

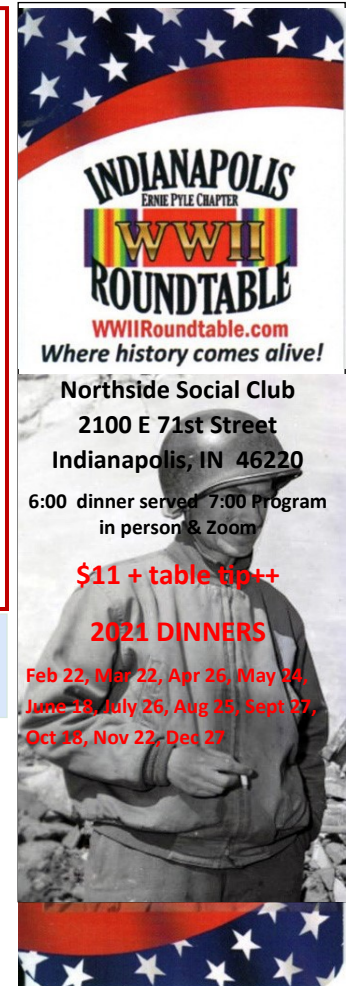


From the Desk of Roundtable President Charles Holt

February 2021 Newsletter www.WWIIroundtable.com

Happy Groundhog Day! Looks like the varmint predicted 6 more weeks of winter! If you did not view last month's speaker's incredible video presentation, yet, then do! You can find WWII combat tank vet and French Legion of Honour/Purple Heart recipient, SGT Gerald (Jerry) Mansbach's video on our WWiiRoundtable.com website (with tons of other interesting stories/links/etc.), or on GuerinCatholic.org, or on Carmelclayhistory.org. He is in great health and lives in Central Indiana. Our monthly 4th Monday meeting/program is (due to the pandemic) by Zoom—just go to our website to easily click on the hyperlink and you will be in Zoom! We need your help! Tell every-one you know about our Roundtable/pay your dues on the website or by mail ASAP/give us speaker leads/ask how you can assist us. I want to graciously thank Jill Fewell for all of her work as our Secretary/Website master—she is still very involved in vet organizations. Kent Carlson will be taking over her tasks on our board.

Charles Allen Holt, D.O.



February 22, 2021, 7:00 PM via Zoom

Dinner 6-7:00 at your home!

7:00 Greetings & 7:10 Ozzie's History Report

“Honoring Our Fallen Warriors Overseas”

Ron May, WWIIRT member, author & historian

World War II Roundtable Zoom Meeting 22 Feb 2021

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Log in easily from our webpage too!

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Dues Reminder

Accepting checks now for 2021; payable to 'WWII Roundtable, INC,' P.O. Box 1965, Noblesville, IN 46061 or go to our website to pay online: WWiiroundtable.com
Veteran \$20; Non-Veteran \$25;
WW2 Veterans free

Join us for A great Zoom program. Hopefully in March we will resume our hybrid dinner meetings at the Northside Social Club. In the meantime stay safe and get your vaccination!

Do you know how easy it is to pay your dues online? —Go to our website and follow the link! If you are more than two months behind in paying your dues, your name, however, will be taken off our membership list.

Meeting Protocol Reminder

Our February Dinner/Program will once again be a Zoom meeting. Be sure your device is set to mute!

Go here to review how to do this: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Oi5qqx5CYm4>



As usual, the evening will begin with Ozzie's presentation. This will be fascinating as always! Since we will be attending virtually, the Zoom program will begin at 7 P.M., so please sign in between 6:45 and 6:55.

INFORMATION DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER February 22nd Please send new items to editor, Kathryn Lerch: c/o klerch@parktudor.org Refer to our newsletter's first page "bookmark" for future program dates in 2021.

February 22nd Speaker: Ron May



"Honoring Our Fallen Warriors Overseas: The Story of American Cemeteries on Foreign Soil and the Work of the American Battle Monuments Commission"



*Photos take at the American Cemetery, Cambridge, England (K. Lerch 2019)
Hundreds of graves are for our Air Force bomber crews. Many of these cemeteries have outstanding museums honoring our soldiers, sailors and airmen, and Cambridge was no exception!*

We are all aware of Arlington National Cemetery. But what about the American Cemeteries abroad? There are 26 overseas cemeteries spread across the world holding the remains of 139,000 American service members who fought and died in World War I & II and honoring the memories of 60,000 soldiers whose remains were never recovered. These cemeteries are the impressive work of the American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC) founded in 1923 and still active today. Stunning in beauty, rich in symbolism, meticulous in landscaping, and inspirational in architectural design, these



are among the most beautiful commemorative sites in the world which honor dead Americans for their military service, educate the public on the causes for which they died, and provide a diplomatic message to their host countries. These are the jewels that have surfaced from the scarred memories and landscapes of war.

