**PEARL HARBOR AND THE PACIFIC NOTES**

**Pearl Harbor**

 -caused because of U.S. embargo on Japan (needed oil)

 -December 7, 1941 “A date which will live in infamy”

 -Surprise attack by Japanese, weakening U.S. fleet

 -over 2,400 Americans killed

**Japanese Internment**

-After declaring war with Japan, U.S. forces Japanese into internment camps

 -thought they could be spies

 -Over 60% were U.S. citizens

 -Necessary?

 -arguments over legality

**Pacific Theater**

-U.S. started at major disadvantage

 -Japan’s “Zero” fighter had a 12:1 kill:death ratio

 -U.S. gradually strengthens and catches up

 -Entire economy turns to war and the draft

 -U.S. uses “island hopping” strategy

 -capture island by island to get closer to mainland Japan