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“Pearl Harbor ~ December 7, 1941 ~ Lest We Forget”

Spring Edition

MEMORIAL DAY ~ ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY 2011



SDPHS presents Memorial Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns
Picture taken prior to the National President, Lou Large, becoming ill

A fallen soldier has paid the ultimate price for our freedom, but the loved ones and family must carry on. Remember our Veterans. Remember those who gave their lives. Never forget their courage; honor; loyalty and commitment; dedication to the principals that keep our country free; their pride; their love of country, family and comrades and the memories imbedded in the minds of our Pearl Harbor Survivors and other Veterans who have fought during war. They need to have their stories told. Remember those who risk their life today to preserve our freedom, our heroes past and present. Be proud to be an American and family members of our War Heroes, love this land as they did and do. Remember we are free because of them. Never forget those who died and gave that right of freedom to us. Never forget our Veterans! **Freedom isn't Free.**



Photo taken when Carol found Lou in the Medical Center on site

National President, **Lou Large** had been given clearance to participate in the U.S. President's official laying of the Presidential Memorial Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington Cemetery and was waiting for her briefing when overcome with heat exhaustion & dehydration at 10:00 am on Memorial Day. She was extremely excited to be able to be included in this prestigious ceremony. **Carol Gladys**, National Secretary was already seated for the Memorial program that was to follow when President Obama would speak and was unaware of the situation at the VSO table with our SDPHS National President. Lou spent the next several hours being treated in the Fire Department Medical Center on site at Arlington Cemetery. She had already shown Carol where their special seating box was located and where to meet in order for them to present the SDPHS Memorial Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in case they became separated for any reason. Carol took charge when she could not locate Lou during and after the program. The temperature was 98 degrees that morning. Carol Gladys followed **PHSA National President, Bill Muelheib**, in line at **The Tomb of the Unknowns** for the presentation of the SDPHS Memorial Wreath. With medical attention given, Lou was stabilized but it took several hours. She was returned to her hotel by ambulance where she rested the remainder of the day. She was able to make the flight back home the next day and has recovered from the experience. Special acknowledgment and thank you goes to **Carol Gladys**, SDPHS National Secretary for stepping in and completing the task of representing the SDPHS and did so with honor and dignity and thank you to **Bill Muehleib** for his concern and all the members who heard of the situation and sent their best wishes to Lou for her recovery.



MEMORIAL DAY ~ PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII

In Hawaii, **Cecil Meadows** (Hawaii's State Chair) presented the SDPHS Memorial Wreath at the U.S.S. Arizona. A special thank you to **Cecil** for representing the SDPHS and participating in the Memorial Service in Hawaii on Memorial Day 2011.

NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES ~ WASHINGTON DC

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PHSA/SDPHS National Convention - Fredericksburg, Texas, December 2012
 More information in upcoming issues.

- October 20 ~ 38th Anniversary of SDPHS
- December 7 ~ 53rd Anniversary of PHSA
- December 7 ~ 70th Anniversary of the Bombing of Pearl Harbor
- Sept. 17-18 ~ The Admiral Nimitz Foundation Annual Symposium
 Strategic Surprise - **Pearl Harbor to 9/11**, Fredericksburg, TX.
 Visit www.PacificWarMuseum.org for more information.

Send us your Upcoming Event information to put on the Calendar. Send Event title, date, time, location of event and contact person's information to: sdphsnp@gmail.com. Make sure you mention that it is for the "Calendar of Events" in the *Offspring*.

IN THE MILITARY

LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE A LOVED ONE SERVING IN THE MILITARY SO WE MAY HONOR HIM OR HER IN OUR OFFSPRING.

SPEAKERS CORNER

Let us know if you have spoken to an organization or school students. Speaking about Child Survivor memories or the memories of our Pearl Harbor survivors spreads the word about the SDPHS organization. History books in schools have so very little about December 7, 1941. Tell our Pearl Harbor survivor's stories to others so they will always be remembered.

