a proclamation for National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day and urged all flags to be flown at half staff in honor of those killed on the Island of Oahu on December 7, 1941 by the Imperial Japanese Navy attack.
Fifth District

By Glen Turner
District Director

The Fifth District salutes the founders of the Pearl Harbor Survivors in the State of Iowa.

Unlike the other states of the Fifth District, in which PHSA State Organization came about as a result of the impetus of one dedicated Survivor, the Iowa Charter came about as the result of the common bond of three men drawn together by a need to share their ordeal of December 7, 1941.

On December 7, 1961, Jessy Schenkelberg, Bob Jansen and Russ Lott and several other Survivors from Iowa got together in Des Moines to rehash their experiences of the attack on Pearl Harbor by the Japanese just twenty one years earlier.

They met several times over the next couple of years and in 1963 they finally got in touch with the PHSA National President Gene Lindsay and joined the organization as members at large. They started receiving the GRAM immediately.

During 1963 Jerry Schenkelberg hosted a meeting in Carroll, Iowa and they found a lot of new candidates for the organization.

In December of 1966 Schenkelberg, Jansen and Lott attended the Twenty Fifth Anniversary in Hawaii of the Attack On Pearl Harbor. Because of this experience and the increasing number of contacts, the Iowa group held a Charter Organizational meeting at the Starkville Village in Fort Dodge Iowa on March 16, 1968.

The following are the charter members of PHSA Iowa Chapter 1:

President, Gilbert Pullen
Vice President, Clarence Pundheller
Secretary, Berl Downing
Treasurer, Harold Greene
Trustees, Russ Lott, Herbert Hansen, Eugene McGon- egle, Richard Howe, Norman Ruffridge, V. A. Bischoff, Elmer Ericson, Paul Teegardin, Donald Chapman, Jerry Schenkelberg, State Chairman, Bob Jansen.

The State of Iowa boasted two chapters at one time but because of declining enrollment are now organized in one very active Iowa Hawk-eye Chapter 1.

On the State Capitol Grounds in Des Moines stands a beautiful Granite Pearl Harbor Memorial listing over 400 names of Iowans who were on the Island of Oahu on that infamous Sunday morning.

Each December 7th the remaining Survivors gather at that Memorial in a solemn tribute to their fallen comrades and to their fellow Survivors who have passed on since then. Survivors of Iowa are very active in other patriotic organization, give talks in schools and in many other ways remind the people of their great state to “REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR and to “KEEP AMERICA ALERT!”

We of the Fifth District take our hats off to the founders of the Pearl Harbor Survivors of Iowa.

East Tennessee Valley Chapter 3

By Oll C. Hopkins
Chapter Sec./Treas.

East Tennessee Valley Chapter 3 observed National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day at the Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Bernard Craig (USS Detroit) led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Herman Hall (YG-17) with the Invocation. O. C. Hopkins (23rd Bomb Sq Hickam Field) introduced Mr. Jeff Hazelwood and his son Travis. Then Travis sang the National Anthem.

Cliff Blankenship (USS Tennessee) introduced the guest speaker Colonel Charles Moore.

Colonel Moore, a United States Army pilot, was wounded twice in Viet Nam. He flew 1850 combat hours and received 69 Air Medals, four of them for valor.

He commanded the Air Cavalry, 1st Infantry Division. He reminded those in attendance, many of whom were Veterans, that the United States military should remain prepared to go to war at any time.
By Gene Camp
Past Chapter President

Guest speaker at the November meeting was Lucy Wilson Jopling, an Army nurse when hostilities came to the Philippines in December of 1941. As the battered U.S. forces struggled to slow the Japanese advance, she was moved to the Bataan peninsula to serve in a hastily organized field hospital there. Conditions were primitive and duty shifts long and arduous. When it became evident that Bataan could not be held she and the other nurses were evacuated to the island fortress of Corregidor.

There they continued to administer to the sick and wounded. When that position too was becoming untenable the remaining nurses were assembled in the middle of the night.

With no briefing and little baggage they were loaded aboard the submarine USS Spear Fish. Then began a 13-day trip to the safety of Australia.

From there Mrs. Jopling was returned to the U.S. and engaged in recruiting and bond drives. Those activities were much too tame for her, so she volunteered to return to the Pacific theater. Her request was accepted, and she returned to become a flight nurse operating out of Guadalcanal. A truly gallant lady.

In addition to her most interesting experiences, she maintains a marvelous sense of humor. She had the chapter roaring with laughter as she described the first time one of the nurses attempted to use the “potty” aboard the sub, with disastrous results.

By Fred Perkins

Eleven Members of Bay Patriots Chapter 1 took part in December 7 Memorial Services on December 4, 1994. They assembled at the VFW Post 697 and marched to the Colebrook Cemetery in Whitman, Massachusetts, where services were held and a wreath laid.

In the photo are Bill Enders (USS Neosho), Vernon Rivet (11th Tank Schofield Bks), Delta Hobbs (USS Blue), Robert Christiansen (USS Tucker), George Barry (USS Maryland), Earl Kuja (34th Eng Schofield Bks) Edward Robinson (11th Inf Reg Schofield Bks), Fred Perkins (64th C/A Ft Shafter) and David Mozuck (USS St Louis).

