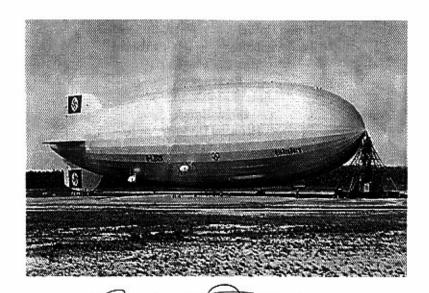
# Hindenburg Memorial Ceremony

Commemorating the 74th Anniversary of the Airship Disaster





Hosted by Navy Lakehurst Historical Society and

Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst May 6, 2011

# Names of those lost DLZ-129

#### Crew

#### Captain Ernst Lehmann

Walter Bahnholzer Ludwig Knorr Alfred Bernhard Robert Moser Rudi Biallas Richard Mueller Wilhelm Dimmler Alois Reisacher Franz Eichelmann Willy Scheef Ludwig Felber Ernst Schlapp Fritz Flakus Joef Schreibmueller Albert Holderried Max Schulze Ernest Huchel Willy Speck **Emilie Imhoff** Erich Spehl

### Passengers

Ernst Rudolph Anders Birger Brinck Hermann Doehner Irene Doehner J. Burtis Dolan **Edward Douglas** Friedrich (Fritz) Erdmann Otto C. Ernst Moritz Feibusch Ernst Knoecher Emma Pannes John Pannes Otto Reichold

Also commemorating U.S. Navy and U.S. Army Airship losses and our fallen troops in Iraq and Afghanistan

## Sequence of Events

Posting of the Colors Honor Guard

National Anthem MA2 Jack Mitchell

Invocation LT Genevieve Clark, USN

Introduction of Guests Mr. Carl Jablonski

Guest Speaker
Col. Paul Murphy
305th Air Mobility Wing Commander

NLHS President remarks Mr. Carl Jablonski

Lighter-Than-Air remarks Mr. Rick Zitarosa

Reading of Hindenburg Losses Mr. Carl Jablonski

## Wreath Presentations

Brig Gen Gina Grosso, Joint Base Commander
CAPT Ken Skaggs, Navy Operational Support Center Commander
Col Christopher Papaj, Marine Aircraft Group 49 Commanding Officer
COL Brian Clark, Plans, Training & Mobilization Deputy Director
LT Dan Everette, USCG Sturgeon Bay Commanding Officer
Rick Zitarosa, NLHS Vice President & Historian
Doug King, son of Harry King, Hindenburg Baggage Handler
Lenny Earley, Lakehurst Boro Historical Society President
Robert Buchannan, Hindenburg Civilian Ground Crew
Allen Hurley, grandson of Allen Hagaman, Civilian Ground Crew

TAPS

Benediction LT Genevieve Clark, USN

#### A Brief History of Lakehurst

Lakehurst dates back to 1915 when the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation leased the land from the Manchester Trust Company with the intent of using it as a proving ground for the Imperial Russian Army. Shortly after the United States entered World War I, the Army purchased the property, named it Camp Kendrick and continued to use the facility for testing munitions. In 1921, the U.S. Navy commissioned the base as Naval Air Station Lakehurst.

Lakehurst's Hangar One has housed the Navy's four rigid airships: USS Shenandoah, USS Los Angeles, USS Akron and USS Macon - as well as the Graf Zeppelin and the Hindenburg. The Hindenburg thrust NAS Lakehurst into permanent history on May 6, 1937, when the airship dramatically burned and crashed in the open field just west of Hangar One.

In 1943, Hangars Five and Six - the largest, single arch wooded structures in the world - were completed. The hangars were constructed to house the greatly expanding fleet of World War II antisubmarine patrol blimps

In 1957, the Naval Air Test Facility was placed at Lakehurst. It's mission was to test and evaluate aircraft launch and recovery systems and aviation support equipment.

By 1962, all Lighter Than Air operations were discontinued by the Navy.

In 1977, NATF and NAS Lakehurst were merged to become the Naval Air Engineering Center.

In 1994, NAS Lakehurst was renamed 'Naval Air Engineering Station Lakehurst'

NAES Lakehurst remained the host unit until October 2009 when the installation was realigned to establish Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.

#### Navy Lakehurst Historical Society

The Navy Lakehurst Historical Society was founded in 1975 to provide display material for the Navy's open house program. The society strives to preserve and protect the rich history of Naval Aviation and the rich Naval history of Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. NLHS maintains a number of display areas at the joint base - to include the Navy Lakehurst Information Center - and actively displays the society's artifacts and memorabilia at various military airshows, aviation related open houses and local events.

NLHS is a not-for-profit organization comprised of more than 200 members throughout the United States and Europe. Membership is open to anyone interested in preserving the history and missions of 'Lakehurst.' For more information, write P.O. Box 328, Lakehurst, N.J. 08733 or call (732) 244-8861.