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Who are we?

Sons and Daughters of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team

During the past two years, we as an organization, and each son and daughter individually have done much talking and listening, and we have tried to distill our

ideas, questions, emotions and dreams, some still undefined, into some words to describe our purpose.

The Sons and Daughters of 442nd Veterans are here to perpetuate the legacy and values of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Just as our fathers have always encouraged and challenged us, we once again find ourselves striving to attain new goals.

Thelma Chang best describes our goal and challenge:

"But absent from almost all of them have been personal accounts of the men themselves: Their thoughts, their fears, their terrors.

Culture explains much of this absence. Japanese do not brag about their exploits.

Perhaps the reason why they consented to share what are in many cases painful memories is their ages. The boys of the 442nd are now elderly men. The twenty-year-old who stepped forward to volun-

teer for the U.S. Army in 1943 is now sixty-eight years old, retired and feeling—sometimes acutely, no doubt—his mortality. If the great trial and adventure of his youth is to be told, it must be told now."

As an organization we are interested in:

-preserving and sharing the legacy of the history of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, as well as the personal histories of members of the 442nd;

-compiling and maintaining a computer based registry of the names and addresses of all sons and daughters of 442nd Veterans;

-providing support to the Veterans Club in the planning of their yearly fellowship activities; as well as commemorative activities, such as the annual memorial service and banquet;

-establishing and maintaining a working and reciprocal relationship with other sons and daughters organizations;

-developing a program of activities, including but not limited to cultural, political, community service, educational and recreational, which would bring together sons and daughters into a network and to network with other organizations in Hawaii which would allow us to define, carry on and pass on the values which brought our fathers together some 50 years ago.

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Call For Membership

**Are You
Interested
In...**

- learning more about your father's war experiences?
- having a better understanding of your own heritage?
- networking with other sanseis?
- finding a long lost "cousin?"
- perpetuating our fathers' legacy for future generations?

Consider becoming a member of the Sons and Daughters of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team

**1993 will
mark our
formal
beginning
in more
ways than
one.**

1. On January 4, 1993, the Sons and Daughters became an official chapter of the 442nd Veterans Club of Honolulu.
2. The Bylaws have been finalized for adoption.
3. Registration for formal membership will begin.

If you are interested in becoming a member and are not in our data base, please send your name, address, and phone number(s) to:

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We wish to encourage all eligible sons and daughters of 442nd Veterans, to join the membership of the Sons and Daughters of 442nd Veterans, and help us work towards our goals.

Therefore, in honor of the Golden Anniversary of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, 1993 will mark the formal beginning of the Sons and Daughters of 442nd Veterans, to continue the legacy. On January 4, 1993, by a revision to their By-laws, our fathers recognized the Sons and Daughters as an official Chapter of the 442nd Veterans Club of Honolulu.

The legacy continues...

The Honor Roll

The Sons and Daughters wish to honor and sincerely thank the following companies, organizations, and individuals for their commitment to supporting our quest to continue the legacy of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

The Medal of Honor

Auto Fender Clinic, Inc.
Central Pacific Bank
Foodland Super Market, Ltd.
Nissan Motor Corporation in Hawaii, Ltd.

The Distinguished Service Medal

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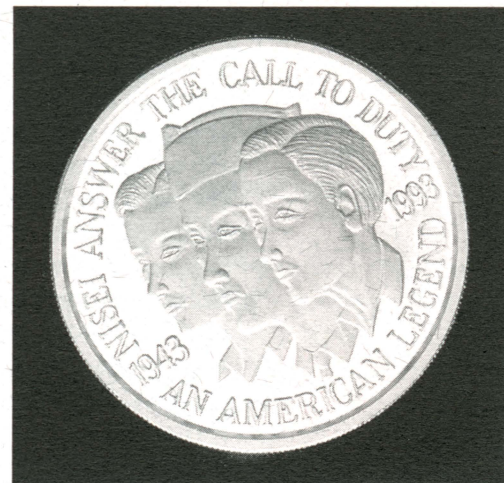
The Legion of Merit

Alexander & Baldwin Foundation
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The Royal Hawaiian Hotel
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442nd RTC 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coin



The official 442nd Commemorative coins are available in Gold, Silver and Bronze. The single silver of one ounce .999 fine silver (pure) is only \$29.95. The Bronze is available in a two coin set with a silver coin for \$39.95. Both the single Silver and Bronze/Silver Set include a custom velvet presentation case. The Gold 442nd Commemorative Set of three coins is presented in a wood case with one ounce .9999 fine (24K) Gold Proof, Silver and Bronze for \$695.00. All coins include a certificate of authenticity and story in honor of the Nisei 442nd and RCT.

Contributions will primarily support:

Veteran's parade "Honor and Sacrifice"
Display of historical photos and memorabilia
Souvenir Newsletter

100th/442nd Archival Research Project
and

A computer-based registry of sons and daughters
of 442nd veterans

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Defining and Perpetuating the Legacy

The Sons and Daughters of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team was born at the urging of our parents.

We have now defined a common purpose that not only honors our father's history, but also applies the lessons learned so we may build a foundation today, for a better tomorrow.

The Sons and Daughters seek not only fellowship and reverence for the past, we will also strive to make a positive contribution to shape the community's future. To this end, the Sons and Daughters have embarked on a task of looking at the issues that have shaped the Japanese American experience. We seek to promote discussion on the impact of these issues, and of our roles and responsibilities.

In the Fall of 1991, the Sons and Daughters held a fellowship which included our fathers and mothers, and we recognized the war time achievements of the veterans.

In March 1992, the Sons and Daughters organized the 49th Anniversary Memorial Service and Reunion Banquet. These events focused on the accomplishments of the veterans and the need to perpetuate their history. For the first time, we also had their legacy defined for us in terms of our responsibility to remain vigilant and vocal on issues of present day racism, inequality, injustice, and ignorance.

During the summer of 1992, the Sons and Daughters co-sponsored with the University of Hawaii Campus Center Board, a four part series that focused on the plantation experience and the impact of Pidgin English; the fathers' war time experiences captured through oral histories; and the Sansei experience and challenge. We closed the series with an introduction to the issues surrounding sovereignty for the indigenous people of Hawaii.

Our present goals coincided with the 50th Anniversary Reunion as we assumed full responsibility for the Veteran's Parade. We also created a transportable display of his-

torical photos, memorabilia, video, and books to preserve and share the legacy of the 442nd Veterans. Finally, this souvenir newsletter was published.

The Sons and Daughters' medium to long term goals are to compile and maintain a computer based registry of all sons and daughters of 442nd Veterans, and to support the 100th/442nd Archival Research Project.

We are also planning future events which will continue to focus on issues of social and cultural importance for the Sansei and Yonsei. Immediately, we are developing a series of discussions and workshops beginning in May 1993, which will explore one of the foundations of the Japanese American Culture in Hawaii for the third and fourth generations... "Patriarchy, and its impact and meaning for the Japanese American woman." Familiar are the stories of Japanese women who still find themselves blamed for a failed marriage, forced to give up a career for family, for speaking out, etc. We will look at how Japanese American women adjust and cope in a generally male oriented society.

We are also developing ideas for events which will reach back and forward across the generations.

It's also networking with other sanseis. And let's not forget FUN! How about introducing the yonseis to a "Hana Bata Day's" picnic with shaved ice, races, and prizes. Or an old fashion Christmas Party representing three, and maybe four generations!

As a fledgling organization, our goals are challenging an ambitious, like everything else we baby boomers do! The Sons and Daughters is our organization, to be whatever we make it to be.

Please share your thoughts and visions with other Sons and Daughters...