USS Arizona Flag

By Cliff Schmidt

In recent correspondence and conversation with the office of the Chief of Naval Operations in Washington D.C., it has been established that following the destruction of the U.S. Arizona on December 7, 1941, the remains of the Arizona’s flag was retrieved by two surviving officers and turned over to the captain of the USS Maryland.

Then on December 10th a smaller flag appeared flying on the after part of the Arizona, and its origin is, or was, unknown. Also unknown was its location if it still existed.

All indications are that our California River City Chapter 6 in Sacramento has possession of that flag, the first to fly on the Arizona following her destruction.

According to information received, Lieutenant Junior Grade Donald Shippam, a Pearl Harbor Survivor (now deceased), was on the USS West Virginia during the attack on Pearl Harbor. After the attack an admiral came to survey the damage while bodies were still being removed from the waters and wreckage.

The admiral looked at the burned hulk of the Arizona and said “I want a flag put back up on that ship, she’s still part of our United States Navy”.

Lieutenant Shippam, off the West Virginia, produced a flag from his ship and it was flown on the battered hulk of the USS Arizona.

Then Lieutenant Shippam asked the admiral if that flag was ever removed from the Arizona, could he have it. The Admiral said “Yes”.

How did we obtain that flag?

Following an article in our local paper about our local survivors, I was contacted by a Mr. Ron Johncola who asked me to meet with him and his wife for a cup of coffee.

I agreed, and following some general conversation about Pearl Harbor he informed me that his best friend, a Pearl Harbor survivor, had passed away and left his possessions to him.

Mr. Johncola then told me about his friend Lieutenant Don Shippam, producing the flag to fly on the Arizona. He then handed me a bag and said, “Here is that flag, and we would like to donate it to you and the Pearl Harbor Survivors.”

I later contacted the Naval Historical Department regarding the flag’s authenticity, and all indications are that it is the first flag to fly on the Arizona following the attack.

It was displayed at the PHSA 40th Anniversary and 37th annual California State Convention which was hosted by Sacramento Chapter 6 in August.

In the photo are Cliff Schmidt and River City Chapter 6 President Sam Clower.
Secretary’s Message
By Julius A. Finnern
The Administrative Office encourages all chapters to send in Death Notices on all non-members. Some so-called non-members are, in fact, lapsed PHSA members and must be dealt with to clear the records.

Robert’s Rules of Order:
A. How a motion is brought before the assembly:
1. A member makes the motion (the words move and offer also refer to this step.)
2. Another member seconds the motion.
3. The Chair states the question on the motion. (Not to be confused with putting the question which means putting the motion to a vote.)
4. Stating the question by the Chair formally places it before the assembly in which the Chair indicates that it is open for debate.

B. NOWHERE IN ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER IS IT STATED THAT A MOTION HAS TO BE PUBLISHED PRIOR TO BE CONSIDERED BY A LEGALLY CALLED ASSEMBLY CONVENTION.

Save The Valiant Little Tugboat Hoga

The donations for the drive to save the little tug boat HOGA have slacked a bit.

The USS Missouri, in its fundraising campaign, was able to receive donations and promises of millions of dollars to move the vessel and to make her ready for visitors. The HOGA was at Pearl Harbor during the attack...the USS Missouri was not.

The valiant efforts and accomplishments of HOGA during the attack places her in a position of deserving to be made into and established as a memorial to everyone who was stationed on the Island of Oahu during the Japanese attack. Her efforts in fighting the fires, moving ships to safety and rescuing our men during the attack were “above and beyond”. Every donation helps no matter how small. Donations will be returned to the donor or the heir if the project fails for any reason. Send donations to:

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If this can happen to the USS Missouri, why not the HOGA?

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Cruiser Sailors Association

By Ronald J. Maciejowski

Arlington National Cemetery was the site for a moving ceremony held by the United States Navy Cruiser Sailors Association. On April 25, beneath clear blue sun-lit skies over 150 Association members and guests attended the dedication of a Memorial Tree and granite marker in honor and remembrance of all who served aboard United States Navy cruisers.

Participants at the Memorial Tree and Plaque Dedication were Rear Admiral David P. Sargent, Jr., USN, Association Secretary Ronald J. Maciejowski, Association Maryland Representative and Coordinator for this event Lawrence S. McLean, Association President Chief Signalman Edward J. August, USN (Ret.) and U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation President and Chief Operating Officer Rear Admiral Henry C. McKinney, USN (Ret.).

Ewa Air Base

William C. Dickman, Marine Air Group 21, Ewa Air Base is interested in contacting any Navy or Marine Corps personnel that were at Ewa Air Base on December 7, 1941.

Bill is interested in writing a book about Ewa Air Base and would like recollections from personnel that were there. Write to him at 510 Fossel Pass, San Antonio, TX 78260 or phone (830) 980-4854.

NTS Newport, Rhode Island Company 20-40

The November 1994 issue of the Gram included a picture of Company 20-40 NTS Newport, Rhode Island. Following publication, I received some phone calls from fellow trainees who wanted copies of the picture. I did not think to write down their names or addresses. I would now like to rectify my mistake to my fellow trainees. I have a couple copies of the picture which I will send to those who called. Please write to me and give me your identity.

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**Treasurer’s Report**

*By Bill Eckel*

*National Treasurer*

This is the time of year that many chapters will be changing or re-electing Chapter Officers so I am bringing this to your attention now.

Secretary/Treasurers: Please review the Handbook for the three required Forms that must be received no later than February 28th, 1999.

These Forms are: Form 10, Form 12 and Appendix H. (IRS REQUIRED) EIN# listed in handbook.

These forms must be sent in for 1999 Chapter Officers whether new or re-elected.

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**Thank You**

We wish to thank all Survivors and Spouses, and Surviving Spouses for the many telephone calls and get well cards they sent to Betty after her six by-pass heart surgery and again after she was hospitalized for a large deep sore in her chest below the sternum. Our living room was aglow with all the beautiful cards.

Bob and Betty Watson

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**Oklahoma Rescued Survivor**

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28 piece set of .999 fine silver Pearl Harbor commemorative collection medals depicting Schofield Barracks, NAS Ford Island, Hickman Field, Arizona Memorial, Army Air Corps B-17 and ships that were at Pearl Harbor.

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**By Woodrow W. Derby**

**USS Nevada**

On June 19, a small group of San Diego Chapter 3 Survivors attended a lunch and an awards ceremony for John M. Washlick, the Employee of the Month at the Mission Bay Hospital, San Diego.

Why was this significant? On December 7, 1941 he was a caulker and chipper from Shop 11 of the Pearl Harbor Navy Yard. He received a Citation from the Commander, 14th Naval District, dated 9 March 1942 for being part of the group of yard workmen who worked to free entrapped crewmen from the stern of the capsized Oklahoma.

They first attempted to free men from one compartment with cutting torches, but the heat and fumes killed the two men found. Thereafter they used only chipping hammers. From that outstanding endeavor, they rescued 32 crew members who were trapped in the after steering compartment.

Chapter 3 member James C. Bounds was one of the men rescued. This was the first time they have ever met because when Jim was rescued he was covered with dirt and grime. When they were introduced, Jim gave John a big hug and a peck on the cheek. Jim and John are in the photo.

At our July monthly meeting, Mr. Washlick was nominated as an associate member of Chapter 3.
Memorial Day In Washington D.C.

Memorial Day In Washington D.C.
By Frank Costagliola
USS Phoenix

Weather on Memorial Day May 25 this year was as pleasant as anyone could expect, sunny and warm but not too warm. Everything went according to schedule. There were no surprises. National President Ben Begley and his wife Doris attended the White House breakfast with other National Commanders of Veterans organizations and various government dignitaries.

Doris and Ben arrived at the Memorial Amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery about 0930 where they were joined by Seventh District Director Clark Martin and Maryland State Chairman Clarence Davis in the Pearl Harbor Survivor’s Box. The amphitheater filled rapidly and at 1030 the Army band began their musical program.

Promptly at 1100 President Clinton arrived to the sound of a 21 gun salute. He laid a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknowns, then took his place on the platform. The parading of the colors by the various Veterans organizations marked the beginning of the ceremonies. The Pearl Harbor Survivors colors were carried by Maryland Chapter members Ray James and Gerald Hamill. The President made the principal address, paying tribute to all Veterans.

President Begley and Clarence Davis participated in the Wreath Laying Ceremony which was followed by laying the Pearl Harbor Survivors’ wreath on the Tomb of the Unknowns.

