MEMORIAL DAY 2012 ~ ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

Presenting the SDPHSWreath

Presiding the wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns along with military escort, was SDPHS Virginia State Chair, Ellen Callahan Nau. The presentation followed a beautiful and somber program at the Amphitheater at Arlington National Cemetery with opening remarks by General Martin E. Dempsey, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, remarks by Leon Panetta, Secretary of Defense. The keynote speaker was President Barack Obama. Musical selections by the U.S. Army Band.

NEW CHAPTER FORMED IN IOWA

It was an honor and privilege for SDPHS National Secretary, Carol Gladys, to present Iowa State Chapter 1 their Charter on 6/9/12. It was a most beautiful and sunny day in Des Moines with 25 members and guests in attendance. Linda Quigley, Iowa State Chair, met Carol at the airport and the two went straight to the AmVet Post 1, where Linda’s mother, Doris Clark, was busy folding programs and members of the AmVets were preparing for the meeting. Linda deserves a lot of credit for the formation of the Iowa Chapter and the great turnout at the meeting. She is a relatively new member of SDPHS and has become very active. During the meeting, chapter officers were given the Oath of Office, and their charter was presented to newly elected President, Linda Quigley. A letter of congratulations from SDPHS National President, Lou Large, was read by the National Secretary. There were two Pearl Harbor Survivors present, Leland Lester, USS Pennsylvania and Clarence Pfundheller, USS Maryland. Both spoke prior to the beginning of the business meeting. After adjournment there was a delicious meal prepared and served by the members of the AmVets.

Before returning the National Secretary to the airport, they took a short ride to see the Iowa State Capital building and the WWII Memorial directly across the street. The members are very proud of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Memorial which lists the names of all service personnel from Iowa present on the Day of Infamy.

Iowa is already making plans for a float at the State Fair and have also discussed participation in a local December 7th Memorial Service. They are wished the best in their endeavors in preserving the memory of the attack on Pearl Harbor.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 14-15 6th District Convention, Savannah, GA hosted by Florida First Coast Ch. 2 with Florida & Georgia State meetings included. Contact Deidre Kelley at sdphsdist@yahoo.com or call (904) 225-0013. Deadline 8/30/2012.

December 4-7, 2012 1st National Convention hosted entirely by the SDPHS and honoring the Pearl Harbor Survivors. San Diego, California - Crowne Plaza Hotel

SPEAKERS CORNER

Let us know if you have spoken to an organization or school students. School History books have so little about December 7, 1941. Tell our Pearl Harbor survivor’s stories to others so they will always be remembered.

IN THE MILITARY

SGT Nathen Brett, son of Bob and Robin Myers (KY Thoroughbreds Chapter 1) is serving in Afghanistan. He can be reached at: SGT Nathen Brett, 381-387 MP Co, Task Force Peacekeeper, Bagram Air Field, APO 09354. Cards are always appreciated by our service men and women.

CONVENTION FUND DONATIONS

We had thought that we would have another 2 years before hosting a National Convention. But since the PHS disbanded last December, the SDPHS Board of Directors voted that it was important to continue and we will do just that! Since the expense is going to be sooner than planned, we need your help to defray the cost. Please donate to this fund.

MAHALO to those who donated to the Convention fund this quarter:
  Judy McAlhaney ~ Donald Pavlic

SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATIONS

MAHALO to those who donated to the Scholarship fund this quarter:
  Donald Pavlic ~ Brenda Wood ~ Eileen Farley

May 6th was the deadline to have sent in applications for this year. The applications are now with our Selection Committee for review. The winner of our first $1,000.00 Scholarship will be announced in our next issue of the Offspring. We are still asking for your donations toward this fund which will be on-going. Send donations to Kyle Wehr, Assistant National Treasurer (address on page 2).

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

Although we have reached our goal for a plaque at the US Navy Memorial in Washington, D.C., we will continue to take donations for another memorial in the future. We are checking into the “what and where” as well as expense for another Memorial to honor our PH Military of December 7, 1941.