Present but not in photo were William Sherman (USS New Orleans) and Carl Ryan (USS Pennsylvania).

Bay Patriots Chapter 1 was host. Members of American Legion Post 22 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 697 also participated.

On December 7th Chapter Members held Memorial Services at the Town Hall in Natick, Massachusetts. Frank Tassinari (64th C/A Ft Shafter) presented a slide show.

In addition to Frank, Fred Perkins, Edward Robinson, David Mozuch and Eugene Dugdale (USS Raleigh) took part in this Memorial Service.

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Arkansas Chapter 2

By Carl N. Miller
Chapter President

Members of Arkansas Chapter 2 dedicated a Memorial Plaque in the National Cemetery at Fayetteville, Arkansas on December 7, 1994. Over one hundred persons attended.

Medal of Honor recipient Clarence A. Craft placed a wreath in honor of Corporal Morris Nations who was killed while serving in the USMC on the USS Pennsylvania on December 7, 1941. His body was returned after the war and he is the only service person killed at Pearl Harbor interred in the Fayetteville National Cemetery.

We have raised funds to install a similar plaque in the third Arkansas National Cemetery in Fort Smith on December 7, 1995.

Photograph by Norma Cunningham

After the dedication, we held our regular winter meeting at the Clarion Inn. Nineteen Survivors attended, with wives and friends making a total of 39.

California Chapter 8

By Wallace W. Warren
Chapter Secretary

California Chapter 8 participated in two parades on Veterans Day, November 11th. Members George McMahan (USS Cummings), Charles Rhodes (USS Wasmuth), Wallace Rich (USS Sicard), Don Merritt (VJ-1 NAS Ford Island) and Loyal Stewart (HQ Haw A/F Hickam Field) used the Arizona Memorial float in the Fresno parade.

Members Leon Webster (50th Recon Sq Hickam Field), Robert McNutt (USS Monaghan), Ray Hinkley (USS Phoenix) and Keith Settle (USS Maryland) carried the Chapter 8 banner in the Clovis parade.

Two Blakes

By Ed Chappell
National Storekeeper

At the National Convention in Tampa, Florida in December 1994, George W. Blake met George W. Blake.

On the left is George W. Blake, USS Sacramento, from Fresno, California. The other is George W. Blake, 41st Coast Artillery, Fort Kamehameha, from Salida, Colorado.

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By Robert K. Russell
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The State of Georgia granted Survivors of Pearl Harbor a special license plate beginning January 1, 1995.

The license plate has a white background with the PHSA logo on the left in red, white and blue. PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR and 7 DECEMBER 1941 are in the center.

The state executive board voted to have Gene Yearwood (4th Defense Bn USMC) of Atlanta Chapter 1 to receive the number 1 plate. Gene put in a lot of hard work contacting state representatives and senators. Gene, being an ex-Marine, got to talk to the Governor, who also is an ex-Marine.

Survivors do not have to be a member of PHSA to be eligible for the license plate but must furnish proof to Georgia State PHSA as the association has to furnish a list of eligible Survivors to the State motor vehicle division.

Un-remarried widows of Survivors are also eligible to receive license plates. Applications must be in to the motor vehicle department by July 31 to receive them for 1996. For eligible Survivors who did not get them this year and want an application, they can contact Georgia State Chairman Robert K. Russell, 300 Staley Ave., Milledgeville, GA 31061-4138.

California Chapter 27

By M.C. “Speed” Meyers
USS Nevada

California Chapter 27, Hemet Valley, held installation of officers at the November meeting. California State Chairman Bill Davis was installing officer.

In the photo are Trustee Ray Berger, State Chairman Bill Davis, Trustee Chet Holcomb, Trustee Speed Meyers, Trustee George Kraemer, Secretary Gary Porter, Vice President Ray Tiber, Treasurer Clarence Minor and President Peter Larghey.

The Chapter held December 7th Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day services at the All Veterans Memorial at Gibble Park, Hemet, California. Chapter 27 built the Memorial. Director of Veterans Services for Riverside County William Densmore gave the main address.

Battery E 64th Coast Artillery (AA)
Fort Shafter

Survivor Clarence W. Thomas would very much like to acquire a copy of the photo taken of Battery E in 1940 or 1941. He will pay for a copy.

If you have such a photo, please contact Clarence at 143 SE 27th Way, Boynton Beach, FL 33435.

