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40TH (RUBY) ANNIVERSARY OF THE FALL OF BATAAN

To: Bureau Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities  
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities  
Vocational School Superintendents/Administrators

1. Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 2092 dated June 19, 1981, the Defenders of Bataan and Corregidor (DBC) will commemorate the 40th (Ruby) Anniversary of the Fall of Bataan on April 9, 1982 with the theme "Reunion for Peace" to honor those who gave up their lives in Bataan and Corregidor and other USAFFE Fronts that others may live in freedom. Among the activities will be a research contest on what really happened in Bataan, Corregidor and other USAFFE Fronts. The contest is open to all bona fide Filipino high school students.
2. The following objectives and scope have been formulated for this contest:

Objectives:

- a. To enable the youth to appreciate the significance of Bataan and Corregidor;
- b. To ferret and bring out more objectively, factual happenings in World War II which are still unrecorded, or presented inaccurately, erroneously or unfavorably for the Filipino soldier;
- c. To impress upon the youth not only the need to take and exert all efforts to preserve peace and tranquility for our people but also to be prepared in case of unavoidable catastrophe or conflagration; and
- d. To discover the existence of documents and war relics which the veterans and others were able to preserve, and which may be valuable in the DBC exhibit and museum.

Scope: Participants are expected to locate surviving USAFFE veterans and obtain firsthand reliable information on their experience during -

- a. USAFFE preparations in setting up mobilization centers, training camps, storage and issue of arms, ammunitions, equipment, food, medicine, supplies, etc.,
- b. enemy raids and landings, encounters, battles and other military actions, and
- c. surrender, "death march" and concentration camps.

3. In view of the crucial role that Bataan and Corregidor played in our history, and the need to rekindle among our youth of today the spirit of patriotism, self-reliance and self-sacrifice, all high schools, public and private, are enjoined to participate in this research contest.

4. The rules and research guides governing the research contest are inclosed.

5. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

(SGD.) ONOFRE D. CORPUZ  
Minister

Incls.:  
As stated

Reference:  
None

Allotment: 1-2-3-4--(D.O. 1-76)

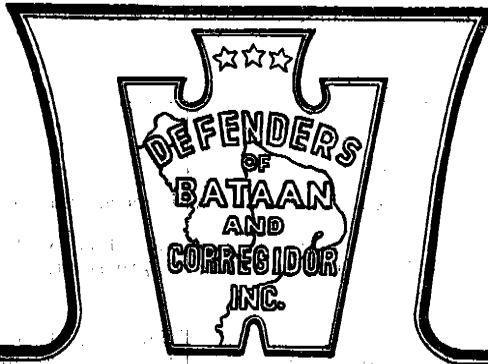
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under the following subjects:

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CONTEST	SOCIETY or ASSOCIATIONS
Course of Study, SECONDARY	STUDENTS

# WW II RESEARCH CONTEST

40TH BATAAN DAY  
COMMEMORATIVE  
RITES  
(1942) APRIL 9 (1982)

PRIZES:  
**P43,200**  
PLUS  
**SCHOLARSHIPS**



**FPA**  
\* VALDES 0-1001  
DEPUTY \* LIM (03722) 0-1003  
DEPUTY \* DE JESUS 0-1031

**1st REGULAR DIVISION**  
\* SEGUNDO (03861) 0-1008  
\* BERRY (07220)  
c/s \* GUEVARRA (015324) 0-1723

**2nd REGULAR DIVISION**  
\* FRANCISCO 0-1002  
c/s \* MARTINEZ 0-1017

**11th DIVISION**  
\* BROUGHER (03183)  
c/s \* MORAN (01479) 0-1082

**21st DIVISION**  
\* CAPININ (08377) 0-1007  
c/s \* VILLALUZ 0-1192

**31st DIVISION**  
\* SILVELL (02642)  
c/s \* MARTELINO (012670) 0-1014

**41st DIVISION**  
\* LIM (03722) 0-1003  
c/s \* DOMAGAL 0-1165

**51st DIVISION**  
\* JONES (03188)  
\* ROBLET (015661) 0-1078

**61st DIVISION**  
\* CHYNOWETH (03489)  
\* CHRISTE (04813)  
c/s \* QUMBO 0-1011

**71st DIVISION**  
\* SELLECK (02841)  
\* PIERCE (04897)  
c/s \* REYES (08614) 0-1009

"What really happened in Bataan, Corregidor and other USAFFE Fronts — in 1941-42?"