MAHALO to our new contributor to the Memorial Fund
  Mary Lynn Reid

CHILDREN OF PEARL PROJECT

A DOCUMENTARY IS IN THE MAKING... about the Children Of Pearl. It is all about the kids who survived the bombing and how it has affected their lives. Glenn Burris and his partner Jerry Sisser are working on this project and trying to raise funds through Kickstarter, the world’s largest funding platform for creative projects and provides an avenue for regular citizens to support the Children of Pearl project. Their goal is to raise $69,000... so please spread the word! Learn more about this project and view some of the child survivor’s interviews at: http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/childrenofpearl/children-of-pearl or visit them on Facebook or YouTube. You can also visit childrenofpearl.com SPREAD THE WORD!

(If the goal is not met, the pledged money is returned to the donor.)
FROM THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT . . . . Lou Large

I hope everyone was able to get out on Memorial Day to Honor Our Fallen! It was extremely hot again here in Ohio, as well as in Washington, D.C. Since the heat and I do not get along, our Virginia State Chair, Ellen Callahan Nau, kindly accepted the job of presenting our SDPHS Memorial Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns at Arlington National Cemetery. Thanks again Ellen for a great job.

I have recently appointed Kyle Wehr as SDPHS National Assistant Treasurer (contact info. listed on page 2) to help our National Treasurer, Linda Nemeth who is now working 50-60 hrs. a week at her regular job. This appointment will be of value for knowledge and training should Kyle be elected in December or remains as the Assistant. I am finding that having assistants to the main offices are quite valuable in this day and age. So many things effect us at home which can hinder what we have volunteered to do with good intentions. So, if anyone is interested in an assistant's position for Treasurer or Secretary and would like to be considered, let me know. This is an election year so if you are interested in running for a National Office, notify Carol Gladys & me with a picture and short resume. I will put in the Offspring.

We are busy working on the 2012 Convention and want to make this first one (hosted entirely by us) exciting and memorable! Send your registration as soon as possible, it will definitely be worth attending!... And encourage your PH survivors to attend as well. Make copies of the registration & give it to them. It is because of them that we continue in their footsteps with this convention. If you have attended (or have never attended) a convention before, this one is very important. We must do everything in our power to show the survivors that we are strong and will carry on for them. The values for which they stood, that they lived and died for, are instilled in us. Honoring them at our convention is an important part of what we must do to keep their memory alive. Don't forget to send me an 8x10 picture of your survivor from his/her service days, and a current wallet sized one as well. These will be displayed at the convention around the main room and at the banquet. They will be kept for posterity by the SDPHS. Their stories should be included. When the last one is gone, we have nothing but our memories of what they told us. With these pictures and their stories, we will have documentation that can be very valuable in teaching others what happened that terrible day - December 7, 1941. I have only received a few so far. Please do this in honor of them to which we owe so much!

I hope to meet many of our members and their guests at convention! We hope to have many great surprises for you to remember and enjoy.

Mahalo, Louella Large

FROM THE NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT . . . . Ian MacDonald

Aloha Everyone,

Teens At Work was established last year to involve, educate and promote SDPHS (The Pearl Harbor Story) through our teenage membership. The committee suggests the following items for Board approval and implementation at the local level through District Directors’s, State Chairs and Local Chapters. A number of Chapters actively involve their teens in SDPHS events. Many do not.

What follows is a list of suggestions for the Teens At Work Program for distribution as a resource to involve the teenagers in your area in SDPHS. It will be up to the local chapters to decide what works best for their individual membership needs. I thank my committee for their hard work this year in making this program a reality.

1. Establish a National Master Roster of all active teens (and potential members) with contact information. This should be compiled by District Director’s, State Chairs & Local Chapters, and shared at the National level.
2. Each Offspring should contain a TEEN CORNER for articles/pictures specifically designated to highlight teen activity. It will be the responsibility of the local chapter to get this information to the Offspring Editor.
3. Encourage teens to use Pearl Harbor in a class, assembly or civics project.
4. Chapters should: (a) actively involve teens in local SDPHS activities, parades, chapter meetings, memorial services, Dec. 7th ceremonies, etc.; (b) make contact with their local teens on a regular basis throughout the year; (c) inform teens about the availability of our Scholarship; (d) insure media coverage of any teen activity and share with National; (e) offer TEEN t-shirts, caps, etc. in our Small Stores.

These are reasonable suggestions which any chapter can incorporate. The real motivation will initially come from the SDPHS member to encourage their teen to join, and subsequently from the chapter through involvement. The roster, website and Offspring will be the tools for communication.