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Daniel Todd Patterson was born on Long Island, New York, 6 March 1786. As acting midshipman, he joined sloop of war DELAWARE, 11 June 1799, to cruise against French privateers and warships in the West Indies. On close of the Quasi-War with France, he resumed nautical studies, then had blockade duty off Tripoli in famed CONSTELLATION and PHILADELPHIA. He fell prisoner upon capture of PHILADELPHIA 13 October 1803 and remained a captive of the Barbary pirates until American victory over Tripoli in 1805. Upon returning home, he spent much of his following years on station at New Orleans where he took command after the outbreak of the War of 1812. On 16 September 1814, Patterson raided the base of the pirate Jean Lafitte at Barataria Bay, Louisiana, capturing six schooners and other small craft. In that same month he refused Andrew Jackson’s request to send his few naval units to Mobile Bay where Patterson knew they would be bottled up by a superior British fleet. Foreseeing British designs against New Orleans almost two months before their attack, Patterson, not Jackson, was the first to prepare to defend the city. The victory resulted as much from his foresight and preparations as from Jackson’s able fighting. His little fleet delayed the enemy until reinforcements arrived, then gave artillery support in defense of the entrenchments from which Jackson was never driven. Patterson, highly commended by Jackson, received a note of thanks from Congress, and was promoted to Captain 28 February 1815. Patterson remained on the southern stations until 1824 when he became fleet captain and commander of Flagship CONSTITUTION in Commodore John Rodger’s Mediterranean Squadron. Returning home in 1828, he was appointed one of the three Navy commissioners. He commanded the Mediterranean Squadron, 1832-1836. He took command of the Washington Navy Yard in 1836, an office he held until his death at Wilmington, New Jersey, 25 August 1839.

PATTERSON (DD-392), second ship of this name, was laid down 23 July 1933 by the Puget Sound Navy Yard, Bremerton, Washington, launched 6 May 1937; sponsored by Miss Elizabeth Y. Patterson; and commissioned 22 September 1937, Commander Francis I. Spellman in command.

PATTERSON departed Puget Sound Navy Yard 26 November 1937, calling at San Francisco en route to Pearl Harbor, arriving 7 December. She returned to Puget Sound 22 December, trained in coastal waters until 31 March 1938, then cruised to Hawaii. She arrived at San Pedro from Hawaii 28 April for operations along the western seaboard and combined fleet maneuvers that once took her through the Panama Canal and into the Caribbean Sea. On 3 June 1940 she set course to patrol in the Hawaiian Sea Frontier area from Pearl Harbor to Midway and Palmyra. This duty continued for the next 18 months except for periods on the west coast for overhaul and training.

PATTERSON was moored at Pearl Harbor when the Japanese carrier based planes attacked 7 December 1941. Her gunners sped to battle stations, opened fire, and blasted one enemy plane out of the sky. Within an hour the destroyermen were searching for possible enemy submarines off the harbor entrance.

PATTERSON patrolled the Hawaiian Sea Frontier in the screen of aircraft carrier SARATOGA without finding trace of the enemy. On 28 December, returning from patrol, she rescued 19 survivors of merchant ship MARIMI adrift for several days after having been torpedoed by a Japanese submarine. In the following weeks, her duties included convoy of reinforcements for the garrison on Canton Island, Phoenix Group, and hasty voyage repairs at Pearl Harbor. She departed 5 February 1942 bound in the screen of cruiser PENSACOLA for rendezvous with the LEXINGTON carrier task group in the southwest Pacific. She res-
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ounced a LEXINGTON pilot as air strikes were launched by the Japanese stronghold at Rabaul, New Britain, 20 February. The carriers rained devastation on the Japanese bases at Lae and Salamaua, New Guinea, 10 March, then proceeded to Pearl Harbor.

PATTERSON sailed from Pearl Harbor 7 April for overhaul in the Mare Island Naval Shipyard. She returned to Pearl Harbor 17 May 1942, and was under way five days later, en route by way of Noumea, New Caledonia, to join Admiral Richmond K. Turner’s Expeditionary Task Force preparing in Australia for the invasion of the Solomons. On 22 June she got under way from Brisbane for final staging and amphibious warfare rehearsals in the Fiji Islands, then set course in the screen of attack transports carrying Marines to the Solomon Islands.

PATTERSON helped guard attack transports 7 August as they landed Marines on Guadalcanal, later opening fire to help repel more than twenty attacking horizontal bombers. Several enemy planes fell in flames. Then Japanese torpedo planes came in and hit destroyer MUGFORD. On 8 August PATTERSON gunners shot down four enemy torpedo planes while protecting the transports, but destroyer JARVIS and transport GEORGE F. ELLIOT were lost.

As PATTERSON fought off aerial raiders, seven enemy cruisers and a destroyer raced down the slot of water formed by the Solomon Islands Chain and stretching southward from the Japanese base at Rabaul. By midnight of 8 August, the Japanese task force was only 35 miles from Savo Island, having been undetected since early morning.

Between Savo Island and Florida Island were three American cruisers and two destroyers. Below Florida Island were light cruisers SAN JUAN, HMAS HOBART, and two destroyers. Driving rain slashed the waters between the northern force and ships of PATTERSON’s southern force.

The Japanese task force slipped past two picket destroyers, entered Savo Sound, and ran head-on into destroyers PATTERSON whose patrol task group included the Australian cruisers AUSTRALIA and HMAS CANBERRA, cruiser CHICAGO and destroyer BAGLEY. At 0143, 9 August, PATTERSON radioed the alarm: “Warning!” “Warning!” Strange ships entering the harbor!” But Japanese cruisers had already launched torpedoes and opened gunfire, disabling CANBERRA.

PATTERSON repeated her warning by blinker and opened up her guns. She received a 5-inch return salvo from the enemy that knocked out her number 4 gun, killed 10 men, injured eight others and damaged the deck and the number 3 gun.

