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MEDIA ADVISORY *EXCELLENT PHOTO, VIDEO, AND INTERVIEW OPPORTUNITIES* Carnegie Science Center to host submarine memorial on USS Requin



WHAT: Annual Submarine Veterans Memorial Day Ceremony

WHEN: 10 am – 11:30 am Sun., May 29

WHERE: USS Requin (SS 481) moored along the Ohio River at Carnegie Science Center

WHY: Approximately 40 submarine veterans of USS VI Requin Base will host a special memorial ceremony aboard the Cold War-era submarine. They will toll a bell once in memory of each submarine on "Eternal Patrol" and will cast flower petals on the water so that they may "travel down the rivers of this great nation to the oceans" where fellow submarines are at rest. The Marine Color Guard from Three Rivers Leatherneck Detachment 310 and the VFW Post 9199 Honor Guard will perform a 21-gun salute.

The ceremony can be viewed by the public from the river trail where the submarine is located.

USS Requin was inducted into the Submarine Hall of Fame on May 21, 2017. The Hall of Fame recognizes post-WWII submarines that made significant contributions to submarine tactics and technology. Requin was nominated for her use as the first Radar Picket submarine and service protecting the East Coast during the Cold War.

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About Carnegie Science Center

Carnegie Science Center is dedicated to inspiring learning and curiosity by connecting science and technology with everyday life. By making science both relevant and fun, the Science Center's goal is to increase science literacy in the region and motivate young people to seek careers in science and technology. One of the four Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh, the Science Center is Pittsburgh's premier science exploration destination, reaching more than 700,000 people annually through its hands-on exhibits, camps, classes, and off-site education programs.

Accessibility: Features for All

Carnegie Science Center welcomes all visitors. We work to assist visitors with disabilities in obtaining reasonable and appropriate accommodations, and in supporting equal access to services, programs, and activities. We welcome visitors in wheelchairs on the deck of our USS Requin (SS 481) submarine. Below-deck visits require full mobility. Hearing assistance devices are available for The Rangos Giant Cinema. Please ask when you buy your ticket.

Please note that requests for accommodations should be made at least two weeks prior to your visit. For specific questions about wheelchairs, strollers, or other programmatic or equipment needs, see the ticket counter located on the first floor of the main building or contact the Operations Department at 412.237.1641 or info@carnegiesciencecenter.org.

About Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh

Established in 1895 by Andrew Carnegie, Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh is a collection of four distinctive museums: Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Carnegie Science Center, and The Andy Warhol Museum. In 2018, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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