Finally, I have enjoyed my term as VP, however, I will not seek any National Office at the 2012 Convention. I feel that my decision should be made public, so that those interested in running for office can plan accordingly, and not make any assumptions about my future endeavors.

Mahalo,

Ian MacDonald
Our membership is continuing to grow and I continue to receive requests for applications. On my trip to Iowa to present the charter, I carried 15 membership applications with me and still needed several more, wow! I also was given a completed one which has been sent on to our registrar, Joedy Adams. It is refreshing that we are receiving this much interest in the middle of the year. Registrations for our National Convention have begun arriving from our members. Since many of the Pearl Harbor Survivors do not receive the Offspring I do hope you will pass the word about the Convention to those in your area and give them a copy of the information and registration form.

**SDPHS MEMBERSHIP REPORT ~ As of March 31, 2012**

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**
Margie Lantz Vancouver, WA
Jane A. Mervine-Knisely Asheville, NC
Penny Lou Ross Vancouver, WA
Vickey L. Cornelison-Grant Charleston, SC
Steve D. Killeen San Jose, CA
Tweed H. Centers Carlsbad, CA
Eloise B. Myers Norfolk, VA
Cynthia K. Frederick Defiore Prescott, AZ

**WELCOME NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBERS!**
Joyce Kennard Port Orange, FL
Guritno Roestjadi Sequim, WA

**WELCOME PH SURVIVOR ASSOC. MEMBERS!**
James M. Lewis Pavo, GA

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**SDPHS FINANCIAL REPORT - 1/1/12 - 3/31/12 ~ Linda Nemeth, National Treasurer**

**BEGINNING BALANCE, 1/1/12..............................$11,08.21**

**Income**
- Annual Dues $3,605.00
- New Member Fees 415.00
- New Chapter Fees 25.00
- Small Stores 402.55
- Offspring Ads 141.00
- Miscellaneous 0.00

**TOTAL INCOME** $ 4,588.55

**Expenses**
- Florida Dept. of State 0
- CA Secretary of State 0
- Indiana Sec of State 0
- E-Board meetings 0
- National President 0
- National Secretary 178.19
- National Treasurer 259.95
- National Registrar 0
- Executive Travel
  - National President 0
  - National VP 0
  - National Secretary 0
- District Directors Travel 0
- Memorial Wreaths 0
- Offspring Printing/Postage 1,061.11
- Small Stores Inventory 401.50
- New Chapter Start-up 0
- Chapter Membership Awards 0
- Stamps & Postage 105.29
- PO Box Rent 96.00
- Bank Fees 18.80
- Miscellaneous 0

**TOTAL EXPENSE** $2,120.84

**ENDING BALANCE, 3/31/12..............................$ 14,075.92**

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**MEMORIAL FUND REPORT**

**BEGINNING BALANCE, 1/1/12** $3,000.00

**Income:** Donations 35.00

**less Expenses:** 0.00

**ENDING BALANCE, 3/31/12** $3,035.00

**SCHOLARSHIP FUND REPORT**

**BEGINNING BALANCE, 1/1/12** $ 464.34

**Income:** Donations 40.00

**less Expenses:** 0.00

**ENDING BALANCE, 3/31/12** $ 504.34

**CONVENTION FUND REPORT**

**BEGINNING BALANCE, 1/1/12** $ 0

**Income:** Donations 55.00

**less Expenses:** 0.00

**ENDING BALANCE, 3/31/12** $ 55.00

**TOTAL FUNDS..............................................................$17,670.26**

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**NATIONAL ELECTIONS NOTIFICATION**

This is an Election Year. If you are interested in running for an office, send your request to run, qualifications, and a picture of yourself to the National Office - SDPHS National Secretary, Carol Gladys. (address on page 2). Following are the Officer positions to be elected & those who have already notified the National Office that they will run for that position:

- **National President ~ Louella (Lou) Large**
- **National Vice President ~ Open**
- **National Secretary ~ Carol Gladys**
- **National Treasurer ~ Kyle Wehr**
**OHIO  by Carol Gladys**  
**Lake Erie Chapter 2**  
The members of Lake Erie Chapter 2 took part in two Memorial Day Services. Pearl Harbor Survivor and SDPHS member Jack Fickel, presented a wreath at the Parma Heights Memorial Service. Members, Fred Reimer, Mary McPherson, Anne Shambaugh, Trish Rowland, Mike and Alex Case, Rachel Jones and son Caleb, Don and Janet Pavlik, and Carol Gladys were in Milan, Ohio to take part in their Memorial Day Parade. The members were very proud of our minor member, Bridgit Mowrey, who was chosen as the Poppy Princess for the Milan American Legion Post. SDPHS minor members Devan Mowrey and Rhiannon Mowrey are both members of the Edison High School band and were also marching in the parade.