PATTERSON’s gunners continued shooting until the enemy, flinging torpedoes, split formation, and raced northeast in a pincer movement on the northern force of three cruisers. Cruisers VINCENNES, ASTORIA and QUINCY were lost. The Japanese now sped northward for return to Rabaul, New Britain catching destroyer RALPH TALBOT in her path. RALPH TALBOT fought off the attack until she took cover in a rain-squall. The Japanese suffered only minor damage to four warships in the battle of Savo Island that cost the Allies four cruisers, and severely damaged cruiser CHICAGO and destroyer RALPH TALBOT.

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HMAS CANBERRA and took part in rescue work before proceeding to Noumea, New Caledonia, arriving 14 August. PATTERSON immediately put to sea with the SARATOGA carrier task group to help guard the approaches to Guadalcanal, until a Japanese submarine damaged SARATOGA and she returned to Pearl Harbor.

PATTERSON helped guard HMAS AUSTRALIA to Brisbane, arriving 3 September 1942. She performed patrol and escort duty off the Great Barrier Reef with an Australian-American force of cruisers and destroyers. She rescued 19 survivors of the torpedoed SS FINGAL 5 May 1943, then escorted merchantman SS PENNANT to Noumea, New Caledonia. She arrived 13 May to patrol approaches to Guadalcanal in the screen of carriers SARATOGA and HMS VICTORIOUS. This duty was followed by innumerable convoy escort and patrol missions ranging from Guadalcanal south to Australian ports, and to the South Pacific island bases in the New Hebrides Islands and Noumea, New Caledonia. The morning of 25 July 1943 she joined four other destroyers in bombarding Lambeti Plantation, near the Munda air strip on New Georgia Island.

The evening of 25 August PATTERSON was helping guard a convoy bound from the New Hebrides Islands toward the lower Solomons. A warning ping on her radar screen brought her into action against a diving Japanese submarine. Her sonar picked up the underwater enemy and depth charge pattern exploded in the sea. PATTERSON sent her last depth charge barrage on its way, and five minutes later she was rewarded by a deep undersea boom, presumably silencing the enemy.

PATTERSON next escorted troop transports from Noumea, New Caledonia, the New Hebrides, patrolled off Guadalcanal out of Purvis Day, Florida, Solomon Islands. The night of 21 September 1943 she helped guard an amphibious landing convoy to Vella Lavella Island, then departed to escort high speed transports to Rendova Island. She soon turned back to Vella Lavella Island at full speed, having received word that unloading tank landing craft were under enemy air attack. The attack had ceased by the time she reached the scene, but she launched motor whaleboats with medical and rescue parties to aid the wounded.

The night of 29-30 September PATTERSON proceeded up the slot to destroy enemy barges traffic. Destroyer McCALLA, after dropping into radar contacts with gunfire, attempted to rejoin the destroyer task unit formation, but suffered a steering casualty and unavailably collided into the port bow of PATTERSON. Three men in PATTERSON were killed and ten injured by the force of the collision that almost severed PATTERSON's bow. The broken section parted as she slowly proceeded towards base, breaking off just forward of gun mount #1. Both ships entered Puvui Bay for emergency repairs, thence to Espiritu Santo, New Hebrides islands where PATTERSON received a false bow. On 6 December she put to sea, touching the Samoan and Hawaiian Islands en route to the Mare Island Naval Shipyard, arriving 22 December 1943.

PATTERSON stood out of San Francisco Bay 8 March 1944 with a convoy that entered Pearl Harbor 15 March. Training with fast attack carriers in Hawaiian waters was followed by similar battle rehearsals out of Marshall Island ports in preparation for the Marianas Campaign. On 6 June PATTERSON departed Majuro Atoll en route to Saipan with the BUNKER HILL Carrier Task group. She joined in the pre-invasion bombardment of Saipan, then guarded troop transports sending in assault troops for the initial invasion of Saipan 15 June. On approach of the Japanese Mobile Fleet, she became a unit of the anti-aircraft screen around the Fast Carrier Task Force whose pilots shot down hundreds of Japanese carrier-based planes, in a series of actions known as the "Great Marianas Turkey Shoot", before they could reach the American Fleet.

The few enemy planes that managed to get past the American carrier pilots met curtains of anti-aircraft fire from PATTERSON and her sister ships. The destroyers helped guard American attack carriers through 21 June as they pursued the fleeing Japanese fleet, decisively defeated in the Battle of the Philippine Sea, then turned back to help protect the approaches to Saipan. She provided night illumination fire for advancing troops on Saipain, then bombarded enemy targets on nearby Tinian Island.

Bombardment support and anti-submarine patrol continued off Saipan and Tinian until 9 August. PATTERSON then called briefly at Apra Harbor, Guam, en route to Eniwetok Atoll in the Marshalls. There, she joined the screen of fast carriers that struck hard at enemy bases on Iwo Jima and in the Western Caroline islands. She participated in the bombardment of Yap Island 8 September.

From there she proceeded to the Palau Islands to guard fast carriers giving direct support to the landing troops there until 9 October 1944.

