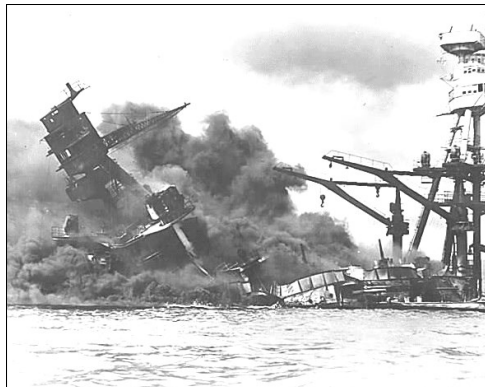


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USS Arizona - December 7, 1941

“OAHU BOMBED...!” screamed the headlines on December 7, 1941. World War II had begun.

Seventy-five years later, the USS Missouri overlooks the USS Arizona and the resting place of the brave sailors who lost their lives on that infamous day in 1941.

The commemoration of the attack on Pearl Harbor, in honor of those who were lost and those who survived the attack, was hosted by the National Park Service and the United States Navy.

The commemoration ceremony included guests of honor members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association along with multiple generations of their families. Over 1,500 students from across the country performed “A Gift of Music” at the Battleship Missouri to honor the sacrifices and dedication of our “Greatest Generation.”

Peace came to the world on September 2, 1945 as the Japanese surrendered aboard the Battleship Missouri in Tokyo Bay. Today the USS Missouri is an historic reminder of our nation’s resolve and stands as a tribute to the brave men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country.



Pearl Harbor Survivors honored on December 7, 2016.

We will never forget the courage and sacrifice of those who have gone before us. We will keep their memory alive by telling their stories and honoring their dedication and service.

To this end, the Battleship Missouri salutes our veterans and the active duty men and women who continue this legacy of Duty, Honor, Country.



“Friends of the Mighty Mo” Membership Program

If you would like to support our mission to preserve the Battleship Missouri and share her story and place in history, please consider becoming a member of the “Friends of the Mighty Mo.”

Member benefits include free admission for one year, a 20% discount for up to 5 persons when accompanied by a member, along with free or discount admission to special events (e.g., Member Overnight Encampment and Living History Day). In addition, members receive a 10% discount at the Battleship Store.

Your membership purchase provides important funding to support the Battleship Missouri and helps us fulfill our key mission initiatives of **Preservation, Restoration, Education, and Community Outreach.**

To learn more about the Battleship Missouri and membership with Friends of the Mighty Mo, visit us at www.ussmissouri.org or send an email to: donations@ussmissouri.org.

LIVING HISTORY DAY



Living History Day reenactors

History came alive at the Battleship Missouri during its annual Living History Day on January 28. The celebration commemorated the 73rd anniversary of the USS Missouri’s original launch into service in 1944 and the 18th anniversary of its location in Pearl Harbor. It was a celebration and exhibition of historical organizations, cultural museums, and active duty commands.

Visitors remarked how they thoroughly enjoyed the numerous activities available designed for the entire family. “This was a fun day for everyone including guests and staff on board the Battleship Missouri,” commented a participant.

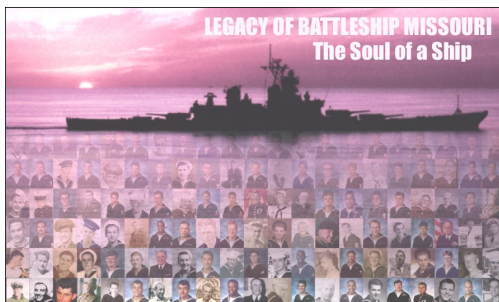
The Battleship Missouri’s Living History Day is a unique ship-wide staff collaboration coordinated by the Education Department. Our team serves together to preserve the Battleship Missouri and creatively share her story and place in history. To learn more and to support our mission, visit us at www.ussmissouri.org.



Alfred Rodrigues, Pearl Harbor Survivor, and a young friend

THE CREW’S ROOM EXHIBIT

“We all sometimes lose sight of the Missouri as more than the steel and teak that she is made of; we forget that she is also filled with the memories of those who made her live and breathe,” commented Mike Weidenbach, the USS Missouri’s curator, in his description of the Crew’s Room Exhibit.



Crew’s Room Exhibit Entry Panel and Theme

The USS Missouri’s newest exhibit is located on the second deck aft and contains a collection of artifacts donated by generations of former crew members. This design provides a glimpse of their life-at-sea aboard the Battleship Missouri.



If you have information or materials that you would like to share with our archives and collections, please email Mike Weidenbach at curator@ussmissouri.org.

The Battleship Missouri is dedicated to preserve the memories and tell the stories of those who served on her decks for future generations.



Mike Carr, President/CEO

Thank you for your support of the Battleship Missouri in 2016. We welcomed a record 600,000 paid visitors and we had a very successful financial year.

The 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor provided us with a boost in international attention and attendance during the December 7th week-long Remembrance Events. Advance planning for the 75th Anniversary of the End of WWII (September 2, 2020) has already begun—please stay tuned for announcements regarding this significant event.

We enter 2017 with a full slate of capital projects. The Superstructure Repair Project is now underway along with many other less visible projects. I tip my hat to our Engineering Staff and contractors who labor long, hard hours on strategic projects while maintaining safe access to the ship for our many guests.

Approximately \$6 million will be spent as we continue our efforts to restore and preserve the Battleship Missouri for decades to come. Of course, these expenditures are not possible without your ongoing support. The USS Missouri Board of Directors and I would like to thank you for your continued support of our mission to preserve the Mighty Mo and share her story and place in history.

Happy 2017!

Mike Carr, President/CEO
USS Missouri Memorial Association