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May 6, 2015 – Hindenburg 78th Anniversary Event

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How True

When the President calls 911, the aircraft carriers answer!

When the aircraft carriers call 911, Lakehurst answers!

View from the Top Presidents Message

Once again we are preparing to commemorate the 78th Anniversary of the Crash of the Hindenburg on Wed. evening, May 6, 2015 at the actual memorial site. Our program will begin at 6:45 PM, all US Navy and other Airship losses will also be remembered. We will honor, as well, all of our Armed Forces Members who made the Supreme Sacrifice to ensure our Freedom. There will be a ceremony of Wreath Presentations for each branch of the Service.

Our guest speakers will be COL James C. Hodges, USAF, 87th Air Wing Commander, JB-M-D-L Com-manding Officer; Ocean County Freeholder Joseph Vicari and Dr. Horst Schirmer who flew on the Hindenburg as a child during test flights.

All NLHS members are cordially invited to attend. Please fill out the attendance coupon printed in this newsletter if you don't have a base pass or Military ID.

Meeting Notice

July 2015 has been designated NLHS Membership Drive Month. In order to increase membership and meeting attendance, we will be trying a new venue. The next membership meeting will be held on Saturday, July 18, 2015 at 9AM at the Lakehurst Diner, Rt. 70 & Rt. 547, Lakehurst, NJ. This is a breakfast meeting (NLHS will provide breakfast from a select menu). All members are invited to please bring a potential new member as a guest. Please fill out "Yes or No" will attend coupon printed in this newsletter.

Officers Meeting

Our next Officers & Trustees Meetings will be on Saturday June 20,

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Jul 18 –Breakfast Meeting

2015 at 9:30 AM in Bldg 150, room 102 – our usual location. All officers and trustees are asked to attend.

NOTE: As usual there will be no July or August Officer meetings.

Volunteer Hours

Volunteer hours for Feb, March and April 2015 for the NLHC and Ready Room, tours, work projects and outside speaking engagements totaled over 1175 hours. Many thanks to our volunteers for your support: Don Adams, Carl Larsen, Rick Zitarosa, Frank Dennis, Nick Rakoncza, Stephanie Phillips, Ron Montgomery, Charlie Bish, Ron Stryshak, Frank Smith, Kevin Mulligan, Pete Lovering, Pete Murphy, Kevin Pace, Howie Sjurson, Elizabeth Rossell, Peter Larkin, Susan K. Koller, Roger Jordan, Jim Morano, Robert Hull, Diane Chierchie and Carl Jablonski.

Tours

Our tours continue to be a very popular attraction. Starting now tours will

be given every Wednesday and every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month from 10am to 1 pm. Don Adams, Nick Rakoncza, Frank Dennis, Carl Larsen, Ron Montgomery, Carl Jablonski, Kevin Mulligan, Elizabeth Rossell, Susan K. Koller and Rick Zitarosa continue to serve as tour guides.

Speakers Bureau

We get many requests for outside speaking engagements. If you are interested in this program call Carl at 732-244-8861.

Our outside speaking engagements continue to be very well received. Your President, in co-operation with Ocean County Freeholders, recently completed 4 Ocean County Library talks that were very well received and attended. Below is one of the thank-you letters.

Dear Mr. Jablonski,

Thank you for presenting your lecture on the Hindenburg at the Barnegat Library. Everyone who attended said how wonderful the presentation was. We appreciate you sharing your passion and knowledge with our community. Thank you again!

*Sincerely,
Jami Dunn*

Re-appointment

The Ocean County Board of Freeholders recently approved the re-appointment of your President, Carl Jablonski, to a 2nd 3 year term as a member of Ocean County Business Development & Tourism. This appointment helps get out the word about NLHS and is very helpful in seeking grants.

Battle of Midway Observance

On Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 10 AM, Joint Base M-D-L and NLHS will observe the 73rd Anniversary of the Battle of Midway, said to be the turning point of WWII. Our guest speaker will be Dep. Director Gerry Little, Ocean County Freeholder, chairperson of Ocean County Veterans & Military

Affairs. NLHS will have a WWII Midway Display and our display areas in Hangar One will be open for visitors.

This event will take place at Joint Base Lakehurst, Galley Conference Room, Bldg 484 (Flight Deck Lounge). All NLHS members are invited to attend, please be reminded that if you do not have a base pass or Military ID, you must fill out and submit the attendance coupon printed in this newsletter.

