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THE GRAYBEARDS Vol. 6, No. 1, SEPT., 1990

IN THIS ISSUE:

We are asking for your opinion on possibly moving the 1991 reunion to another location; see page 10.

We asked questions about the escalating cost estimates on the Memorial; see pages 16 and 17.

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A list of Chapters names/addresses/telephone numbers; see page 3.

We have made a new FACT SHEET for your recruiting use; see page 24.

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Telephone numbers for all officers and directors; see page 2. A recap of changes made July 26 to our By-Laws; see page 20.

UP-DATE ON THE COIN BILL

Fellow KWVA Members;

You called and wrote me by the hundreds in response to my letter asking for your help to assure the passage of the proposed Commemorative Coin Bill. It is my intention to write each of you individually a small note of appreciation when time permits; but in the meantime, I hope you will accept this "open" letter of thanks.

The Bill has now passed through various sub-committees and should pass the final vote when it goes before the House on September 10th. It is my understanding that several thousand coins will be given priority sale to the KWVA and other interested veterans before the general public is allowed to order. Stan will keep you updated on this information in our newsletter.

It is my honor and privilege to serve as one of your Board Members. Some of you have asked about my feelings regarding the design of the memorial. In my personal opinion, I think it will be very dramatic and unique memorial befitting our war. While I am also disappointed that our KIA/MIA/POWs will not be individually honored for their sacrifices by having names inscribed somewhere appropriate, this will not in any way defer my work or support for our long overdue Memorial. On the day we all finally gather together for our dedication, at long last America will remember not only our dead; but also you who returned, many still bearing wounds of body and heart.

-- KATHLEEN WYOSNICK.

The June Graybeards featured a request for your help in asking Congress to pass the proposal bill to issue a Korean War Commemorative Coin. That story asked you to call a given telephone number to obtain the correct Senate and House bill number. Somehow, that was not the correct telephone number. We apologize for that error.

The Senate has passed the bill and now fate of the coin rests in the House. Please ask your Representative to co-sponsor H.R. 5053.

More specifics of the coin bill are on page 17.

TAPS

CHONSKI, STAN - died 2-1-90, Albany, N.Y., U.S.N. AE-14 STICKNEY, FELIX JR. - died 6-2-90, Arundel, DE. U.S. Army. RICHARD KUBICK, Dec. 19, 1989; Chicago, Ill DONALD EDWARD KLEIN, June 9, 1990; North Tonawanda, NY. DONALD MASON SMITH, Georgetown, ILL.



At the annual Memorial Ceremony, KWVA President Dick Adams presented to American Battle Monuments Commission a check from KWVA for the amount of \$50,000. That is how YOUR hard work pays off!

HERE ARE OFFICIAL RESULTS OF JULY 26 ELECTION

During the regular annual business meeting of KWVA on July 26, 1990 at Arlington, Virginia, the incumbent three officers were reelected. They are: Dick Adams, President; Tom Maines, 1st Vice President; and Harry Wallace, 2nd Vice President.

Director Woodruff resigned, effective July 26 1990, as a director. His position was filled by election of Billy Smith for remainder of the term.

Four Directors were elected for the 1990-1993 term, as follows: L. "Scooter" Burke, Charles L. Dawson, Leonard Dube, and Stan Hadden. The listing on page two carries all names, address and telephone numbers of those serving.

HERE'S ONE WAY TO RECEIVE YOUR OVERDUE MEDALS

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RECAP OF PLANS

- · Each member try to recruit at least one new member.
- Next Board of Directors meeting will be in Independence,
 MO, Feb. 8 -10, 1991, at Harry Truman Library and
 Museum
- Is it time to move the 1991 reunion out of Washington,
 D.C. area? How about 1991 in Kansas City, MO? Please send your opinion PDQ to the Graybeards. See page 10.

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A SPECIAL DEBT TO P.O.W.s

America owes a special debt of gratitude to all those who gave up their freedom in the service of our country and to their families who suffered the burdens of that service. It must never forget its obligation to those who were taken from the comfort and security of their homes and livelihoods and served on battlefields around the world in the name of peace and freedom. The path way to fullest possible accounting is not an easy one and fades further with each passing day, but it is one that must be pursued until every lead has failed.

By Joint Resolution, Congress has designated Sept. 21, 1990, as National POW/MIA Recognition Day. It is a day for American prisoner of war. It's a time to remember those who are still missing. It's a time to take inspiration from and offer vital sustenance to those courageous families who still may not know the fate of a loved one lost in service to our country.

But most of all, it's a time to rededicate ourselves to the proposition that our nation must not rest until all U.S. personnel held against their will are free, that fullest possible accounting of the missing is obtained, and that all recoverable American remains are repatriated. This is the least we can offer to those who dedicated their lives to America's service.

-Quoted from an editorial by Col. Charles D. Cooper; "The Retired Officer."



Dear Debbie Spencer: I had to write you to say how great I think you are for creating and making the limited edition "Betsy Ross" dolls in honor of your dad, to help raise funds for the Korean War Veterans Memorial. I am the lucky recipient of No. 14 and shall cherish it always. Sincerely, MARGUERTIE A. SNIDER.

(NOTE: if you want to use the Betsy Ross doll for your chapter fundraising, please contact: NOEL L. ROBERTS; Star Rt. 3; Crocker, MO 65452. His daughter makes them.)

A 7-YEAR OLD WITH BRAIN TUMOR ASKS YOU TO SEND HIM A GET-WELL CARD

We would be grateful if you could put this in the next newsletter.

Craig Shergold is a seven year old boy who has a tumor on his brain and has very little time to live. It is his ambition to have an entry in the Guiness Book of World Records for the largest number of Get Well Cards ever received by an individual.

Please help by sending a GET WELL CARD to: Craig Shergold; 36 Shelby Road; Carshalton; Surrey; SN8 ILD; England. Please remember that postage to England is 45 cents per 1/2 ounce.



ABOVE: Director, Fairfax City Band.

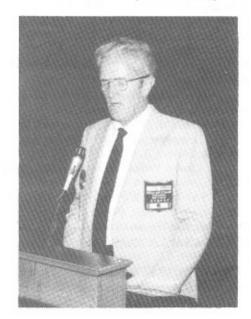


ABOVE: Band members who also are Korean War veterans.