Wearing The PHSA Uniform

By John E. Baskette
4th District Director
USS Schley

Webster’s dictionary defines a uniform as a “distinctive clothing attire worn by members of organizations such as police, military, and other organizations”.

Wearing of the PHSA colorful uniform distinguishes the wearer as a member of the most “Elite” veterans organization, the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, Inc. It is worn with pride and serves as a symbol to everyone that the wearer survived the treacherous unwarranted attack on Pearl Harbor and the other military installations on the island of Oahu on December 7, 1941.

When our ladies are attired in their colorful muumuus it establishes that they are associated with PHSA and together with the PHSA uniform it forms a sea of beauty whereby the Pride and Espirit de Corps of PHSA, Inc. stands out.

I have reviewed all past Grams and find that pictures taken at PHSA banquets show that the majority of attendees wore the uniform at State, District and National convention banquets. For unknown reasons some members who have the uniform, elect not to wear it at banquets. Who started this trend I do not know, nor has anyone been able to furnish me with a reasonable and acceptable answer. Wearing suits in place of the uniform suggests to me that our banquets appear similar to those held by insurance companies, business groups, etc.

We who have been elected as State Chairmen, District Directors or to National office should perhaps set the example. It would be great if the membership were encouraged to wear the PHSA uniform at State, District and National convention banquets and the ladies encouraged to wear their beautiful muumuus.

Let us all wear the uniform at every PHSA function!

At the Pearl Harbor Tree a brief ceremony presided over by Northern Virginia Chapter President Bill Muehleib included a presentation of a picture of the USS Pearl Harbor by President Begley to Frank Costagliola for service as Veterans Affairs Liaison. Ben Begley and Chapter Trustee Hank Dittram are in the photo.

The activities of the day ended with President and Mrs. Begley as guests at a lunch in the Sheraton National Hotel with about twenty-five other Pearl Harbor Survivors and wives present.

NATIONAL TREASURER
WILLIAM ‘BILL’ ECKEL

We support and endorse for re-election at Las Vegas, Nevada in December 1998 this dedicated and deserving National Officer.

We do thank each of you present and voting for your support at the National Convention.

USS Arizona Survivors Lamar S. Crawford (L), Tyler, TX; Russell J. McCurdy (L), Huntington, IN; and Frank R. Cabiness, Fairfield Bay, AR

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Hawaii Aloha Chapter

By Donald A. Howell
State Chairman

The Aloha Chapter greeted the USS Pearl Harbor on her arrival at Pearl Harbor on August 17. The ship docked at Bravo Pier under sunny Hawaiian skies. The Official Party consisted of Commander James Bird, Commanding Officer of the USS Pearl Harbor; Rear Admiral Kenneth Fisher, Deputy Commander-In-Chief, United States Pacific Fleet; Representative Young and Hawaii State Chairman Don Howell.

The program opened with the Parade of the Colors, playing of the National Anthem and Hawaii Pono’i followed by the Invocation. The speakers, Admiral Fisher, and Representative Young spoke on the importance of the addition of the USS Pearl Harbor to the Navy Fleet and her role in the remembrance of the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. Both stressed the role played by the Pearl Harbor Survivors in getting the ship built and named after both Pearl Harbor and the Pearl Harbor Survivors. The ship bears her name proudly for those who died as a result of the Japanese attack and those who survived the attack and went on to play a major role in final victory.

After these gentlemen, I was afforded the opportunity to welcome the USS Pearl Harbor on behalf of the Pearl Harbor Survivors with comment on our Aloha Chapter and the display of our banner and aloha placards.

On August 18, there were group tours of the ship by invitation and a wreath laying ceremony at the USS Arizona Memorial by members of the official party. On August 19 our Chapter members and other invitees were permitted to ride the USS Pearl Harbor from Pearl Harbor to the Aloha Tower in Honolulu Harbor.

It was a beautiful sunny day making for a very pleasing and interesting trip of about two hours. The ship was to remain in Honolulu Harbor August 20, 21 and 22 for public tours and return to Pearl Harbor for a trip to Alaska. The Navy went on alert and all further activities were cancelled August 20 including a Reception aboard scheduled for August 21.

We were greatly impressed with the ship’s visit and the tribute paid to our Pearl Harbor Survivors by participants, planners and those attending the welcoming ceremony.

Arizona Cactus Chapter

By Virgil E. Hengi
Secretary-Treasurer
USS Tennessee

The Arizona Cactus Flower Chapter in Yuma, Arizona holds its meetings the third Sunday of each month during the winter time. We have 30 members and because most are senior citizen visitors we do not hold meetings in the summer time. Our meetings are held October through March and most of the time we have about 40 members and guests present.

Meetings are held at the Marine Base here in Yuma. We have a luncheon at the base and then have our meetings immediately following.

Each year on December 7 the Marine Base has a Memorial Service open to the media and public. They present an excellent service and immediately following the service we are invited for free coffee and donuts.

On Veterans Day we are included in the parade. About eight members ride in the bed of a member’s pick-up with a ‘Remember Pearl Harbor’ decal on both doors and the American Flag and Pearl Harbor Flag displayed. The response from the crowd is breathtaking!

We have three high schools in our area and each year we present one of the high schools with a $100 scholarship. We keep our public library supplied with the latest books concerning the attack on Pearl Harbor. Each year several members attend several classes at the high schools and lecture on Pearl Harbor.

The students are briefed by their teachers before our lectures. They always enjoy our lectures and request answers to their many questions.
USS Pearl Harbor Hosts PHSA Members For Breakfast

By Ralph Lindenmeyer
California State Chairman

The first of many shipboard visits of Pearl Harbor Survivors began on Friday, July 17 at 0630 as seven survivors met at pier 6, prior to going aboard the USS Pearl Harbor (LSD-52).

The early morning visitation was occasioned by an invitation to breakfast, which was arranged by Chapter 3’s Gordon Jones the liaison officer between the ship and the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association with Command Master Chief Randy Russell.

Following breakfast the visitors under the guidance of Senior Chief Mark McKim, watched demonstrations of the armament aboard an LSD. The Pearl Harbor has the latest equipment for its self defense, including a 20 millimeter gun—which has the capability of shooting down approaching missiles through a combination of computers and other high tech advantages.

Gunnery Mate Christopher Hernandez explained to the group how everything worked and gave an example of a practice missile traveling at 400 knots was hit just below the powder line and would have exploded had it been a real missile. It was retrieved and given to the ship as a “first trophy”, during the ship’s first at sea firing exercise.

The 25 mm gun is used for firing on surface vessels fast approaching the ship. There is little or no built-in protection for the gun crew. However, believe it or not, sand bags are available for immediate use, explained Edward Harrington.

Those attending the first “Breakfast and Acquaintance Day” were: Gordon Jones (VP-14 NAS Kaneohe Bay), Jack McCarron (USS Arizona), Arie Korporaal (USS Helena), Arthur Kowalski (USS Pennsylvania), Woodrow Derby (USS Nevada), Duffie Clemons, (1st Defense Battalion USMC) and Ralph Lindenmeyer (A&R NAS Ford Island).

As an additional attraction, Arthur Kowalski presented Command Master Chief Russell with a picture he took of the Chief and Medal of Honor recipient John Finn (Ret) at the ship’s commissioning on May 30th, 1998.

Standing in front of the 25 MM anti missile gun are Gunners Mates Mark McKim, Christopher Hernandez and Edward Harrington.

Election Of Tennessee State Chairman

By Marshall McCloud

On June 4-6 the Sixth District Convention was held in Louisville, Kentucky. The Tennessee State Chairman was to be elected but due to the fact that only three Survivors from Tennessee attended, Ben Begley and Fred Couture gave me permission to hold this election at a later date.

The date was set for August 8 at the Anna Lee Restaurant in Dandridge, Tennessee. Each Chapter and the Vice Chairman were notified thirty days in advance. The following six members attended with their wives and guests:

Chapter 4: James H. Medlin
Chapter 4: Jesse L. Sisk
Chapter 3: William L. Jackson
Chapter 3: Herman V. Hall
Chapter 3: Marshall B. McCloud

I then turned the election over to Chapter 3 President William Jackson. Nomination was held and Marshall McCloud was nominated and seconded.

No other nominations were made so a vote was taken and Marshall McCloud was re-elected.

I appointed Jesse Sisk Vice Chairman, and the meeting was closed with prayer and we adjourned.

Aboard The USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN-71)

By Thomas F. Mahoney
New Jersey Chapter 2

On Family Day three Pearl Harbor Survivors were guests of honor of Rear Admiral William W. Copeland aboard the USS Theodore Roosevelt. Also aboard were 5500 crew members and 8000 family members and guests.