Bio/Books: Ron is a historian, public speaker, and writer on World War II history. He is a recent World War II Studies Masters' Degree graduate from Arizona State University. Ron is the author of *Our Service Our Stories* – a book series preserving the service stories of World War II veterans. Two volumes have been published to date, and he is currently working on the next two volumes in the series. Signed and personalized copies of his books can be obtained by ordering them directly from his website: <https://ronaldpmay.com>. He can be contacted at ron@ronaldpmay.com or by phone at 317-435-7636.

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[If you have favorite photo(s) & story you wish to share from a beautiful ABMC cemetery, please send the jpg and note to the newsletter editor for inclusion in the May / Memorial Day edition. klerch@parktudor.org Thank you!]



WW II TRIVIA for February 2021

- ◆ Winston Churchill expressed his opinion on most subjects including the English language. One of his famous comments on the English language was “Ending a sentence with a preposition is something up with which I will not put.”
- ◆ On August 31, 1945 General MacArthur was at dinner in the New Grand Hotel in Yokohama. Japan had just been defeated and was told that General Jonathon Wainwright, who had replaced him at the time of the fall of the Philippines and just been released from a Japanese POW camp, had arrived. Wainwright, weak, emaciated and using a cane walked in.

The two men embraced. MacArthur said “Jim, Jim.” Wainwright replied “General” and began to cry.

- ◆ Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek, as a young man, was once a stockbroker.
- ◆ During the war the production of golf balls in the US was discontinued to save rubber. Golf balls then sold for as much as \$60 a dozen on the black market. In May 1945 production was resumed using synthetic rubber. Golfers complained, however, saying that in a 225 yard drive the new balls fell 15 yards shorter than the old balls. [See more about golf balls below]
- ◆ In early July 1945 the B-29 crews that would drop the atomic bombs on Japan began arriving at Tinian Island. For the next month they had virtually nothing to do. They slept late, played cards, swam, played baseball, watched movies and drank. Each man could buy a fifth of whisky each week for \$1.30.
- ◆ Upon occupying Japan the American authorities delayed arresting former Premier Hideki Tojo who would, almost certainly, be charged with war crimes. It was widely believed that this was intentional so as to give Tojo time to commit suicide and avoid expense of a trial.
- ◆ The US Army Signal Corps used blind people to teach corpsmen how to repair equipment in the dark.

Related Trivia: While attending Cambridge University in the 1970s, my husband met Downing College’s elderly physician every semester. He shares the following bit of trivia, too: “The physician, Rex Salisbury Woods, told me that shortly after World War II, he mentioned to two American students studying at Downing that Woods and his friends, avid golfers, had run out of golf balls (which were very scarce in war-time and post-war Britain). Later the two students briefly went home to America; when they returned to Cambridge to continue their studies, they came back with a large steamship trunk, and placed it in the doctor’s College office with instructions to open it. The trunk was filled with American-made golf balls that had crossed the Atlantic, and Dr. Woods remained forever thankful.” [Note, Woods was also a British track and field athlete, who represented Great Britain in three Olympic Games.]



Continuing the theme of golf. . . Would you believe ? . . . POWs at Stalag Luft III in Germany made golf balls to play golf. Go to this video link: <https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/articles/2018/12/golf-prisoners-of-war-world-war-II-usga-museum.html>



What is special about February?

Again, in light of John Shively's upcoming lecture series for February, what was going on in the Pacific and Hawaii in early February 1942? Newspapers across the nation were packed full of some very good reporting as well as rumors and misleading reports. The term "fog of war" is completely logical!