BELOW: Col. Ralph Melcher, banquet MC

BELOW: Bill Norris, Bill Smyers, Stan Hadden, Scooter Burke, Bill Mauldin, Dick Adams, Harry Wallace.











UPPER LEFT: Mary Ann Adams and some of the ladies; Virginia Benjamin is at right. UPPER RIGHT: The Board of Directors at work; Kathleen Wyosnick standing; from left are Bill Smyers, Dick Adams, Art Patterson, Chuck Dawson. AT LEFT: A group gathered for this picture. LOWER LEFT: Noel Roberts and others at the Meditation Bench in Arlington Cemetery. Members of the KWVA Color Guard are standing at rear, with Art Patterson holding the South Korean flag. LOWER RIGHT: Banquet speaker Bill Mauldin, famed cartoonist of three wars who is especially noted for his creations "Willie and Joe".





FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our Goal for the coming year is for each member to recruit at least one new member. This would double our Membership in one year.

Also our trip to North Korea was put on hold by the North Koreans. Our government has given us the O.K. to go. Now it is up to the North Korean Government to say yes.

I also want to thank Bill Bradley, Tom Sharpe, James Long, Dick Ziemba, Blaine Friedlander and Bill Mason for working on our By-Laws. This helped the Board very much in setting up State Departments. This Association is proud to have members like this.

I do want the membership to know that I am not insensitive or unappreciative of what our members are doing. Sometimes when one project is finished, without taking time to smile, relax or say Thank's we immediately go on to the next project, but I do want to thank the members that have worked so hard for this Association, and you know who you are. "Thank You So Much".

If you have ideas to make your Association better, please let us know. This is your Association and it will only grow with **your** help and hard work.

Our next Board of Directors meeting will be February 8, 9 & 10th, 1991 in Independence, Missouri. The meeting will be at the Harry Truman Library and Museum on February 9th, 1991.

Some of our members have complained about the high cost of coming to the Reunion. We have held the cost as low as we could. The Washington, D.C. area is known for its high cost and it is clear across the country for a lot of our Members. Is it time for a change until the dedication of our Memorial??????

Dick Colamo

DICK ADAMS, National President; Korean War Veterans Association; P.O Box 127; Caruthers, CA 93609.

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KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC. OPERATING STATEMENT 7-1-90 TO 7-31-90

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BALANCE ON 6-30-90	Operating Fund \$28,411.21	Life Membership \$41,427.21	
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REVENUE - JULY:			
Dues	6,415.00		
Life Membership		1,975.00	
Memorial Fund			42,336.45
Interest	1,052.55		653.22
Sub-Totals	\$35,878.76	\$43,402.21	\$60.475.09
EXPENDITURES - JULY:			
Postage	\$415.70		
Telephone	392.83		
Office Supplies	1,320.95		
Publishing and Mailing	257.09		
Quartermaster Dept.	780.13		
Trans. Funds to AMBC			\$50,000.00
BALANCE ON 7-31-90	\$32,712.06	\$43.402.21	\$10,475.09
	TOTAL - AL	L FUNDS	\$86,589.36



When KWVA had its beginning in 1985, a hard-working cofounder with Bill Norris was JOE McCALLION. The following letter was received from him:

Dear Dick: I wish to express my sincere thanks for the plaque I received at the 1990 reunion banquet. Believe me, I was completely surprised and did not expect any recognition award. Whatever contribution I have made to the Korean War Veterans Association I was glad to do and will continue to help the association in any way I can.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to you and all the officers and members for your dedication in making our organization an even stronger and successful association each year.

My thanks to Bill Norris for his untiring efforts in getting us started. I was glad to help Bill in whatever way I could and we are both proud to see how far the association has gone in six short years. I am proud to be a member and will support your efforts 100% in your efforts to serve the membership. Sincerely, JOE McCALLION.

PHOTO ABOVE: from left -- DICK ADAMS, JOE McCALLION, and BILL NORRIS. The PHOTO BELOW is a reenactment by Joe and Bill of the pose they struck at the first reunion in 1985 when they each said: "He started it!".



PLEASE TELL US your opinion and preference for the amount of room rent you think we should try to contract for when making arrangements for next year's reunion. We are being quoted in the range of \$62 to \$80. Send your letters to Harry Wallace; REUNION CHAIRMAN; P.O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281.

KWVA OPPOSES DESECRATION OF OUR FLAG

This resolution was presented and passed, protesting the United States Supreme Court decision condoning the desecration of the flag of the United States:

WHEREAS, there were 5,000,000 American men and women who served in the armed forces of the United States during the Korean War from June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955, to repel Communist Aggression in the Republic of Korea, and

WHEREAS, the said service of American men and women during the Korean War resulted in the death of 54,246; the wounding of 103,284; missing or unaccounted for 8,179; and further the suffering and anguish which occurs in time of war, and.

WHEREAS, the said service in the United States Armed Forces was accepted by the men and women as their patriotic duty in order to support the policies of the Government of the United States, Now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Korean War Veterans Association strongly objects to the decision of the Supreme Court which condones the burning of the flag, and further, to any other form of desecration of the Flag of the United States and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the said decision of the Supreme Court greatly diminishes the pride of Korean War Veterans and the honor they have earned for serving and dying in furtherance of the policies of the Government of the United States.

I certify that the above resolution was adopted by acclamation at the Annual Meeting of the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc. on the 26th day of July, 1989.

ATTEST: William F. Smyers, Secretary.

FROM OUR "MRS. PRESIDENT"

Dear "Scooter" Burke and Korean War Veterans Association Members who were so kind and gracious to give this humble person a wonderful toast at the Reunion on July 26th, 1990.

It is I who should be giving a toast to you. When I hear the word "Veteran" there is always another thought that goes with this and that is "Freedom" — "Veteran/Freedom". Thank you for that. You are all special to me and to Dick and you will never be forgotten.

