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Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum To Host Free Pearl Harbor Day Memorial Service

December 7, 2023 will be the 82nd anniversary of the Japanese attack

MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. – Patriots Point Naval and Maritime Museum announces a free Memorial Service aboard the USS Yorktown on Thursday, December 7 at 11 a.m. to honor the 25 known South Carolinians who were killed in the 1941 Japanese attack.

The service, organized with Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10624, will include a wreath-laying, tolling of a bell, and a traditional gun salute. Remarks will be given by special guest retired Army Major General Julian JB Burns, who commanded the East German and Korean Borders, and served as Chief of Ops in the Balkan War. Museum admission will be waived from 10 to 11 a.m. for the memorial service.

“Patriots Point is honored to be a place where the community can come together to pay tribute to those who served and honor this critical chapter in our nation’s history,” said Allison Hunt, Executive Director, Patriots Point.

The Japanese used more than 350 aircraft during the 75-minute attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. 2,403 people were killed in the attack, which includes 2,335 U.S. service members and 68 civilians. In total, more than 300 U.S. aircraft and 19 Navy ships were destroyed or damaged.

Visitors and locals are invited to reflect, remember, and honor those who lost their lives on that fateful day.

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PATRIOTS POINT NAVAL & MARITIME MUSEUM



About Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum

Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum, on the Charleston Harbor, is the #1 attraction in Mount Pleasant, S.C., and is home to a fleet of National Historic Landmark ships, and the only Vietnam Support Base Camp in the U.S. Patriots Point is also headquarters to the Congressional Medal of Honor Society and the agency's official Medal of Honor Museum. Visit www.patriotspoint.org for more details, or find us at @patriots_point on Twitter and Instagram, and Facebook at www.facebook.com/PatriotsPoint.org.

About the USS Yorktown Foundation

The USS Yorktown Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated to raising funds to provide scholarships for educational programs at Patriots Point Naval & Maritime Museum, as well as supporting new exhibits, symposiums and special programs. The Foundation's mission is "to cultivate a unique learning environment that connects generations by celebrating America's history and its heroes, inspiring freedom, patriotism, leadership and service." For more information, please visit www.USSYorktownFoundation.org or call 843.881.5925.