U. S. Fleet Attack Hints Full-Scale Pacific Offensive By the Associated Press.

A slashing sea and air attack by the United States on the mid Pacific flank of Japan's broad hop-skip-jump offensive raised today the probability of a full-fledged American offensive in the enemy's vulnerable island man dates timed to ease the siege of Singapore and check the pressure on the Netherlands Indies and Australia. By the attack on Japanese bases in the Marshall and Gilbert Islands. The Pacific Fleet was believed to have recovered a considerable measure of the striking power lost at Pearl Harbor December 7. It was, so far as has been reported, "the first time American bombs have fallen on Japanese territory. Amid fierce fighting United States surface and aircraft sank or severely damaged many enemy fleet, auxiliaries shelled and bombed vital shore installations and destroyed numerous enemy planes—all at a cost of 11 American aircraft missing, two surface vessels slightly damaged and - personnel losses which were officially estimated to have been light. No Big Enemy Combat Ships Found. The only disappointment for the American forces was indicated in the Navy's statement yesterday that Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander of the Pacific Fleet, had re-

ported that "no large enemy combatant vessels were found." How much the Pacific Fleet must step up its flank attacks to ease the imminent threats to Singapore, Java and Australia was a major question in secret Pacific strategy, but all signs were that the attempt was probable. The official Japanese account of the Gilbert-Marshall attack said United States aircraft carriers, cruisers and destroyers made up the raiding force and claimed that 11 American planes were shot down. The Japanese belittled the results of the attack, declaring the only damage suffered was to a small Japanese auxiliary vessel, and claimed the firing of a United States cruiser and damage to other ships. Washington admitted minor damage to only two American ships from near misses of Japanese bombers.

Fierce Aerial Fighting. The Navy communique reflected fierce aerial fighting over the Pacific islands, the Japanese apparently putting up a stiffer defense with pursuit planes and anti-aircraft guns than they did with warships or coastal batteries. This seemed to be indicated by a statement in the communique that "many enemy airplanes were destroyed both on the ground and in the air" and by the fact that the only damage the attacking units was caused by aerial bombs. The "loss of 11 American aircraft" also bespoke severe fighting aloft. It was believed to be the heaviest loss suffered by United States Allied Forces in a single engagement to date, but if the ratio of Japanese losses to American losses which has prevailed in previous air fights was maintained, the Japanese suffered a vastly heavier blow. The types of vessels sunk were not identified except by the broad term "auxiliaries." The United States Navy includes in its classification of auxiliaries such vessels as destroyer, submarine and aircraft tenders, repair ships, store ships, colliers and tankers, ammunition ships and (cargo and transport vessels. Bases Are Listed. The Japanese bases which were attacked were on the Islands of Jaluit, Wotje, Kwajaleim, Roi and Taroa, in the Marshall group, and the Makin Island in the Gilbert group. Japan obtained the Marshalls under a League of Nations mandate in 1930. They formerly belonged to Germany. Among them, the principal Japanese fortification is on Wotje, 2,000 air miles southwest of Pearl Harbor and 635 miles south of Wake Island. The Gilbert Islands lie south and slightly west of the Marshall group. They belong to Great Britain, but Makin, the northernmost, was occupied by the Japanese December 7. The bases the Japanese established on these various islands flank the main American supply routes to the combat areas in the far Pacific. Since they are also Japan's easternmost possession they probably served as headquarters for submarines operating off the Pacific coast and as the starting points for attacks on various American islands in the mid-Pacific.

Any crippling of them naturally would limit such activities as well as curtain raids the enemy might otherwise be

able to make against convoys of reinforcements from this country to combat areas in the Western and Southwestern Pacific.

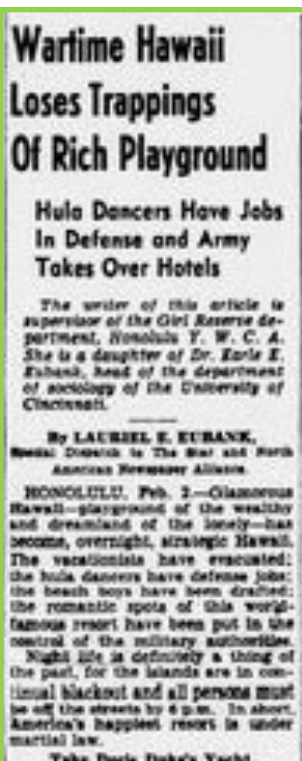
Despite the disappointing failure to catch large Japanese warships there, the heavy raid carried implications of important tactical accomplishments.

While the communique left the impression that naval aircraft carried out most of the destruction, it said Japanese installations had been hit hard by shellfire.