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS



Example

Our current project is to place a plaque in Washington, D.C. at the United States Navy Memorial, the site of the original Lone Sailor statue. The cost of the plaque is \$3000. Your donation may be sent to the National Treasurer. The check should be made to SDPHS, Inc. and clearly marked that it is for the Memorial Fund.

With deep appreciation to our donors

- Scott Stoupe** - Surfside Beach, SC
- Mary Hick** - Antioch, CA
- Johnny Grant** - GA State Senate 25th District

Total donated to date:

\$2,744.34

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We have established this fund to carry on what the PHSA had originally wanted to do for the younger generation to further their education. The first scholarship will be given at the 2012 Convention in Fredericksburg, TX. It will be for \$1000.00 Please send donations to the National Treasurer (address on page 2) with your check clearly marked for the **Scholarship Fund**.

Thank you to Donors:

- Laura Lynn Rosa** - Antioch, CA.
- Rehea Richardson** - Shawnee, KS

Total Donated to Date: \$ 30.00

NEW PHSA LIASON TO SDPHS

PHSA District Director, Bernard Comito has been appointed as the new PHSA liason to the SDPHS. National President, Lou Large has known Bernie for years and is happy to be working with him. We thank Bob Kerr for his years working as the past liason and wish only the best of health and life to him.

FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT



Welcome to our newest State Chair, **Janet Welch** of Connecticut. She is very anxious to get a new Chapter formed in her state and we feel very lucky to have her on board! Due to the resignation of our 7th DD, **Carmen Harding**, that position is now open. We will miss **Carmen** on the Board and thank her for her years of service. Her parents are aging (91 & 92) and she feels that her first obligation is to her family and we commend her for that, even though it is our loss. We wish her the best and good health to her parents. Contact me if you are interested in being considered for 7th District Director.

This year is the 70th anniversary of the Bombing of Pearl Harbor. The PHSA membership is dwindling as each day passes. SDPHS members - are your children members?

One day, the sons and daughters will dwindle as well, but hopefully we will have added enough of our offspring to keep things going! Right now we need to bring them in as members of the SDPHS so they can learn about the PHSA and SDPHS, Inc. - their purpose - the goals - everything that is part of their legacy. Contact National Secretary, **Carol Gladys**, for a Membership Application for your grandchildren to become members.

The SDPHS wishes to thank the new officers of the PHSA for their continued dedication that enables the PHSA to remain active. We as sons and daughters and grandchildren, nieces and nephews will remain at their disposal for any assistance we can give. We are their family and every one of them are very special to all of us! We thank them for all they have done for their country and for us!

Mahalo, *Lou Large*

FROM THE NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT



I have been appointed the Chairperson of the following committees: Scholarship, Teens at Work and Membership Recruitment & Retention. Our committees have been formed and members are all "on board".

The Scholarship Committee is developing an application and screening process by which to grant a monetary award to a "college bound" SDPHS member. We are working on the details of how one qualifies for this scholarship award, the monetary amount, a scoring system for evaluation and other details as needed. Our goal is to grant an Annual Scholarship Award. A Scholarship Fund has been set up for donations for this project. Please send your donations to the National Treasurer with the check marked Scholarship Fund. The first presentation will be held at the 2012 Convention in the amount of \$1,000.00

Teens at Work is a new program intended to attract the teenage children of our members to SDPHS. We want to locate, attract, involve and educate these young people to the "Pearl Harbor Story", ensuring our motto 'Lest We Forget'. We are fortunate to have 16 year old member **Devan Mowrey** of Ohio on our committee.

Recruitment and Retention remains our priority. In reality, the entire SDPHS are members of this committee. We are looking at creative ways to retain our current membership, attract new ones, find lost ones and re-interest those who were once active members, but chose to lapse their active membership.

While there are specific committee members for these areas, I'm open to all suggestions from our entire membership. Always feel free to contact me with your ideas and suggestions. You might not be a committee member but you may have a FANTASTIC idea that we need to know about. Don't hesitate to share. Mahalo, *Ian MacDonalá*

FROM THE NATIONAL SECRETARY



It was an honor and a privilege to represent the Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day for the Wreath Laying Ceremony. The trip to Washington D.C. for Lou and I turned out to be quite eventful, but it did begin with a very enjoyable Sunday evening spent attending the National Concert on the lawn of the Capital with the PHSA members and their families. Monday was different, which Lou has detailed in her report. Thank goodness she was able to travel home and did not end up being hospitalized.

