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Annual Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony

The Lebanon VA Medical Center (LVAMC) is proud to announce that the annual Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony will be Sunday, December 2, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. in the facility chapel. Veterans, employees and the public are invited to attend. This year's key note speaker is Richard Schimmel.

Schimmel was a private first class in the Signal Corps Aircraft Warning Service on Oahu, when Pearl Harbor was attacked. He was about 30 miles south at Fort Shafter, which lay east of Pearl Harbor and had an information center linking the five radar sites across the island. The 19-year-old from Allentown helped build the center and worked there as a plotter and switchboard operator.

The purpose of the ceremony is to honor those who lost their lives in the attack, pay tribute to those who survived and mark America's entry into World War II. The courage and dedication demonstrated by American service men and women that day is laudable more than seventy years later.

Following the ceremony, there will be a reception for hospitalized Veterans in the activity room of Building 18. At 4:30 p.m. there will be refreshments and a 40's dance at the Lebanon Expo Center 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon PA. Music will be provided by the Lebanon Big Swing Band.

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