Gratefully in loving Friendship, MARY ANN ADAMS

In PUERTO RICO: retired paratrooper ROLANDO CABANAS; Box 991; Utuado, PR 00761 conceived the idea of this "The Fallen Soldiers of Utuado Monument". Not only that, he provided the funds for its construction. It was unveiled May 25, 1987. These photos (at right) show the ceremony on May 28, 1990; waiting for TAPS to order present arms (SFC Roland Cabanas, squad leader); and Father Joseph delivering his sermon at start of ceremony.

(It was of interest to note that the total cost of this single figure memorial cost only about **one-third** of the base cost being quoted today for individual figures in our planned National Memorial).



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REMEMBERING INCHON

In Miami on September 15, a special banquet meeting will be held to mark the 40th anniversary of the spectacularly effective Inchon Landing that coincided with the Pusan Breakout.

As special guests, there will be nine Medal Of Honor recipients from WWII, Korea, and Viet Nam. They are all being flown to Miami under special arrangements free-of-charge with American Airlines who expressed their honor at being allowed to participate.

Purpose of this "Roll Call" Of Heroes" is to raise funds for the National Memorial. EMMETT BENJAMIN, a Director of KWVA as well as president of the Dept. of Florida, is coordinator of the entire proceeding.

REUNIONS

90th AIR REFUELING SQUADRON REUNION. The 90th Air Refueling Squadron (KC-97's at Castle AFB 1953-1955) reunion is planned for November 9 - 12, 1990 at Merced/San Francisco CA. Featured is a tour of the Castle AFB Museum in Atwater, CA. CONTACT: Tony Rourke, 7726 Eichler Drive, Houston, TX 77036. Phone: (713) 771-5120.

THE MOSQUITOS: Members of the 6147th Tactical Control Group "Mosquitos" who served with the Fifth Air Force in the Korean War will hold their annual reunion on September 20-23, 1990, at the Best Western Landmark Resort Hotel, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Contact: John N. Webster, 610 1st Avenue (N). Surfside Beach, S.C. 29577, (803) 238-0560.

EXCITING 1991 MEMORIAL DAY IS PLANNED IN COLUMBIA, MO. AND YOU ARE INVITED!

Mary McCleary Posner has invited all KWVA members to attend next year's special event. Her letter reads as follows:

"Thank you so much for allowing me to participate with all of you wonderful Korean War Veterans at the annual association meeting. In addition, I would like to extend a universal invitation to all of the members to come to Columbia, Missouri on Sunday, May 26, 1991 and Monday, May 27, 1991 for our Memorial Day Weekend. We will have a "family day" at the airport on Sunday including numerous WWII and Korean War vintage planes and "jumps" by the Airborne units and the Navy, as well as displays and possibly a performance by the Marine Corps Drum and Bugle Corps.

"Then Sunday night we have a banquet (dress uniforms or parts thereof) to honor all of our honored guests. We will have Colonel Fred Cherry, General Ray Davis, Colonel Travis Hoover (he flew off the deck of the aircraft carrier Hornet three minutes after Jimmy Doolittle on the first daylight air raid over Tokyo in 1942) and hopefully lots of our fellow Korean War Veterans Association members.

The dinner cost only \$16 dollars for a wonderful steak dinner. Then Monday morning we march down Broadway to the court house with floats, bands, military units, etc. and air cover is provided by the planes from our family day at the airport. It is really exciting. I arrange for very low cost accommodations (around \$35 per night for a room with two double beds and breakfast) to be made available to our guests."

She may be contacted at this address: 303 West Boulevard South; Columbia, MO. 65203.

NEW JERSEY SUPERMARKET WILL HELP

Edward Grygier sent this note: "If anyone in Jersey needs help setting up to solicit funds for the Memorial, this chain will help." With his note came this letter: "We are in receipt of your request to solicit funds for the Korean War Veterans Memorial Fund in front of the ShopRite of Staten Island. We are happy to support your program and wish you much success. Please contact the Store Manager prior to your arrival date."

The letter was signed by ShopRite Supermarkets, Inc.; Sr. Sec. Operations; P.O. Box7801; Edison, NJ 08818-7801.

COURSE OF THE KOREAN WAR WILL BE SHOWN AT TRUMAN LIBRARY IN INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI

An exhibition titled "The Korean War: Containment in Asia" will be opened next month at the Harry S. Truman Library and Museum in Independence, Missouri.

On October 19 -- the 40th anniversary of the fall of the North Korean capital Pyongyang to United Nations troops - - the Harry S. Truman Library and Museum will open an exhibition on the Korean War. The Korean War was an important testing ground for the new rules of diplomacy and combat in the developing Cold War between the superpowers. Always viewed by policy makers as the prelude to a more general struggle that would break out in Europe between the forces of the communist East and the capitalist West, perceptions on both sides of the Iron Curtain transformed what might have been a civil war in a small Asian country into the proxy battleground of wills between two idealogical systems, each seeking a way to demonstrate its strength and determination without plunging the world into another catastrophic general war, which, in the nuclear age, seemed unthinkable.

The exhibition follows the course of the Korean War. It is divided into six sections, each one representing a distinct phase of the military and political situation. Within each section the exhibition is divided further into three "voices." The first is that of the American policy makers in Washington as they struggled to interpret what was actually happening in Korea in order to respond forcefully without plunging the nation into a wider war. Their voices are illustrated by the letters, cables position papers, and other documents drawn from the Truman Library collections.

The second voice is that of the soldier in the field. This is not the voice of the military strategist but that of the footsoldier whose knowledge of the war extends to the hill he has been assigned to defend, to the trench in which he lives, to the raw January wind, and to the mortar rounds he dodges each day. The voice of the soldier is provided by oral history interviews and is illustrated by objects such as uniforms, weapons, encampment equipment, and personal items used by servicemen and women in the field. Most of these objects are on loan from private collections and from other museums.

The third voice in the exhibition consists of the private thoughts of Harry Truman as he wrestled with the crucial decisions of the war. It is drawn from his private diary entries, from letters to his family and friends, and from his recollections later in life, and shows the private turmoil he faced as he tried to chart a course that would deter communist aggression without widening the war. These materials are drawn from the collections of the Truman Library.

Among the items on display in the exhibition will be the pen that President Truman used to authorize a state of emergency in December, 1950; North Korean and Chinese flags captured by South Korean troops as Pyongyang fell to United Nations forces; uniforms representing Chinese and North Korean troops, as well as those representing American Army, Marine, and Air Force personnel; and President Truman's order dismissing General Douglas MacArthur.