I am happy to report that we have been receiving completed applications for membership on a steady basis and am able to wish our new members a heartfelt welcome. Nui aloha to each of you. We would hope that your spouses will also want to become involved as Associate Members. Let's make this a 'family affair'. It is our younger generation who will be there to carry on our mission "Pearl Harbor ~ December 7, 1941 ~ Lest We Forget". Mahalo, *Carol Gladys*

TREASURER'S REPORT - Linda Nemeth

BEGINNING BALANCE, 1/1/11..... \$ 9,993.56

Income

Annual Dues	\$1,305.00	
New Member Fees	210.00	
New Chapter Fees	0.00	
Small Stores	155.75	
Misc - 12/7 sales	3,180.13	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 4,850.88

Expenses

Florida Dept. of State	140.00	
CA Sec of State	0.00	
IA Sec of State	30.00	
National President	123.43	
Handbook	0.00	
National Secretary	245.70	
National Treasurer	144.11	
National Registrar	38.80	
Executive Travel	0.00	
District Directors Travel		
District 5	236.00	
Small Stores Inv. & Ex	99.12	
New Chapter Start-up	50.00	
Stamps & Postage	363.11	
Bank Fees	105.00	
Miscellaneous	50.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE		\$ 1,625.27
ENDING BALANCE, 3/31/11.....		\$ 13,219.17

MEMORIAL FUND REPORT

BEGINNING BALANCE, 1/1/11	\$ 2,524.34
<u>Income:</u> Donations	0.00
<u>less Expenses:</u>	0.00
ENDING BALANCE, 3/31/11	\$ 2,524.34
TOTAL FUNDS.....	\$ 15,743.51

OTHER INFORMATION & TID BITS.....

A Reminder...

Executive Board Directive posted in 2010 Fall issue of the Offspring:

Section III. National Dues

C. 1. Membership Fee for Minors	\$10.00
Annual Dues for Minors	\$ 5.00

(Minor Membership Fees and Dues will change Oct. 1, 2011 for membership year starting December 7, 2011.)

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Note: PHSa has a new Secretary and Treasurer.

If you are interested in receiving the Gram, contact **Lou Large** or **Carol Gladys**. You will be e-mailed the form to fill out & mail in. Cost is \$6.00 for SDPHS members, renewable yearly. Support our PHSa

ET CETERA, ET CETERA

Recommended Reading

Great WWII book about the war in the Pacific, specifically, the Philippines, is We Band of Angels which is about the Army nurses and how they coped in the jungle after the Japanese attacked the hospitals. It was given to me to read by one of those nurses...*Carmen Harding*

Great Video

NORTH PLATTE CANTEEN - Great video.
http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=07DGeLvDw8I

Facebook

SDPHS is on Facebook - check all the stories coming in from sons and daughters and grandchildren across the nation - a great way to find new members and get the stories of Pearl Harbor survivors to record for teaching the younger generation and telling the world what happened on December 7, 1941. Lots of pictures, too.

SDPHS, Inc. Cookbook

We are gathering recipes to create an SDPHS Cookbook which will be added to the Small Stores when completed.

NEEDED: Your favorite recipe with complete "How to" instructions. List your full name, Chapter, your Pearl Harbor survivor and their Duty Station on December 7, 1941. You may also include a short paragraph of your PH survivor's memories of that day and his/her picture.

These will make wonderful gifts and will be in honor of those who survived or perished during the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Deadline for info is September 1, 2011. This will be a "keeper" in every household and can be used as a fund raiser for local chapters. Mail or e-mail: **Carol Gladys**, National Secretary (Contact info listed on page 2). We are very excited about this project.

Astronaut and Pearl Harbor Survivor meet!