**MARY McPHerson  
& granddaughter Bridgit Mowrey**

**CONNECTICUT by Janet Welch, State Chair**  
Memorial Day 2012 was commemorated on a beautiful day by a parade in Niantic, CT with bands, floats, veterans from all eras, local politicians and various clubs and teams. Riding in a convertible was Pearl Harbor survivor, Floyd R. Welch, USS Maryland. Walking along beside him was his daughter, Janet Welch, SDPHS Connecticut State Chair.

**HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR RECIPE YET?** (See P. 11 SDPHS Cookbook)  
**HAVE YOU SENT YOUR 8X10 & WALLET PHOTO OF YOUR SURVIVOR TO LOUI?** (see P. 3 Presidents Report)  
**HAVE YOU SENT YOUR SURVIVOR & Spouse WEDDING PHOTO TO LOUIS?** (see P. 7 District 4 - Exciting News)  
**HAVE YOU SENT IN CONVENTION REGISTRATION TO CAROL GLADYS YET?** (See P. 9)  
**2012 DUES ARE PAST DUE..... HAVE YOU PAID YOURS?**  
**Just checking!**

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF my dad, Harry M. Cross, Schofield Barracks, Bry D, 754th AAA Gun Battalion. Louella (Lou) and Skip Large**

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF my Dad, Lt. Joy W. Beezley, USN Retired, USS Medusa (AR1). Carol and Dave Gladys**

**KENTUCKY  by Cindy Walton, State Chair**  
Kentucky Thoroughbred Chapter 1 held a joint meeting with Kentucky Bluegrass Chapter #1 on 27-29 Apr 2012 in Corydon, IN. Twenty members attended in addition to five Pearl Harbor survivors, one Pearl and two honorary members from each group. On Friday afternoon, we enjoyed a great pot luck meal and catching up with each other. Saturday morning, both Chapters held their meetings before adjourning to tour Corydon and its wonderful shopping district. That evening we had a wonderful buffet catered by Bob and Robin Myers followed by a severe storm which had us all seeking shelter. Lots of rain, no tornado but good to know the sirens worked! Sunday morning, everyone gathered for breakfast and went our separate ways until we meet again in Fall in Bardstown, KY. We are looking forward to the auction held at the Fall meeting, our quilting members are hard at work.

**ILLINOIS Lynn Shindel, State Chair**  
Pearl Harbor survivor Carl Browning of Effingham, IL passed away April 12, 2012. His visitation and funeral was held on April 14, 2012. The Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors held the PHSA Memorial Service at the funeral home. IL State Chair and PHSA Chapter 2 Chaplain Lynn Shindel led the Memorial Service and the placing of the lei for their member. Carl and Pauline Browning’s family have our deepest sympathy and prayers at this time. It will be hard to not hear “Carl’s one liners” at our meetings. When Carl spoke it was right to the point. Rest in peace Carl, “Lest We Forget”.

**VIRGINIA  by Mary Haessig Schiano**  
Charles Haessig, USS Sacramento, had the privilege of speaking with 5th graders at Curtis Elementary School, Chester Virginia. They had been studying WWII, and Mr. Haessig was invited to the school to answer questions submitted by the students as part of a Living History program. Mr. Haessig’s daughters Sally Haessig Noe and Mary Haessig Schiano also accompanied him and brought along many articles, pictures and even a bullet found in the harbor.
TEXAS  Jeff Smith, President, Houston Blue Bonnet Chapter 3
Texas continues to support our survivors by having monthly meetings and serving their needs when and where the needs arise. At our last meeting we started off the New Year with a bang by having Melanie Wiggins, a nationally known author as our guest speaker. Ms. Wiggins has written a number of books telling the chilling facts about the reign of terror German U-boats inflicted upon the merchant ships in the Gulf of Mexico. During the first two years of WWII they had free unchecked access in the waters of the gulf, sinking many ships full of oil and other products for the war effort. In her research she was able to interview many U-boat captains. We were privileged to hear this fascinating and little known story. Mrs. Wiggins is available to speak to any of the other PHS/SDPHS chapters. You can contact her at: 2433 Fairway Pointe Dr. League City, Texas 77573. Phone: 281-334-6729. Her books are available at Amazon.com.

