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

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

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

JACK TAR HARRISON ROOM RATES:
Single $7  Double or Twins $8
$10 East rooms overlooking city
$12 West rooms overlooking pool
$10  $14 New motel wing

Clearwater is one of Florida's most
beautiful cities. Directly on the Gulf of
Mexico, Clearwater's blue-green water
and pure white sand beaches will make
our reunion site the best ever. Ten air
lines serve the Tampa International Air-
port, only 20 minutes from downtown
Clearwater. Two Railroads and two bus
lines serve Clearwater, so you have only
the best in the way of transportation.

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

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

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

ASSOCIATION HATS

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

PEOPLE HARBOR SURVIVORS SPECIAL
GUESTS AT PREMIER SHOWING OF
"IN HARM'S WAY"

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

PRAYER ADOPTED AT 1962 REUNION

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

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

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

We are sorry that our records did not
contain this prayer at the time we issued
our last Pearl Harbor-Gram.
TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
Saturday, December 4, 1965
10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Registration — Sun Lounge.
6 p.m. Hospitality Reception for Survivors and wives (cocktails). Courtesy of Suncoast Chapter, No. 1, PSHA — Roof Terrace.

Sunday, December 5, 1965
10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Registration — Sun Lounge.
1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Films of Pearl Harbor Attack. (Will be shown continuously during the afternoon.) Public invited. — Zephyr Room.
A good day to go sightseeing — to the beaches, visit Tarpon Springs and the Sponge Docks nearby; PGA Golf Course in nearby Dunedin; take a ride to DeSoto National Park via Bayway Bridges; stop at the midway Lounge anytime after 2 p.m. for a Special Treat and Program supervised by John Andrews, a member of the PSHA.

Monday, December 6, 1965
10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Registration — Sun Lounge.
8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Executive Board meeting. — Blue Room.
10 a.m. - Noon. State Chairmen meeting. — Blue Room.
1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Business meeting (Membership cards must be shown for admittance). - Ft. Harrison. Election of National officers. — East Room.
2 p.m. - 6 p.m. Films of the Pearl Harbor Attack (shown continuously) Public invited. — Zephyr Room. Sightseeing tour to World reknown Busch-Gardens in Tampa.
6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Hospitality Reception — Roof Terrace.

Tuesday, December 7, 1965
7:55 a.m. National Memorial Service, Clearwater Auditorium. This, the time of attack 24 years ago, is the highlight and prime purpose of our National Reunion. Here we honor our fallen and dedicate ourselves anew to KEEPING AMERICA ALERT. The State of Florida, the City of Clearwater, and the U.S. Air Force are all contributing to make this the most outstanding Memorial Service in our History.
9:30 a.m. Wreath laying Ceremony. Soldiers and Sailors, Monument, at the Memorial Causeway.
10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Registration — Sun Lounge.
10 a.m. - Noon. Ladies Games. Prizes by PSHA. — Zephyr Room.
11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Trip to Weeki-Wachee Springs.
8 p.m. Memorial Banquet and Installation of Officers: There will be the presentation of Distinguished guests, roll call of Units; Speech by the Commanding Officer of this years Service Host, the U. S. Air Force. Floor Show and Entertainment, followed by dancing to the music of the best Combo on the West Coast of Florida. A bar will be set up for our use and convenience. Public is invited to the Memorial Banquet. Dress—Optional.

Wednesday, December 8, 1965
Check-out — Farewell and Aloha — See you in HONOLULU in 1966.

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

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

GREATER BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER NEWS

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

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

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

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

ORGANIZATIONAL FLAGS AVAILABLE

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

PORTLAND CHAPTER SCHEDULES

DINNER MEETING

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

COLORADO CHAPTER OFFICERS

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

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

LAPEL PINS AVAILABLE

Lapel pins are now available from the national office at a cost of $5.00 each which includes federal excise tax. If you desire one of these pins please forward your check payable to the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association and the lapel pin will be mailed to you within a few days. These pins are one-half inch diameter, have the military clutch attachment, and are made of 10 K. gold.

To: Hank Shane — Pearl Harbor Survivors Assn.

6488 Central Avenue

St. Petersburg, Florida


Name ____________________________

Address __________________________

City and State __________________________

On Dec. 7, 1941 I was attached to:

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

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

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

NEW JERSEY SURVIVORS PLAN
MEET IN SEPTEMBER
The survivors in New Jersey are busy making final plans for their meeting in September. Merle Stouffer, New Jersey State Chairman, 445 Ricky Lane, Long Branch, New Jersey announced that final details of the meeting have not been completed at this time. Further details may be obtained by contacting Merle.
PLAQUE FOR THE U.S.S. ARIZONA MEMORIAL

IN MEMORY OF OUR GALLANT SHIPMATES AND BUDDIES WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR THEIR COUNTRY ON DECEMBER 7, 1941

"Rest in Peace"

PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS ASSOCIATION, INC.

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

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