At the conclusion of the National Memorial Day Parade, guess who we ran into... Yup! Buzz Aldrin, who chatted with survivor Bob Van Druff, **Bob Wagner**, and Lyndsey Van Druff. Lyndsey even got him to "Yell at the Moon" with her. Google "buzz aldrin yells at the moon" and you will see what I mean!



SDPHS MEMBERSHIP REPORT - As of June 23, 2011 - Prepared by Carol Gladys

Lineal Members: 3,976 Associate Members: 133 Minors: 19 Honorary: 3 Total Membership: 4,131

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Louis Harold Aten, Jr. Wichita Falls, TX
 Patricia Aten Coffman Fort Worth, TX
 Mary Anne Zvokel Northport, NY
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 Fredena L. Pion Colfax, IA
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 Janice Strutesman-Bowers Fort Dodge, IA
 Bruce McCandless II Conifer, CO
 Gail Diane Sunray Bradenton, FL
 Rhonda Marie Walker Thorn Volcano, CA

WELCOME NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS!

Deborah L. Karas Santa Clara, CA
 Joan B. Harshberger Woodland, WA

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Our apologies for the omission last issue of our New York State Chair. Following is her contact info:
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We are happy to announce a new State Chair and look forward to working with her:
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If you did not see a State Chair listed in your last Offspring issue and are interested in helping in your state to organize a Chapter or interested in the State Chair position, contact the National President, Lou Large.

Support your Offspring with an AD

In order to offset the cost of printing the Offspring, the SDPHS will be selling "IN MEMORY OF" and "IN SUPPORT OF" ads rather than increasing our dues. Send ad info and check to the National Treasurer, **Linda Nemeth**. The check should be clearly marked - Offspring Ad.

The ad will consist of no more than 4 lines.

1 issue - \$ 8.00
 4 issues - \$25.00

"In Memory of" Ads should have the survivor's name and station on December 7, 1941 and name(s) and relationship to survivor of the person placing the ad.

"In Support of" Ads should have SDPHS Supporter and your name (and title if you are an officer), your Chapter, City & State.

The Offspring is our largest expense to budget. Our only income is through the dues or donations for operating expenses. This will ensure we are able to continue publishing it in the manner expected without increasing our dues at this time, which is where the expense of the Offspring is covered. Prices are increasing all over our nation. We do not want to increase anything but offer a variety of ways to offset these increases. We hope you will support the SDPHS in this manner. We pay much less for dues than most organizations - let's keep it that way as long as possible.

NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY CONCERT AND PARADE

IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

By Mike Davis, Maryland State Chair



While the Maryland Chapters of both the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association and the Sons & Daughters have been actively involved in Memorial Day programs in the Washington, DC area for many years, this year was special. On Sunday evening, May 29th, six PHSA members from Virginia and Maryland and their families were honored as special guests at the National Memorial Day Concert that was broadcast live from the west lawn of the U.S. Capitol and carried on PBS stations all over the country. The program was co-hosted by actors Gary Sinise and Joe Mantegna, and featured performers B.B. King, Kris Allen, Yolanda Adams, and Hayley Westenra, to name but a few. There were several moving tributes to the unique challenges and sacrifices faced by members of our military and their loved ones over the years - from WWII to Afghanistan. In honor of the approaching 70th anniversary of the attack, the National Symphony Orchestra played music from the 2001 film, "Pearl Harbor," while archival footage of the attack was shown on the three giant screens surrounding the stage. To say the least, our six special guests received a loud, enthusiastic ovation when they were recognized in the audience.

For most people in their late 80's and early 90's, this late evening concert would have been more than enough excitement for one weekend, but not for these folks and therefore - not for us either. While the Virginia PHSA members were involved with their own Memorial Day ceremonies in their state, it has become something of an annual tradition for our Maryland contingent to participate in the National Memorial Day Parade in downtown DC. In the past, we've created our own "mini-floats" by decorating large utility carts and/or used our own convertibles, but this year, the Survivors were invited to ride on a full-size professionally decorated float. With all of that extra space, we were hoping to muster as many as 7 or 8 PHSA members and their spouses if possible. Unfortunately, our numbers declined to just 3 by the day of the parade: my father, Clarence Davis (U.S.S. Medusa, AR 1), and our 7th District Director Carmen Harding's parents, Helen and Robert Van Druff (U.S.S. Aylwin, DD 355). Nonetheless, despite a heat index well over 100 degrees that made walking on asphalt and even riding on a float pretty uncomfortable, it was clearly time well spent. We projected our twin messages about the importance of remembering Pearl Harbor on a national stage before several thousand people.... not bad for a hot afternoon's work, I'd say.