OPEN TO: Bona Fide Filipino High School Students.  
PRIZES OFFERED FOR WINNING ENTRIES: 1st 2nd 3rd  
To winners among "QUALIFYING" entries from each of the 14 Regions in the Phil. — P 1,000 P 500 P 300  
To FINAL winners, to be chosen from 1st Prize winners of each of the 14 Regions P10,000 P5,000 P3,000  
PLUS: One-year Scholarship for each of the THREE (3) Final Winners.

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  - To impress upon the Youth the need not only to take all efforts to preserve peace and tranquility for our people but also to be prepared in case of unavoidable catastrophe or conflagration.

- SCOPE: Participants are expected to locate surviving USAFFE veterans and obtain "FIRST HAND" information on:
1. USAFFE preparations in setting up mobilization centers, training camps, storage and issue of arms, ammunition, equipment, food, medicine supplies, etc.
  2. Enemy raids and landings; encounters, battles and other military action.
  3. Civilian participation and support.
  4. Surrender, "death march" and concentration camps.
  5. Documents and war relics which they were able to preserve and which may be valuable in the DBC exhibit and museum.

- SCORING BASES FOR CONTESTANTS:
1. Number of veterans interviewed (see guidelines) 20%
  2. Comprehensiveness and authenticity of information obtained 20%
  3. Reporting form, writing style 20%
  4. Number of authentic documents located, copies obtained, photocopied made & submitted 20%
  5. Number of war relics located with pictures taken and submitted to DBC 20%

LANGUAGE: Filipino or English.  
FORMAT: Typewritten, double space, in legal size white bond paper.

AUTHORSHIP: Only the PEN NAME of the writer should be written on entry paper and on the face of a separate SEALED envelope, enclosing the full name and address of the author/contestant.

SUBMISSION: Entries together with photocopies of authentic documents and/or war relics must be sent by REGISTERED MAIL, addressed to:  
DEFENDERS OF BATAAN & CORREGIDOR, INC.  
P. O. Box 857, Manila, Philippines  
or submitted directly to:  
THE DBC SECRETARIAT

Entries must be OFFICIALLY received by the DBC not later than 14 February 1982.  
DECISION BY THE BOARD OF JUDGES, whose names will be revealed only AFTER the official announcement of the winners, shall be FINAL, and participants waive their rights to question such decision before any other Authority or Judicial Body.

*(Signature)*  
Mayor, City of Manila and Chairman, Ruby Anniversary Committee

*(Signature)*  
in AFP (Ret.) Co-Chairman, Ruby Anniversary Committee

**USAFFE**  
\* \* \* \* \* McARTHUR (057)  
c/s \* SUTHERLAND (04623)  
(U.S. AFIP-UNFIP)  
\* \* \* \* \* WAINWRIGHT (02131)  
c/s \* BEEBE (08229)

**PHIL. DEPARTMENT**  
\* \* \* \* \* GRUNERT (01534)  
c/s \* McBRIDE (02461)

**PHILIPPINE DIVISION**  
\* \* \* \* \* LOUGH (03185)  
c/s \* McDOWNE (02759)

**LUZON FORCE**  
\* \* \* \* \* KING (02442)  
c/s \* FUNK (05580)  
\* \* \* \* \* JONES (0-3188)  
c/s \* MAHER (03747)  
\* \* \* \* \* PARKER (02783)  
c/s \* MACDONALD (03854)

**VIS-MIN FORCE**  
\* \* \* \* \* SHARP (02183)  
c/s \* THOMPSON (02975)  
Dep c/s \* NIXON (07800)

**FAR EAST AIR FORCE**  
\* \* \* \* \* CLAGGET (02152)  
c/s \* GEORGE (010781)  
\* \* \* \* \* BREYTON (03132)  
c/s \* BRADY (07288)