Parade of Wreaths Ceremony

On Thursday, May 21, 2015 at 10 AM the Annual Parade of Wreaths will take place at Joint Base McGuire. This is a very stirring and beautiful service honoring our Armed Forces, State Police and local government deceased. NLHS will participate. NLHS members are invited. If you plan to attend, please fill out the attendance coupon in this newsletter.

NLHS Picnic Notice

Once again our annual appreciation picnic for NLHS members and their families will be held on Saturday, Aug 29, 2015 from Noon to 4 PM at Freedom Park, Joint Base Lakehurst. In order for this event to continue and be successful, we need a good attendance. You made it happen in 2014 so lets make it happen again in 2015 by attending. A sign-up sheet will be printed in your July newsletter.

Sick Bay

Peter Lovering, Asst. Director NLHC and Ready Room, is recovering at home from a recent illness. Peter has been a very strong supporter of NLHS and contributes his time and talents to our museum and daily operation. Please consider sending him a get well card: Peter Lovering, 42 Second Street, Manchester, NJ 08759

Lillian Sawyer, one of our most senior members at age 88, is in the hospital. Lillian has attended just about every meeting and event at Joint Base M-D-L. Her support of NLHS is greatly appreciated. Please consider sending

Lillian a get well card: Lillian E Sawyer, 34 Avon Terrace, Iselin, NJ 08830.

TAPS

NLHS regretfully announces the passing of fellow member Dane Henry Turner on Sep 20, 2014. Dane was a blimp crewman at Lakehurst in the 1950s. Dane was a very supportive member of NLHS and wrote several stories for our newsletter regarding patrols from Lakehurst tracking Russian Subs during the Cold War. NLHS extends sympathy to his wife Sheila, son Keith and daughters Stacy Ryan and Tara Lanzini.

Dane Henry Turner
1933 ~ 2014

Dane H. Turner, age 80, of Ocean Springs, died Saturday morning, September 20, 2014 at Ocean Springs Hospital, Ocean Springs, Mississippi.

Mr. Turner was born in Detroit, Michigan on December 6, 1933 and shortly after, the family moved to Denmark where they remained until the hostilities of World War 2 prompted them to return to Michigan in 1938 when Dane was 5 years old where he grew up.

He served in the US Navy and flew non-rigid airships out of Lakehurst, NJ that were used in the airborne early warning system missions during the early 1950's to fill gaps in the North American early warning network. After his discharge from the Navy, Dane graduated from LSU with a Bachelor of Science degree and went on to earn his MBA from Rollins College in May 1964.

His survivors include his wife of 20 years, Sheila Grieco-Turner; one son, Keith Turner (Ashley); two daughters, Stacy Ryan (Mike) and Tara Lanzini (Mitch); two step-daughters, Laura Lea Grieco and Karen French; and grandchildren, Lee, Kurt, Chad, Gabrielle, Hannah, Kerrigan, and Ethan.

Many Thanks

A sincere thank you to River Pointe Men's Club, Manchester, NJ for your very generous donation to NLHS and for your continuing support of NLHS. Special thank you to Peter Murphy, River Pointe & NLHS member for your continuing support of our Society.

Visit our New & Updated Web Site

Thanks to Tara Cunningham for your talents as Web Master and grant coordinator. Thanks to Margaret Burgess and her husband Dave who set up our previous website and who still do a great job in printing our newsletter.

Honor Roll

Due to space limits, the Honor Roll will Not appear in this newsletter. It will resume in our next newsletter.

Calendar of Events

May 6 –“78th” Memorial Observance, Hindenburg Disaster, 6:45 PM
Joint Base Lakehurst

May 8 – VE Day Europe

May 10 – Mothers Day

May 16 – Armed Forces Day

May 21 – Parade of Wreaths, JB McGuire – time 10 AM

May 25 – Memorial Day – (Let us remember the true meaning of this day. This should not be remembered as a day to run off to the mall.)