Note: SDPHS who attended the concert as family members were Mike and Kathy Davis and Carmen Harding. National President, Lou Large and National Secretary Carol Gladys were also in attendance.



Pearl Harbor Survivors gather at the hotel prior to the Memorial Day Concert in D.C.

Left to right: Robert Van Druff, Treasurer, MD Chapter 1, Clarence Davis, Maryland State Chair, Bill Muelheib, National President. Seated is Bill Temple.

On the float: Clarence Davis, Helen and Bob Van Druff

Carrying the banner: Luke French, Lyndsey VanDruff, Bob Wagner and Kathy Davis



Carrying the flags: Mike Davis & Larry Van Druff



STATE/CHAPTER REPORTS

OHIO

Buckeye Chapter #1 - Carol Parker Park, President

We held a meeting on June 12th with local PHSA Chapter 2 members at the Rose Villa Restaurant. We discussed the upcoming annual picnic at the Walker Pavilion in Portage Lakes July 3. We will supply hamburgers & hot dogs and the members will bring covered dishes. Members bring gifts for a gift exchange. There will also be a 50/50. It is always a great day for friends to get together.

Lake Erie Chapter #2 - Carol Gladys, President

Lake Erie Chapter 2 is proud to have their teen member, **Devan Mowrey** appointed as a member of the SDPHS National Teens At Work committee. **Devan** met National Officers and e-Board members during their Spring e-board meeting held in Milan, Ohio. He has actively helped in chapter activities selling raffle tickets and visiting the Ohio Veterans Home.



Don Pavlik at WWII Memorial in Washington, DC placing flowers & poem, in memory of his dad.

Memorial Day weekend was a busy one for Chapter Members. Although Chapter President, **Carol Gladys**, was in Washington D.C. performing her duties as National Secretary, members **Mary McPherson, Trish Rowland, Fred Reimer, and Anne Shambaugh** were busy Saturday selling items at the Norwalk Great American Treasure Hunt. Then, Memorial Day found the four together with **Bridget and Rhianon Mowrey** marching in the parade in Milan. In Washington also, for the holiday weekend was chapter member **Don Pavlik** and his family. They were able to join **Carol** at the amphitheater at Arlington National Cemetery for the Memorial service. The chapter is now busy making plans to host the Ohio State Convention to be held in October.



Devan Mowrey

ARIZONA - **Bill Williamson, State Chair**

Recently the PHSA and SDPHS met and discussed the yearly PHSA/SDPHS picnic to be held on July 6th. My wife **Dot Williamson**, and I normally have a Hootenanny on July 4th for our musician friends. We proposed joining the two events and having the PHSA and SDPHS members come to our Hootenanny on July 4th. The consensus of those present was to combine the two events. The Hootenanny normally starts at 5:00 or 5:30 (after the sun has a long shadow on our driveway) and is a potluck event. Last year we had about 30 people so with the PHSA and SDPHS, we anticipate 50+, which we can handle as an outdoor event. The food is set up in the garage and musicians play as they would in a jam session without amplifiers so we don't override the guests who like to carry on a conversation. It should be a lot of fun for all.

ILLINOIS - **Eric Miller, SDPHS Member**

We are very active with the Illinois Chapter 1 PHSA. We attended meetings with our dad and continued to stay involved after he passed. I am the secretary and **Bob Miller**, my brother, is treasurer. We have tried to start an SDPHS Chapter but it is tough. We are doing everything that a chapter would do, just not officially. If anyone is interested in belonging to an SDPHS Chapter, please contact our 5th District Director, **Kyle Wehr** at (317) 935-7824, e-mail: sdphs5dist@yahoo.com or our State Chair, **Lynn Shindel** (309)378-4490, e-mail: lcshind48@verizon.net

My creative side has allowed me to put together a collection of graphics and models. Some of which were displayed at the Chicago ceremony and at every PHSA lunch. As you can tell we are very passionate about this special group of veterans. In July we are going to Dayton, Ohio to meet the TORA TORA TORA group at the Dayton Air show.