While there was no disposition here to minimize the essentially grave situation of the Allies in the Western Pacific—with Singapore Island besieged, a strong enemy force at Moulmein seeking to cut China's Burma Road lifeline, and increasing activity against the Netherlands Indies—it was noted, nonetheless, that the Japanese had found the going increasingly difficult in the last 10 days.

In three outstandingly victorious Allied-American and American actions—the battle Macassar Strait, the fleet raid on the Marshall and Gilbert Islands and the smashing of the Corregidor invasion scheme—it appeared that the enemy had lost untold thousands of men and dozens of ships sunk or damaged.

The significant departure in Allied strategy in the raid on Japan's mid-Pacific bases was described here as the fact that it was strictly offensive in action on a large scale. It was to prevent just such offensive use of the fleet while they were attacking far and wide in the Western Pacific that the Japanese made their treacherous assault on Pearl Harbor.



HONOLULU, Feb. 2. [1942]

Glamorous Hawaii—playground of the wealthy and dreamland of the lonely—has become, overnight, strategic Hawaii. The vacationists have evacuated; the hula dancers have defense jobs; the beach boys have been drafted: the romantic spots of this world famous resort have been put in the control of the military authorities. Night life is definitely a thing of the past, for the islands are in continual blackout and all persons must be off the streets by 6 p.m. In short, America's happiest resort is under martial law. Take Doris Duke's Yacht. The Royal Hawaiian Hotel, spreading its luxurious arms along the barbed wire entanglements of Waikiki Beach, has been taken over by the Navy as an emergency hospital. The Outrigger Canoe Club, where debutantes in the past have sipped cool drinks under beach umbrellas, is now being used daily as a recreation center for the play hungry and hard-working sailors. Private, yachts have been confiscated for harbor defense—including the expensive one owned by Doris Duke Cromwell, wealthiest girl in the world. Kewalo Bassi, picturesque fishing harbor where camera fans snapped the colorful Japanese sam-pans, is now empty.

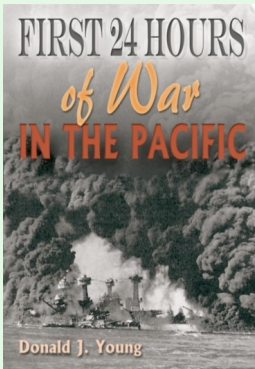
Green golf courses and polo fields where fun-loving islanders came for recreation, are now filled with discarded jalopies, tin cans, sewer pipes, and other obstructions which will prevent enemy planes from using them as landing fields. Hawaiian Band Is Gone. Formerly sleek white liners brought happy tourists and returning "kamaainas" to a lei-fragrant harbor on boat day. Now converted into transport ships, the blackened liners quietly dock at heavily-guarded piers without announcement, loaded with troops and defense supplies. The Royal Hawaiian Band, with its welcoming strains of "songs of the islands," is no longer there—instead It is playing a concert

at Red Hill or Pearl Harbor for defense workers on seven day duty. Typical Hawaiian foods are not escaping the war influence. Papaya, formerly just a local and interesting fruit tried by all newcomers, is now being advocated to soldiers and civilians as a cure for night blindness in these days of blackout. Pineapple and sugar fields are being plowed up to make room for vegetable gardening made necessary by our island position.

Sands No Longer Free. The very sand of the beaches and coco palms are no longer free! Sandbags are filled daily along the coast for use around public buildings and military strongholds. Palm fronds make excellent camouflage for machine-gun nests. Island kiawe trees, chanted about in Hawaiian music, are being chopped down by mass volunteer armies each Sunday to make room for more military equipment. Even Hawaii's weather, perfect from January to January, is free no more. It is now classed as a "military secret," and even the most enthusiastic Junior Chamber of Commerce member cannot mention the state of the trade winds, the warmth of the sunshine, or the frequency of island rainbows. These are on the "censored" list. And so, as the still-romantic moon, un-cognizant of war conditions, rises over the famous Hawaiian pali, island residents, tired from their days of emergency war work, make a rush for their homes to arrive there before blackout time. Glamorous Hawaii, as played up by the movies and pictured in island songs, will exist just as a memory for a long time to come.

