

If you do not wish to use Eventbrite to make your reservation, you may contact Anne A Thomas at 571-291-3206 or email her at blueridgetorchclub@gmail.com. Meeting is on October 15 at 6:00 p.m., in the Club House Community Room. Sorry for the multiple emails — Hopefully this one will be correct.

## BLUE RIDGE TORCH CLUB NEWSLETTER



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**Program**

**Americans Betrayed: The Internment of Japanese-Americans During WWII**

Robert Nakamura

Bob was interned as a child in a camp in the Utah desert. Between 110,000 and 120,000 Japanese-Americans, 62% of whom were American citizens, were incarcerated during the war. Bob also served in Italy and France as a soldier in the 442nd Combat Unit. He will speak about his life in the camp and WWII.

## TORCH CLUB HISTORY

From ancient times a torch has been a symbol of Light and Truth. It is the same today. Torch International proudly uses the torch, with the addition of a triangle – – a symbol of Deity – – Recognizing the source of all intelligence as its emblem. The Association of Torch Clubs was founded on June 18, 1924 by William Bullock, who had the vision of forming an association of clubs across the country with a purpose of broadening intellectual and social horizons. “The objective,” he said, “is to be cultural and educational, to get light and understanding on all vital subjects.” He pulled together a group of seventyfive professionals in Minneapolis to discuss the development of a new professional association. One month later, on July 10, 1924, the Minneapolis Club, the first Torch Club, was formed. Bullock then set out across the Midwest to promote this new association. Between 1924 and 1933, with the assistance of D.B. Zimmer, they established a total of fifty-one clubs, many of which remain active to this day. Today, nearly seventy Torch clubs across the United States and Canada meet regularly to hear and discuss cross-profession presentations. The International Association of Torch Clubs provides support services to each affiliated local Torch Club.

### Blue Ridge Torch Club Members

Rose-Joan Barron, Ray Beery, Fred Bishopp, Chris Blake, Penny Blake, Murray Bradley, Page Bradley, Brenda Brohard, Kay Curley, John Downey, Nancy Downey, Audrey Emley, Joe Gibson, Ann Gratz, Kenton Hamaker, Peggy Hamaker, Peggy King, Shirley Laing, Gini Laughlin, Eva Leavitt, Mike Leavitt, Barbara Leone, Paul Lind, Barbara Lind, Dan Lyons, Sue Merk, Mena McGrosky, Anne Miller, Jack Miller, Pat Monahan, Bill Muncy, Bonnie Olenn, Stan Olenn, Memory Porter, Ann Robinson, Bert Schlabach, Beth Schlabach, Elizabeth Schuster, Ron Schuster, Lili Schmid, Marilyn Schwing, Catherine Shepard, Marbeth Spreyer, Janet Taliaferro, Anne A. Thomas, Anne H. Thomas, Bill Thomas, Dave Thomas, George Viener, Ursula Wagman, Victoria Wagner, Britt Wilford, Bonnie Wohlford, Dona Wolf, Anita Zatz

### Blue Ridge Torch Club Officers for 2017-2019

President: Nancy Downey (River View)

Vice President: Brenda Brohard (Potomac Ridge)

Treasurer: Murray Bradley (Blue Ridge)

Secretary/Reservations: Anne A Thomas (Potomac Ridge)