

## World War I and II, RG005.45

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** World War I and II

**Dates:** 1940 to Present

**Collection Number:** RG005.45

**Creator/Collector:** La Jolla Historical Society

**Extent:** 1.5 linear feet

**Repository:** La Jolla Historical Society, La Jolla, California 92037

**Abstract:** The World War I and II Collection is made up of photographs, artifacts, multi-media, ephemera, oral histories and archival material collected by the La Jolla Historical Society since the 1940s to use for historical research and reference. Topics include La Jolla life during war periods, anti-aircraft guns, Japanese internment, civilian defense, rationing, and veterans. The topics in this Collection pertain to the history and heritage of La Jolla, California; its people, places and events. A container list is included on the PDF and HTML versions.

**Language of Material:** English

**Access:** The Collection is open for research

**Publication Rights:** The La Jolla Historical Society holds the copyright to any unpublished materials

**Preferred Citation:** Courtesy of the La Jolla Historical Society

**Acquisition Information:** RG005.45

**Biography/Administrative History:** The La Jolla Historical Society inspires and empowers the community to make La Jolla's diverse past a relevant part of contemporary life.

The La Jolla Historical Society's Collections encompass over 80 years of actively collecting archival material, books, maps, scrapbooks, ephemera, fine art, newspapers, street and land use files, business and personal documents and historic and archaeological artifacts. The Society boasts over 20,000 photographs, over 1000 postcards, 400-plus architectural drawings and approximately 200 oral history recordings.

Collecting was initiated by Howard Randolph and volunteers on the historical committee of the Library Association of La Jolla. The Collection began by gathering photographs and documentation in the late 1930s, which later became the nucleus of the La Jolla Historical Society's Collections. The Society was created in 1963.

Through many moves in location the Society continued collecting and expanding. Accumulated Collections took on its current construct in 2010 after the renovation of the La Jolla Historical Society's campus of structures in central La Jolla, which consists of the 1904 Wisteria Cottage and 1940s Balmer Annex used for exhibits and programming, and a 1909 cottage used for business and research offices. The late Ellen Browning Scripps' 1916 automobile garage was also renovated and now houses the Collection in a modern collections storage facility. Materials are housed in archival boxes, sleeves, envelopes and other archival-safe materials and are cared for according to standards and best practices of the museum profession. In 2016, the Society initiated new PastPerfect Museum Software to manage and catalog its Collections and in 2018 started using the Online Archive of California to upload searchable information from its

Collections to enable improved public access. The Society will continue these processes and look forward to utilizing new opportunities to collect, preserve and share the history of La Jolla.

**Scope and Content of Collection:** The World War I and II Collection is made up of photographs, artifacts, multi-media, ephemera, oral histories and archival material collected by the La Jolla Historical Society since the 1940s to use for historical research and reference. Topics include La Jolla life during war periods, anti-aircraft guns, Japanese internment, civilian defense, rationing, and veterans. The topics in this Collection pertain to the history and heritage of La Jolla, California; its people, places and events. A container list is included on the PDF and HTML versions.

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## RG005.45 – Subject Files Box 45.1-45.2 – World War I and II

### No Folder

Letters. Collection of letters from the First and Second World War to and from prominent La Jollans.

Vinyl records. Vinyl record album with four ten-inch records by Lani McIntire titled "Aloha Hawaii".

Vinyl records. Vinyl record album with four ten-inch records from Jerome Kern's "Showboat". 1940's.

Vinyl records. Empty vinyl record album for four ten-inch records titled "Freddie Slack's Boogie Woogie". 1945.

Glass bottle. Glass 7 Up soda bottle. Circa 1959.

Roofing nails. Roof tile nails from the AT&T building on Gilman Dr. torn down in the late 1980's.

CD set. Compact disc compilation of music from the 1940's titled "Music of the War Years". 2002.

DVD. DVD titled "UCSD Biology's Story: Looking Back, Moving Forward". November 2010.

CD. Compact disc compilation of music from 1940-1941 titled "Stagedoor Canteen: Music of the War Years". 1990.

Armband. Civilian Defense armband from WWII. 1941-1945.

### Bird Rock – Anti-Aircraft Guns

Photograph. Aerial photo of the Bird Rock naval installation. 1942-1945.

Article. "Bird Rock Training Center Explained". La Jolla Journal. June 7, 1945.

Photograph. Photo of anti-aircraft guns at the Bird Rock Anti-Aircraft Training Center. 1941-1945.