In the photo are Lee Goldfarb (USS Oglala), Rear Admiral Copeland, David Hiester (63rd Field Art. Schofield Bks.) and Thomas Mahoney (USS Curtiss).
First District And California State Convention

The California State Convention was hosted by Chapter 6 in Sacramento August 27-29 at the Red Lion Inn.
There were many things to do. A visit to the California State Fair was available and also a one day turnaround to Reno.
The business meeting was held on the 29th. Ralph Lindemeyer was elected State Chairman, Bernard Walenter (USS Medusa) Vice State Chairman North, Arthur Herriford (USS Detroit) Vice State Chairman South, Cecil Malmin (VP-12 NAS Kaneohe) State Secretary and Charles Preece (HQ 5th Bomb Group, Hickam Field) State Treasurer.
Martin J. Schwager was California Survivor of the Year.
Dewayne Chartier (USS Pennsylvania) was elected as new First District Director.

First District Director William “Bill” Davis (58th Bomb Sq., Hickam Field) installs Ralph Lindemeyer (A&R NAS Ford Island) as new California State Chairman.

1997 California Survivor of the Year Mal Middleworth (USMC on USS San Francisco) presents award to 1998 California Survivor of the Year Martin J. Schwager (64th Coast Art., Fort Shafter).

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San Diego Veterans Memorial Center Receives Large Donation From PHSA Widow

By Ralph Lindenmeyer
California State Chairman

The San Diego Veterans Memorial Center was a recent recipient of a $1000 check from the widow of retired Senior Chief Petty Officer John (Jack) Bliss (USS Dale) according to Executive Director Tom Spligerber.

The former Navy Chapel on the grounds of the old Balboa Naval Hospital is currently the home of the Memorial Center and Museum. The stained glass windows are a constant reminder of the building’s heritage. Under a new program, donors may select one of the stained glass windows and have a Memorial Plaque placed nearby.

Mrs. Bliss, wedded to her husband for 59 years, said she couldn’t be happier to have a plaque memorializing his duty to God and Country. The plaque reads in part: “IN MEMORY OF JOHN (JACK) FRANCIS BLISS, USS DALE”.

The Memorial Center has been in operation since 1989 and the mainstay of its upkeep has fallen into the hands of members of San Diego’s Chapter 3. The Center was rejuvenated under the supervision of Chet Swisher (USS Maryland) who has since relinquished his position as executive director. The following Chapter 3 members, who have contributed their time and talents are:

Ben Boosinger (USS West Virginia), John Hancock (251 C/A Camp Malakole), Ivan Harris (USS Nevada), Don Lester (USS Oklahoma), Vic Miranda (NAS Ford Island), Joe Novak (USS Dobbin), Fred Sobke (USS Crossbill), Walt Stevens (USS Dobbin) and Karen Yount, widow of Burton Yount (Fort Shafter) There have been others who at one time or another have helped out.

Today, the Veterans Memorial Center and Museum houses many exquisite pieces of World War II memorabilia from all branches of Military Services. In all of its splendor, the events at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, overshadow all other exhibits.

San Diego Chapter 3 now holds its monthly meeting there on every third Sunday except in June and December, commencing at 1:00 P.M. If you are visiting in San Diego be sure and drop by and say hello. Everyone is welcome. The address is 2115 Park Boulevard, across the street from San Diego’s famous Balboa Park and Zoo.

Utah Chapter 1

By David C. Senn

Several members from Utah Chapter 1 attended the commissioning ceremonies of the USS Pearl Harbor in San Diego on Memorial Day.

In the photo are David Senn (1st Def Bn USMC), Marty Senn, Darrel Stevens (USS Tennessee), Barbara Nielson, Till Adams and Sue Carsey. Attending but not pictured were Utah State Chairman Art Buell (USS Medusa), wife Bettie, Kenneth Warden (USS Curtiss), and wife Janet.
IF YOU HAVE NOT YET MADE RESERVATIONS FOR THE CONVENTION IN LAS VEGAS, SEE PAGES 16, 17 AND 18 IN THE AUGUST 1998 GRAM!!!

WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS

Exposure of our Membership to unauthorized use of names and addresses has precluded publishing them in the Gram. Any member may obtain the complete address of a fellow Survivor by sending the request and a long, self-addressed and stamped envelope with your Member number to the National Vice-President and Membership Chairman, Robert Kronberger, P.O. Box 442, Big Bear City, CA 92314-0442.

Total new members this quarter .................................. 21
Total new members since 01/01/98 .................................. 81
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Alabama .......................................................... 1
Arizona .......................................................... 2
Arkansas ......................................................... 1
California ....................................................... 26
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Connecticut ..................................................... 3
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Resolution No. 1
Subject: National Constitution and Bylaws
Article XV - Additional Miscellaneous Provisions:
  7.a. (States in part) The Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors, Inc. is hereby designated as the successor’s non-profit organization to which assets will be distributed.

WHEREAS: The stated successor is based on a presumption the Sons and Daughters Association, upon dissolution of the PHSA, Inc. will be an operating incorporation with the capability of administrating the affairs, assets and precepts of the PHSA, Inc.
WHEREAS: The designation of any successor at this point in time is premature as prognostication of the future is not possible.
WHEREAS: This resolution must not be construed as preventing the Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors from being the successor’s non-profit organization to which assets will be distributed.
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT: Article XV, paragraph 7, sub-para. a. be changed to read:
“The assets of the PHSA, Inc. upon dissolution, shall be distributed as directed by the National Executive Board with approval by the membership sitting in convention.”
Submitted by Executive Board

Resolution No. 2
Subject: National Constitution and Bylaws
Whereas the membership of the local chapters is decreasing and:
Whereas adequate leadership is increasingly difficult to find among the decreasing members.
It is proposed that The National Constitution and By-Laws Article IX (Subordinate Bodies) Paragraph 2, (National Chartered Local Chapters) b (Obligations) 11 (Dissolution of any local Chapter) be changed to read:
Upon dissolution of any Local Chapter, the State Chairman shall, with the approval of the District Director, combine the membership of the dissolved Chapter with one or more of the State’s remaining Chapters. Members of the dissolved chapter to have the right to choose which of the remaining Chapters to join. All chapter moneys, securities, property and records shall be disposed of to the remaining Chapters. Upon dissolution of the last Chapter within a State, all moneys and securities shall be disposed of as directed by the National Executive Board and no further dues rebate will be made to the state. All other property records and memorabilia shall be disposed of under the direction of the State Chairman.
Submitted by: Committee of the Future

Resolution No. 3
Subject: Distribution of Membership Dues and Initiation Fees
Whereas the Chapter structure is best able to raise funds for local chapter use and:
Whereas the State Chairmen are provided no operating funds and:
Whereas this change will provide State Chairmen with 10% of the dues received from members within his State, it is proposed that the National Constitution be changed to read:
4. Distribution of Membership Dues and Initiation Fees
a. The initiation fees shall accrue to the National Office (100%)
b. Membership Dues
  1) (75 percent)—to the National Association of the PHSA Inc.
  2) (5 percent)—to the National District Directors office, of the dues received from members within his official district.
  3) (10 percent)—to the State Chairman, of the dues received from members within his state.
  4) (10 percent)—to the local chartered chapter or as otherwise designated.
  5) Distribution of said moneys shall be made annually and within 30 days after the expiration of the calendar 4th quarter.
Submitted by: Committee of the Future

Resolution No. 4
Subject: Change to Membership Enrollment
Article VII Membership
Item #4 Reads - Must have been a member of the Armed Services of USA on December 7, 1941. Must have been on the Island of Oahu or off shore not to exceed 3 miles at the actual time of the attack 7:55 AM to 9:45 AM December 7, 1941.

(1) Change qualification to read 400 miles off Island of Oahu at 7:55 AM - 9:45 AM on December 7, 1941.

(2) By changing this Rule it will enable the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association to add to our membership those Servicemen that were aboard the returning ships from Midway and Wake Islands. Most of these men would have been in port at Pearl on December 7th except for an act of God. Also these men were all stationed aboard ships attached to the Hawaiian Fleet.

(3) If the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association wish to continue with a viable membership, this is a golden opportunity to add to our membership with highly deserving military men.

Submitted by: Albert L. Fickel, 4th Dist. Dir.