**HARBOR DEFENSE**  
\* \* \* \* \* MOORE (0282)  
c/s \* MITCHELL (02790)  
\* \* \* \* \* MARQUAT (08533)

**ASIATIC FLEET**  
\* \* \* \* \* HART  
c/s \* FURNELL

**18th NAVAL DIST**  
\* \* \* \* \* ROCKWELL  
c/s \* RAY

**NAVAL TASK FORCE 5**  
\* \* \* \* \* GLASSFORD

**OFFSHORE PATROL**  
\* \* \* \* \* ANDRADA 0-1229  
\* \* \* \* \* JURADO 0-1409

**PA AIR CORPS**  
\* \* \* \* \* BACKES (01988)  
\* \* \* \* \* FERNANDO 0-1118

**101st DIVISION**  
\* \* \* \* \* VACHON (03233)  
c/s \* BAGUI (012186) 0-1013  
\* \* \* \* \* MORSE (05108)  
\* \* \* \* \* FRISSEL (06544)

**81st DIVISION**  
\* \* \* \* \* FORT 0-1005  
c/s \* DUQUE 0-1072

**91st DIVISION**  
\* \* \* \* \* STEVENS 0-1004  
c/s \* VELASQUEZ 0-1220

**102nd DIVISION**  
\* \* \* \* \* MORSE (05108)  
\* \* \* \* \* FRISSEL (06544)

# Research Contest on WW II in the Philippines (1941-42 Period Only)

Guide for Interviewing WW II Veterans (with USAFFE or Asiatic Fleet, or Philippine Army or Constabulary from 26 July 1941 and/or inducted into the USAFFE before 17 May 1942.

## VETERAN INTERVIEWED:

1. Present Rank (Name) (Army Serial No.) (Address; Tel. No.)

1941 Rank '41 Assignment (Unit) (Battalion) (Regiment) (Division) Other Command

If necessary, to enable Veteran to recall his 1941-42 assignment, read or show him the following:

**Philippine Army Division:** ( ) 1st Regular; ( ) 2nd Regular; ( ) 11th; ( ) 21st; ( ) 31st; ( ) 41st; ( ) 51st; ( ) 61st; ( ) 81st; ( ) 91st; ( ) 101st; ( ) 102nd; ( ) PA Air Corps; ( ) PA Offshore Patrol ( )

**Phil. Army Non-Div. Commands:** ( ) 51st Provisional Brigade; ( ) Military Intelligence Service; ( ) Anti-Sabotage Regt.; ( ) 301st FA; ( ) 301st ( ) 302 Engr. Bns; ( ) 1st CAC; ( ) 2nd CAC; ( ) 301st Chem Co; ( ) PATC, Hospitals; ( ) PC Districts & Provincial Units which

**US FORCES:** ( ) USAFFE; ( ) USFIP; ( ) PHIL. DEPT. ( ) North Luzon Force; ( ) South Luzon Force; ( ) Visayan-Mindanao Force; ( ) Service Command Area; ( ) Harbor Defense; ( ) Far East Air Force; ( ) Phil. Div. (Phil. Scouts); ( ) Asiatic Fleet

## 2. MOBILIZATION

2.1 Was he already in active duty when the USAFFE was activated 26 July 1941? .....

2.2 When was he called to active duty: ....., 194.....

### 2.3 WHERE DID HE UNDERGO HIS MOBILIZATION TRAINING?

At places of mobilization: ..... or at: ( ) Ft McKinley; ( ) Stotsenberg; ( ) DAU; ( ) Ft Wint; ( ) Camp Murphy; or at .....

### 2.4 WHAT CAN HE SAY ABOUT

-- Arms issued to him? ..... Ammunition: .....

-- Did he have any firing practice? .....

-- Uniform: ..... Supplies: .....

-- Training Instruction: .....

## WARTIME DUTY IN LUZON

3.1 Where was he at the outbreak of the war on 08 December 1941? .....

3.2 Which raids, encounters, battles and other military action was he present and what was his involvement? .....

If he cannot immediately recall: The following should serve as reminders:

3.3 If he was with the NORTH LUZON FORCE, was he with: ( ) 11th; ( ) 21st; ( ) 31st; ( ) 71st; ( ) 91st; ( ) 26th Cav; ( ) Tank Grp; ( ) 88th FA; ( ) 11th Prov'l FA (SPM); .....

In the 10 December 1941 Japanese Landing, was he at ( ) Batan Island, Batanes; ( ) Camiguin Is., Batanes; ( ) Aparri; and/or ( ) Gonzaga, Cagayan; ( ) .....

In the 10 & 12 December 1941 Japanese Landings was he at ( ) Vigan, Ilocos Sur; ( ) .....