CALIFORNIA  Kathleen Farley, State Chair
Memorial Day SDPHS members from Chapter 5, Walnut Creek took part in remembering all our veteran's who have proudly served their country. In Clayton, local, state and congressional dignitaries were on hand. Approximately 400 people were in attendance. A Memorial Service was also held on Sunday May 27th in San Francisco at the USS San Francisco Memorial at Lands End. This year, Mal Middlesworth was honored to sit in the "Chair of Honor". Two members of Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors were in attendance, Carol Collister and Sandra Lee, daughters of Adrian Pacheco, USS Honolulu.

MARYLAND  Mike Davis, State Chair
National Memorial Day Parade, Washington D.C.
Amid shouts of “Thank You!” along Constitution Avenue in D.C., Sons & Daughters of Maryland Chapter #1 led Pearl Harbor survivor Clarence Davis (USS Medusa) riding high in a bright red convertible (driven by Bob Clark) and waving to the crowd. Carrying the SDPHS banner were Bob Wagner, Luke French and Mike Davis. Carrying the flags were Larry Van Druff and Scott Summer. Alternate banner carriers & walking in the parade were Kathy Davis & Flo Strawser.

IN MEMORY OF Joseph J. Scagliotti, 3/6/20 - 7/15/11
Hickam Field.
Love Joan Scagliotti, daughter

IN MEMORY OF my father James C. Sherrell
1920 ~ 2010, USS San Francisco.
Judy Sherrell Meeks
DISTRICT 5 by Kyle Wehr, District Director

Several of our PH survivors where honored at the Crane Naval Center at their annual Ride 2 Recovery May 18-19. James DeWitt, Sr., Paul Kennedy and Richard Pauls were introduced at the banquet and recognized by Senator Dick Lugar and 8th Congressman Larry Bucshon. When it was all over it was a frenzy with everyone wanting their pictures taken with them! The next day started at 0830 with the guys front and center again for the ceremonies and special entertainment, then they were loaded up into vintage Cadillac convertibles to lead off the ride. Afterward, they were served lunch and entertained by a clown band of retired military. Then for Dick and Paul it was a rush back home for the groundbreaking of a Veteran Memorial Park in Greenwood, IN.

Some really good connections were made as well... Jim DeWitt's son brought him, and turns out that he, his brother and 2 sisters are not yet members, but very interested and Jeff Mason, the organizer of the event, found out that his uncle was stationed at Pearl during the attack, so I presented him with a request for application and he was thrilled!

**Info on the Crane Honor Ride:** 475 cyclists participated in the 3rd annual Ride2Recovery on Naval Support Activity Crane. Honor Ride’s support both military and civilian by raising funds and awareness for the mental and physical rehabilitation of our nation’s healing heroes. To see pictures from the ride, go to: www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.10150886025341112.433203.158096691111&type=3

DISTRICT 4 by Lois Heinekin, District Director

**EXCITING PROJECT!** The “Spirit of 45” Organization is working on a project, "Couples in Love" Kiss Mosaic banner. They have asked me to contact the Sons and Daughters of Pearl Harbor Survivors to send in their parent's wedding (or couples) photo! CAN YOU HELP ME PLEASE? The finished banner will be displayed in Times Square on Spirit of ‘45 Day and then will go to the New York Historical Society for their WWII Exhibition. It is very exciting!

The pictures need to be scanned at 300 dpi and sent to their web site: http://spiritof45.org/love_stories_of_wwii0.aspx If the couple knew each other during the war years, then they qualify. It does not matter if they married later. We are trying to get the photos by mid-June.

Send ad info and check to Assistant National Treasurer, Kyle Wehr. Check should be clearly marked - Offspring Ad.

Up to 4 lines: 1 issue - $8.00 / 4 issues - $25.00

"In Memory of" ads: Include survivor's name & duty station on Dec. 7, 1941 & name/relationship to survivor of person placing ad.