Resolution No. 5
Subject: Assessment of Dues for Life Members, and Increase of Annual Dues

WHEREAS, Committee of Future (Pearl-gram of February 1995) considered assessment of dues for Life Members and increase of annual dues is considered due to mission revenue from annual membership dues.

WHEREAS, members of the Executive Board are reimbursed for transportation and lodging attending Pre and Post Executive Board Meetings at national conventions and at times of Hawaiian Reunions.

RESOLVED, that due concern of the Committee of the Future as to the projected financial status of the PHSA, it is recommended the expense incurred in providing transportation and lodging for members of the Executive Board attending scheduled Executive Board meeting and Pre/Post Executive Board meetings at national conventions and Hawaiian Reunions be no longer provided by the PHSA.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that method of “Conference Call” be utilized for future scheduled meetings of the Executive Board.

Submitted By: A. F. FERRI

Resolution No. 6
Subject: National Constitution and Bylaws, Art. 5, Para. 4g

WHEREAS the cost of generating, printing and distributing the semi annual roster is expensive and: Whereas the utilization of the second distribution made in July is limited:

It is proposed the National Constitution and Bylaws Article V Paragraph 4, g. be changed to read:

4. The Secretary shall:

g. The National Secretary shall receive and process all applications for membership and forward the funds so collected to the National Treasurer for recording and depositing in the Association Accounts. In conjunction with the processing of applications for membership the National Secretary shall process all address corrections and furnish a listing to the National Treasurer for recording on the Members Dues Record Card. The National Secretary shall maintain the Membership Roster and shall furnish copies annually to the proper officials, National and State as required. The annual distribution shall be made within 30 days of the end of the 1st quarter, (April). A delinquency report shall be distributed to the fore mentioned officials within thirty (30) days of the end of the calendar 2nd quarter, (July).

Submitted by: Committee of the Future

Resolution No. 7
Subject: Registration Fees (Guests) Are Assessed At National Convention

WHEREAS, registration fees for guests of PHSA members are assessed at time of national convention and Hawaiian Reunions to cover cost of social events, administrative obligations and insurance.

RESOLVED, inasmuch as guests of PHSA members are not members of PHSA the assessment of registration fee is not appropriate. Guests of PHSA members should only be assessed for those elected optional events and social event (cocktail party/dance) provided by PHSA.

Submitted by: A. F. FERRI

Resolution No. 8
Subject: PHSA Scholarship Program

WHEREAS 1: The National PHSA President appointed three members of the Executive Board (Districts #4, #6 and #8) to a Scholarship Committee with the mission
of determining, (a) if PHSA should establish a Scholarship Program, (b) if affirmative, make recommendations for the PHSA Scholarship Program.

WHEREAS: The Scholarship Committee concluded a Scholarship Program should be established by PHSA and that funds are available annually from interest on the Memorial and Scholarship Fund investments.

WHEREAS: The PHSA recommended Scholarship Program outlined for approval is:

1. Scholarships will be open to any US Citizen who is a direct descendent of a PHSA Member or a deceased PHSA Member.
2. Scholarships are to provide financial assistance opportunities for beyond High School undergraduate studies. Scholarships are not renewable.
3. Number and dollar value of Scholarships will be (a) Two@ $1000 each for studies at any accredited Community College or University. (b) Two @ $500 each for studies at any accredited Technical or Trade School.
4. Applicants for $1000. Scholarships must have maintained a GPA of 3.0 or above. Applicants for $500. Scholarships must have maintained a GPA of 2.5 or above.
5. Scholarships will be awarded Nationally as opposed to District or State.
6. Each Scholarship Application must be postmarked prior to midnight May 15th and will include, (a) an Essay (subject and length to be determined by the National Board of Directors), (b) a recommendation from their Guidance Counselor or Teacher and (c) Verification of GPA.
7. After preliminary screening of applications by a member of the board, qualifying applications will be numbered and Scholarship Winners shall be determined by judges consisting of two or more members. A first and second alternate will be selected for each Scholarship category in the event a winning applicant withdraws or is disqualified.
8. To ensure enrollment in an Institution, Scholarship Checks shall be made payable to the Scholarship Winner “and” the Accredited School or directly to the Scholarship Winner after verification of successful completion of the first quarter/semester.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Recommended PHSA Scholarship Program be approved by the General Membership.

Submitted by: Frederick F. Couture

Resolution No. 9

Subject: Change Of Wording In Article XIII

WHEREAS: The Executive Board in a meeting held in Las Vegas NV, in 1997 changed the name of the "PHSA, Inc. HONOR AND MEMORIAL FUND" to "PHSA, Inc MEMORIAL AND SCHOLARSHIP FUND" Request that a Resolution be presented to change the wording of ARTICLE XIII to the following:

The Memorial and Scholarship Fund is established in the Financial records of the PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS ASSOCIATION, Inc. for the purpose of receiving donations, contributions, and bequests from individuals, organizations, corporations, and associations given in honor of, and to provide funding for the PHSA, Inc Scholarship Program.

Submitted by: William H. Eckel, National Treasurer

Resolution No. 10

Subject: Membership Year

Article VII, paragraph 6, sub-para. i. states:

Members, to be in continuous good standing, must pay his or her renewal dues within 90 days after the close of the membership year.

WHEREAS: The PHSA, Inc. Constitution and By-Laws only refer to:

Fiscal year, for accounting, is from October 1st to the following September 30th.

Calendar year is January 1st to December 31st.

Official year is December 8th through December 7th of the following year.

WHEREAS: Since Article VII, paragraph 6, sub-para. i., refers to membership dues, membership year has to refer to fiscal year.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: That sub-paragraph i. of Article VII, paragraph 6 be deleted as being unimportant and redundant.

Submitted by: J.A. Finnern, National Secretary

Resolution No. 11

Subject: National Constitution and By-Laws. Article XI, National Conventions and Memorial Service

WHEREAS the advanced age of the PHSA membership makes travel to Hawai'i increasingly more difficult, and:

WHEREAS the increasing cost of travel makes it a burden for PHSA members to travel to Hawai'i, and:

WHEREAS the cost to the PHSA for the Memorial Service in Hawai'i may be more than the National Treasury can afford, therefore:
RESOLUTIONS

It is proposed that The National Constitution and By-Laws Article XL 1. be changed to read:

The National Convention or Reunion shall be held at such time as to include the date of December 7. The official time of the PHSA Memorial Service shall be 07:55 o’clock a.m., Honolulu time, December 7 thereby commemorating the exact clock time of the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Effective after December 1998, National Conventions shall be held biennially and Reunions may be held every five (5) years based on 1941. The place of the Reunion to be at the discretion of the Executive Board with notice given at least two (2) years in advance of the next Reunion.

Submitted by: Committee of the Future

Resolution No. 12
Subject: Honorary Membership In PHSA

WHEREAS: The Membership of PHSA, Inc. and several members of Congress have, for several years with no avail, petitioned the Department of Defense, the Department of the Navy and the Congress of the United States to commission a United States Naval Vessel bearing the name U.S.S. PEARL HARBOR in commemoration of those who lost their lives as a result of the dastardly sneak, unwarranted and unprovoked attack on United States Military Installations on the Island of Oahu, Hawaii by elements of the Japanese Military Forces on the 7th day of December, 1941. Furthermore it was expected that the proposed naval vessel was to honor the sacrifices made by those who had survived the attack on that Date of Infamy and ensuing days of World War II.

WHEREAS: The efforts tenacity and leadership of The Honorable Duncan Hunter Congressman, 52nd District, State of California were finally realized on May 30th, 1998 as the U.S.S. PEARL HARBOR (LSD 52) was commissioned at San Diego, California. This vessel, our namesake, would never have been possible without the untiring efforts of the Honorable Duncan Hunter.

WHEREAS: Commander James J. Bird, Commanding Officer of PEARL HARBOR, consistently went beyond the call of duty to make sure that the members of PHSA, Inc. were given priority access to his vessel at all times. He has further instilled upon his crew the importance of the sacrifices made by our membership to our country during World War II. It is further noted that this naval vessel will carry our slogan “REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR” and will always “KEEP AMERICA ALERT” by its service to our country well into the next century. Commander Bird and his crew have always extolled the attributes of our great organization.

THEREFORE: It is respectfully requested that our organization, PHSA, Inc., recognize the efforts and courtesies of Congressman Hunter and Commander Bird and grant honorary membership to these fine gentlemen under ARTICLE VII, Membership Chapter 7 in order to express our appreciation for their outstanding services to our organization and country.

