



## THE ATLANTA WORLD WAR II ROUND TABLE

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**Date:** OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013 (THURSDAY) >> Next Meeting NOV. 21<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** Social Hour: 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM > MEETING START TIME 11:30 AM - Speaker Immediately Following Lunch

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2935 N. Druid Hills Road, Web Site: [www.petiteauberge.com](http://www.petiteauberge.com)  
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**Price:** \$ 15.00 Per Plate \*\* NO RESERVATION REQUIRED \*\*

**Speaker:** B. (Burt) Richard Sadler

**Subject:** “British Royal Marines/D-Day LCM Flotilla”

### Mission Statement

We, who by our own actions, and by our heritage, know that liberty has not, is not, nor ever will be free, do in association with our friends and comrades, who believe as we do, pledge that we will meet at the call of our Commander no less than ten times a year:

- \* To hear of the war experiences of our members and invited guests
- \* To encourage and demonstrate pride in our country and its armed forces
- \* To pass on to posterity our knowledge of World War II, and of the price - human and material - that was paid by our nation for the preservation of liberty in the United States and the world

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### Speaker for OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013– B.(Burt) Richard Sadler (To Be Introduced By Deputy Commander Pahr)

Richard was born on February 19, 1925 in London, England; he was only 14 when WW II began with the invasion of Poland in September 1939. Having just graduated from High School at the age of 14 ( customary in England at that time ), he would spend many evenings in the bomb shelters as the German Air Force preferred night bombing over London and other English cities.

Mr. Sadler will recount his experiences just prior to and during WW II; his attachment to the Warden’s Post as a member of the Boys Brigade at age 14 during the firebombing of London; his enlistment in the British Royal Marines in 1943 and training as a Royal Marine *Stoker/Driver* and his assignment to a *LCM* ( Landing Craft Mechanized ) flotilla for the invasion of France on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1944. His landing craft delivered British Royal Engineers and explosives ( TNT ) to Juno Beach on D-Day.

Sadler was also a eye-witness to the V-1 Flying Bombs ( a.k.a. *Buzz Bombs* or *Doodlebugs* ) the Germans unleashed on London beginning in June 1944. These bombs were not target-specific and Richard will tell of the ingenious method used by the Royal Air Force to re-direct these bombs so they detonated over non-populated areas or over water.

Richard was re-trained later as a combat infantryman and sent to Kiel, Germany; he remained there until the end of WW II, primarily capturing and corralling German military forces who refused to surrender.

Please welcome Richard Sadler as our September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 speaker (272<sup>nd</sup> Meeting.)

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### Review of SEPTEMBER 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Speaker Richard Bailey (Introduced by Deputy Commander Pahr)

As many of you may have heard ( and experienced first hand ), the Round Table experienced a record turn-out for our first meeting coming out of our summer hiatus on September 19<sup>th</sup>. This was in no small part due to our speaker, Richard (Dick) Bailey, a veteran of the 9<sup>th</sup> Air Force who flew 65 missions in the ETO in WW II.

Dick was assigned to the 450<sup>th</sup> Squadron, 322<sup>nd</sup> Bomb Group, which was the first of eight B-26 Groups in the 9<sup>th</sup> Air Force. In preparation for D-Day, Eisenhower in cooperation with Winston Churchill enhanced the mission of the 322<sup>nd</sup> to include the bombing of the V-1 *Buzz Bomb* and V-2 *Rocket* launching sites along the French coast. On June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1944 Lt. Bailey flew 3 missions over the beaches of Normandy in support of the D-Day landing forces.

Dick also flew support missions during the *Battle of the Bulge* in December 1944 and during one of these missions became the only Bomber Pilot in the European Theater to be credited with shooting down a German *ME-109 Fighter* plane. In January 1945 Dick completed his combat tour with 65 missions and returned home where he continued to fly both military and civilian aircraft including the B-26 *Marauder*, B-25 *Mitchell*, C-47 *Skytrain*, C-35 *Electra*, **CONTINUED ON BACK**

At-7 Navigator, AT-6 Texan, Piper L-4 and Stinson L-5. He also continued to fly as a Reservist at Stewart Field, West Point until 1947.

Although Dick is approaching the age of 91, he isn't slowing down much. He has attended both the 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of D-Day in France and intends to attend the 70<sup>th</sup> ( June 2014). He continues to strive to educate High School and College students about WW II ( most recently at a educational event at the *Russian Museum of Camaraderie.* ) Richard was recently awarded the distinguished *French Legion of Honor*, the highest award the French bestow on WW II veterans who served and fought on French soil.