After replenishment at Manus, Admiralty Islands, PATTERSON made a high-speed run with attack carriers to blast enemy defenses on Okinawa and the entire Kerama Retto chain. From there the fast carrier task forces approached the Philippines to rain destruction on enemy air installations in Northern Luzon, thence proceeded to the coast of Formosa for air strikes launched 12 October. That evening and through the following day, PATTERSON helped fight off and destroy enemy aerial raiders that approached her carrier task group.

From Formosa, the carriers sped back to Luzon where PATTERSON helped drive off attacking enemy dive bombers that made a near miss on carrier FRANKLIN. On 20 October her carrier task group gave direct air support to troops landing at Leyte to begin the liberation of the Philippine Islands. As the Japanese fleet approached the Philippines in a three-pronged attack, 21-25 October, her carrier task force hit hard at the Japanese Southern Force of battleships, cruisers, and destroyers, struck at the even more powerful Japanese Central Force aiming at the Central Philippines, then raced north to destroy the Japanese decoy carrier task force in the Battle off Cape Enganno, 25 October 1944. She joined in the pursuit of enemy fleet units fleeing the battle for Leyte Gulf, then helped fight off the suicide attacks of Japanese kamikaze aircraft 30 October. She rescued men blown into the water from the damaged carriers FRANKLIN and BELLEAU WOOD, escorting

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the damaged carriers safely to Ulithi in the Caroline islands, arriving 3 November.

PATTERSON helped protect attack carriers providing air cover to convoys approaching the Philippines until 9 December. She then proceeded independently to Kossol Roads, Palau Islands. There, she joined the screen of an escort carrier-bombardment task group that sailed 10 December to provide heavy gunfire support and air cover for the initial landings in Mindoro Island. For seven days the destroyer remained in the Sulu Sea, fighting off frequent suicide attacks of enemy aerial raiders that closed her carrier task group formation. There was a brief replenishment at Palau before PATTERSON again sailed with escort aircraft carriers, this time to support the invasion landings at Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, P.I. She rescued survivors of the kamikaze-damaged escort carrier OMMANEE BAY 4 January 1945, and survivors of destroyer STAFFORD and escort carrier MANILA BAY the following day. She shot down a suicide plane diving on carrier SALAMANCA 13 January, remaining on guard for carriers in support of the Lingayen Gulf invasion landings until the 17th. She then proceeded to Ulithi in the Carolines to prepare for the impending invasion of Iwo Jima.

PATTERSON departed Ulithi 10 February for final battle rehearsals and staging in the Marianas, then in the screen of escort carriers covering the amphibious expeditionary troops for the landings on Iwo Jima, 19 February. She rescued 106 survivors of the escort carrier BISMARCK SEA, sunk by enemy torpedo plane attacks off Iwo Jima 21 February. The fighting destroyer remained off Iwo Jima with escort carriers until 10 March, then set course for Ulithi to prepare for the capture and occupation of Okinawa, the "last stepping stone" to Japan.

PATTERSON sailed from Ulithi the morning of 21 March, en route with a support unit of seven escort aircraft carriers that gave direct cover to troops storming ashore at Okinawa 1 April. She shot down an enemy suicide plane that attacked escort carrier LUNGA POINT 2 April and continued to guard the escort carriers as they pounded enemy troop concentrations and installations through 29 April. When her sonar gear became inoperative 29 April she set course for repairs at Apra Harbor, Guam. She put to sea from Apra Harbor 4 June, escorting battleship NEW MEXICO as far as Leyte in the Philippines. There she joined a troop and supply reinforcement convoy bound to Kerama Retto. By 12 June she had rejoined the escort carriers giving direct support to troops until the bitter contest for Okinawa was won.

PATTERSON returned to Leyte for repairs then headed for Saipan, Mariana Islands. This was her base for escort-patrol missions reaching to Okinawa, Guam, and towards the Marshalls until the close of hostilities with Japan.

On 16 August she departed Saipan as escort for battleship NEW JERSEY bound for Manila, thence to Buckner Bay, Okinawa. She departed Buckner Bay 8 September, touching Saipan, Eniwetok and Pearl Harbor, en route to San Diego, arriving 26 September.

The following day she got under way to transit the Panama Canal for the eastern seaboard. She arrived in the New York Naval Shipyard 11 October and decommissioned there 8 November 1945. She remained in reserve until her name was struck from the Naval Vessel Register 25 February 1947. She was sold for scrapping 18 August 1947 to the Northern Metals Co., Philadelphia.

PATTERSON received 13 battle stars for World War II service.

By Bob Watson
Gram Editor

I had heard that the November 1991 National Geographic Magazine contained an article written by the daughter of Commander Logan C. Ramsey. Commander Ramsey was on the staff of Commander Patrol Wing Two, Rear Admiral Patrick N. L. Bellinger at the U. S. Naval Air Station, Pearl Harbor. On December 7, 1941 I was Admiral Bellinger's secretary, a yeoman third class. I wrote a letter to the magazine and requested that they forward it to Miss Ramsey.

I received a letter dated January 19, 1993 from Mary Ann Ramsey along with a copy of her article. After telephone calls to her and to U.S. Naval Institute, which had published her article, I received permission to edit and reprint her article, which was the front page article for the November 1993 Gram.