"In Support of" ads: Include SDPHS supporter, your name, title (if an officer), Chapter, City & State.
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They Remember... We Won’t Forget
CLARENCE J.M. DAVIS – IN HIS OWN WORDS

Submitted by Clarence’s son, Mike Davis, Maryland State Chair/Maryland Chapter 1 President

Note: My father was a Radioman stationed on the repair ship USS Medusa, which was anchored between Ford Island and Pearl City on December 7, 1941. It was his first duty assignment. He had just turned 18. The following account is taken from an interview conducted by a college student in 2008.

It was in October of 1941, after I had gone to communications school and returned to the ship, that they informed me that instead of being a radioman, I was going to be a mess cook for the next three months. It was one job every junior man had to do - 3 months mess cooking, or what we called “compartment cleaning.” Anyway, that’s where I was at 0755 on December 7th – below deck, waiting to serve breakfast. There were several of us standing at one of the starboard portholes looking over toward Ford Island when all of a sudden, we saw huge flames and a lot of explosions. We thought it must have been a tanker fueling and something had gone wrong. It was only about thirty seconds later that we heard HONK, HONK, HONK and “Man your battle stations! General Quarters!” That’s when the Japanese planes started bombing us and we knew this wasn’t a drill.

At first, it was pretty chaotic, as you might imagine. We ran up to the boat deck to our battle stations, but when we got up there, we were wide open with enemy planes coming in our direction. The man in charge of the boats yelled, “Take cover!” and the only place we could find were two small food lockers made out of thin sheet metal. About that time, we got strafed and it just missed us. That’s when we were ordered to go below to the ammunition room. What we had to do was haul shells or caissons full of gunpowder up several ladders to the main deck where we had a big five-inch gun. The only problem was: the gun was designed for shore bombardment or shooting at something on the water. They couldn’t elevate it enough to fire at the planes because if they did, they’d damage the ship!

We had a lot of near misses, but thankfully, no major damage. For the most part, I was too busy to see very much, but I did see a Japanese plane crash into the stern of the USS Curtis, which was just across from us; and I saw the USS Nevada trying to make it out of the harbor before she got banged up so badly, they had to run her aground.

The next morning, I was to report down below deck again when they told me, “You’ve been relieved of your duties in the mess hall. Go back to the radio station.” From that point on … for the next 19 years … I was a radio operator.

Note: My father stayed on the Medusa until the fall of 1944 when he was transferred to the USS Garrard, a transport ship that helped evacuate American POWs when the Japanese surrendered. He was one of the few personnel to “bookend” the war - from Pearl Harbor to Tokyo Bay. He has been a very active member of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, having served as Maryland State Chairman and Chapter President multiple times.
# SDPHS SMALL STORE ITEMS

**HATS (Overseas Style)** $31.50  
Includes cloth emblem and embroidered  
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**BASEBALL CAP** $16.00  
Navy blue with Embroidered Emblem

**POLO SHIRT, Red with pocket**  
Embroidered Lettering, Blended Material  
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(2 XL) $22.50  
(3 XL) $23.75

**POLO SHIRT, Red (w/o pocket)**  
Embroidered Emblem, Blended Material  
(S-XL) $25.00  
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**T-SHIRT, Red**  
Silk-screened White Emblem, Blended Material  
(Youth, Large) same as 14-16 $5.00  
(S, M, L) $10.00  
(XL) $11.00

**T-SHIRT, WHITE**  
Silk-screened Red Emblem (M) $5.00

**SWEATSHIRT, Red** $25.00  
Silk-screened White Emblem, Blended Material (S, M, L, XL)

**PATCH, Small SDPHS** $4.00  
Embroidered Cloth Emblem (2½” diameter)

**PATCH, Large SDPHS Jacket Back** $16.00  
Embroidered Cloth Emblem (8” diameter)

**DECAL, Round Cling Sticker** $4.00  
Plastic Emblem (4” diameter)

**SDPHS 67th Anniversary Pin** $1.50

**SDPHS 69th Anniversary Pin** $3.00  
(2010 Hawaii Convention)

**SASH, SDPHS Red** $10.00  
Silk-screened white letters & emblem

**ENAMEL GOLD PIN** $3.25  
SDPHS Emblem in 4 colors (¼” diameter)

**BUTTON PIN** $2.00  
With SDPHS Emblem (2½”)

**BUMPER STICKER** $1.00

**LICENSE PLATE FRAME** $3.00  
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**ORDERS RECEIVED WITHOUT POSTAGE WILL BE RETURNED**

The Store is a service for our members. **INSIGNIA ITEMS** can only be worn by SDPHS members.

