

# CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2013 PROJECT SUMMARY

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### **Project Title**

World War II... Remembered?

### Abstract

## **Objectives/Goals**

The objective of the study is to determine the extent to which each succeeding generation since World War II is aware of the sacrifices of the "Greatest Generation."

#### Methods/Materials

Over 150 people were interviewed equally representing three generationns since World War II. Informed consent was obtained from all individuals ranging in age from 12 years to 80 years. The questionnaire tested their knowledge of major events of World War II. Materials used were GSDSEF forms, quizzes based on research, clipboard, pen/pencil (2), and a camera.

### **Results**

The charts/graphs assume the "Greatest Generation" is very familiar with the major events of World War II. Results of the study show Generation II as having a familiarity of 83%; Generation III individuals were 75% aware; and Generation IV were 63% aware.

### **Conclusions/Discussion**

Results of the test interviews clearly show a reduction in familiarity with World War II major events with each subsequent generation, thereby substantiating the Hypothesis.

### **Summary Statement**

The present generation is not fully aware of the sacrifices and accomplishments of those who served and prevailed in World War II.

## **Help Received**

Grandmother helped type report; Grandfather drove me to various locations to conduct interviews and helped with chain on my display board.