In recognition of those who fought in Korea, the Truman Library's museum admission fee will be waived for all Korean War Veterans on June 25, 1991, the forty-first anniversary of the start of the Korean War.

For further information, please write: Director; Harry S. Truman Library; 24 Highway and Delaware; Independence, Missouri 64050. Telephone: (816) 833-1400.

WE WANT YOUR OPINION

On the opposite page you will see two different opinions for holding the 1991 reunion in a city other than Washington, D.C. YOUR OPINION would be greatly appreciated; just send it to: The Graybeards Editor; Stan Hadden; P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425. Or, if you prefer, send your opinion to anyone you choose. A complete listing of names/adresses/phone numbers is on page two. Thank you.

SHALL THE 1991 REUNION BE MOVED AWAY FROM WASHINGTON, D.C.?

I SUGGEST WE MOVE IN 1991

I am one of those many hundreds who have given endless hours of labor and more hundreds or thousands of dollars to the effort to erect a monument to the Korean War Veterans in Washington, D.C. I take no credit for anything.

However, I do ask that those who have been given the authority to manage the thousands of details involved in the gigantic undertaking of building a Memorial understand that they are handling private monies given from the hearts of thousands of people across this United States. The privilege of holding high rank does not necessarily bestow high business sense, nor does it detract from other equally high talents. That being true, those managers must spend the money wisely, and they must stand ready at all times to present an accurate accounting to those who gave time and money in memory of those who gave their lives.

There is a story elsewhere in this edition of Graybeards that cites present status of the National Memorial. As reported to the July convention, it emphasizes the mounting cost estimates for the Memorial (SEE PAGES 16 and 17.)

Most veterans, I think, go to reunions looking for old buddies and to re-live unforgettable experiences. I do not believe many veterans go to Washington to see their members of Congress. We have <u>never</u> been able to get <u>any</u> national politician to cross the Potomac River to meet with us in Arlington. Last year we had made plans to go by bus from reunion hotel to the Memorial site on the Mall for a short ceremony, and from there walk to the Viet Nam Wall to lay a wreath. At the last minute — as the busses drove up to the hotel — we were told we could not go to the Mall as planned because "more than two people is a demonstration and you do not have a permit for that."

As I see the situation today with skyrocketing costs of the Memorial, KWVA is standing at a crossroads. It is my belief that we do not need politicians nearly as much as we need more members and more help from the American people. On Saturday, July 27, 1991: every politician will be GONE from Washington, D.C. Locals there say that "only crazy tourists come to Washington in July."

It is my opinion that we should now, today, consider doing whatever is necessary to quickly bring in thousands more veterans of the Korean War. In doing so, we will also bring in thousands more dollars for the Memorial. And we will have contributed to our mission of making the American public aware of the Korean War and all its impact upon history.

Therefore, I suggest we consider moving our 1991 reunion site to a city in the heartland of America, the Midwest. For example, to Kansas City or Independence, Missouri, President Truman's home.

Such a move will place this association before the eyes of people who are not yet aware of what KWVA is. That lack of awareness stems, in part, from refusal of the major news media to report anything that we do.

I believe that move will attract news reporting by media who heretofore have either not heard of us or just plain refuse to cover anything we do. I remember being told by CBS News in 1985 that "the Korean War veteran is neither profitable or controversial."

With better media reporting would come the attention from Congress that is vital to completion of our objectives. Sadly, a politician listens to the promise of a vote or money for his pocket before he listens to an emotional appeal for remembering the war dead who, in reality, are the underpinning for all this nation stands for today.

If we can add several thousand more veterans voices to our ranks, and quickly, by moving the reunion to the Midwest, it again is my opinion that we should do so now.

--STAN HADDEN; P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425.

National Director, 1990-1993.

I FAVOR STAYING IN WASHINGTON

I am strongly committed to keeping the convention in Washington, at least until the Memorial is dedicated. Much of what we are doing, right now, is concentrated there, and no other site can do as much to further the current goals of the operation.

- To commemorate those who died, who are missing, or who are unaccounted for in the Korean War.
- To raise the awareness of the American people about the Korean War and the Korean War veterans.

We have held a Memorial Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington National Cemetery every year for the past five years, and it is increasingly attended by representatives of the nations who served with us in the Korean War, members of the Congress, the Administration, and the leadership of other major veterans organizations. The salute to our dead and missing at the Meditation Bench has become a traditional part of our annual ceremony. It cannot be duplicated anywhere else. Can there be a better -- or more fitting -- place to continue to accomplish our primary goal than at Arlington National Cemetery?

In 1987, we accepted an additional objective -- which fits both of our goals -- to help establish the Korean War Veterans Memorial in the Nation's Capital. By 1988, our convention became the first function used by the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board to promote the establishment of the Memorial, and our members have participated in every national event to promote the Memorial since. The press who "forgot" the Korean War and ignored our association in 1985 now calls on us for help in producing, in Washington, events about the war and the progress of our Memorial.

They do that because we are known there, and we are known there mainly because we hold our convention there. We are relatively small among veterans organizations, and because only a small number of our members come to our conventions, very few of the people we need to influence in these, our growing, days are going to travel away from Washington to speak to us. However, as long as we hold our conventions there, we do have the opportunity to get to them where they work.

Think about the offectiveness of having only a few of our members visit the Congress to support the Commemorative Coin Bill last July. Could we have accomplished that while convening in another city?

There may be a feeling that we should shift our convention site around the country to attract new members by our presence in their area. If that's the case, how should we select the site? It has taken five years and the passage of legislation to build a Korean War Veterans Memorial to gain us entry to the press in the Nation's Capital. Until the passing of the fortieth anniversary of the Cease Fire and, hopefully, the dedication of the Memorial -- we are newsworthy in Washington. What do we do to attract attention -- and therefore, new members -- at any other convention site? And what will we do there to cause Korean War Veterans to write in to join our organization from all over the country?

Most of our effectiveness comes from our continuing presence in the Washington area, and the symbol of that presence is our annual convention. Let's not change it now.