A February 13, 1994 article in FINDERS, a syndicated column that attempts to find a person for another person, printed in the California Orange County Register, had a letter from Natalia Brown Coates wanting to find Patsy Bellinger, daughter of Rear Admiral Bellinger. Natalia had spent Saturday night, December 6, 1941 with Patsy on Ford Island so was still there during the Japanese attack the next morning.

My son Bruce lives in Orange County and saw the article. He contacted Natalia, gave her my phone number, and told her to contact me.

In late February 1994 I received a telephone call from Natalia. I told her I had no idea where Patsy was, but she said she had heard about Mary Ann Ramsey.

Natalia wrote to Mary Ann who forwarded the letter to Mimsie Bellinger, Patsy's older sister, in Lewisburg, West Virginia. Mimsie in turn forwarded the letter to Patsy Bellinger in France, who then wrote to Natalia.

Natalia wrote to me August 17, 1994: "I was just thrilled to get in touch with Patsy Bellinger. Mimsie forwarded my letter to her in France. Then Patsy wrote to me and I responded yesterday with pictures, etc. How exciting! What a LONG search - but well worth it - and thanks to you and your son!"

The evening of March 23, 1995 I received a telephone call from Patricia Bellinger Reuterskiold. She and her husband were at the home of Natalia Coates in Fountain Valley, California. I had a very nice discussion with Patricia about her wonderful father and about my service after leaving Pearl Harbor.

Patsy and her husband are visiting in the United States and will return to France in June.

Mary Ann Ramsey lives in Pennsylvania, Mimsie Bellinger deOloquii lives in West Virginia, Natalia Brown Coates lives in California and Patsy Bellinger Reuterskiold lives in France. Through all, Patsy and Natalia were together for the first time in over 53 years.
Ohio State Review

By James F. Green
Ohio State Chairman

In February Buckeye Chapter 2 elected President Bruce Frye, Vice President Robert Layton, Secretary Gary Rossi, Corresponding Secretary Beverly Baughman, Treasurer Earl Renner, Chaplain Bernard Comito and Trustees Russel Gantz, Charles Ross and James Slaggy. This Chapter is healthy and strong, with many thanks to Past President Joe Palermo and Mary Lois Jones for their service and dedication to PHSA.

Ohio’s Toledo Chapter 3 is very active under the leadership of President Ken Stewart and his very capable staff of Vice President Richard Koch, Secretary Howard Thoma, Treasurer Raymond Birch and Trustees Richard Waldeck, Paul Fritch and Clarence Holub. Frank Smalley is Chaplain and Leonard Kowalski is Welfare. Ken Stewart lost his wife, Virginia, in November 1994, and we all miss her.

USS Utah

By Albert L. Fickel
4th District Director

On February 19, 1995 the surviving shipmates of the USS Utah (BB-31) assembled at The Admiral Nimitz State Park and Museum of the Pacific War in Fredericksburg, Texas to dedicate the Memorial Plaque in memory of shipmates who lost their lives on that Day of Infamy, December 7, 1941.

Fifty-eight shipmates are entombed in the ship in Pearl Harbor including Medal of Honor recipient Chief Water-tender Peter Tomich. The Texas members of the National Chief Petty Officers Association have named their chapter Peter Tomich Texas Quar ters, NCPOA, in his honor.

Lee Soucy, member of West Texas Chapter 9 acted as chairman of the planning and dedication services. Attending the Memorial and Dedication services were Shipmates of the Utah from many different States who also are members of PHSA. Also included with guests attending were National Treasurer Bill Eckel, 4th District Director Al Fickel and Texas State Chairman Al Block.

The Memorial Plaque has been placed on the Memorial Wall at the Nimitz Museum.

Central Ohio Chapter 1 has at the helm President James Dittoo (Past State Chairman 1978-1980), Vice President Thomas Lanane, Secretary/Treasurer Phillip Mills, and Trustees Walter Leighty, Philip Landry and Milton Mapou. This Chapter is very active in community activities and parades.

Officers of Mahoning Valley Chapter 5 are President Alfred Gaskell, Vice President Wendell Totten, Secretary Felix Jurgle, Treasurer Robert Bishop and Trustees Tom Ryan, Felix Jurgle and Phil Corsello. Chaplain is Jesse Cottle and Welfare is Julia Skibbe and Virginia Jurgle. The Chapter will host the 1995 Ohio State Convention in September.

Lake Erie Chapter 6 is blessed with President Frank Kluska, Vice President Jack Good, Secretary Clarence Eland, Treasurer Donald McCarthy (Past State Chairman 1982-1986), and Trustees Robert Stark, Joseph Dzedza and Charles O’Malila. Appointed officers are Chaplains John Pickle and Richard Becker, Publicity Theodore Karabinus, Welfare Livio Briancisco, Ways and Means Jack Good, and Historian Robert Stark.

The Dayton Wright-Flyers Chapter 7 have President Virgil Hill, Vice President Floyd Nelson, Secretary/Treasurer Vernon Hale and Trustees Robert Beatty, Charles Copley and Marion Sampson. Vivian Nelson was appointed Correspondence Secretary and their Skyplot is Chaplain Richard Hodge.

