

A STATE AT WAR: FLORIDA

A new PBS documentary exploring the contributions Floridians made during World War II and their sacrifices that helped win the war.



Produced in partnership with the



A percentage of all funds raised for this project
will benefit veterans throughout Florida.

OVERVIEW

Narrated by legendary journalist Bill Kurtis, this exciting new hour-long documentary details every aspect of how Florida responded to America entering World War II and how all Floridians; men, women and children took the fight to our enemies around the world.



Driven by many fascinating stories, the program goes into detail of how Florida residents fought World War II in the Sunshine State.

STYLE AND TONE

Borrowing from the success of our sister film,

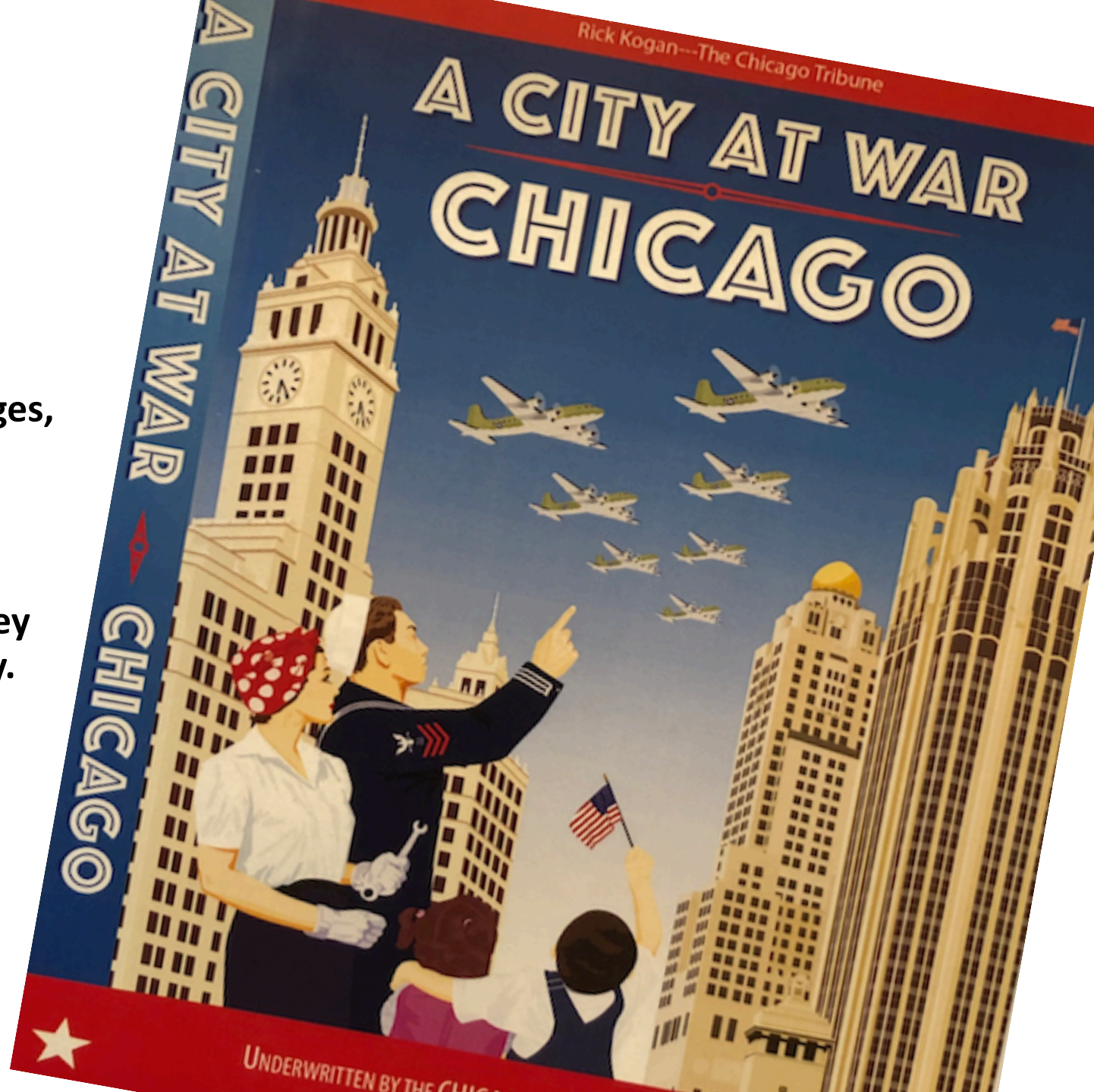
[A CITY AT WAR : CHICAGO](#)

narrated by Bill Kurtis,

we weave rare film footage, dramatic still images, graphics, then and now photo comparisons, along with narration and interviews by noted experts.