--TOM MAINES; 1st Vice President; 1801 Saw Mill Run Blvd.; Pittsburgh, PA 15210.

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ARE YOU OUT THERE?

Interested in receiving names and addresses of any personnel stationed at PUSAN 21st Sta. Hosp. also called 21st Evac before changed to Station. Was there 1MAY 1952 THRU OCT 1953. ROBERT J. GOUGH; 17837 Marquette; Roseville, MI 48066; (313-744-7917).

Co. A, 23rd INF REGT. 2nd DIV

My brother, RAYMOND C. ELLIS, was reported Missing In Action in Korea as of November 29, 1950. He arrived in Korea on October 3, 1950, as a corporal with Company A, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Division, and was last reported in the vicinity of Kuni-Ri, North Korea.

I am hoping you could print this request in your next Graybeard in the hope that someone in the KWVA will recognize my brother's name and perhaps have more information as to what happened that day. They could write me at 5 Atlantic Avenue; Blue Point, New York 11715. Thank you very much. PATRICIA ELLIS BARANELLO.

45TH DIV, CO B, 179TH INF REG

I received your address from a friend, Bill Perry of Liberty, II. who is a Korean veteran, and a member of your organization. We have recently erected a Korean Veterans Memorial at Illinois Veterans Home in Quincy, Ill. I am gratified to know they are finally building one in Washington, D.C. I would like to have my letter published in the Graybeards.

My brother, 2nd Lt. Robert E. McIntyre of Quincy, II., was commander of the Third Platoon, Company B, 179th infantry regiment. 45th Division. He was killed while on patrol in enemy territory Mar. 5, 1953. I would like to hear from anyone who knew him and served with him in that outfit. MRS. JEAN A DICKS; 739 S. 15th Str.; Quincy, II. 62301.

84TH FA C BAT

Looking for any former C Bat not now members of 25th Div Assoc. Contact Allen M. Smith; 3338 Dupont Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN 55412 (612-529-4567)

TO/FROM OUR MEMBERS

Jack Witter (Wpms-1-1) of Oscoda, Michigan would like to contact or know the where abouts of PETE ZARZANO, originally from Columbus, Ohio. They served together at the Chosin. Send any information to: JACK WITTER, 3629 U.S. 23, Oscoda, MI 48750.

USS YELLOW JACKET

Seeking information about the destroyer USS Yellow Jacket that I think my father served on in the Korean War. My name is Kayle Smith; please send information in care of Mrs. Mary Ann Adams; P.O. Box 127; Caruthers, CA. 93609. Thank you.

FT. LEWIS, APRIL 1947

Lt. Womack was CO of a Training Company in Ft. Lewis in April 1947. Please contact James A. Woody, Rt. 1, Box 1964, Maysville, GA. 30558. (404-652-2828)

7TH INF, 32ND REGT, CO L

Survivors of Hungnam, Korea. I would like to hear from anyone who served with Company "L", 32nd Regt. 7th Infantry during 1950. Please contact James A. Woody, Rt. 1, Box 1064, Maysville, Ga. 30558 (404-652-2828).

1ST PL, I CO 5TH CAV REGT

On the bottom, lower left of page 8, Vol 5, No 3, Apr '90 there was a request from one David Alan Baird, 121 East Williams St., Ft. Wayne, Ind. 46803, (formerly 1st Plat, I Co, 5th Cav Reg, for information as to the whereabouts of Allan Stanberry, the undersigned. I promptly wrote to the address in Ft. Wayne only to have my letter returned by the Post Office with the notation, "Moved. left no address, unable to forward, return to sender." It could well be he might need some assistance in

verifying a claim etc. In whatever may be the case. I would like to assist him if possible. At the time he knew me I was M/Sgt, Chief of Detail, A Btry, 61st FA, 1st Cav.

--ALLAN STANBERRY; 5307 North "O" St.; Ft. Smith, AR 72904.

3RD DIV, 5TH INF REGT, 1ST BN, CO D, 3RD PL

I am trying to locate my platoon Sgt. Harrington that I served under in Korea in 1951 and 1952. I was knocked off of a jeep trailer, coming off the line in 1952 and injured my back. Sgt. Harrington told me to go to the Orderly Room and go on sick call and I did.

Ist Lt. Abbey was Co. Commander and he said no sick call period. He was a reserve officer and he was bucking for Captain to stay in the Army and retire with a very large pension. Ist Lt. Abbey worked for Ford Motor Company in Dallas Texas, he was an accountant and bookkeeper.

Sgt. Harrington was from Little Rock, Arkansas, and he is a very good witness of my injury he is the only one I can think of to prove it

The appeals Board even admits I was discharged with a Class 2-Class Two-Back, but they keep denying me benefits. I am presently in the V.A. Hospital in Albequerque, New Mexico under going Cancer Treatments. It won't be much longer so the VA doesn't care and they won't pay me.

I thank you very kindly. BILLY S. SNODGRASS; P.O. Box 864; Belen N. Mex 87002.

5TH U.S. CAV REGT

We, the 1st Battn, the Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders, on Monday Dec 4, 1950 were enroute the Yalu area near a place called Mongdinjon. It fell upon me to have to make a mercy bid to locate some petrol and oil. I went to INCHON where I was able to get 600 gallons petrol and 100 gallons of oil. But it was very late by then so decided to kip down for the night. I was fortunately befriended by one ROSCOE BAKER of 5th US Cav Regt who managed to fix me up with a cot for the night. A real luxury. I was most grateful. Will you please try to locate him for me? Thank you.

--CHARLES G. BOGART; "Balaclava"; 326 Hern Road; Ramsey St. Mary's; Huntingdon, Cambs. PE 17 1TD (England)

25TH INF DIV, 35TH REGT, CO G

Would like to make contact with my commander, Clyde B. Ormand. I was supply Sgt when he took command about May 1953 when we were located just outside Panmunjon. We rotated together back to the States in March 1954; last contact with him was 1963 in Munich, Germany. Also from any other member of company G from Feb 1953 to Mar 1954.

--EARL H. LAMBETH; M/Sgt (Ret); 2290 Wexford Dr.; College Park, GA 30349.