They do a Pearl Harbor re-enactment with Japanese planes and are committed to Remembering Pearl Harbor. I shared our story with them and they invited us to meet them. I will be doing a photo shoot and hopefully a nice story. I have also posted on UTube some videos of us with the Pearl Harbor survivors.



STATE/CHAPTER REPORTS

CALIFORNIA STATE PHSA/SDPHS CONVENTION - Donna Madeira

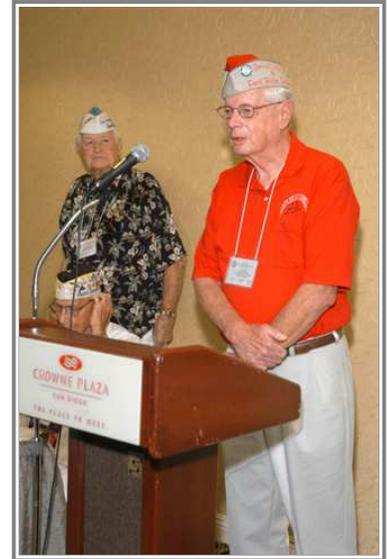


State Chair **Kathleen Farley** holding PHSA seal that her chapter had made for the new Survivors since PHSA no longer has a ships store.

Photos from the PHSA/SDPHS California State Convention by Lou Madeira



Back row: **Joedy Adams, Wayne Pacheco, Kathleen Farley, Lee Sandefer, Jackie Wages, Mike Karas**
Front row: **Mary Hicks, Donna Madeira, Myrna Allen, Debby Karas, Dr. Lynda Honour, Bonnie Church**



PHSA State Chair **Hank Reynolds** with **Lee Sandefer**, former SDPHS National President and National Treasurer. Lee headed the committee for the state convention

CALIFORNIA **Kathleen Farley, State Chair**

Sons and Daughters from California Ch. 5 Walnut Creek, came out in full force this Memorial Day. What started out as a humble request from a World War II veteran at an Antioch City Council meeting has grown into an annual event attracting hundreds of residents, veterans and active servicemen and servicewomen. More than 600 locals, including 111 motorcycle riders were present for the Memorial Day Thunder Ceremony and Tribute held at Oak View Memorial Park. Organizers lined up several noteworthy speakers for the 12th annual event, including Pearl Harbor survivor, Chuck Kohler (Ford Island), who gave an emotionally moving speech, urging those in the crowd to never forget the lives and memories of those who perished on Dec. 7, 1941 and in all other battles. When our Pearl Harbor Survivor Chuck Kohler spoke, you could hear a pin drop. "Someone, somewhere, sometime has paid very, very dearly for those freedoms and those liberties that we take for granted," Kohler said. "I'm proud to stand before you today as a living representative of 2,405 individuals who, because of that event, have not been able to stand or to speak for themselves." When Survivor Kohler completed his speech, not a dry eye was to be had in the audience.



John Antczak, (honorary member PHSA Ch. 13), **Eileen Farley** (Ch. 5), **Debbie Relei** (Ch. 5 & daughter of PHS Chuck & Judy Kohler), **Chuck Kohler** (PHSA CA Ch. 13) **Judy Kohler** (Chuck's wife), **Kathleen Farley** (Ch. 5), **Steve Barton** (Honorary Member PHS Ch. 13), **Mary Hicks** (Ch. 5) and **Sandy Kerr** (Child Survivor, Ch. 5)

WASHINGTON - **Pat Smith, 2nd District Director**

Perspective member, Marc Lacy wants to get a chapter started in Vancouver. They have a very active PHSA chapter there. It is one that I visited a couple of years ago. The area would consist of the towns of North Bonneville, Camas, Washougal, Battle Ground, LaCenter, Ridgefield, Kalama, Longview, Kelso, Woodland, Cathlamet, and Vancouver. Rural areas are the counties of Wakiakum, Cowlitz, Clark, and Skamania. All towns and counties are in Washington, along the Columbia River. Please contact me or the State Chair, **Rosemary Foster** (fosterrd@hotmail.com or phone: 253-651-5673) if you live in the area mentioned and are interested in having a chapter to attend. My contact info is listed under the District Directors info in this issue. They have several sons and daughters filling out applications for membership but need additional members in order to organize a chapter.