The exciting story of Florida's harrowing journey from the attack on Pearl Harbor to final victory.

[A CITY AT WAR : CHICAGO](#), was produced for WTTW in Chicago, and has aired on more than 100 PBS stations across the country, including Florida.



FLORIDA BEFORE THE PEARL HARBOR ATTACK



The Great Depression

Florida's Boom and Bust

The Draft

Lend Lease



FLORIDA BUILDS FOR WAR

- The military takes over civilian airports
- Rapid expansion of military bases
- Shipbuilding is accelerated
- New highways are added





TRAINING

**New military bases
are built in towns
all over Florida.**



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SEBRING LAKELAND PUNTA GORDA PALM BEACH ORLANDO VALPARAISO LEESBURG ALACHUA FT. MYERS JUPITER INLET MARIANNA**



FLORIDA ON THE FRONT LINES

U BOAT MENACE

German submarines sank dozens of Allied ships along Florida's Atlantic and Gulf coasts while Floridians observed the carnage from the beaches.



FLORIDA WARTIME INNOVATIONS



Sunscreen



Frozen concentrated orange juice

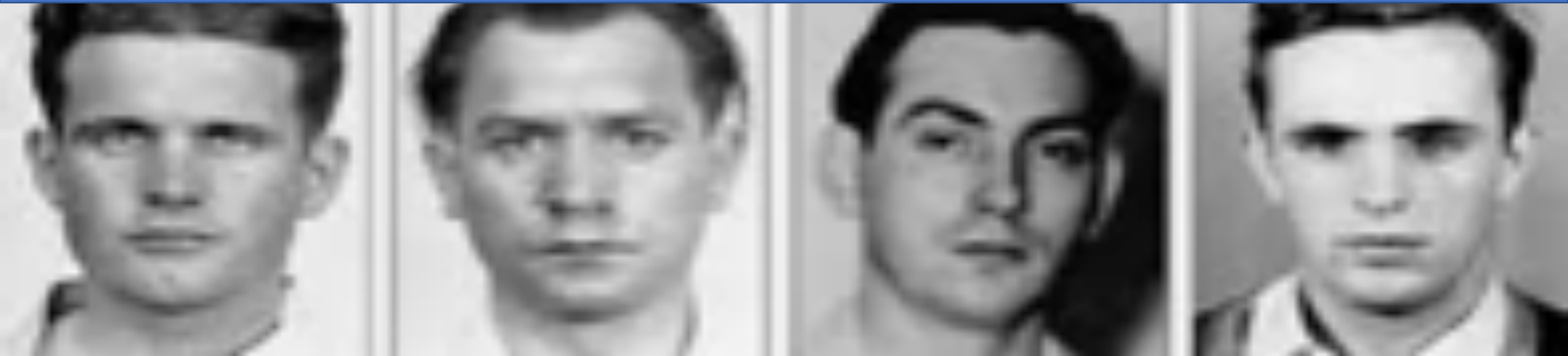


Airborne Radar



UNWANTED VISITORS

The little-known account of Nazi saboteurs who came ashore at Ponte Vedra Beach