Hope you Enjoyed January 11, 2021 Opening Lecture “Japanese Strategic War Objectives”

Reminder Next Pacific War On-Line Lecture is February 8



(YouTube repeat 2/13) . . . Be sure to join our on-line audience and then you will have an opportunity for Q&A following the presentation! **First Twenty-four Hours of the War in the Pacific**

This series is about the war in the Southwest Pacific Theater with some attention to the threat to Australia.

The lecture will include discussion of these targets : 1) Pearl Harbor 2) Malaya 3) Singapore 4) Hong Kong 5) Philippines 6) Wake 7) Midway 8) SS *Cynthia Olson* (torpedoed on the high seas)

Originally as conceived, this series was initially intended for an Australian audience, but provides a solid foundation for studying the campaigns in the Central and Northern Pacific.

Suggested reading for this region of the Pacific War: Ian W. Toll, ***Pacific Crucible: War at Sea in the Pacific, 1941-1942*** (editor's note) This book examines in depth Nimitz and Halsey's operations and strategies and is very readable. Fascinating reading and a good preparation for the first and subsequent lectures in this series. Volume 1 takes the reader through the US victory at the battle for Midway Island.

Historian/author and WWII Round Table John Shively member presented the first in a series of GoTo webinar lectures for this winter and coming spring. “I have visited nearly every island battlefield in the Pacific and am now a battlefield tour guide with Valor Tours. I have guided tours to Okinawa, Tarawa, Pearl Harbor, and Guadalcanal. Next year I will add Midway and Samoa to my tour list as guide. I have had the privilege to give lectures on the Pacific war on three cruises to the Western Pacific over the past six years.” Each lecture (January—May) will be on the second Monday evening of the month at 7:00 PM (EST), with a repeat the following Saturday at 4:00 PM. [Post-May dates will be announced later.] **Questions? Wish to sign up for future programs? Please contact John Shively at indjcs@aol.com or 765-491-7010 or go to WWII RT webpage for information & link. Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.**

- First 24-Hours of the War [2/8@7; 2/13@4]
- Operation Cartwheel, An Overview [3/8@7; 3/13@4]
- Kokoda Track Campaign [4/13@7; 4/18@4]
- Battle of Milne Bay [5/11@7; 5/16@4]
- Australian Counteroffensive [TBA]
- Guadalcanal, The First Offensive
- Central Solomon's Campaign
- The Sad Fate of Lark Force
- Yamamoto Shoot-down
- The Four Japanese Attacks on the USS *Franklin*, the Purdue Connection
- PT-109, John Kennedy, Plum Pudding Island

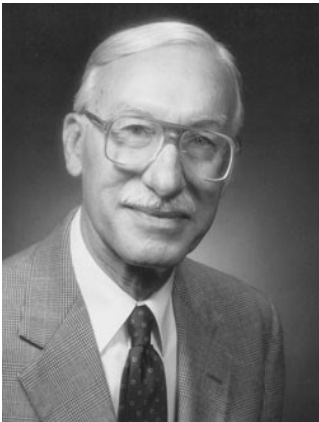
John uses GoToMeeting software. Viewers should download this software prior to attending his first program from this site: <https://app.gotomeeting.com/> (free) or use this link: <https://www.gotomeeting.com> He is still working out some minor sound glitches on his end involving special effects on a few of the slides, but each program will be highly informative. All of the lectures are scheduled for the second Monday of the month and they repeat on the following Saturday. Go to WWII Round Table web page for current link to his programs.

If you found the 1942 news clips interesting reading, I recommend going to *Chronicling America* at this link: <https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/> It is possible to search by date, key words, etc. I selected a couple newspapers from February 1942 and added key words such as Pacific War. The WWII newspapers are great resources for maps, etc..

Also, try locating news of the battle for Midway: <https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/sn88063294/1942-06-22/ed-1/seq4/#date1=1942&index=0&rows=20&words=Battle+Midway&searchType=basic&sequence=0&state=&date2=1943&proxtext=battle+of+Midway&y=0&x=0&dateFilterType=yearRange&page=1>

LAST POST FOR FORMER MEMBER OF WW2 ROUND TABLE

Carl William Henn, Jr. 1921– January 15, 2021



A native of Evansville, he was first born of 12 children. In 1942 he entered U.S. Army service, becoming a stevedore with the 396th Port Battalions. He served in the Mediterranean on the coasts of Africa and Sicily, and then he transferred to the 115th Army Ground Forces Band to serve as a musician for the remainder of the conflict in Europe. Following discharge in late 1945, he returned to a new home town, Indianapolis. He earned a journalism degree from Butler University, then was employed by the *Indianapolis Times* for 17 years and later worked for Eli Lilly as a media and public relations specialist. He was interviewed for the Library of Congress Veterans History Project when he was 86. A recording of his interview can be found at the IUPUI-Park Tudor Oral History Project site: <http://www.ulib.iupui.edu/collections/ParkTutorLI> His obit is here:

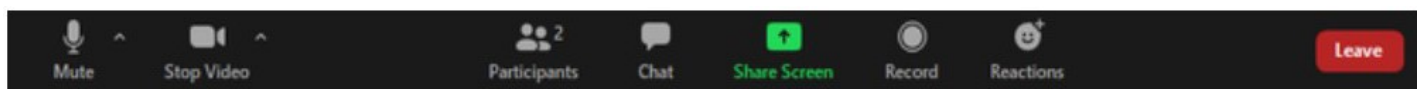
<https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/indianapolis-in/carl-henn-10004296>

He was a past member of the WWII Round Table and attended our dinners in the early 2000s.

Review of zooming how-to: please take a few minutes to become comfortable with Zoom. Use the link below to read about how to get set up and how to use the Zoom system. It very easy and has great potential. It is a Zoom Tutorial. https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362033-Getting-Started-on-Windows-and-Mac#h_97174a74-246a-4e54-8e9c-22b55cd0b665 **To join a meeting: you only need to click on link available on our website or in this newsletter which is provided by our tech guru, Charlie Russell.** Just a reminder, there are a couple tips before your join one of our a sessions. **You may have the option to join meeting session with or without video.** If you join with video, be sure lighting in front of you so that your image is viewable, not a dark silhouette and set your camera (laptop) pretty much level with your face. As soon as the Host opens the meeting you will be immediately entered. I suggest that everyone do this well before the start time of the meeting. 10-15 minutes is not too early, or in other words between 6:45-7:00. After all, you do not want to miss the opening of the meeting! **BE SURE YOU ARE MUTED ONCE YOU LOG ON! BACKGROUND NOISE AND TALKING CARRIES ACROSS MICROPHONES TO OUR SPEAKER**

Zoom protocol for Our Meetings

Not everyone should speak at once. Normally, the moderator will mute everyone then ask the next speaker to unmute. The mute icon is a microphone at the bottom left corner. **Move your cursor to that area; this turns the selection bar on and you may unmute when you are asked to share your story, then re-mute yourself when done.** For our audience, there is a “Chat” icon at the bottom middle of your screen. If you click on it everyone attending the meeting is listed. You can select their name and send them a chat text message while the meeting is going on. You can also send “Everyone” a text message. Response back to you will be indicated by a number in the chat icon . If you need to step away from the meeting to get a cup of coffee, kiss the wife or let the dog out you can “Stop Video” at the lower left of your screen. If you have entered a picture of yourself in your Zoom account profile that image will appear. When you return to the meeting click ‘Start Video ‘ and your camera’s image will come back on-line. **If you have any questions ahead of the meeting, email OR call: Charlie Russell 317-872-2800, charlierru@aol.com**



