



Liberty Girls and Parents

We had hoped to invite a guest who either served in or lived during WWII to come and speak to us. (We would still consider that option if anyone knows a willing candidate.) As a substitute for this activity, we want to challenge each girl (with help of parents) to find ONE or more persons they could interview about WWII. The interview can be in person, over the phone, or by letter or email. They can be related to you, or be a friend or neighbor. They could have served in the military or just lived on the home-front during that time. It will be interesting to hear all of their memories and feelings about living during that time. You may want to come up with a list of questions you could ask, and also let them talk about what they remember. These are some examples of questions you can ask:

Questions for Military service people

1. Were you in the military during WWII?
2. What branch did you serve in?
3. What positions did you serve in?
4. What kinds of things did you have to do in that position?
5. What feelings do you remember having about serving your country and fighting for freedom?
6. Where did you travel to in your service?
7. How old were you?
8. How did serving in WWII change you for the better?

Questions about the Home-front

1. Where were you and how old were you on December 7, 1941 when Pearl Harbor was bombed?
2. What feelings do you remember having during that day?
3. How did WWII change daily life for people in America?
4. Tell me what you remember about rations and shortages, Victory gardens, and/or black-outs.
5. What things did you specifically do to help with the war effort?
6. How did the roles of women change during WWII?

We would like each Liberty Girl to share what she learned from her interview at our meeting on _____. She may simply read her questions and the answers, or think of some creative way to show what she learned. It doesn't need to take very long.

Good luck and enjoy this opportunity to get a live experience with history!