

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.

From Our Chaplain...

How many brave Korean War veterans have been forgotten?

I read recently the story of LtCol Harvey. (The story appeared in the 29 March 2009 issue of *The Oklahoman*, an Oklahoma City, Oklahoma newspaper.) I wonder how many of these brave men have been forgotten. Here is an excerpt:

Story of Chickasaw hero Lt. Col. Raymond Harvey emerges into spotlight.

Chickasaw won Medal of Honor in 1950s

By Ron Jackson, March 27, 2009

SULPHUR — Longtime museum Director Roland Earsom was pleasantly surprised last year to learn of Lt. Col. Raymond Harvey, a former Sulphur resident and the only Chickasaw to receive the Medal of Honor for valor during the Korean War. Earsom was shocked by what he then learned.

Raymond Harvey, Congressional Medal of Honor winner in Korean war, to be honored posthumously at Sulphur museum. He was Chickasaw Indian.

"I couldn't find anybody around who knew anything about him," said Earsom, 88, and a museum volunteer of 25 years. "Why, the Chickasaws didn't even know anything about him. So we formed a committee to do some research."

(For the full story go to http://newsok.com/story-of-chickasaw-hero-lt.-col.-raymond-harvey-emerges-into-spotlight/article/3356699?custom_click=headlines_widget)

Last year Chapter 191, to which I belong, presented a shadow box to the high school from which 1st Lt. Richard T. Shea graduated in 1944. Lt. Shea received the MOH in July 1953 at the battle of Pork Chop Hill. It would be nice if our membership took the leadership in honoring these men.

All we have to do is a little research and see which men in our respective communities received honors but have been forgotten.

We can then take the action to make sure that they are recognized and remembered.

Chaplain Ruffing

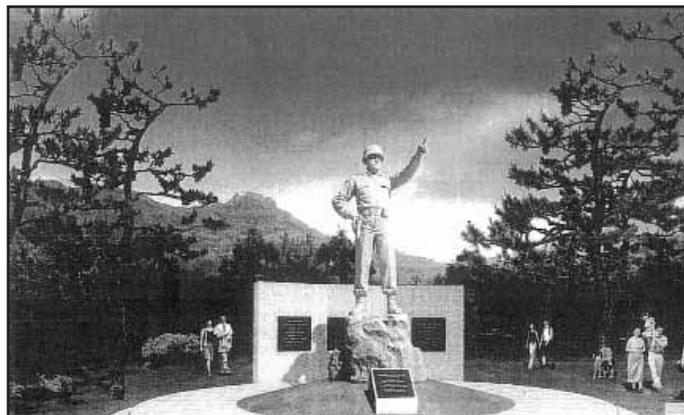
Statue of Walton H. Walker Planned

Mr. Won Pae Pak, a ROK veteran and MUS liaison of the Friendship Society in San Antonio, recently informed me that a ground-breaking ceremony for the erection of a statue of General Walton H. Walker was held Tuesday December 23, 2008 at the Eighth Army Headquarters in the Yongsan Garrison just outside Seoul, South Korea. The date was selected because it coincided with the date General Walker was killed in a jeep accident in 1950.

The Yongsan Garrison site was chosen because the Army base will be transformed into a public park in a few years after the troops leave Seoul for Pyongtaek. Yongsan is an area that will attract many people who will view the bronze statue that will be approximately 10 feet high and will cost almost one million U.S. dollars.

Plans called for the dedication ceremonies to be held on June 25, 2009.

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Proposed statue of General Walton H. Walker