Official SDPHS Parade Flag Double face w/ 4 color emblem on white nylon. Gold fringe. (3’ x 5’) **OUT OF STOCK**

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**Send Order and Check to:**  
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2493 E. Hulet Drive  
Chandler, AZ 85225-4023

Make Check or Money Order payable to: **SDPHS, Inc.**

For information, contact:  
Jack Saxton, SDPHS Storekeeper  
(480) 812-4500  
e-mail: desertratzaz@cox.net

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**Issue 2, 2012**
**SDPHS Annual Dues Renewal**
(December 6, 2011 - December 7, 2012)

**Member Renewal $15.00**
**Associate Renewal $10.00** - **Minor Renewal $5.00**

Name: ____________________________________________________   Member ID: ______________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip: _____________________________________________________________________

Telephone: (          ) ________ - ____________

E-mail Address:  ________________________

Associate Member ID: _____________________   Minor Member  ID: ________________________

Note: The payment expiration year is indicated in [brackets] on the mailing label.

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We cannot accept whole newspaper articles, or links to articles in any social network. Your article must be written by you. Your editor cannot be expected to write your article or go looking for it at some other location. Please include it as text in the body of your email or as a Word.doc. No PDF files please. Attach only unedited photos (jpg’s or tif’s). Remember most cell phone photos, although they might look good on the computer screen, are too small for good output to a printer. Send all content for articles to: OffspringEditor@gmail.com. Please include YOUR NAME in any email (the email address does not always tell me who is sending), also include your title if you have one. If you have ANY questions, I am a phone call away. 301-774-5577 (home) or 240-997-4327 (cell). Final content final deadline for the next issue is **August 15**. **NO LATER.**

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

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**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

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

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**NEW OFFICERS**
We have new State Chairs and a new District Director. We thank them for accepting these appointments and welcome them aboard! We look forward to working with them to build more chapters in these states and gain membership.

Janet Welch, Conneticut State Chair
Linda Quigley, Iowa State Chair
Nancy Tonkin, Nebraska State Chair
Ellen Callahan Nau, Virginia State Chair
Elaine French, 7th District Director

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**SDPHS COOKBOOK**
We are still collecting recipes for our SDPHS, Inc. Cookbook but you need to send yours in right away if you have not done so. Send as many as you want. Remember you can include a picture of your survivor and a few sentences. We hope to have them ready for sale at the 2012 Convention in December. These will make great Christmas presents for family and friends. And it is another way to honor those of Dec. 7, 1941 and keep their memories alive. Deadline for recipes to be sent in is **July 15, 2012** (no later!). Don’t be miss out on this chance to include your survivor and favorite recipes for all to have.

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**Hint...** When sending emails, use a digital signature. Your recipient will always know exactly who sent it! Include your title if you have one. Instructions below:

In Google, open Gmail, go to the gear icon, click settings, scroll down to “signature” and add your own personal information in the box. Your “signature” will now be displayed at the end of all of your emails....

Carmen Harding, Offspring Editor (also my digital signature)
The first known observance of a Memorial Day-type observance was in Charleston, South Carolina on May 1, 1865. Memorial Day is a day of remembering the men and women who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. It is a federal holiday observed every year in the United States on the last Monday of May.

On Memorial Day the flag is raised briskly to the top of the staff and then solemnly lowered to the half-staff position, where it remains only until noon. It is then raised to full-staff for the remainder of the day.

The half-staff position remembers the more than one million men and women who gave their lives in service of their country. At noon their memory is raised by the living, who resolve not to let their sacrifice be in vain, but to rise up in their stead and continue the fight for liberty and justice for all.

The preferred name for the holiday gradually changed from "Decoration Day" to "Memorial Day", which was first used in 1882. It did not become more common until after World War II, and was not declared the official name by Federal law until 1967. On June 28, 1968, the Congress passed the Uniform Holidays Bill, which moved four holidays, including Memorial Day, from their traditional dates to a specified Monday in order to create a convenient three-day weekend. The change moved Memorial Day from its traditional May 30 date to the last Monday in May. The law took effect at the federal level in 1971.