STATE/CHAPTER REPORTS

GEORGIA - *Al Pomeroy, State Chair*

Georgia's annual PHSA State Memorial Day Service is sponsored by the Georgia PHSA. The Georgia Sons and Daughters assisted with the activities. PHSA State Chair Dixie Harris called the service to order and got everything started with a few opening remarks. On behalf of the United States Department of Veteran Affairs, Marge Helgerson who serves as Director, Georgia National Cemetery welcomed everyone. The Colors were formally presented by the Dobbins Air Reserve Base Honor Guard and our National Anthem was sung by M.L (Del) Delamont. Members from Sons of the American Revolution posted the colors. PHSA 2nd District Director and Atlanta Chapter President, Bob Kerr, started the customary introduction of Pearl Harbor Survivors. Our keynote speaker was the Honorable Joe Wilkinson, Georgia State Representative. The service concluded with an inspiring three part echo Taps performed by Bugles Across America. Several great pictures with all the survivors, their descendants, and those attending were then taken. There's just not enough room here to tell everything that happened or to thank all those that made this event possible. However, you can get all the details via our website at: http://home.comcast.net/~ga_sdphs/site/?/home/



In the fall of 2010, Atlanta Chapter PHSA President, Bob Kerr, and GA State PHSA Chair, Dixie Harris, asked for help in getting the GA State PHSA monument restored in time for the 69th anniversary Memorial Day Service. The Harry Robert Kerr chapter of SDPHS volunteered to coordinate the activity. This was a true learning experience for everyone. The paint was chipped and missing in find paint that adheres match the monument



several places and the vases were badly cracked. Unfortunately, you can't well to granite in the local hardware store. And finding two granite vases that wasn't as easy as it may sound. During our April 30th meeting, Bob Kerr asked if there had been any progress on getting the GA State PHSA monument restored. One of the guests at our SDPHS Chapter meeting, Robert Bentley, said he worked in a related industry and would be happy to help. He also wanted to know how to join SDPHS! Robert and our chapter secretary **Sandra Mosley** quickly made plans to visit the monument the next weekend. This is less than three weeks before our Memorial Day service. Thanks to the efforts of Sandra and Robert, I can proudly say that restoration of the monument



has been completed. I wish you could have seen all the smiles. You can see several more restoration pictures at our website.

COLORADO - *Diana Maglischo, State Chair*

SDPHS Mile High, Chapter 1 had a special guest at our March meeting. SDPHS **Patricia Marnette** invited her friend, Carter Kovarik, a 4th grader at Cherry Creek Grade School in Denver. Carter had contacted Patricia and told her he was working on a school project on Pearl Harbor. He came with his father to our meeting, took pictures and interviewed several of our Pearl Harbor Survivors. He enjoyed talking with our Survivors and learning about their time at Pearl Harbor. He also was looking for a Navy uniform to take to school and I was able to furnish him with my father's Dress Blue Wool uniform. We are happy to report that Carter received an "A" on his presentation.



Carter Kovarik and Survivor, Jim Doyle



BACK ROW: *Joe Petrosky, Al Smith, Roger Young, Craig Frause, Patricia Marnette, Bob Robinson*
 FRONT ROW: *Jodi Young, Lola Pfanenstiel, Diana Maglischo, Sheelagh Dytri*

At our April meeting, SDPHS members made 52 Easter Tray Favors for the VA Nursing Home in Denver. **Patricia Marnette, Bob Robinson** and **Diana Maglischo** delivered the favors and had the chance to visit with some of our military men and women who are hospitalized there. We have taken on a new project this year and will make it our annual project. We placed American Flags at Fort Logan National Cemetery on May 29th in remembrance of Memorial Day. Our chapter lost five of our most active Survivors this past year, but we continue to carry on in their memory and support our Survivors that remain with us. December 7, 1941 ~ Lest We Forget.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY goes out to National Trustee, **Rayma Daves** for the death of her father, Ray Daves. You may remember the article last issue about the Air Traffic Control Tower at Spokane International Airport being named after him "by an act of Congress. The book, "Radioman", was also written about him. Our heartfelt condolences are sent to her.