Photograph. Aerial photo of the wartime La Jolla coastline (two copies).

Photograph. Photo of a World War II-era bunker on Mount Soledad with a small description of its history. July 14, 1977.

Photograph. Photo of the anti-aircraft battery at Bird Rock. 1941-1945 (two copies).

Photograph. Photo of the anti-aircraft battery at Bird Rock firing the guns. 1941 (two copies).

Map. Map of the La Jolla coastline and the Bird Rock anti-aircraft emplacements during the Second World War.

Book excerpt. Book segment detailing the history of the Bird Rock Anti-Aircraft Training Center and La Jolla during the Second World War.

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Notes. Collection of handwritten documents regarding the history and location of the Bird Rock Anti-Aircraft Training Center.

Emails. Collection of printed emails regarding local residents' participation in the La Jolla in Wartime exhibit for the La Jolla Historical Society. October-November 2011.

## **Photographs - World War I and II**

Photograph. Photo of a Consolidated B-24 Liberator flying over San Diego. 1940's.

Photographs. Five photos by James Lambert of an exhibit on WWII.

Photograph. Aerial photo of residential La Jolla during the Second World War. The windows of all the homes in frame are notably blacked out. 1940's (two copies).

Photograph. Photo of a column of soldiers marching on a coastal road in Torrey Pines.

Photograph. Photo of eight men around a table with radio recording equipment in the room. "First 'mental maneuvers' show - KGB - Nov. 4 - 6 P.M." written on the back.

Photograph. Photo of 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Beatrice G. Leonard in uniform sitting next to a US Army Captain also in uniform. 1940's.

Identification card. 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Beatrice G. Leonard's photo ID card from the War Department. Issued August 3, 1944.

Photograph. Photo of Pvt. Adare McAllister in the US Cavalry. 1945.

Photograph. Photo of a Consolidated PB2Y Coronado in flight over La Jolla. 1930's-1940's.

Photograph. Photo of Lt. Hiomi Nakamura in uniform. Small bio of Hiomi handwritten on the back. 1946.

Photograph. Photo of Hiomi and Marie Nakamura holding hands. 1946.

Photograph. Photo of Marie Shimidzu (Nakamura) in her nurse outfit during WWII. Small handwritten bio of Marie written on the back. 1940's.

Photograph. Photo of a man in civilian clothing on the deck of a battleship. Post-war.

Photographs. Series of color Polaroid photos of the brick AT&T building and archive. June 19, 1986.

Photograph. Photo of two heavily armed Coast Guardsmen and a German shepherd dog. 1942.

Photograph. Photo of a gathering in the La Jolla U.S.O building (later St. James Hall) at the corner of Silverado and Eads Avenue. WWI veterans present in the crowd of people. 1942.

Photograph. Photo of the US Army Air Corps training class of 1943. Names of all included in the photo printed on the back. Scripps Pier in the background. 1943.

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Photograph. Portrait photo of a young US Army sergeant in uniform. 1940's.

Photograph. Souvenir photo of four US Navy sailors from "The Mondre" gentleman's club located at 427 Twelfth Street Oakland, CA. 1940's.

## **Japanese Internment**

Historical compilation. Compilation of articles, copies of photos, and government documents relating to the Japanese Internment as it related to San Diego California. 2011.

## **Homefront LJ - Assaf, Nancy Corbin**

Legal forms. Legal documents involving loan and donor information of Nancy Corbin Assaf for the Homefront La Jolla exhibit. November 4, 2011.

## **Eva Hernandez - Photos and Artifacts**

Yearbook. La Jolla High School class of 1940 fifty-year reunion mini yearbook. 1990.

Photographs. Four class photos of the La Jolla High School class of 1940. 1936-1940.

Photograph. Photo of the La Playa Restaurant and El Toro Room with mid-century cars out front. 1940's-1950's.

Photograph. Photo of a US Army soldier in uniform.

Photograph. Photo of Eva Hernandez on the beach in La Jolla. 1942.

Photograph. Photo of Eva Hernandez in formal attire. 1940's.

Photograph. Photo of Eva Hernandez smoking on the beach. 1940's.

Photograph. Photo of Eva Hernandez standing in front of a palm tree in a dress.

Photograph. Photo of Eva Hernandez and Cliff Robertson at the Old Time La Jollans Nite.

Photograph. Photo of Eva Hernandez and an older man.

Program. Program for the Easter Monday Ball at La Jolla Country Club. April 10, 1950.