Seven Hills Chapter 8 recently elected President George Horton, Vice President Wayne Martin, Secretary Joe Whitt, Treasurer Vincent Salotto and Trustees Charles Abbott, Walter Asbury and Joseph Sumner. Harold Jones is their Chap lain.

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7 December 1941: A Day That Will Live In Infamy

AIR FORCE
Reprinted from "7 December 1941, The Air Force Story."

"All the publicity is 'Remember Pearl Harbor.' They should take a look at Hickam Field or what was Hickam Field. Twenty-seven bombs hit the main barracks. They dropped about 100 bombs on Hickam, practically all hits. The papers say they are poor bombardiers! They were perfect on nearly all their releases."

Charles P. Eckhardt, Major, Army Air Forces, 10 December 1941.

At approximately 0755 on 7 December 1941 the first Japanese aircraft struck the Territory of Hawaii. In less than two hours they inflicted upon the Hawaiian Air Force the most terrible destruction it had ever received. All the anti-saboteur alerts, mock battles, and practice deployments proved to be of no avail during the actual attack. Only the individual courage and sacrifice of personnel acting in fear and desperation prevented the Japanese from completely destroying the Army Air Forces on Oahu.

The Japanese Attack
The Japanese planned to hit Pearl Harbor just after sunrise on a Sunday morning. They reasoned, correctly, that defenses would be at their weakest at this time due to the American tradition of taking Sunday as a rest day. The attack's primary purpose was to inflict sufficient damage on the U.S. Fleet so it would be unable to interfere with their conquest plans in the Pacific for at least six months. Six carriers—the Akagi, Kaga, Soryu, Hiryu, Shokaku, and Zuikaku—would transport a 360-aircraft attack force to a point 220 miles north of Oahu. The Japanese believed their carriers, concealed by darkness during the final approach, could steam no closer without risk of being spotted by American reconnaissance aircraft. So worried were they about the air defenses on Oahu, they committed over a third of the attacking aircraft just to provide air cover for the remaining force. Another 39 aircraft would take off and fly top cover for the carrier force, just in case the Americans tried to attack.

Three types of aircraft were used in the attack: 143 Nakajima Type 97 three-place bombers (BSN2 model 11), 129 Aichi Type 99 two-place dive bombers (D3A1 model 11), and 78 Mitsubishi Type 0 single-place fighters (A6M2 model 21). The Nakajima was used with three different bomb loads. Forty aircraft were loaded with 800-kilogram modified torpedoes for use against large naval targets. Another 49 Nakajimas were loaded with 800-kilogram, specially modified, armor-piercing 16-inch naval shells, also for use against large ships. The remaining 54 aircraft carried a mixed load: 18 had two 250-kilogram bombs for land targets, and 36 had one 250-kilogram and six 60-kilogram bombs, also for land targets. In addition, each aircraft carried a hand-operated, rear-mounted, 7.7mm machine gun. The Nakajima delivered its bomb load primarily from the horizontal position, either at high altitude (around 10,000 feet) for those carrying the modified artillery shells or at low altitude (50 feet) for those with torpedoes. Bombers with multiple bomb loads could drop them either singly, in pairs, or all at once depending on the targets attacked.

The Aichis carried a 250-kilogram land target bomb during the first attack and a 250-kilogram ordinary bomb for use against naval targets during the second attack. In addition, each aircraft could carry two 60 kilogram bombs under the wings. According to eyewitness accounts several dive bombers made multiple bombing runs, and these may have had the additional 60-kilogram bombs on board, although no Japanese records have been found supporting this claim. Each aircraft had two fuseage-mounted, forward-firing, 7.7mm machine guns and a hand-operated, rear-mounted, 7.7mm machine gun. After completing its bombing attack, the aircraft could make repeated strafing attacks.

The Zeros were the Japanese Navy's best aircraft. On the morning of 7 December they could outmaneuver anything stationed on Oahu. Armed with two wing-mounted 20mm cannons and two 7.7mm machine guns mounted in the engine cowling, they also out-gunned anything that would be sent up against them. Their primary job was to protect the other aircraft against American fighters. After gaining air superiority, or in case there was little to no fighter resistance, the Zero pilots were free to attack targets of opportunity anywhere on the island.

Ideally, all the aircraft would strike their assigned targets simultaneously, thus assuring complete surprise. To launch and assemble that many aircraft in the dark would be difficult and would consume large quantities of fuel needed for the actual attack. The Japanese then modified the plan. Half the force, or 189 aircraft, would attack in the first wave and the remaining 171 would hit 30 minutes later. Thirty-nine fighters would take off and remain above the carriers to provide protection in case of attack. All the torpedo bombers were in the first wave because they were the most vulnerable and needed the surprise element to insure success. The launch was accomplished almost exactly according to plan. All the first wave aircraft except one horizontal bomber, three dive bombers, and two Zeros launched within fifteen minutes, a record for the Japanese. All the aborts from the first wave were for mechanical problems that developed prior to takeoff. The second wave, although delayed due to rough seas, made it off with the loss of only four aircraft. Two dive bombers aborted on takeoff, while one dive bomber and one Zero aborted for mechanical problems.