Formerly known as Decoration Day, it originated after the American Civil War to commemorate the fallen Union soldiers of the Civil War.

By the 20th century Memorial Day had been extended to honor all Americans who have died in all wars. A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself.

Many people visit cemeteries and memorials, particularly to honor those who have died in military service. Many volunteers place an American flag on each grave in national cemeteries.

The National Memorial Day Concert takes place on the west lawn of the United States Capitol. The concert is broadcast on PBS and NPR. Music is performed, and respect is paid to the men and women who gave their lives for their country.

And I’m proud to be an American, where at least I know I’m free.  And I won’t forget the men who died, who gave that right to me  

Lee Greenwood
2012 SDPHS CONVENTION REGISTRATION - SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA DECEMBER 4 - 7, 2012

The SDPHS invites the survivors of Pearl Harbor 1941 to join us and see their comrades again!

SDPHS No. ___________________________  PHSA No. ___________________________

Crowne Plaza San Diego Hotel - For reservations call 888-233-9527 - Use the code SDPHS when reserving a room. Do not call the hotel directly.

Name (Print) ___________________________
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Name of guests attending (Please note any person) with special needs. PRINT. Use separate sheet if necessary.
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SEND REGISTRATION FORM & CHECK TO:
Carol Gladys, National Sec.
36675 Giles Road
Grafton, OH 44044-9124

Non-refundable registration fee includes: Administrative obligation, insurance, reception. Please note: **EVERYONE**, including children seven (7) and older, **must be registered and wear their name badges to attend all convention events including SDPHS business meeting.**

- Registration Fee
  - $40.00 x ______ = $ ______
- Dec. 5 - Air & Space Museum and Balboa Park - (includes bus transportation)
  - $15.00 x ______ = $ ______
- Dec. 6 - Open Luncheon - (for everyone) Rainbow Wrap (Chicken with lettuce)
  - $35.00 x ______ = $ ______
- Dec. 7 - U.S.S. Midway Tour and lunch aboard ship
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  - San Diego & Coronado Tour
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- Dec. 7 - Banquet (includes coffee, tea, water & dessert)
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SAN DIEGO - MISSION VALLEY
2270 HOTEL CIRCLE NORTH, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92108

For Reservations you MUST call: 888-233-9527 during the hours of 7 AM - 11 PM.
Use the code: SDPHS when making your reservation.

Cut-off Date for Room Reservations - November 4, 2012
Check in time: 4:00 PM - Check out time: 12:00 PM (late checkout available)
Cloud 9 Shuttle from airport to hotel - $12.00/person
Wireless Data Connection

**Room Fee (taxes not included):**
$99.00 per night
All food prepared on site
Parking - Free

**Dining**
Room Service 6:06 AM - 1:10 PM
Breakfast - $10.00

**Airport:** Lindberg Field (5 miles from hotel)
No hotel shuttle, but taxi service to hotel is $35.00 and airport shuttle (Cloud 9 Shuttle) is $12.00/person

**Convention Schedule**

12/04/2012  Noon - 8 PM Registration & Small Stores - Hospitality Room - Paradise Cove
12/05/2012  9 AM - 5 PM Registration & Small Stores - Hospitality Room - Paradise Cove;
            Air & Space Museum Tour *(Time to be announced in next issue for tour departure)*
            7 PM - SDPHS Board Meeting - *(Location to be announced)*
12/06/2012  9:30 AM - 11:30 AM - SDPHS Business Meeting. Child Survivor Meeting to follow
            Business Meeting - Peacock Room 1
            Noon - 2 PM - Luncheon with speaker & entertainment - Peacock Room 2 *(all are welcome - just register for meal)*
            3 PM - 8 PM Registration & Small Stores - Hospitality Room - Paradise Cove
12/07/2012  Bus to Pearl Harbor Memorial Ceremonies, Tour and Lunch aboard USS Midway;
            San Diego Tour & Coronado - *(Bus will also go back to hotel after ceremony)*
            *(times to be announced next issue)*
            6 PM - 11 PM - Banquet - Lahaina Bay Room
12/08/2012  9 AM - 11 AM SDPHS (New) Board Meeting *(Location to be announced)*