In the 22-24 December 1941 Japanese Landings at Lingayen Gulf, was he at ( ) Bauang; ( ) Santiago; ( ) Caba; ( ) Agoo; ( ) Damortis; .....

On 23-30 December 1941, was he at any of the following DELAY LINES?

1st Line ( ) Bugallon; ( ) San Carlos; ( ) Binalonan; ( ) .....

2nd Line ( ) Bayambang; ( ) Villasis; ( ) Asingan; ( ) .....

3rd Line ( ) Sta. Ignacia; ( ) Gerona; ( ) Guimba; ( ) Muñoz; ( ) San Jose; .....

4th Line ( ) Tarlac; ( ) La Paz; ( ) Zaragoza; ( ) Cabanatuan; .....

5th Line ( ) .....

3.4 If with the SOUTH LUZON FORCE, was he with: ( ) 1st RD; ( ) 41st; ( ) 51st;

( ) 51st Brig; ( ) 86th FA ( ) 26th Cav; ( ) Prov'l FA (SPM) .....

Indicate if he was in the following actions, and his remarks:

23 Dec '41 -- Invasion of Legaspi: .....

23 Dec '41 -- ( ) Mauban; ( ) Atimonan; ( ) Siatin; ( ) .....

-- Dec '41 -- Encounters at .....

26 Dec '41 -- Manila "Open City": HPA, HPC, .....

27 Dec '41 -- Invasion of Mindoro .....

3.5 Indicate if he was IN ACTION in ROADS TO BATAAN; his Division, and remarks:

31 Dec '41 — Baliwag/Plaridel Bridge- ( )71st Div; ( )91st Div; ( )Tank Grp;  
( )11th Prov'l FA (SPM); ( )51st Div; ( )  
01 Jan '42 — Angeles/San Fernando/Calumpit Bridge  
02 Jan '42 — ( )Porac; ( )Sta. Rita; ( )Guagua; 11th Div; ( )21st Div; ( )26th  
Cav; ( )192nd Anti-Tank  
03 Jan '42 — ( )San Jose; ( )Lubao; ( )Sexmoan; ( )  
04 Jan '42 — ( )Gumain River; ( )s)

4. PREPARATIONS FOR THE DEFENSE OF BATAAN. Indicate if he was with any of the following units, and his remarks:

4.1 Bataan Security Force: ( )Phil Div (less 57th Inf); ( )1st PC's 2Bn, ( )Bataan PC Co;  
( )US Navy Units at Mariveles;  
03-23 Dec '41 Preparations:  
4.2 Bataan Defense Force: Addition of ( )31st Div, ( )41st Div, and 57th INF (PS)  
23 Dec '41 - 06 Jan '42 preparations:

5. BATTLES IN BATAAN

5.1 If he was at the BATTLE OF LAYAC JUNCTION indicate his unit and recollection during the preparations and battles: ( )71st Div; ( )31st Inf (US); ( )26th Cav,  
( )Tank Grp; ( )23rd FA; ( )88th FA;  
02-05 Jan '42 — Dinalupihan-Hermosa Line:  
06 Jan '42 — Battle of Layac Junction:

5.2 On 07 Jan '42 where was he deployed?:

I Corps: ( )1st Reg Div; ( )91st Div; ( )26th Cav; ( )45th Inf (PS);  
II Corps: ( )11th Div; ( )21st Div; ( )41st Div; ( )61st Div; ( )301st FA;  
( )57th Inf (PS);  
Service Area Command: ( )2nd Reg Div; ( )71st ( )PA Air Corps Bn;  
Mariveles Bay-US Navy Units;  
USAFFE Reserves - Phil Div (Less Unit);

5.3 BATTLE OF ABUCAY: ( )41st Div; ( )51st Div; ( )57th Inf. (PS); ( )301st  
FA; ( )24th FA (PS); ( )1st Prov'l FA Grp (SPM); ( )11th Div; ( )21st Div;  
09 Jan '42 —  
10 Jan '42 —  
— '42 —

5.4 BATTLE OF MORON: ( )1st Reg Div; ( )2nd PC; ( )31st FA; ( )72nd Inf;  
( )91st FA; ( )72nd Inf; ( )26th Cav; ( )192nd Tank:  
12 Jan 42 —  
— Jan '42 —