FROM YOUR OFFSPRING EDITOR
 Deadline for the next Issue is July 30th. **NO LATER.** Please send unedited photos (jpg's or tif's) separate from your text.

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

SDPHS HISTORY PROJECT
 Past Offspring, Records, etc. (National, District, State or Chapters, copies of reports, etc.) and early history of SDPHS data send to National Historian: **Marjorie C. Edwards**, 28 Taylor Lane, Winterville, GA 30683

DUES National Treasurer, **Linda Nemeth** is still accepting dues for the 2011 year. Send them in so you continue to receive the *Offspring*. Don't miss out on the exciting news in the next issue! (219)865-2072 or email:sdphs.treas@gmail.com

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

STOREKEEPER - IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION!
Jack Saxton, our Storekeeper has announced that due to the rising cost of postage over the last few years, we are forced to increase the postage we charge for sending items from the Small Stores. We have lost money the last few years and even though we are non profit, we cannot operate at a loss in this area. The increase will take affect immediately with the mailing of this newsletter.

The increases are shown under POSTAGE RATES listed on the Small Stores Items List above the order form. We need our members to continue to buy from the small stores - it is a great way to advertise the SDPHS. We try to keep the cost as low as possible with most costing what it costs us to purchase the items. Our National President and National Secretary have experienced the postage increase in their mailings as well, and are in agreement with this increase so that Small Stores is not operating in the red. In the past, our loss has been absorbed by the General Fund but we cannot continue to do that with the cost of postage just recently being increased.

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR PAT SMITH 2nd District Director
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War Cake Good in Tough Times

Our country is experiencing high cost of gasoline and groceries across the nation. This isn't the first time Americans have had to tighten their belts and cut back on their expenses. During WWII war years when many food ingredients were not available, women made a cake that was called the "War Cake". It was very good. Ingredients that we take for granted, like butter, milk and eggs were expensive and scarce. Not to be deterred in cake making, the women of the era came up with a way to make a really good cake without those ingredients. This cake has no butter, milk or eggs and is a very dark, heavy cake with a rich flavor.

It is also said that this cake actually originated during WWI, when the Government asked the public not to use certain ingredients in order to save food for the soldiers overseas. In researching, we found out that the "War Cake" of WWII actually originated from the "Depression Cake" of WWI. They are both similar in that they do not use milk, eggs or butter, but they might have used lard, chicken fat or bacon grease as the shortening ingredient, which could be the difference between the two recipes. Try it out and taste the cake that our parents and grandparents had when times were tough in our country. It is also a way to cut back on cost at the grocery store today & still enjoy some great cake! Teach the younger generation how they, too, can do with less as our ancestors did and still enjoy the sweetness of life.

Using a medium to large size sauce pan, mix together:
2 Cups Brown Sugar - 2 Cups Hot Water - 2 Teaspoons of shortening

Add: 1/2 to 3/4 cups of raisins and 1 Teaspoon each of Salt, Cinnamon and Cloves.

Boil this mixture for 5 minutes after it begins to bubble. Then cool. When the mixture is cold (it must be cold)
add: 3 cups of Flour. Then add 1 teaspoon baking soda that has been dissolved in a couple teaspoons of hot water.

Mix well and pour into a greased cake pan. Bake for about 1 hour at 350 - 375 degrees.



I made this for my dad while he was still alive - he said it brought back memories of his mom making this cake & he really enjoyed it. Just to top it off, I added a dollop of cool whip on top of each piece of cake when it was cut and served.

Submitted by Lou Large