ALWAYS REMEMBER

Let it never be said, that we don't remember. What Submariners have done, since that day in December.

The sun shown bright, on that Pearl Harbor morning. When the enemy attacked, with little or no warning.

The Tautog was there, with no time to think.

And splashed one Japanese plane, right down in the drink.

She sent twenty-six ships, to the depths of the sea.

And came to be known, as the "Terrible T."

The Sealion at Cavite, was the first to be caught. She was moored to a pier, but bravely she fought.

Two bombs exploded, through the hull they did rip. And many brave submariners, died in their ship.

There were many proud boats, like the Perch and the Finback.
The Kraken, the Haddock, the Scamp and the Skipjack.

We remember the Halibut, Blenny and Darter. And never forget, Sam Dealey in Harder.

Cutter and Seahorse's, torpedoes ran true. She targeted the enemy, and sank many Marus.

And although the enemy, was quite filled with hate.
"Red" Ramage and Parche, showed many their fate.

"Mush" Morton and Wahoo, never backed down from a fight. Fluckey and Barb, entered Namkwan Harbor one night.

Many airman were saved, by O'Kane and the Tang. Some owe their lives, to Seafox, Tigrone and Trepang.

We remember the honorable, boat called Barbel. Before she was lost, she gave the enemy hell.

The Sturgeon, the Trigger, the Pollack had heart. The Torsk, made the last two frigates depart.

Nowadays the cold war, seems to be a big factor. And submarines are powered, by nuclear reactors.

The proud names are still there, the Tautog did shine. But her hull number by then, was Six Thirty Nine.

Many boats gave their all, with heroic namesakes. Like Thresher, Scorpion, Nautilus and Skate. The Seadragon, Swordfish, Richard B. Russell and Dace. Have all stood out to sea, and heard the enemies trace.

We remember "Forty-One For Freedom," whose patrols couldn't fail.

The George Washington, Andrew Jackson and Nathan Hale.

Now the Alaska and Nebraska, and other Tridents are here. They patrol the deep oceans, so aggressive nations have fear.

There are new boats on the line, called Cheyenne and Wyoming. They will all do us proud, like the old Gudgeon and Grayling.

So take time each day, and think of the past. Then toast the new Seawolf, for she's quiet and fast.

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The sun still shines bright, every Pearl Harbor Morning. But never forget, the enemy attacks without warning.

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