## **Civilian Defense - La Jolla**

Photograph. Photo of US Navy sailors walking the streets of downtown La Jolla. 1940's.

Identification card. Air Raid Warden identification card for the City of San Diego. Issued April 4, 1942.

Manual. La Jolla Civilian Defense instructions for air raid and map of the city of La Jolla.

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Government mandate. Government order titled "Blackout Rules" related to Civilian Defense preparation for an air raid or other foreign attack. 1940's.

Instructions. Air raid instructions published by the La Jolla Civilian Defense. 1940's.

Certificate. Certificate for Esther Gage's volunteer status at the San Diego Filter Center.

Certificate. Signed certificate for Esther H. Gage's completion of an Aircraft Warning Service training course.

## **Newspapers - World War I and II**

Article. Newspaper article titled "Global Atlas of War Maps". Includes maps of every major front of the Second World War with descriptions of the importance of each. La Jolla Light. February 4, 1943.

Newspaper front page. "Seattle Crowds Jubilant Over Final Victory". Front page celebrating V-J Day. Seattle Post-Intelligencer. August 15, 1945.

Newspaper front page. "San Diego Joins All Free Peoples in Celebrating United Nations' Victory". Front page celebrating V-J Day. San Diego Union. August 15, 1945.

Newspaper. Newspaper with the headline "L.A. WILDLY CELEBRATES PEACE - U.S. CRUISER LOST; 1196 CASUALTIES". Los Angeles Examiner. August 15, 1945.

Article. "1,000 made homeless by naval ammunition explosion" by George Silvani and Steele Lipe. La Jolla Village News. December 8, 1999.

Article. "Imagine La Jolla's beaches as sentinel posts in wartime" by Patricia Weber. La Jolla Light. 2010's.

Newspaper. Newspaper with the headline "Wartime La Jolla Revealed". La Jolla Village News. December 1, 2011.

Articles. Collection of articles pertaining to La Jollans fighting overseas during the Second World War. 1940's.

## **Worsfold, Pvt. Basil**

Photograph. Photo of the gravestone of Private Basil Fielding Worsfold. K.I.A. in France while serving in the Canadian Forces during WWI. 1897-1915.

Photograph. Photo of a war-ravaged French town during the WWI. 1914-1918.

Article. "LA JOLLAN DIES ON BATTLEFIELD" on Basil Worsfold. San Diego Union. 1915.

Article. "LA JOLLA TO PAY TRIBUTE TO DEAD" on the funeral service of Basil Worsfold. 1915.

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Article. "ALLIGATOR AND SNAKES MOVED TO ZOO HOMES" on the donation of Basil Worsfold's pet alligator to the San Diego Zoological Gardens. San Diego Union. 1915.

Article. "HIGH SCHOOL FLAG SHOWS 277 STARS" on the commemoration of Basil Worsfold and other La Jollans who gave their lives in WWI. Late 1910's.

Article. "Engagement Announced" on the engagement of Doris Worsfold to Corporal George Devenis. Mentions the fate of Basil Worsfold later in the article. 1910's.

Pamphlet. Pamphlet titled "The Commemoration of All Souls on this Veteran's Day". St. James by-the-Sea Episcopal Church. November 11, 2018.

Commemorative statement. Statement regarding the plaque dedicated to Private Basil Worsfold and the details of his service in WWI. November 11, 2018.

## **Ration Cards - World War I and II**

Letter. Letter from Karl Zobell to Isabel Baresch of the La Jolla Historical Society regarding the donation of WWII-era ration cards to the historical society. November 16, 1994.

Ration books. Series of War Ration Books 2, 3, and 4 belonging to the Anderson and Zobell families of La Jolla. 1940's.

Ration books. Sugar Ration Books belonging to the Leach family of La Jolla. 1940's.

Ration books. Mileage Ration Books for the Acker family of La Jolla. 1940's.

Ration books. War Ration and Mileage Ration Books for the Smith Family of La Jolla. 1940's.

War saving certificate. US Government War-Savings Certificate for Thelma Frances Lewis. 1910's.

Item list. Item list with prices for the various items carried the US Navy Commissary in San Diego. June 1939.

Certificate of registrar. Certificate detailing the issue of War Ration Stamps Muriel Allen Beram. May 1942.

Registration of rental dwellings. Government papers of Registration of Rental Dwellings for Helen H. Getsinger. 1942.