2021 Goals? Read more books . . . We suggest our WWII RT Authors

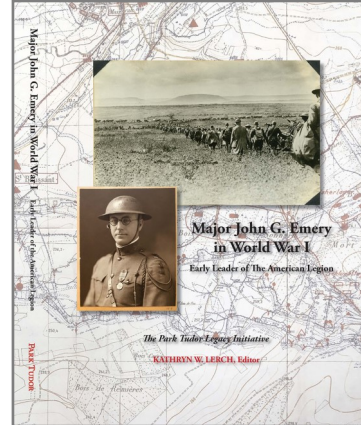
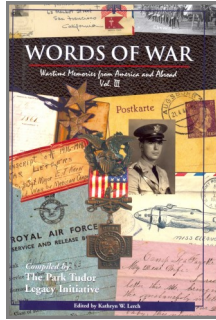
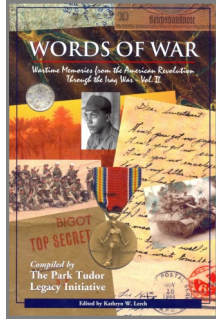
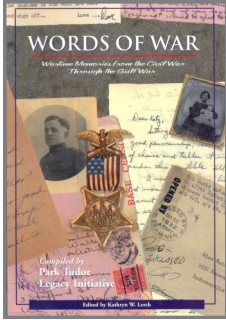
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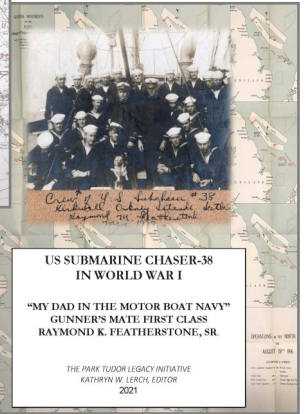
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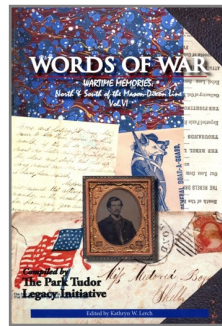
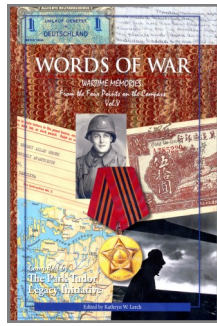
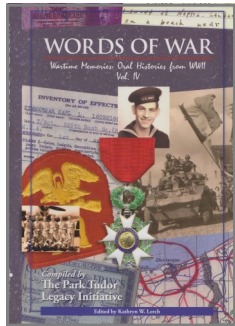
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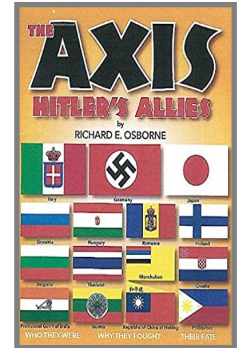
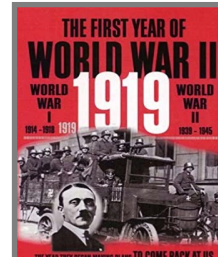
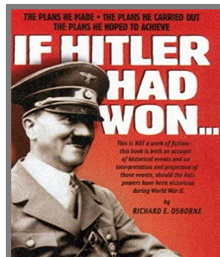
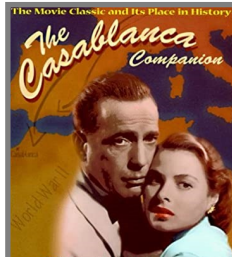
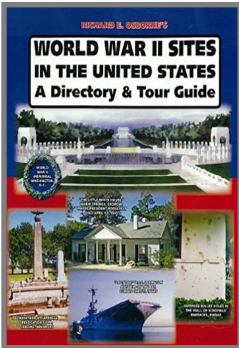
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Richard E. Osborne Selected WWII Books

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Title	Description	Number
WWII Sites in the United States	This book identifies and locates the hundreds of military facilities that existed in the United States during World War II - Army camps, airfields, naval bases, prisoner of war camps, ordnance plants, ports of embarkation, military hospitals, buildings and homes related to the war effort or any famous individuals of the wartime era, and much more. At many of these sites, memorials have been erected which are not listed in this book because they are so numerous. These memorials can be located by utilizing the companion book - World War II Museums, Memorials, and Historic Displays in the United States.	
Casablanca	The classic movie "Casablanca" is a WW II story, made during WW II for WW II audiences and is loaded with very accurate WW II history which is fully explained in this book. You will learn the actual calendar days of the events in Casablanca and Paris - why Rick couldn't return to America - why there were Germans in Casablanca - and whether or not there was an actual document known as a "letter of transit." You will learn such things as how Rick ran guns to Ethiopia - what he did while he was fighting for the loyalist in Spain - and what mysterious activities he was up to in Paris. The reader is also informed as to why it was difficult for refugees to get out of Casablanca - why they wanted to go to Lisbon - who the "devil" was in Bulgaria that the Bulgarian woman spoke of - what were the Bulgarian couple's chances of reaching America - the significance of Ilsa and Berger being Norwegians - and the differences between the Vichy French and the Free French... and more.	
If Hitler Had Won	This is an account of the actual plans Hitler made for the time when the Axis powers would be victorious... The postwar fates planned for the United States, Great Britain, the Soviet Union, and Italy are also detailed. Maps of Europe, the Mediterranean area, and parts of Africa project this altered world, circa 1950. Illustrations included in the thought-provoking book feature Hitler's retirement home, designs for future German jet aircraft, the 400,000-seat Nuremberg Stadium, a plan to rebuild Berlin as "Germania," farmhouse designs for the new German settlers in the east, the Me264 "Amerika Bomber," a "Strength Through Joy" advertisement for the Volkswagen and more...	
1919 The First Year of WWII	'The First Year of World War II, 1919', puts forward the idea that the events of 1919 were so significant that they in fact saw the beginning of World War Two, such a short while after the end of the First World War. This book explores the events that took place and discusses their impact. Key events such as Hitler and Mussolini entering politics, the Bolsheviks beginning to win the Russian Civil War and so Stalin gaining power and of course the effect of the severe Treaty of Versailles on an already damaged Germany are covered in detail. But it was not only Europe that saw changes. America entered isolation and prohibition and Japan became a major threat in the far east. All these events undoubtedly had an effect on the war and in turn on the world, but were they the start of the war?	
The Axis: Hitler's Allies	Here are the BAD GUYS of World War II. Fifteen nations comprised the Axis Alliance & 14 of them declared war on the US. All of them declared war on the British Empire. This book, written from the Axis perspective, records their often stormy and sometime treacherous relationships. Here is a mountain of detailed information on the Axis Alliance found in no other book on this subject.	