Jun 4 – 83rd Anniversary Battle of Midway at JB Lakehurst – 10 AM Flight Deck Conf. Room Bldg 484

Jun 6 - D-Day Anniversary

Jun 14 – Flag Day

Jun 20 - Officers and Trustee Meeting
9:30 AM, Bldg 150

Jun 21 – Father's Day

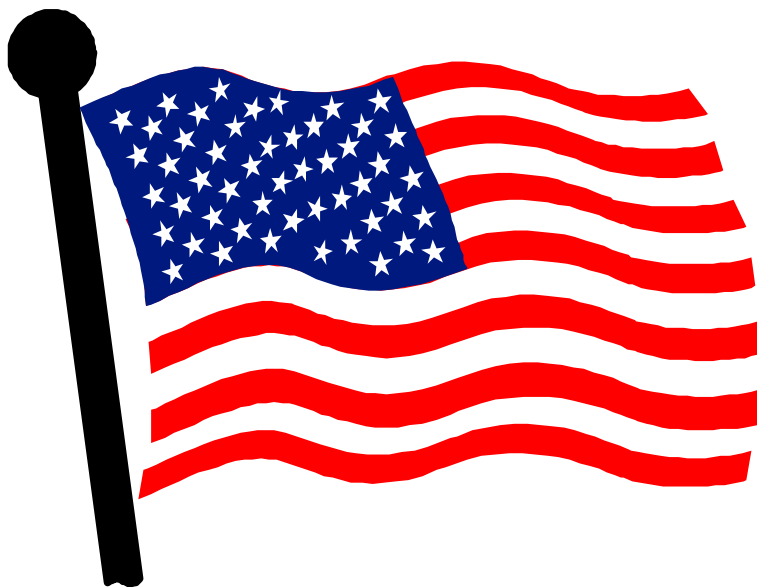
Jun 25 – 1950 Start of Korean War

Jun 26 – NAV Air Picnic –JB
Lakehurst at 11 AM

Jul 4 – Happy Birthday USA

Jul 18 – Breakfast Membership Meeting – 9 AM Lakehurst Diner

Jul 22 - Signing of GI Bill of Rights



REMEMBER

MEMORIAL DAY – MAY 25

FLAG DAY –JUNE 14

NLHS May 6, 2015 Hindenburg Memorial Services

ATTENDANCE COUPON

I WILL ATTEND THE FOLLOWING EVENT ON Wednesday, May 6, 2015 at 6:45 PM

Each person Attending must fill out a coupon.

FULL NAME in following format: *(please print) Make copies for each person attending*

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Full Middle name (not maiden name) _____

Drivers License #: _____ State: _____

PHONE (with area code): _____

MAIL TO: Navy Lakehurst Historical Society P.O. Box 328 Lakehurst, NJ 08733

ATTN: Hindenburg Ceremony

Or e-mail to: NAVLAKE@PRODIGY.NET

DEADLINE for registration: May 1, 2015 by 12 noon

You must fill out this coupon if you plan on attending this event and don't have a pass for the base.

NOTE: Your NLHS Membership card IS NOT a base pass.

Parade of Wreaths Attendance Coupon Thursday, May 21, 2015 10 AM

Location: Joint Base McGuire

FULL NAME in following format: *(please print) Make copies for each person attending*

Last Name _____ First name _____

Full Middle Name (not maiden name) _____

Drivers License #: _____ State: _____

PHONE (with area code): _____

MAIL TO: Navy Lakehurst Historical Society P.O. Box 328 Lakehurst, NJ 08733

Or e-mail information to : NAVLAKE@PRODIGY.net

ATTN: Parade of Wreaths

DEADLINE: May 18, 2015 by 12 noon

**You must fill out this coupon if you plan on attending
and don't have a pass for the base.**

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Battle of Midway Observance, Thursday, June 4, 2015 10 AM

Location: The Galley Conference meeting room located in Bldg. #484

FULL NAME in following format: (please print) Make copies for each person attending

Last Name _____ **Full Middle Name** _____

First name _____

Phone (with area code): _____

Drivers License #: _____ **State:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

MAIL TO: Navy Lakehurst Historical Society P.O. Box 328 Lakehurst, NJ 08733
ATTN: Battle of Midway

Or e-mail information to : NAVLAKE@PRODIGY.net

DEADLINE: June 1, 2015 noon - No reservations will be taken after this deadline date
NO PHONE CALLS – MAIL RESERVATIONS ONLY!

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NLHS July Breakfast Meeting – Saturday, July 18, 2015 - 9 AM

Meeting Location: Lakehurst Diner, Rt. 70 & Rt. 547 Lakehurst, NJ

_____ **Yes, I will be attending** _____ **No I will not be attending**

Your Name: _____

Number of Guests you are bringing: _____

MAIL TO: Navy Lakehurst Historical Society P.O. Box 328 Lakehurst, NJ 08733
Or e-mail information to : NAVLAKE@PRODIGY.net

ATTN: July Meeting

DEADLINE: Jul 15, 2015 by 12 noon

You must fill out this coupon if you plan on attending the meeting
so we will know how many are coming.