Submitted by: Gordon E. Jones

Resolution No. 13
Subject: Vote By Mail

In the Year 2000 the election of all National Officers will be by absentee vote in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

Because of age and health reasons many of the PHSA membership can no longer attend conventions and I submit this resolution so that all members may participate in the election of our National Officers.

Submitted by: Albert L. Fickel

11-96 Resolution To Perpetuate The Ideals Of PHSA In The Future

Resolution 11-96 was tabled in Hawaii. It will be brought to the floor in Las Vegas. This is a summary of that resolution:

The purpose of this resolution is to request the membership of PHSA, Inc. to recognize and give national status to Associate Members, which includes our widows and widowers, as viable assets to our organization. They presently assist the chapters in the First, Second and parts of the Third District in promoting our slogan or motto “REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR — KEEP AMERICA ALERT” and are welcomed within their midst and meetings. Many Chapters in other states or districts have associates under different names, such as Sweethearts, Widows, Friends of PHSA or Honorary Members.

This recognition does not in any way suggest that the recognized Associate Members will be an integral part of PHSA nor does it infer that Associate Members will in any way replace, be a part of, or interfere with the operations or the “SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF PHSA”. They could of course be a help to that organization if so requested.

Submitted by: Robert Kronberger, National Vice President
San Diego Carnation
Chapter 3

By Ralph Lindenmeyer
State Chairman

Not once, but twice within a space of two weeks, the USS Pearl Harbor Color Guard led marchers of San Diego Carnation Chapter 3 in two parades.

The first one was in Coronado for the 50th annual Fourth of July Parade before an estimated 70,000 thunderous screaming spectators who lined the parade route.

Two weeks later the same USS Pearl Harbor Color Guard unit was out in front of the Survivors as they marched in the annual Sand Castle Day Parade. The Imperial Beach extravaganza drew thousands of beach goers for the weekend festivities. Holding the banner are Al Bodenlos (804th Eng., Schofield Bks) and Walter Stevens (USN Dobbin).

Many of the Coronado and Imperial Beach residents are currently or were, former members of the military, thus creating many turnouts for local parades.

Vice Admiral Mike Bowman, USN was the Coronado Parade’s Grand Marshal and is the Commander Naval Air Force Pacific Fleet based on North Island’s Naval Air Station.

Prior to the start of the parade he was introduced to, and chatted with, several Pearl Harbor Survivors, namely, Clayton Schenkelberg (Sub Base), David Crabtree (U.S. Army Air Corps Wheeler Field) and Carl White (VP-24 Ford Island).

Medal of Honor recipient, 89-year-old, Lieutenant John Finn, USN (Ret.) and wife Alice, received a rousing ovation as they rode along the parade route in a classic red convertible.

A visitor who dropped by to say hello to the assembled survivors prior to the Sand Castle Day Parade was former Imperial Beach Mayor and currently a United States Congressman from the 49th Congressional District, Brian Bilbray. Both his dad and stepdad were Pearl Harbor Survivors.

The appearance and the inclusion of the USS Pearl Harbor (LSD-52) Color Guard in the aforementioned parades is a meaningful reminder of the relationship between the ship and the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association.

From The Editor

In the August Gram under the “Chapters That Have Contributed To The Arizona Memorial Museum Fund” the name of Richard Corder was spelled incorrectly.

57TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION
1998 SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, December 4
National Storekeepers Arrive

SATURDAY, December 5
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Registration - Dynasty Room (Available for stowage of luggage for those whose rooms are not ready)
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Small Stores Open - Sampson Room
1:00 PM - ??? Hospitality Room Open - Pearl Room
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM Sons & Daughters Meeting - Hong Kong Room

SUNDAY, December 6
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Registration - Dynasty Room (Available for stowage of luggage for those whose rooms are not ready)
9:00 AM - 12 Noon Executive Board Meeting - Jade Room
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Small Stores Open - Sampson Room
9:00 AM - ??? Hospitality Room Open - Pearl Room
2:00 PM - 5:00 PM California Caucus - Royal Hall "A"
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM Sons & Daughters Business Meeting - Royal Hall "A"
AFTERNOON & EVENING OPEN FOR PERSONAL ACTIVITIES

MONDAY, December 7
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Memorial Services - Imperial Theatre (Main Show Room)
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Late Registration - Dynasty Room
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Sons & Daughters Meeting - Hong Kong Room
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Small Stores Open - Sampson Room
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Hospitality Room Open - Fiji Room
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM West Virginia Ship Meeting - Executive Room
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Sons & Daughters Meeting - Hong Kong Room
Time to be Announced Golf Tournament (See Bulletin Board for Time)
7:00 PM -11:30 PM Reception & Dance, Cash Bar - Royal Hall
AFTERNOON OPEN FOR PERSONAL ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY, December 8
6:00 AM - Emperor's Buffet Opens for PHSA Members to Attend Business Meeting
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Meet the Candidates - Royal Hall
8:00 AM - 12 Noon Business Meeting - Royal Hall
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Small Stores Open - Sampson Room
9:00 AM Hospitality Room Opens for Ladies Only - Fiji Room
Time as Set by Hotel Ladies Slot Tournament - Assembly in Hospitality Room - Fiji Room
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Business Meeting Resumes - Royal Hall
Close of Business Hospitality Room Opens - Fiji Room
Meeting II Prior to 4:00 PM
6:00 PM - 6:30 PM Happy Hour, Cash Bar - Royal Hall
6:45 PM Everyone Take Seat at Assigned Table for Banquet (Bring table # with you)
7:00 PM Banquet Starts - Royal Hall

WEDNESDAY, December 9
9:00 AM - ??? New Executive Board Meets - Jade Room
10:00 AM - ??? Hospitality Room Open - Fiji Room will remain open for luggage stowage for those who have late flights
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Small Stores Open - Sampson Room
DAY & AFTERNOON OPEN FOR PERSONAL ACTIVITIES OR EARLY DEPARTURE

NOTE: ALL ACTIVITIES WILL TAKE PLACE ON 4TH FLOOR EXCEPT THOSE IN ROYAL HALL AND IMPERIAL THEATRE. BUFFET FOR BREAKFAST PRIOR TO BUSINESS MEETING IS IN EMPEROR'S BUFFET ON 3RD FLOOR ADJACENT TO ROYAL HALL. IMPERIAL THEATRE IS ON 3RD FLOOR. THE ELEVATOR GOING TO THE TEA ROOM OPENS ON THE 4TH FLOOR NEXT TO OUR ASSIGNED MEETING ROOMS.
District Eight News

By District Director Arthur Schreier

Recently at a meeting of Maine’s Pine Tree Chapter, the members voted to dissolve the Chapter. Age and infirmity have made it impossible to find members able or willing to hold office. This coupled with the fact of one chapter in a state as large as Maine made travel to meetings a real challenge. It is with sadness that we report these closings but unfortunately it is a reality we must face. Maine’s Pine Tree Chapter was National Charter 5, dated September 15, 1967.

CONNECTICUT
State Chairman Frank Stebbins

During the summer chapter members have been involved in various parades and other activities. In August the annual picnic was held at Foote Park in Branford. This summer event was well attended and members enjoyed chapter President Lou Trantales great clam chowder. Many thanks Lou. The Bocci games were well played and enjoyed by all. As usual the family of Joe Tiskus, led by wife Anne, hosted the event and we are grateful for their efforts. At a short business meeting the members voted to contribute to the fund to purchase a GRAM ad in support of Lee Goldfarb for the office of National Vice President.

In Waterbury, Connecticut, the Leopoldville Memorial Association and the Waterbury Veterans Memorial Committee are dedicating a plaque to those who made the supreme sacrifice during the attack on Pearl Harbor. This plaque will be dedicated on December 7, 1998. All chapter members are invited to attend this dedication. Details in the Chapter newsletter. The Leopoldville was a troop ship which was sunk while ferrying troops to Europe during WWII. There was a great loss of life and the Leopoldville Memorial Association is purchasing this plaque to honor those Americans lost at Pearl Harbor. We are grateful to them for this honor.

MAINE
State Chairman Bertram E. Davis

The Pine Tree Chapter held a meeting at the Foreside Community Church in Falmouth on July 18. Discussion involved the great distances between the homes of the Maine members and our increasing debilitation due to advancing age. Even if meetings were held in the center of the state distances would still be to great for our aging membership. Regrettably the vote to try and continue or to disband was unanimous in a decision to disband. The District Director has been so notified.