Thank you Dick for sharing your WW II journey with us, for *Preserving History*, and for a job well done.



***I am pleased to announce that we have six (6) new members who have joined us since the September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting:***

**WW II Veteran Richard I. Born** – Richard served in the 9<sup>th</sup> Air Force, 596 Bomb Squadron, 397<sup>th</sup> Bomb Group in 1944-1945. He flew 24 bombing missions over Germany as a 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Flight Lead Navigator.

**Veteran Garland Reynolds** – Garland served in the Georgia Air National Guard from 1954-1960 as a Flight Crew Chief. – Architect Reynolds has been commissioned to design and lead the building of the new Currahee Museum and Visitors Center as well as restoring the historical Camp Toccoa. Garland was asked by Commander Weinstein to make an expanded presentation about the Camp Toccoa/Currahee Museum project to the entire Round table at an upcoming meeting which Garland accepted.

**Veteran Samuel (Sam) Leonidus Powell** – Sam served in the U.S.A.F. from 1951-1955 as a Staff Sergeant.

**Sammy Powell** – Sammy is Samuel Powell's son and is an Engineer with a keen interest in the political aspects of WW II.

**C.N. (Madhu) Madhusudan**– Madhu is a student of WW II postal history.

**Cleone (Lea) F. David** – Lea is interested in all aspects of WW II.

***Please welcome Richard, Garland, Sam, Sammy, Madhu and Lea as our newest members at the OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting.***



### **SPECIAL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

>>> **(NEW) ATLANTA AND MARIETTA – Veterans Day Parades** – **The 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Atlanta Veterans Day Parade** will be on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> (Saturday); The Parade Reviewing stand will be by the World of Coca Cola on Baker Street. For additional information please contact The Georgia Veterans Day Parade Association of Atlanta, Inc. via their Website at <http://www.gavetsdayparade.org/> or call them at 404.518.0911. **The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Marietta Veterans Day Parade** will be on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> (Monday) and is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Marietta and the City of Marietta. The parade will commence at 11 am on Monday, November 11th from the Roswell Street Baptist Church parking lot and continue along Roswell Street to the Marietta Square. The parade will have both Marietta and Cobb County schools represented by their bands and their JROTC units. Thirty or more parade entries are anticipated along with a display of military vehicles. Lieutenant General Carol Mutter, U.S. Marine Corps will serve as Parade Grand Marshal and keynote speaker during the ceremony. The General was the first American female to achieve 3 star rank!

>>> **(UPDATED) UPCOMING SPEAKERS for - 2013** Program chairman Larry Robert has done a splendid job in lining up a wonderful list of speakers for the Atlanta WW II Round Table for our September through December 2013 meetings. The following speakers will be making a presentation to the Round Table in: **October – Richard Sadler – British Royal Marine;** November – John 'Jack' Hancock – Pilot/U.S.S. Yorktown; December – Zellie Rainey Orr – Historian / Tuskegee Airmen Organization-Atlanta. Please note that the speaker's engagements are subject to change. Thank you Larry Robert for your continuing efforts to seek-out and engage excellent speakers for our meetings and for a job exceedingly well done.

>>> **(NEW) HEARING AIDS** ***Commander Weinstein has a limited number of special Hearing Enhancers that the Round Table is making available for members and guests. These Bell & Howell Hearing Enhancement devices have both a volume control and on-off switch and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Please note that these need to be returned to Commander Weinstein after each meeting.***



>>> **REQUESTS BY INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS AT ROUND TABLE MEETINGS** – In an effort to not interfere with our scheduled speaker's allotted time and also to allow more time during our lunch for table-conversation, the Atlanta WW II Round Table Executive Board has approved the following policy: ***Requests by individuals to make announcements during the Atlanta WW II Round Table meetings must first be cleared through the Commander prior to the date of the meeting.*** The number of announcements will be limited at each meeting and will also be based on priority of interest to the Round Table. Commander Weinstein can be contacted at **404-843-0779** or via email at **[lmwlaw@aol.com](mailto:lmwlaw@aol.com)**



Monthly Quote:

“In the world of disinformation, the world in which the Soviet Union thrives, the first lesson to be learned ( I have every year stressed this point and more) is: *Do not take at face value the apparent credentials of anyone.* Do not be won over by the ostensible believability of anything you hear, or hear argued, defended, urged, that bears on the war we are engaged in with the Soviet Union”

*James Jesus Angleton (Chief of Counterintelligence CIA 1954-1975)*

Excerpt from *Spytime, The Undoing of James Jesus Angleton* by William F. Buckley Jr.