5.5 BATTLE OF THE POINTS: ( )71st Div; ( )1st PC; ( )45th Inf; ( )88th FA;  
( )192nd Tank; ( )34th Pursuit; ( )PA Air Corps; ( )Naval Bn; ( )4th Marines  
(USN):  
19 Jan '42 —  
— Jan '42 —  
— Feb '42 —

5.6 BATTLE OF THE POCKETS: ( )1st Reg Div; ( )51st RCT; ( )2nd PC; ( )91st Div;  
( )31st Div; ( )41st Inf; ( )26th Cav; ( )45th Inf:  
28 Jan '42 —  
— Jan '42 —  
— Feb '42 —

~~5.7 "WORDS" WAR and other preparations:~~

5.8

5.9 FINAL BATTLE AND SURRENDER OF BATAAN

03 Apr '42 —

04 Apr '42 —

5.10 "DEATH MARCH"

09 Apr '42 —

10 Apr '42 —

5.11 CONCENTRATION CAMP (CAPAS). Indicate his assignment and remarks:

— Apr '42 — Group ..... Sub Group:.....  
— '42 — ..... under .....

5.12 DAU REHABILITATION CAMP — Indicate his assignment and remarks:

— Aug '42 ( ) .....  
— Sept '42 ( ) .....

6. ACTIONS IN VISAYAS-MINDANAO — Indicate his units: ( ) 61st Div; ( ) 73rd; ( ) 74th;  
( ) 75th, Inf; ( ) 81st Div; ( ) 3rd Inf; ( ) 101st Div; ( ) 102nd Div;  
Indicate which "ACTIONS" he was involved and his remarks:

6.2 Invasion of Jolo 24 Dec '41 .....

6.3 Invasion of Bacolod 24 Mar '42 .....

6.4 Invasion of Panay 16 Apr '42 .....

6.5 Invasion of Cebu 20 Apr '42 .....

6.6 Invasion at Illana Bay 29 Apr '42 .....

6.7 Invasion of Zamboanga 01 May '42 .....

6.8 Invasion at Macajalar Bay 03 May '42 .....

6.9 Surrender 17 May '42 .....

6.10 Concentration — May '42 — ..... '42 Camp Casisang .....

7. USA & USN COMMANDS — Indicate his unit and remarks:

7.1 Far East Air Force Hq: ( ) V-Bomber; ( ) 7th, ( ) 14th, ( ) 28th, ( ) 70th, ( ) 93rd,  
Bombardment Sqdns; .....

V-Interceptor: ( ) 2nd, ( ) 14th, ( ) 20th, ( ) 21st ( ) 34th Sqdns; .....

4th-Composite Grp: ( ) 5th, ( ) 20th, Airbases; ( ) 40th Sqdns; .....

7.2 Harbor Defense: ( ) Ft Mills (Corregidor); ( ) Ft Hughes (Caballo); ( ) Ft Drum  
(Fraile); ( ) Ft Frank (Carabao); ( ) Ft Wint (Grande Is); ( ) 59th CAC; ( ) 60th  
CAC; ( ) 91st CAC; (PA); ( ) 92nd CAC ( ) .....

7.3 Asiatic Fleet: ( ) 16th Naval Dist.; ( ) Naval Task Force 5; ( ) 4th Marines; ( ) Naval  
Bn; ( ) Cruiser "....."; ( ) Destroyer "....."; ( ) Submarine  
"....."; ( ) Sub Tender "....."; ( ) Minesweeper ".....";  
( ) Gunboat "....." ( ) Torpedoboat "....."; ( ) "....."

"ACTIONS", where veterans saw naval action and remarks:

— Dec '41 — .....

— Jan '42 — .....

— Feb '42 — .....

— Apr '42 — .....

— Feb '42 — .....

— Mar '42 — .....

— May '42 — .....

06 May '42 — Surrender of Corregidor: .....

— May '42 To Concentration Camps: .....

OTHER RECOLLECTIONS AND COMMENTS:

CONTESTANT'S PEN-NAME OR PSEUDONYM: \_\_\_\_\_

To be placed also on a sealed envelope containing contestant's full name and address.

NOTE: The foregoing is only a guide form for your convenience in aiding the Veteran recall  
units, places of assignment and action, etc. You may however write out your interview in other  
forms. If you want more copies of this form, or other information or clarification, write to:

Assistant National Commander and Historical Officer Antonio Varias 0-22523 P.O. Box 857 Manila, Philippines.