MASSACHUSETTS
State Chairman Walter Maciejowski

The August meeting of the Bay Patriots Chapter was held at Rockland and attended by 30 members and guests. Topics discussed were the coming Chapter elections, the overhaul of USS Massachusetts and the District Eight Convention in October. Members voted to donate fifty dollars to the “Stand down” Committee which provides assistance to homeless veterans. Members also voted to contribute fifty dollars towards the cost of an ad endorsing Lee Goldfarb for the office of National Vice President.

The Bay Patriots Chapter is experiencing the same challenges as many other chapters throughout the country. That being, fewer members in the chapters, distances to travel to meetings which many members find increasingly difficult, inability to find Survivors who are able and willing to fill the chapter offices and those officers who have held office for any length of time are also ailing. Time is taking its toll at a greater pace than ever.

The Chapter will hold two more meetings this year. The September meeting will be held aboard USS Massachusetts at Fall River. This meeting will include nominations for Chapter Officers. The October meeting will include election of Officers and be the last meeting of the year.

HELP HELP HELP
Hickam or Wheeler Field Survivors

I am searching for a photo of a Boeing P-26 aircraft that was based at Hickam or Wheeler December 7, 1941. The tail identification number, and any artwork, must be clearly visible.

A Colonel now based at Hickam Field has a large painting of a P-26 over his office desk. The aircraft tail is blank and he wishes to add the identification of a P-26 from the 1941 era.

I was a ground crew member in the Headquarters Squadron 18th Bomb Wing P-26 prior to it being destroyed in the Japanese raid. I have no photo that fits the need. If any of you veterans have such a photo, and will share it, please contact Ron Wright, 1005 So. Russell St., Skiatook, OK 74070-2123 phone (918) 396-1380.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE
State Chairman William R. Lefabvre Sr.

Chapter members and their wives participated in the Merrimack Parade on July 4th. Members of the Boy Scouts of America carried the Pearl Harbor Banner.

The Granite State Chapter met on August 19 at the Bristol American Legion Post. During the meeting members voted to endorse Past President Lee Goldfarb for the office of National Vice President of our Association. We send Lee our blessings and wish him success. Following the meeting a buffet lunch was enjoyed. Hosts were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lowell. Desserts were provided by the Chapter wives. There were 23 persons attending 13 of which were members of the PHSA. All things considered this was a great turnout. A large “WELL DONE” to the Lowells.

That week was one of sadness for me due to the death of my younger sister. On the bright side we are happy for the four new members we have signed up. They make up for the four we have lost through deaths, so we are holding our own.

Our Vice State Chairman Woody McDonald was in a serious auto accident earlier this year and is recovering from his injuries very nicely. I have been working with Vermont Vice State Chairman Al Hinton to get the New Hampshire Bridge that connects to Vermont’s Pearl Harbor Memorial Highway named the Pearl Harbor Memorial Bridge. Helping in this effort is the Chairman of the Bridge Committee and Coos County State Representative Lynn Horton. Also helping are State Representatives Leighton of Lancaster and Josephpine Mayer of Groveton and our own Bob Milligan of Merrimack. If this team doesn’t get the job done I’ll throw in the towel.

Other activities we are involved in are the continuing support of the men and women at the VA Hospital and the Frazer Park bench and plaque program which is expected to be completed late this year.

NEW YORK
State Chairman Daniel Fruchter
Statue of Liberty Chapter 4 President Joe Medure

The chapter held their September meeting on board the USS Intrepid Air, Sea, Space Museum at New York City. Meeting agenda included discussion of the Eighth District Convention in October and the National Convention at Las Vegas in December. A buffet followed the business meeting which was well attended.

Central New York Chapter 7 President Anthony Marra

They held their annual picnic at the camp of Larry and Virginia Parry at Sacketts Harbor with 30 members and guests in attendance. The weather was excellent the food outstanding and the company unbeatable.

Larry Parry is working on the Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day program for December 7. Anyone interested in taking part in this event should contact Larry at 2473 Conners Rd., Baldwinsville NY 13027 or phone (315) 635-6753.

VERMONT
State Chairman Arnold Tibbetts

On June 10 Vice State Chairman Al Hinton represented the PHSA during Flag Day ceremonies at the Newport Elks Lodge 2155. These ceremonies not only honor our Flag but also honor our Veterans who have sacrificed so much for the nation. A barbecue roast beef supper was enjoyed by those participating.

On June 14 Flag Day members were in attendance in Derby at the unveiling of the latest sign proclaiming Route 105 as the Pearl Harbor Memorial Highway. This event was followed by a ceremony which included a history of the flag, an explanation of the flag folding ceremony, music and a dinner prepared for Veterans and their families.

The Green Mountain Chapter met on Sunday August 23, President Silas Jewett presiding. The next meeting of the Chapter will be held on October 4 at the Lincoln Inn in St. Johnsbury. Starting time is 12:00 noon and nomination and election of officers will be on the agenda.

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Trolling For Submarines, December 1941

By Arthur R. Schreier
Eighth District Director

The following items represent efforts made 56 years after the event to recreate what had to be a most unusual occurrence. This was the sending out of a 26-foot motor whaleboat to tow a grappling hook through the water in the hopes of catching a submarine! As amazing as it seems today, the men in USS Henley’s whaleboat did actually hook a submarine. The several items that follow are the recollections of some of the persons involved along with the logs of USS Henley, USS Solace and the Pearl Harbor Control Post Officer. The last paragraph are the conclusions drawn after a thorough study of all available information. If anyone reading this has any additional information regarding this event it would be most welcome. Send to A. Schreier, 113 Cutler St. Watertown, CT 06795.

Jack Carson’s recollections, (boat hook on Henley’s whaleboat) verbatim from his letter of January 13, 1997:

By the way, at the reunion in Indianapolis, or Indiana, we had an old “remember when”, or was I dreaming. One was when we came back into Pearl after the attack. We had left our whale boat in the harbor while we chased the Japanese south while they were northwest. We were coming into a buoy and we got a sound contact. They brought the whale boat alongside, put a signalman, an officer and me as a boat hook. We also were given a grappling hook. The sound gear sent us out and we dragged the hook and all of a sudden we were going backwards. We had hooked something. We attached a buoy to the line, it was towed under the Hospital Ship. It later came out and was attacked by a P.T. Boat and presumed sunk. I have never read anything on this or am I still dreaming. Bill Posey says he was the coxswain and I think Roy Anglen was the signalman on the boat. The ship would signal to the boat which way to go and we finally got a hold of it with the hook. I wish you would check into this if you remember any of this. If not you might know how to find out.

Bill Posey’s recollections, (Coxswain on Henley’s whaleboat,) verbatim from his letter of February 25, 1997:

I can’t tell you anything about the whale boat incident except that I was coxswain and Jack Carson was bow hook. We had a signalman, an Ensign and an engineer. Jack and I have talked about this several times and we can’t either one remember who the other ones were. It was a hastily got together crew. We did catch the sub with the grappling hook. I do not remember how long we were out. Soon after we made contact with the sub the signalman got a message from the ship that another whale boat was coming to relieve us and for us to return immediately, that we were going out to sea. They arrived a few minutes later. I gave the rope to the other boat. We returned to the Henley and as the boat was hoisted aboard we headed out to sea so we have no idea what happened after that.

Frank Stebbin’s recollections, (from the bridge of Solace):

I remember seeing the boat going backwards as I was on the bridge at the time. I think it was a life jacket that was attached to the line that was attached to the grappling hook. I think it was in the forenoon. Depth charges were dropped

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close to the Solace. I remember the event lasted about two hours.

Tom Nerkowski’s recollections, (from the main deck of Solace):

I remember the crew being told to man the rail. We were told to be quiet and look for air bubbles or any other signs of a sub.

The log sheets on the USS Henley and USS Solace were reviewed and substantiate this information.

From the Pearl Harbor Control Post Officers Log (All items in this first group occurred on 12-13-41):

09:18: Submarine suspected to be in Pearl Harbor.
09:40: From ComDesBatFor, requests all boating in Pearl Harbor be stopped.
09:41: Signal tower—0600—No contact—searching vicinity, awaiting instructions.
10:34: From ComDesBatFor: stop boating in harbor not being complied with. Stop boating immediately.
10:39: From ComDesBatFor to Cincpac: Water too shallow for effective echo ranging. Listening useless if sub is now lying on bottom waiting for activities to subside. Complete sweep and sounding by small boats suggested.
10:49: From Commander Offshore Patrol to Channel Control Station: Action addressees 131941 SOUTHARD only sonic equipped ship offshore patrol available. Will report ComDesDiv7, (note: this was R.H. Smith on Div. 7 flagship, Henley.) Henley was sonic equipped.
11:32: From PatWing 2 to A.S.P.: They are going to have planes patrolling Pearl Harbor loaded with depth charges. If charges are dropped planes are not to be fired on.
12:10: From USS Plunger to Harbor Patrol (sent on to PatWing 2): Submarine boat has made contact with submarine between buoys 12 and 14.
12:22: From Plunger (replayed to PatWing 2) Small boat has made contact with submarine 200 yards astern of Solace.
13:55: From ComDesBatFor to Cincpac: My 0001. It is reported that propeller noises ceased on explosion of depth charge. Small boats dragging area near buoy 8.

