

NEWS RELEASE: June 5, 2017

Call for Board Meeting and Annual General Membership Meeting 2017

The Board meeting is called for Thursday, October 5, 2017 from 0800 until 1600. The Annual General Membership Meeting is called for Friday, October 6, 2017 from 0900 until 1200. The meetings will take place at the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel, 777 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, VA 23510 and continue with recesses through the completion of all business properly brought before it.

Members with items proposed for the meeting must insure that they reach Lew Ewing, Association Secretary, not later than September 5, 2017.

To make a reservation:

Hotel Reservations: 1-800-325-3535

The hotel's online address is <https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/KWVA2017>

You must mention Korea War Veterans Association to get the special KWVA Convention rate.

Agenda

- Call to Order
- To the Colors/Pledge of Allegiance
- Invocation
- Administrative Announcements
- Adopt Agenda
- Adopt KWVA Annual Membership Meeting Rules of Decorum & Debate
- Roll Call and Introductions/Recognition of New Officers/Directors
- Annual Treasurer's Report
- Approval of Annual General Membership Meeting Minutes of the June 24, 2017 Meeting
- Old Business
- New Business
- Reports from Select Committees
- For the Good of the Order
- Motion to Adjourn
- Benediction
- Salute to the Colors

Military Exchange Online Shopping

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Veterans Can Visit VetVerify.org for Exchange Online Shopping Authentication

DALLAS – As the Department of Defense's military exchange services prepare to welcome potentially 13 million honorably discharged Veterans back to their military families this coming Veterans Day, VetVerify.org has launched to confirm eligibility to receive a lifelong military exchange online shopping.

Veterans may log onto VetVerify.org, which will use information from DoD's Defense Manpower Data Center's records and inform them of their ability to access this new benefit. If a Veteran's record has character of service data and that data meets the criteria for the online benefit, the Veteran will be verified to shop.

Then, beginning on Nov. 11, the Veteran can log onto to the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps and Navy Exchange websites at shopmyexchange.com, shopcgx.com, mymcx.com and mynavyexchange.com for tax-free shopping. If a Veteran's information is incomplete, VetVerify.org will provide guidance on next steps.

Extending online shopping privileges to all honorably discharged Veterans will directly improve family and support programs for Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines and Coast Guard members as well as their families. Increased sales and earnings as a result of Veterans online shopping benefit have the potential to generate tens of millions of dollars in additional dividends to Quality-of-Life programs.

These funds decrease taxpayers' burden to support services and programs on military installations around the world. The Army & Air Force Exchange Service, Coast Guard Exchange, Marine Corps Exchange, and Navy Exchange currently provide more than \$300 million in support for military Quality-of-Life programs annually.

Holiday stories wanted

Last year we solicited stories for a special holiday section in our Nov/Dec issue. We had a pretty good response, and a lot of stories were held over for the Nov/Dec 2017 issue. Let's build our inventory again this year.

Please send any **new** stories, photos, and art work describing anything memorable, special, or routine that occurred involving you, your unit, your friends...on the major year-end holidays, e.g., Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukah, New Year's Day, Boxer Day...

The material can relate to war time or peacetime. Hopefully we will get enough stories, photos, and art work to fill another issue.

Send your **new** stories and photos to Arthur G. Sharp, *The Graybeards* Holiday Editor, 2473 New Haven Circle, Sun City Center, FL 33573.

