

plus other cultural/industrial facilities and activities in the Seoul area. Other tours of battle sites and/or Incheon may be made through the local tour guide.

3. A special reception and dinner hosted by the President of the Korean Veterans Association (KVA) during which the Korea War Medal and Certificate of Ambassador for Peace will be awarded to each veteran who has not received it before.

### Sundry Notes

1. The KVA Revisit Program privileges are provided for scheduled groups only.

2. Participants are required to have a valid passport: a visa is not required for visits of 15 days or fewer in Korea.

3. KVA/Seoul is not responsible for any loss of, or damage to, personal or other items, medical expenses, injuries, or loss of like due to any accident of whatever nature during the revisits. Trip cancellation insurance is available and highly recommended.

4. Transportation costs to and from Korea will be borne by each person who participates in the program.

5. Applications will be received/accepted on a "first-come, first-served" basis.

**Note:** If you have previously accepted an official KVA/Seoul Revisit tour from any sponsoring association or group, you are NOT eligible to participate again. The reason is that so many veterans have not gone before so they get the "first right of return."

Because former Revisit Program participants have their name in the KVA/Seoul's computer database, please do not try to beat the system. If your name is rejected because of prior participation, all of us will be embarrassed and an eligible Korea War veteran might miss the opportunity to participate.

6. If you want to use your frequent flier miles-or other "free" transportation, you will be charged an administrative service fee of \$300 per person.

**Caution:** Not traveling with KWVA group air contract can result in much higher post-tour costs to China and other Pacific location.

**Note:** Should you desire to have a single room or take additional family or friends with you, this can be arranged for an additional cost. Any such requests must be made in writing.

# Revisit News

Sam Johnson Chapter 270 Member Presents Sister Chapter Proclamation to Incheon City Chapter

On September 11, 2006, Tilford Jones, Secretary of Chapter 270, presented Mr. Lee Chin Won, Incheon City Chapter Chairman, with a Sister City Proclamation at the Incheon International Airport.



Tilford Jones holds bouquet presented to him by Incheon City Chapter members

Tilford Jones presents Sister Chapter Proclamation to Lee Chin Won

Jones and his wife Sue were in a revisit tour group of 160 Korean War veterans, spouses, and descendants who had arrived at the Incheon International Airport on September 11. As Jones left customs, about 20 representatives of the Incheon Chapter welcomed him and his wife with a huge banner. After introductions, Jones and Incheon City Chapter members had a hurried ceremony while the tour guides insisted that the Joneses board the tour bus to their hotel.

During the ceremony, Jones presented CID 270's Sister Chapter Proclamation to the Incheon Chapter Chairman, Mr. Lee Chin Won. He, in turn, presented two huge bouquets of beautiful flowers to the Joneses.

Jones reported that he gave CID 270

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patches to Incheon City Chapter members. During the Incheon Landing Anniversary celebration a couple days later, Jones again met the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Incheon Chapter. The Chairman gave Jones his chapter lapel pin, and the Vice Chairman gave Jones his paratrooper wings and a pin that

CID 270's Tilford Jones greets Incheon Chapter members

Incheon Chapter members return greetings to Joneses



Tilford Jones presents Sister Chapter Proclamation to Incheon Chapter Chairman Mr. Lee, Chin Won

says "Family of a Patriot."

As Jones noted, "I feel that this gesture was indeed one of friendship although we had spent so little time together. The other people on our tour witnessed the presentation ceremony and wondered why the Koreans honored us. Those in our group and the Koreans took numerous pictures of the event."

### Medals And Five-Fork Meals

Angelo Rosa, who served with the 955 Field Artillery Battalion in Korea during 1951, had the opportunity to return recently on a Korea Visit Program, 20-25 May 2006. One of the highlights was a presentation ceremony on 21 May on the 19th Floor Orchid Room at the five-star Sofitel Hotel in Seoul. There, the Ministry of

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# Suhor Industries to Build Korean War Memorial in Arkansas

SI Construction Services recently signed a contract to build The Arkansas Korean War Veterans' Memorial in Little Rock's MacArthur Park. The company will serve as general contractor on the project, and will work side by side with two of its sister companies: SI Veteran Memorials and SI Precast.

Doyle Herndon, President of the Arkansas Korean War Veterans' Memorial Foundation, is happy to announce the selec-

## Donations are needed now to allow completion by May of 2007

tion of Suhor Industries to design and construct the Arkansas Korean War Veterans' Memorial. "Suhor Industries was selected as the contractor for this project because of their extensive experience in the construction of veteran memorials," says Herndon.

The Arkansas Korean War Veterans' Memorial Foundation broke ground on the memorial in November of 2005. It is intended to be a statewide memorial to honor the services of all of the Arkansas Korean War Veterans, and to also be a lasting remainder of the sacrifices of the veterans of the often-called "Forgotten War."

The memorial will be a plaza with a unique entryway. The names of the 461 Arkansans killed in the Korean War will be listed on granite panels forming a semi-circle around bronze statues:

- A combat soldier representing the fighting that took place in Korea to stop the spread of communism and to ensure freedom for the people of the Republic of Korea (South Korea.)

- A statue honoring the brave sacrifices that Combat Medics and Navy Corpsmen made to save the lives of others.

- One of these statues will be an African-American soldier symbolizing the end of racial segregation in the Armed Forces of the United States that resulted from the Korean War.

- A statue of two Korean Children represents the Korean people that suffered during the war and the future generations of Koreans that have rebuilt a nation that was destroyed by war. The hand of friendship being extended by the combat medic represents the humanitarian work that took place during the war, and the strong ties of friendship that exists between the people of South Korea and the people of the United States.

The Memorial will also feature a map of Korea and a display explaining the history of the Korean War. The Korean Government, Hanam City (sister-city to Little Rock) and the Korean people have given over \$400,000 for this project. The Foundation must still raise nearly \$100,000. The public can make a donation or learn more about the Memorial Project by visiting [www.arkansaskorean-war-memorial.com](http://www.arkansaskorean-war-memorial.com), sending an e-mail to [doyleherndon@comcast.net](mailto:doyleherndon@comcast.net), or calling 501-590-6936.

The Arkansas Korean War Veterans' Memorial Foundation is a 501-C (3) non-profit foundation organized for the purpose of building the Arkansas Korean War Veterans' Memorial. Donations are needed now to permit the Foundation to complete the Memorial Project by May of 2007.

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Guests and dignitaries at the Orchid Room (L-R) Rear Admiral (Ret) Kim, Angelo Rosa, KWVA member from Guam, KWVA member from USA, MajGen Jeong's wife, MajGen Jeong



Members of 20-25 May 2006 Korea Revisit Program, including several who came from Guam (the participants in the blue shirts)

Patriots and Veterans Affairs, jointly with the Korean Veterans Association, presented each of the sixty Korean War veterans present with Ambassador for Peace medals.

The sixty participants also dined in the

"Five-Fork" SamcheongGak restaurant garden in Seoul. Several of them came from Guam to participate in the tour.

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