LST VETERANS

We now have a U.S. LST Association with chapter in many states. Colorado is one of them; please join us. Contact JOHN H. WETLEY; 1115 North Cedar; Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

1ST BPO KCZ

Yong Dong Po, Korea; May 1954 - March 1955. Contact PFC DANIEL F. KENNAN; 436 Dwight St.; Springfield, MA 01103.

7TY DIV, 17TH INF, CO K

VICTOR H. COCKLIN, JR.; 333 E. Philadelphia St.; York, PA 17403. Entering Harrisburg Hospital Aug. 31 for surgery; maybe home by Sept. 12. Will you write me, please?

29TH INF REGT, 1ST BN, CO C

I am seeking information about G.I.'s I served with at the PLEASE SEE MORE ON NEXT PAGE

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 12) ARE YOU OUT THERE?

beginning of Korean War. I joined C Co. 1st BN, 29th Inf. Regt. the day it left Okinawa for Korea in the 1st part of July 1950. I was assigned to 1st Squad as Asst Gunner on 60 mm Mortar. I came in on U.S.S. Gen Walker about noon; was assigned to C. Co 1st BN 29th Inf.; Drew full combat gear. Had supper about midnight.

We boarded an old Japanese ship and headed for Korea. 3 days later we docked at Pusan where we headed for the front. Needless to say it wasn't long before we met North Koreans. There wasn't nothing but 24th Inf Div trying to stop their mad dash to take all of Korea also it wasn't long before we had been shot to ribbons. A Co had 10 men left B Co had 20 men left C Co where I was had 70 men left.

By that time the 25th Div had landed they took A Co B Co and C Co for replacement to L Co 35th Inf Regt 25th Div.

What I'm trying to do after 40 years is to find out if anybody I served with is still alive especially my C.O. a Capt. McDonald from Kansas 42 mos W.W. II vet. My Sgt., I don't remember his name, a W.W. II Vet. My SQD Leader, a CPL Missledine from Tenn. 1st Gunner Pfc. Ho Himer from Kentucky. I don't remember first names but these people were with 29th when it left Okinawa for Korea and they were still alive about middle of Nov 1950 when I was sent to hospital in Japan; 361st Sta. Hospital Tokoyo. Then middle of Feb. 1951 was reassigned to 8044th Army Unit. Tokyo where I lost track of my old unit.

-- LOUIS WATSON; 316 E. Central; Anadarko, OK 73005.



Another state will issue special license plates for autos of Korean War veterans. This one belongs to S.P. ALBRECHT; 8143 W. Villard Ave.; Milwaukee, WI. He was in 3rd Eng Bn, 24th Div, 1953-54; and 13th Eng Bn, 7th Div, 1955.

THANX FOR THE KUDOS

Dear Sirs: Not long ago I had the pleasure of reading a copy of "Graybeards". I must admit I was impressed. It was informative and the subject matter pertained to those things that are of interest to me as a Korean War vet. For years I have belonged to the VFW, DAV, MOPH, 2nd Inf Div Assoc and the 23rd Regt Assoc, Korean War branch.

With the exception of the 23rd Inf KWB, little or nothing was said or done in the other organizations for and about the Korean War vet. I would consider it an honor to belong to your group. Therefore enclosed you will find my application and a year's dues. W. W. Hoffman; 129 March Drive; Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44223.

(Editors note: thank you, Mr. Hoffman. Graybeards is informative only because the veterans send in what they want to say. We just print it.)

IF YOU WANT IT PRINTED IN GRAYBEARDS, SEND TO STAN HADDEN; P.O. BOX 131; HARPERS FERRY, WV 25425

FROM CANADA: A SPECIAL!

I am as much of an American as I am a Canadian as I had the honour of serving in the US Army during the Korean War and as such served in the 187 ARCT in Korea. When I decided to do something to help build the National Memorial in Washington, I first sent my check for \$100 to Dick Adams. Then I sent a bank draft for another \$920 which was raised from the sale of ONE case of wine: "Korea War Veteran 40th Anniversary Wine" which was raffled at the 187 ARCT convention in Washington, DC July 6-7 1990.

(Editor's note: we cannot reproduce the label on the bottle of wine, due to governmental restrictions, but here is a description of it.)

WINE LABEL: this was designed by me with intention of showing both US and Canadian KWVA groups a way to raise money. The Front Label shows the United Nations flag with the Republic of Korea flag. With them are the 48-star American flag, and the Canadian red ensign. These are the flags that we fought under in WWII and Korea. The Back Label has some statistics about the Korean War as most people do not really know how many countries were involved.

At any rate, because of complications with marketing, and petty bickering with the design as I did not go through the chain of command with this label, the wine did not become the success it should have been. Approximately 120 cases were sold in Canada with that profit going to the different branches of KVA-Canada that sold it. ONE CASE was sold, or rather raffled off, in the USA and all that profit was donated to the USA Korean War Veterans Memorial Fund in Washington, DC. The total results are \$1020 donated to the Memorial Fund.

Please credit this contribution to all Canadians who served in the 187 ARCT in the Korean War.

--JAMES W. LANG; P.O. Box 1686 Stn A; Kelowna B.C., CANADA. VIY 8M3



BUY A KWVA MUG!

The pewter mug described and pictured here will be cast for the Korean War Veterans Association (using our Logo with the same approximate size and details as that of Penn State which is shown.) The established price of \$20.00 is well below the retail price of these mugs sold in named department stores across the country, but, still allowing a fair profit which will go to the Korean War Memorial Fund.

You can order your mug by filling out the form below and forward it with your check or money order made payable to: KWVA - South Jersey Chapter, to the address given. The mugs will be sent out when made (approximately 6 to 8 weeks) in the order they were received.

Address		
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OFFICIAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE IS NAMED

DICK ADAMS, President KWVA, announced at the July Reunion the following members of the nominating committee for future elections;

BOB SNIDER, Chairman; 138 Fairview Rd.; Massapequa, NY 11758. Members helping Bob will be: EARL HOUSE; 1870 Yakona Rd.; Baltimore, MD 21234, and PRINCE A. CLYBURN, JR.; 216 Berkeley St.; Beckley, WV 25801.