(All items in this second group occurred on 12-14-41).

0332: From PatWing 2: Felt an explosion. Understand that P.T. boats are dropping depth charges West of Ford Island.
0449: MTB dropped depth charges in Middle Loch.
14:19: Submarine sighted Baker 4 to be logged later.
14:20: Enemy submarine bearing 290 from berth C-3
14:34: Dispatch 2 PT boats to net immediately as required. Msg. received.
14:23: P.T. boat dropped one depth charge on North side of the Baltimore.

It would appear that this trolling episode occurred on December 13, 1941. Facts, in relation to the times recorded, seem to point to the morning of the 13th when the Post Officers log, and the Solace log, show entries indicating “enemy submarine in the harbor” at 09:18 and 09:22. At 10:34, 10:39, and 10:49 Control Post Officers log shows the Commander Destroyer Battle Force requesting that boating be stopped in the harbor and then suggesting that a sweep and soundings be made by small boats. As Henley carried the flag of Robert Hall Smith, Commander of Destroyer Division 7, which at that time was moored at buoy X-11, it is likely that Henley’s boat would take part in the task of trolling.

There appears to have been other small boats involved in similar actions, as Bill Posey’s remarks indicate that he turned over the line that had hooked the submarine to another small boat when he was recalled by Henley at about 11:40. Two items from the Post Officers log indicate that Plunger’s boat may have been the one that relieved Henley’s boat. We assume that the times are accurate but it is not unrealistic to think that in times of stress there could have been some errors in the actual recording of the happenings. Destruction of the submarine is not covered here.

Executive Board Directive

EBD 1-98

The Pearl Harbor Association, Inc. President Ben Begley received an invitation to bring his staff to the activities surrounding the commissioning of the USS Pearl Harbor (LSD 52) at San Diego, California.

President Ben Begley requested board approval to provide the standard travel, 3-day lodging and 3-day per diem for his staff.

Approved: 10
Disapproved: 5th and 6th District Directors.

RAID ON OAHU, MARCH 3, 1942

Researcher would like to hear from members at Pearl Harbor or on Oahu on the night of March 3, 1942 for written or oral interviews about memories of the second attack by Japanese flying boats on that night. A book on this attack is planned. Please contact Steve Horn, 701 Greenwood Dr., Hendersonville, NC 28791-1905 or call (704) 693-6194.

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KUHLOW, Frank (USS California) and Florence, 1741 E. 11th St., National City, CA 91950 - October 14, 1998.

60TH ANNIVERSARY
HINELINE, John L. (USS MacDonald) and N. Lucille, 51101 Hillside Dr., Oakhurst, CA 93644 - December 25, 1998.
EGERLY, Lawrence A. (USS Pennsylvania) and Betty, 640 S. State St. #6, Lamoni, IA 50140-1713 - December 24, 1998.

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LITTLE, Frank E. (USS Ogala) and Pauline "Polly" 1069 N. Russell Ave., Aurora, IL 60006 - January 29, 1999.
WHITMAN, Richard F. (USS Oklahoma) and Harriet, 1019 La Paloma Blvd., Fort Myers, FL 33903 - January 19, 1999.
HUTTON, George W., Jr. (USS Nevada) and Alice Jo, 3122 21st Pl., North Chicago, IL 60064-2812 - January 4, 1999.
SHIDT, Delbert E. (19th Trans Sq., Hickam Field) and Bernice W., 14120 Regency Lane #105, Dade City, FL 33525-4121 - December 13, 1998.

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HAESELL, Charles J. (USS Sacramento) and Virginia, 2200 SW 13th St., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312 - February 18, 1999.
ROBINSON, Richard E. "Robbi" (USS Whitney) and Norma, 949 Parkmeadow Dr. NE, Keizer, OR - February 6, 1999.
SAYDON, John Robert "Bob" (USCG Taney) and Imogene, P.O. Box 40, Norcatur, KS 67653-0040 - November 6, 1998.
BURKE, Joseph (USS Solace) and Mary, 6 Stonewell Dr., Killingworth, CT 06417 - December 6, 1998.
DICKSON, Maxwell V. (USS Dobbin) and Alvina, 70 Calistoga Ct., Danville, CA 94526 - December 18, 1998.
OLDS, Robert L. (USS Raleigh) and Dorothy C., 6333 Peppermill Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89146 - December 20, 1998.
VAN BROCKLIN, Ray (VP-22, NAS Ford Island) and Julie, P.O. Box 225, Clearlake, CA 95423-0225 - January 4, 1999.
PARENT, William V. (USS Worden) and Kay, P.O. Box 772, Key Largo, FL 33037-0772 - January 8, 1999.
STEPANEK, Genevieve B. (White Cap, U.S. Navy Hospital) and Edward, c/o FMCA P. O. Box 44209, Cincinnati, OH 45244 - July 6, 1998.
BLOOMFIELD, Donald L. (5th Bomb Gp., Hickam Field) and Audrie, 1121 Alfredo Ave., The Villages, FL 32129 - December 5, 1998.
HARR, Paul T. (USS Nevada) and Kathy, P.O. Box 411, Three Lakes, WI 54562-0411 - December 4, 1998.
ARNOLD, Claude B. "Hap" (Sig Air Warning, Schofield Bks.) and Jean, RR 5 Box 5406, Towanda, PA 18848-8816 - December 10, 1998.

50TH ANNIVERSARY
BOWERS, Edward E. (USS Ramapo) and Doris M., 3000 Villard #132, Helena, MT 59601 - February 17, 1999.
THURSTON, Claud G. (USS Tennessee) and Maxine, 802 Cherokee St., Sikeston, MO 63801 - February 6, 1999.
WEIDEMAN, William R. (72nd Bomb Sq., Hickam Field) and
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10TH ANNIVERSARY
LUVISCH, Harold (Aircraft Signal Co., U.S. Army) and Marion, 5553 Sugar Mill Ct., Delray Beach, FL 33484 - December 30, 1998.

5TH ANNIVERSARY
MANNING, Glover (USS Rigel) and Jane, 5961 N. Falls Circle #103, Lauderdale, FL 33319 - December 19, 1998.

Washington Donald K. Ross Chapter

By Perry B. Bartram
Secretary/Treasurer

Arthur Rolfe, Leo Proteau, Hank Long, Vice President Bob Reese, Leo Pavone, Don Lovegrove, Perry Bartram, Bob Farnham, Max Abrams, Bob Bennett and standing in the rear President George Smith paraded in the Armed Forces Day Parade in Bremerton in May. We received a trophy for best Veterans organization in the parade. After the parade we met at the Bremerton Airport Restaurant for lunch and a meeting.

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Arthur J. Morsch
Candidate for National Vice President

This will be my last opportunity to contact each of you before you arrive in Las Vegas for our convention so I figured I should delve a little deeper into my background to show you why I believe I am qualified to hold the position of Vice President.

At the time of the attack in Pearl I was a second class fireman on a merchant vessel, the cruiser USS NEW ORLEANS. By the time I was transferred back to the states to put a new ship in commission, I had made first class and the ship had been in nine battles. I made chief shortly thereafter and finished the war on the aircraft carrier ANTIETAM. Upon return to the states I was assigned to the old battleship ARKANSAS and went to Bikini for the atom bomb tests.

When the tests were over I was assigned to the cruiser ATLANTA and remained aboard her until she was decommissioned in 1949. I then had my first tour of shore duty at Long Beach, CA, and while there went to Public Information School and had my rating changed to Chief Journalist. The Korean War broke out during that time and I was assigned to the Staff, Commander Carrier Division 17 as a public information officer. When that war was over I held duties as public information officer with Headquarters Support Activity, Yokosuka, Japan, and with the Staff, Eleventh Naval District in San Diego.

While in San Diego I took the tests for Super Chief and Master Chief (which were in the process of being created). I also put in my papers for retirement. One week prior to being retired I was offered the rating of Master Chief if I would reenlist for four more years. After a sleepless night I turned it down, retired and went to work for the Federal Courts.