THE HOME FRONT



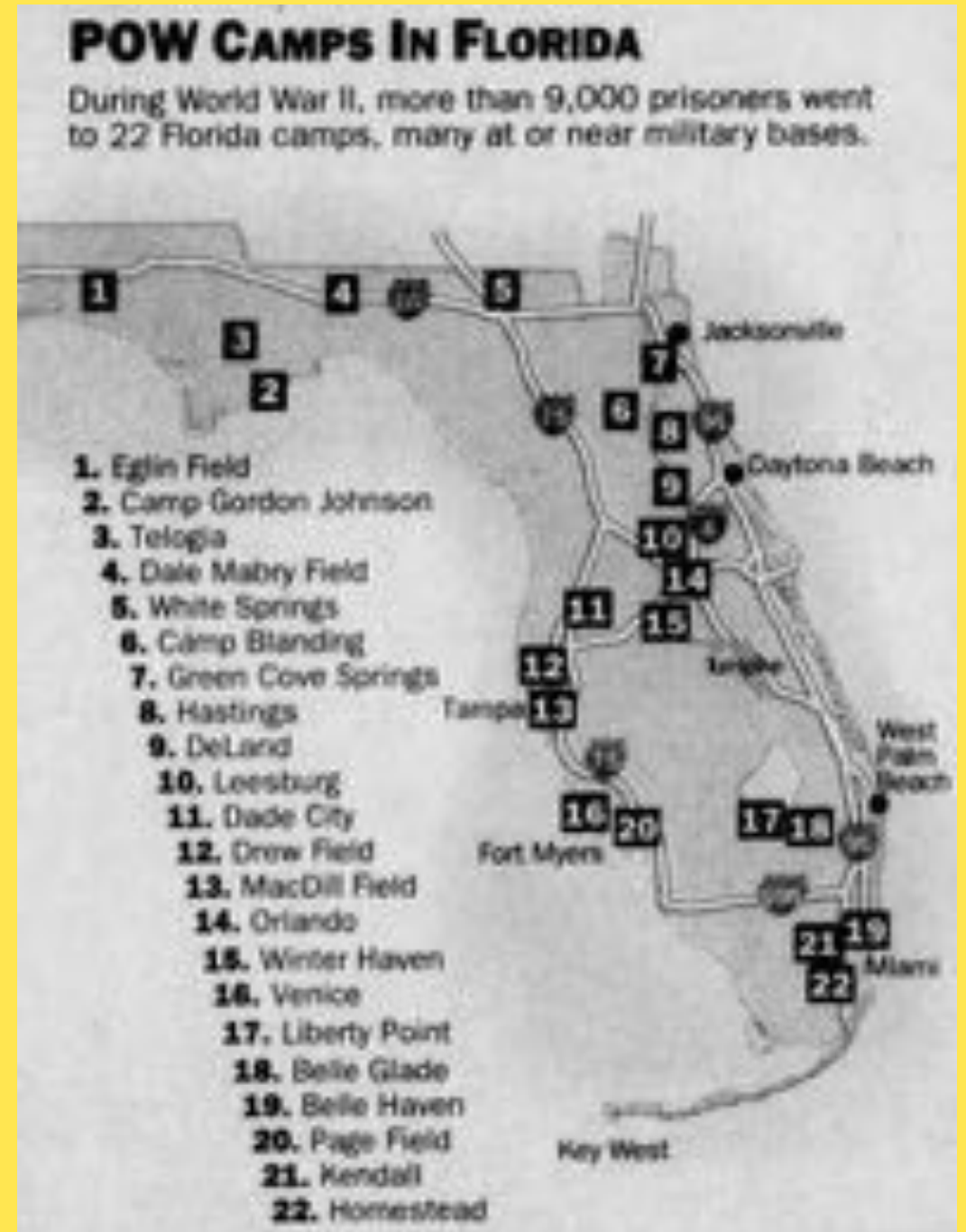
Scrap Collections, Bond drives, Victory Gardens, Air-Raid Shelters and Sacrifices

THE ENEMY COMES TO STAY

German and Italian POWs were interned in almost every military base in Florida.

POWs worked in the citrus and other industries.

We explore many POW escapes.



INTERVIEW PARTICIPANTS

WORLD WAR II VETERANS

ACADEMICS

EXPERTS ON DC HISTORY

MILITARY HISTORIANS

JOURNALISTS / AUTHORS

CIVILIANS



PRODUCTION TIMELINE

Our target delivery date is Veterans Day, 2021.

EXPOSURE FOR SPONSORS

As an evergreen subject, this film can be aired several times throughout the year, for many years to come.

- Memorial Day
- Labor Day
- Veterans Day
- Independence Day
- Armed Forces Day
- Pearl Harbor Day



WE NEED YOUR HELP

To tell the story of Florida veterans' and civilians' heroic contributions and sacrifices that helped win the war, we need **funding**.

We have **sponsorship packages** offering various levels of exposure.

In addition to funding, we are searching for:
Stories, Films, Home videos and Photos

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