DENNIS AMBROSE; P.O. Box 11; Black River, NY, 13612, wrote this suggestion for future reunion:

It would be nice if guest speakers, dignitaries, etc. could mingle with everyone. It appears that only the "brass" has any contact at all with these people. Even an informal picture-taking session would be nice."

Efforts will continue in the quest to see copies of basic contract specification sheets for the Memorial.

PRISONER OF WAR SONG COMPOSED BY "SLIM" CADDELL

From Texas came this story by: THEO BAUDOIN; Rt 3, Box 471; Dickinson, Texas 77539;

On Memorial Day in Houston we had Reunion '90. The Houston area Veterans Council helped to organize the event as a "Salute to Korean War Veterans" on May 25 through 28 in Herman Park. We had a parade through downtown Houston, with local TV coverage, especially by Channel 2 who had Slim Caddell and me on their news,

37 years ago Wayne "Slim" Caddell wrote a song while in prison camp Changsong #3. It has been recorded in memphis by Ray McGinnis who owns Orbit Records. Ray also was a P.O.W. in Camp #3. He and I were from the same outfit;: 2nd Eng Combat Batt.

I met Slim at the airport when TV-2 paid his trip expenses. At the candlelight service on Sunday evening we heard from former P.O.W.s. After I gave my speech I introduced Slim who got his guitar and sang his song. Here is a picture of us. (See below. We think Slim is on left).

If anybody wants to order one of the "Prisoner Of War Record" just send \$5.00 to: Orbit Records; P.O. Box 12065; Nashville, TN 37212. Phone 1-615-255-1068. They will donate one dollar of that to the Korean War Veterans Memorial.



USS CHOSIN WILL BE COMMISSIONED ON JAN. 12, 1991

A special committee of the Chosin Few met last May 10-13 in Pascagoula, Miss with representatives of the Navy and others concerning completion of the new ship, USS CHOSIN. GEORGE L. SCHAUDEL; 2802 Woodfern Court; Woodbridge, Va. 22192 sent this report.

The commissioning will take place on Saturday, January 1, 1991. The commissioning program will be at Ingalls Shipyard, Pascagoula at 1100. After the ceremonies, there will be a post-commissioning reception in Ocean Springs, Miss. All hands are invited.

There will be a crews dinner on Saturday night at the Hilton Hotel in Biloxi, Miss. Normally all hands are also invited to this event which is a sit down dinner. On Sunday, for those who wish to remain, there will be guided tours of the ship for Chosin Few members and guests by members of the crew.

Don Williams has received a rough pencil sketch from Col. Waterhouse of our planned reproduction and I had the privilege of seeing it. I think the word "Magnificent" would be an understatement. I am sure that when we see the finished masterpiece with all the colors and features, all Chosin Few members will be very impressed and proud of the painting.

GET AN AUTOGRAPHED "ABOUT FACE"

DAVID HACKWORTH was no different than many other young men when he went off to the killing grounds of the Korean War. He fought; he went to the Viet Nam war; he became the most-decorated living American soldier. He amassed a large fortune over the years and has written his story titled "ABOUT FACE". a revealing testimony of the thoughts of an articulate man.

We received this note from Col. Hackworth: "Thanks again for checking into my book distribution. Don't want 'em to think I ripped 'em off. You can tell members if they want an autographed hardback copy of About Face, send \$18.00 and large 10 x 13 SASE to Santa Monica, with a note outlining what they want me to write, and I'll do it."

--DAVID "Hack" HACKWORTH; 2652 29th St. #1; Santa Monica, Ca. 90405

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WINNERS DRAWN ON JULY 27

Four lucky names were drawn at the reunion as follows. (1) Edward F. Fenton; N. Massapequa, NY. He sold himself the lucky drawing. (2) W. Hoover; Parlin, NJ. He is a student at Princeton; lucky stub came from Ed Grygier. (3) Ed Dunham; Honesdale, Pa. He is a WWII vet; lucky stub came from Harold Wilcox. (4) Tom Carlton, Danville, ILL. His lucky stub came from Hershall Lee.

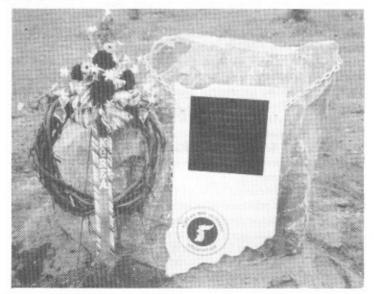


Reading the names of those from four counties who died in Korea

I'm enclosing some pictures of our third annual watchfire. We lit the fire Friday night of Memorial Day weekend. We kept the fire going for twenty-four hours. On Saturday we had services for all wars, starting at noon.

I have been chairperson for the Korean War Memorial Service the last two years. Last year at the Memorial Service I only knew two other Korean War Veterans. By the time we started our service, a lot of Korean War Veterans showed up. After the service we all started talking about our experiences and that is how we initiated the idea of starting a chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association.

If any Korean War Veteran lives close to Fort Wayne and belongs to the National, we would like to hear from them. We would be interested in having them join our chapter. Please contact me at (219) 747-7235 or write to me, Art Flotow, 5120 Chepequah Lane, Fort Wayne, Indiana, 46819.



Our memorial to our fallen comrades

SHOTGUN INFO WANTED

A historian about to finish a book on military shotgun usage would like to hear from any Korean War vets who recall use of shotguns for combat, security, aerial gunnery training or recreational purposes.

ERIC H. ARCHER; 6940 Bristol Drive; Berkeley CA 94705; Home phone (415) 548-9784.

"WHEN I GOT BACK IN JANUARY 1952 I WAS A VERY BITTER YOUNG MAN..."

Dear Stan: I would like to pass on something to you, I don't know if you would like to print it or not.

I think I was like everyone else in that when I came home from



ART FLOTOW. Pres. Indiana Chapter #1 with Congresswoman JILL LONG.

the Korean War, I went back to my old life. The other Korean Veterans have told me the same type of stories.

We went back to our jobs or found new ones. Right away. Some people did not even know I had been gone. Some people did ask where I had been. When I told them I had been fighting the war in Korea they just said "Oh"!! and went on with their business. That was that.