Five years later I was transferred to Los Angeles as Chief Deputy and appointed U.S. Commissioner for the State of Nevada (title later changed to Federal Magistrate). A few years later I was transferred to Tucson, Arizona, as Chief Deputy and then to Detroit, Michigan, with the same title. Of course all of these transfers involved raises in pay and increases in grade status.

At the time of my retirement from the courts in 1979, I held a rating of GS-16 and had charge of the courts for the Eastern District of Michigan, consisting of 16 federal judges, 5 bankruptcy judges, and 3 magistrates. I was also given a letter from the courts stating that due to my grade rating and the fact that I had retired from the military, I was entitled to honors and recognition equivalent to Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy or Major General, U.S. Army or U.S. Air Force.

All of which leads me to believe that I am well qualified to hold the position of Vice President and will be able to assist our new president in keeping PHSA alive and kicking.

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Submitted by Everett H. Mayes (USS Pennsylvania)
198 Pads Rd., Wilkesboro, NC 28697
By Tom Sanford  
Chapter Secretary

On July 4th the Liberty Bell Philadelphia Chapter I was honored by the Greater Glenside, Pennsylvania Parade Committee. We were honored because of our Military service to our Country on December 7, 1941, also for our participation in the Glenside Parade for 25 consecutive years. The Chapter was made Grand Marshals and President Rowland Hoeffle was presented with a beautiful plaque. The Chapter banner was proudly carried by Philip Thorell, grandson of Henry Gregory, deceased, and David, Steven and Alison Cesari, grandchildren of Tom Sanford. After the parade a delicious barbecue was hosted by Surviving Spouse Marie Gregory, and daughter and son in law Patty and Rick Thorell.  

In the photo are Bill Snyder (USS Detroit), President Rowland Hoeffle (USS Argonne) and Tom Sanford (USS Detroit). Attending but not in photo were George Frazier (63rd Field Art., Schofield Barracks), Irvin Gerben (VP-12 NAS Kanoehe), Al Horanzy (24th Infantry Div. Schofield Bks.), Anthony Manco (53rd Coast Art., Fort Shafter), Walt Marschlowitz (USS Whitney), Jack McElroy (USS Helm), Bill Snow (USS Cummings) and Rich Wallen (USS Antarcs). On August 16 the Chapter held their annual picnic. This year the picnic was hosted by Sandy and Arthur Mattia, daughter and son in law of survivor Al Horanzy. Twelve survivors, wives and friends participated.

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USS California Survivors Place Memorial Wreath

By Jake Jaekel

As part of the celebration of the 40th anniversary of the PHSA (1958-1998) at the 37th California State Convention August 26-30 hosted by River City Chapter 6, six USS California Pearl Harbor Survivors placed a wreath in memory of those who died as a result of the attack December 7, 1941, at the foot of a permanent display of the USS California battle flag in the Hall of Valor at the State Capitol in Sacramento.

After the ceremony the six sailors with National Vice President Bob Kronberger, and National Treasurer Bill Eckel and other Pearl Harbor Survivors toured the State Capitol Grounds to view the Ships Bell located near the east steps and the PHSA Memorial granite bench in the court of honor at the California Veterans Memorial.

In the photo are (front) Cotton Streeter, Howard Johnson, (back) Howard Juhl, Joseph Mariani, Will Lynch and John French.

Sons And Daughters California Chapter 2

By Jim Barney
President

On July 13 the new Sons and Daughters Sacramento River City Chapter 2 was formed with 14 charter members thanks to California PHSA State Chairman Haile “Jake” Jackel.

Officers in the photo who were elected and sworn in by “Jake” Jackel are President Jim Barney (father was W. P. Barney, Wheeler Field), Vice President Sherry Bradley (father was Sam Smith, Wheeler Field), Secretary/Treasurer Kristine Jackel (father is Haile Jackel, Navy Yard), Trustee Carol Murphy (father is Warren Dean, Administration NAS Ford Island), Trustee Sam Clower Jr. (father is Sam Clower Sr., 19th Infantry Reg., Schofield Bks.), Trustee Charles Ide (father was Charles E. Ide, (USS Ash) and Trustee Sandee Garcia (father is Mal Garcia, USS Argonne).

To date we have had four board meetings and one general meeting and participated in three parades. We helped at the First District Convention in Sacramento in August.

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Georgia News

By J. Dixie Harris
State Chairman

On May 24, a memorial service was held at the Pearl Harbor Survivors Monument in the National Cemetery in Marietta, Georgia. Bricks with the name and duty station of the known Georgia KIA'S on December 7, 1941, and the Survivors who have died in Georgia since records have been kept, were installed in the apron of the monument. Bricks with name and duty station of deceased Survivors will be laid each Memorial Day with appropriate ceremony.

A wreath was laid by Henry Hedden, President of Chapter One and Charles Abrams, President of Chapter Four. A U.S. Army bugler sounded taps. We had good coverage from television and newspaper.

On June 15, during an impressive ceremony, Interstate I-85 was designated "Pearl Harbor Memorial Highway" from the Alabama - Georgia state line to the Coweta County line in Georgia. This was made possible through the efforts of Durward Swanson, Georgia State Secretary-Treasurer. Durward solicited the aid of Representatives Brown, Epps and Smith, who got the bill passed through the House and Senate. Our sincere appreciation goes to them.

There was good attendance by Georgia Survivors, Alabama Survivors, American Legion, V.F.W. and local and state dignitaries. Also our Sixth District Director Fred Couture was present for the ceremonies.

The Jr. ROTC unit from Valley, Alabama presented the colors and then formed an arch of swords for the Survivors to pass under. Taps was sounded by a member of the La Grange V.F.W.

Shown in the photo are Durward Swanson and President of Chapter 3 Fred Johnson.

Third District Convention

August 11-13 turned out to be a hot time at the Third District Convention. Chapter President Howard Fields and Chairman Lee Warren, report that even though temperatures soared to 110 degrees, the convention hosted by Utah "Dixie" Chapter 2 of St. George was a great success. Attended by over 130 members and guests, every state in the district was represented as well as their state chairmen.

The Oasis Resort & Casino, Mesquite, Nevada located just south of St. George provided lots of opportunity to try your luck and an 'ol west hayride and steak fry near the Virgin River gave everyone a chance to cool down and enjoy a desert sunset.

Thursday was a full day for everyone. Under the leadership of District Director E. Robert Ackerman the members attended their respective state meetings and concluded with the district meeting.

Secretary of Utah Dixie Chapter 2 Lawrence Smethurst was appointed Deputy District Director. Numerous other issues were discussed including changing the district convention to a bi-annual event on the odd year so as not to conflict with the National convention.

The evening banquet was a tribute to the red, white & blue.

Chapter Treasurer Phillip Keener led the Pledge of Allegiance and National Storekeeper Edmond Ed Chappell recited a poem honoring the flag. Dixie Chapter members performed a candlelight memorial service.

Keynote speaker was Captain Anne Duke, Executive Officer, U.S.A.F., Demonstration Squadron "Thunderbirds", Nellis A.F.B., Nevada.

Also speaking at the banquet were honored guests National Vice President Robert Kronberger, and Past National President Kenneth Creese.

With the National Convention coming up in December, several members seeking election to a national office also attended the convention.

Utah Dixie Chapter 2 takes this opportunity to thank all of the Third District members and their guests for making our first convention such a great success. Perhaps this will encourage other small chapters to host these events enabling us to keep our organization active and strong.
Fleet Landing
San Diego

By Ralph Lindenmeyer
California State Chairman

The old Fleet Landing in San Diego has added the statue of the late Vice Admiral Clifton A.F. Sprague and the monument of the battle of the Leyte Gulf. Also the Pearl Harbor December 7th Monument on Broadway Pier. Flanking the "Homecoming Statue" which is a duplicate of the one in Washington D.C. is Stu Hedley (USS West Virginia) and Gordon Jones (VP-14 NAS Kaneohe).

New Jersey
Chapter 3

By Al Darby
Secretary

On July 2 member George F. Mengel of Gloucester City, New Jersey passed away. Mengel was stationed on 12/7/41 at Wheeler Field Air Force Base.

Burial was at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery at Arneytown, New Jersey.

Some 22 members and ladies including Past National President Lee Goldfarb, Past 7th District Director George Danko and Past State Chairman Leo Harkins attended.

A 21 gun salute by U.S. Air Force Team was given to George F. Mengel. May he Rest in Peace.

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