Roughly twenty minutes ahead of this attacking armada flew two Zero type scout planes launched from the heavy cruisers Chikuma and Tone. It was their job to make last-minute observations of Pearl Harbor and the alternate field staging area at Lahaina, Maui, and notify Lt Cmdr Mitsuo Fuchida, airborne commander, of any changes. This meant breaking radio silence, but Fuchida considered this information so critical he was willing to take the chance that the Americans would not discover the scout aircraft. Not only were the scout planes spotted, five different radar stations on Oahu tracked one of them across the island. Unfortunately, these stations had no idea how important this contact was and did nothing about it. The scout planes encountered no opposition and radioed back that
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the weather over the target was clear, no ships were anchored at Lahaina, and no changes in the ships at Pearl Harbor had been made.

Just north of Kahuku Point the first wave formed into attack formations, turned west, and paralleled the island for several miles. On reaching the Haleiwa area, the force split into two groups. Fuchida took direct command of the horizontal bombers and the torpedo planes under the command of Lt Cmrd Shigezuru Murata and headed toward Kaena Point. Just short of the Point, Fuchida again changed direction, heading south, staying west of the Waimanu Mountains. These two groups of aircraft split again before the actual attack on Pearl Harbor, so they hit the facility from the west and south. Other than uncoordinated strafing passes on Hickam Field and other targets of opportunity, none of these aircraft directly attacked the Hawaiian Air Force facilities on Oahu; their targets were the Navy ships in the harbor.

Lt Cmrd Shigeru Itaya’s fighters escorted various units including the dive bomber force under Lt Cmrd Kakuichi Takahashi. After separating from Fuchida, Takahashi’s bombers flew straight down the center of Oahu, with the fighters providing top cover. Their route took them over Wheeler Field, where they divided and part of the force attacked the field from the east and west, while the rest continued down on the island to Hickam Field and Ford Island, where they again divided and attacked from several directions. From there they moved on to Pearl Harbor, Ford Island, and finally Ewa Field Auxiliary Base.

The Japanese took Wheeler Field completely by surprise. The first wave of dive bombers lined up on the hangars paralleling the aircraft parking area. Releasing their bombs from 500 to 1000 feet, they scored direct hits on Hangars 1 and 3 and additional buildings in that area. One bomb struck the 6th Pursuit Squadron barrack, destroying it. After completing their bomb runs, the pilots began making strafing passes on the parked aircraft. Once Itaya realized that they had taken the Americans completely by surprise and there would be no fighter opposition, he released the fighters from their role of protector and they began strafing ground targets. The 20mm cannons of the Zero fighters would do considerable damage to ground targets. To increase the amount of damage caused during the strafing runs, the Japanese had loaded their machine gun ammunition in the following order: two armor-piercing, one tracer; two armor-piercing, one tracer; two armor-piercing, one incendiary. With this loading the bullets would puncture things like gasoline tanks, and then the tracer and incendiary rounds would explode or set them on fire. They started many fires in this manner, and a thick pall of black smoke quickly covered the area. From the air it appeared that they had severely damaged the base and had destroyed all the aircraft on the ground.

Aircraft and maintenance facilities at Wheeler Field were the primary targets of the attack. The pilots had been too well trained to waste their bombs and ammunition on insignificant targets. One bomb did land in the front yard of a house, but it probably resulted from a miss rather than a deliberate attack on the housing area. At times there were over 30 fighters and dive bombers attacking Wheeler from every direction. In the confusion a missed target or a long strafing run was to be expected. Schofield Barracks, located next to Wheeler Field, also appeared to be under attack with all the aircraft flying in the area; however, other than a possible isolated individual strafing attack or two, on targets of opportunity, the Japanese did not specifically target Schofield.

After making several strafing attacks on Wheeler, Lt Akira Sakamoto led the dive bombers south to the Marine Corps base at Ewa. The fighters continued a little longer and then left for other targets. While they were attacking Wheeler Field, the remaining dive bombers and fighters of the first wave continued south, where they again split and headed for either Kaneohe Naval Air Station or the Hickam Field and Pearl Harbor areas. During the attack on Kaneohe, Lt Tadashi Kaneko flew off and made a single strafing pass over Bellows Field then rejoined his unit. Why he made this lone strafing attack is not known, because Bellows Field was not on the initial target list for his group.

The dive bombers and fighters that struck Hickam Field were not the first indication that personnel there had of the attack.

When some of Murata’s torpedo bombers hit Pearl Harbor, they flew directly over Hickam on their way out from the targets. Before anyone had a chance to react to the noise coming from Pearl Harbor or identify the low flying aircraft, the dive bombers and fighters were upon them. As at Wheeler Field, the first targets were those in and around the hangar area. The attack then widened to include supply buildings, the consolidated barricades and dining hall, the base chapel, the enlisted men’s beer garden, and the guardhouse all in just the first few minutes. This was in addition to machine gun attacks by both the dive bombers and the fighters on all visible aircraft and personnel in the area. Within minutes the base was ablaze with many fires, and the Americans lost any chance of launching aircraft to attack or quickly locate the attacking carriers.
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