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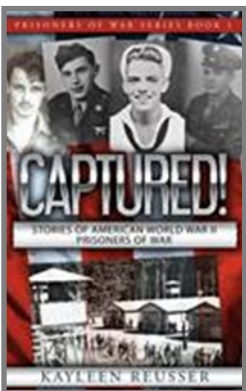
Bluffton, Ind.—Indiana author Kayleen Reusser, known for writing several series of books featuring stories centered on World War II, has just completed a second book in fall 2020. This title, *We Defended Freedom: Adventures of World War II Veterans*, is Book 4 in her WWII Legacies series. It includes the stories of 28 World War II veterans from various branches of the U.S. military. All but two of the veterans hail Indiana. The exceptions are a veteran from Virginia along with Woody Williams, the only living World War II Medal of Honor recipient from Kentucky.

Reusser's stories include an officer of an aircraft carrier, an Army soldier at D-Day, a sailor who was stationed at Cuba, and a pilot who flew in the South Pacific. Among the compilation are stories of two women who served in the Army as a WAC (Women's Army Corps) and in the WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service).

"It is exciting to present another group of World War II veteran stories to readers," said Reusser. "This collection of four books tells about the war, not from the generals' point of view, but from the viewpoint of the soldier, sailor and airman. They are how we won the war and why we have our freedoms today. My goal is to present stories in an exciting and factual way that will help readers appreciate what our veterans have done for us." Reusser has written books in other series: *Witnesses of War*; *World War II Insider*.

Since 2014, Reusser has published books of stories of America's oldest military veterans. "Documenting how past wars have helped to shape the world of today has been a rewarding challenge," she said. She releases new titles near Veteran's Day to commemorate and show appreciation for that group of citizens.

Reusser is the wife and mother of U.S. Air Force airmen. "I firmly believe we need to teach people about patriotism because if we don't reinforce its importance, we could be in a position to lose it," she said. "My method of presenting it is through sharing veterans' stories. My books are part of a continued effort to preserve our national military heritage."



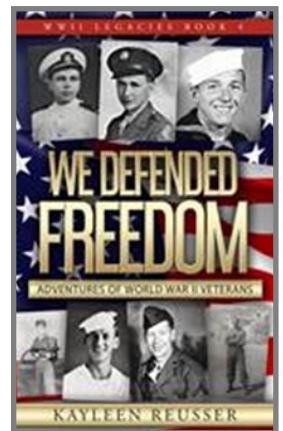
Reusser recently completed a book of Prisoner of War stories entitled *Captured! Stories of American WWII Prisoners of War (Prisoner of War series)*. [JUST RELEASED 11/20]

She has also finished a coloring book featuring women from World War II whom she has interviewed. "The coloring book could encourage people of all ages to become familiar with women who volunteered to serve in the military when much of society disapproved," she said. "I admire them for their pluck."

Reusser has presented many talks about her interviews with 260 World War II veterans. She is booking virtual events for 2021. To learn more about these presentations, and/or to schedule Reusser for a speaking event, visit her website

at www.KayleenReusser.com.

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Thanks for your support. (Kayleen was our October speaker)