Pamphlet. Pamphlet titled "How to Make a Better Victory Garden by the Master Gardener". 1944.

## **Miscellaneous - World War I and II**

Magazine. Traditions magazine on San Diego's military heritage. Traditions. October 1994.

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Magazine. Traditions magazine on San Diego's military heritage. Traditions. July 1994.

Envelope. Envelope from Baird's Permanent Wave Shoppe (1025-27 Wall Street La Jolla, California) filled with red human hair. "Carroll's baby hair" handwritten on the front.

Magazine. Magazine titled "Fosters Old Fashion Freeze Christmas Carols". 1974.

Photograph. Photo of WWII veteran Dr. Kenneth Haygood in front of a granite plaque dedicated to his family and other veterans on Mt. Soledad. November 10, 2011.

Flier. Flier titled "A People at War: The World War II Service of U.S. Military and Civilians" with dates and locations of related exhibits. 1993.

Graduation programs. Two graduation programs for the La Jolla High School class of 1946. Includes individual name cards for each graduating student. Spring 1946.

Biography. National Museum of the USAF biography on pilot Lt. Lowell H. Smith and the first Round-the-World Flight on March 26, 1924. December 4, 2006.

Newsletter. Newsletter titled "General Atomics Update" from General Atomics. Mentions death of Bill Finley, former president of General Atomics and La Jolla resident. July 2011.

Item list. List detailing all significant La Jolla Journal entries on the USO and WWII.

Press release. Press release from the National WWII Archives regarding a WWII exhibit in Laguna Niguel California. June 7, 1993.

Magazine excerpt. Excerpt from The National Geographic story "San Diego Can't Believe It" by Frederick Simpich. 1942.

Song sheet. War camp community service song sheet from the San Diego area during WWI. 1918

Song sheet. Song sheets for "Any Bonds Today" by Irving Berlin. 1940's.

### **Brown, Gethine W.**

Books. Trilogy of books by Gethine W. Brown titled *How We Managed During WWII on the Homefront*, *Interesting and Famous People that I have Known*, and *Etc. Etc.*. 1991.

### **Interview – Hiomi and Marie Nakamura**

Interview transcript. Interview transcript of Hiomi and Marie Nakamura for the WWII Oral History Project. May 23, 2011.

Interview documents. Documents relating to the interview of Hiomi and Marie Nakamura, including a sheet of questions and scanned photos/documents.

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## **Homefront LJ – Misc. Forms**

Forms. Various donor, release, loan, narrator life history and temporary custody forms from individuals related to the Homefront La Jolla and Oral Histories project. 2011.

## **Scripps Oceanography**

Magazine. Scripps Institute of Oceanography “Explorations” Centennial Issue. Has segment on the Second World War and the Scripps Institute’s contributions to the war effort. Volume 10, Number 1, Summer 2003.

## **Haygood, Kenneth**

Tourist pass. Mexican tourist pass for Kenneth Haygood. June 28, 1945 (three copies).

Poem. High school poetry assignment by Kenneth Haygood with a nautical theme. “B+” written on the top. November 25, 1945.

Newspapers. Three La Jolla High Tide newspapers from La Jolla High School featuring segments of “The Rover Boys in Old Mexico” story about Kenneth Haygood and friends on a Mexican vacation. September-November 1945.

Articles. Photocopy of “The Rover Boys in Old Mexico” story from the La Jolla High Tide school newspaper. 1945 (three copies).

Yearbook photos. La Jolla High School yearbook photos of Kenneth Haygood and the friends who accompanied him on the Mexico trip. 1945-1946.

Photograph. Photo of veteran Kenneth Haygood in front of a granite plaque dedicated to his family and other veterans on Mt. Soledad. November 10, 2011.

Business card. Kenneth Haygood’s business card.

## **Misc. Interview Transcripts and Articles – World War I and II**

Collection of articles. Series of three articles about San Diego during WWII from the San Diego History Center titled: “War Comes to San Diego”, “War – And the Shape of Things to Come”, and “La Jolla Hermosa”. 2011.

Exhibit abstract. Exhibit abstract for “World War II: The Home Front in Monmouth County” with detailed descriptions of each piece involved.

Interview transcript. Interview transcript of Archie and Agnes Talboy by Bob Wilson. 1968.

Written history. Written history of wartime La Jolla by Ruth H. Bedd. 1979.

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Interview questions. Interview questions for the interviews of Karl  
Zobell and Joe Epps by the La Jolla Historical Society. 2011.