When I got back in January 1952, I was a very bitter young man. I was told not to say

anything about how we would find some of the G.I. that were taken prisoner then. We found them with their hands tied behind their back and shot in the head.

I did keep my mouth shut and did not talk to anyone. I did not understand the war at all and was confused but I did not talk about it. I just carried all of this inside year after year.

Three years ago my wife called the local vet center. She had come to understand that there must be a reason I was so bitter. She knew I had been in the Korean War. She had been married to a man who was in the Vietnam War who was also very bitter and their marriage had ended in divorce. She didn't want that to happen to our marriage.

She called the Vet Center and ask if they would talk to me? Thank goodness they said yes. I went one on one with the counselor in counseling sessions. Eventually I went to a group session. They were all Vietnam Veterans but they all said "Welcome Home". They were the first one who ever said that to me and it felt damn good!! But that was a start of a wonderful relationship with some of the Vietnam Vets. I also started to meet a few Korean War Vets. I have come a long way in three years. I have a better relationship with my wife and my children now.

I know some of the Korean War Vets have gone through the same thing as I have and some have had bad experiences with Veterans Hospitals. Maybe they could try a Vet Center. I believe they can help. You can't just go to the American Legion or V.F.W. Post and drink a few beers and talk about it there with your buddies. It didn't solve a thing for me. I ended up with a drinking problem. I realized that now but I denied it for a very long time.

Until a couple of years ago I would have never written this letter. I believed I never had a problem. But I Did!! I just never faced it, never talked about it to anyone. Especially about the war experiences. The Vet Center gave me a place to talk about it. To share with other soldiers what it was like to be in a battle. They cried with me and comforted me and most of all understood as no one except a combat veteran can.

I know I still have some problems but I can work on them now and I feel a lot better. And I know there is a place where I can go and talk openly and freely about my war experiences and they understand. Sincerely, ART FLOTOW; 5120 Chepequah Lane; Ft. Wayne, IND 46819

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WE ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ESCALATING COST OF THE MEMORIAL THE STRAIGHT INFORMATION ABOUT THE MEMORIAL

by BLAINE P. FRIEDLANDER

You could have knocked me over with a feather when I heard the replies given our intrepid Graybeards editor when he questioned General Stilwell and Col. Bill Weber at the KWVA Reunion Banquet on July 27, 1990. Stan Hadden explained his dismay and downright disbelief over the cost of the Memorial which has risen to twelve million dollars from six million dollars. Bill Weber responded to Stan's request for information with the rejoinder the contracts and other paperwork covering the cost of the memorial was none of Stan's business. Stan was invited to file an application under the Freedom of Information laws for the facts.

Dick Adams gave me the assignment of finding out what was going on as far as the memorial is concerned. Donning my invisible suit, blond wig, inconspicuous gold teeth, complete with Sherlock Holmes hat and magnifying glass, I sallied forth, bearded lions in their dens, followed the paper clip trail to all corners of Washington, D.C. and completed the most intense paper search known to man.

Please take note that I have not identified some of the people I talked with nor have I identified any of the documents I saw, without an FOI order. As a lawyer, I have a privilege not to reveal my sources, and I exercise it in order to answer as many questions as I can.

My friend, Col. Bill Ryan of the American Battle Monuments Commission (Washington, D.C.,) told 13,000 of us VFW delegates that the VFW had now raised over \$630,000 (putting KWVA in second place among the veterans associations) and that \$6,800,00 had now been raised and was in the Federal repository, AND WE NEEDED TO RAISE ONLY SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS MORE.

"That don't sound like less than \$12 million to me!" I said to Bill Ryan later. "It shouldn't" replied Bill. "at a recent meeting of the KWVMAB it was decided to ask the architect of record, Cooper-Lecky, to attempt to hold construction costs to \$10 million or below, and I hope they do, but the Memorial will actually cost:

\$10,000,000 to construct the Memorial (target); 1,000,000 for perpetual maintenance with National Park Service (10% of construction) 1,000,000 for architectural and engineering supervision;

1,000,000 for unknown extras, like inflation."

Like most things the price keeps going up. With Iraq and recession, we may expect to pay more. We must also keep in mind the \$1,000,000 fund the Congress advanced as seed money for design and construction is a repayable cost. The current best estimate of cost for the memorial is at least thirteen million dollars.

Some people, including me, were aghast that a Six Million Dollar Memorial would double in cost in a period of three years. I looked for evidence of wrongdoing, but the architectural-engineering contract appears to be in order and construction contracts have not even been entered into yet.

Congress turned the construction and fund raising of the memorial over to the KWVMAB, a group of twelve people appointed by the President of the United States. The political appointments were to persons without the experience needed to keep the costs down. This is to be expected and I doubt that any member of KWVA would have done any better.

The real culprit seems to be the lack of definition of the scope of the Memorial from the very beginning. You will remember last June when KWVMAB selected this design it was done after the submission of only an initial concept by the design architects. The consultants hired to advise the Design Jury during the process felt it was reasonable to be able to construct this design in the range of \$6 million.

When the Army Corps of Engineers were finally able to analyze it further they "estimated" \$8.7 million just for construction. The perpetual maintenance fund with the National Park Service is calculated as an additional 10% of the construction cost. In addition there is the fee

paid to the Architects and to The Corps of Engineers.

Now Cooper-Lecky are really getting down to all the design elements and have been asked to keep the construction costs under \$10 million. Their first look called for \$12.5 million. ABMC and the Board are working very close with them to keep the costs under control.

It has been said that the cost of each of the 38 statues will be \$250,000.00. According to the documents and conversations I have had, this is just not true. Some of our members were familiar with the sculptor who made a similar design last year for approximately \$150,000. Again, loose talk causes problems, and the rumors of misfeasance abounded at and after our convention. For the price of a statue to rise \$100,000 in less than a year raises the specter of sweetheart deals and a raid upon the public pocketbook. It definitely did not sit well. I think my research was careful and I can report as follows:

- Mr. Frank C. Gaylord of Barre Vermont has been selected as the sculptor. There is no "firm price contract" with him yet. Negotiations are in progress and I am assured there will be bids submitted for the foundry work. Mr. Gaylord has started on the design phase of each statue.
- It is estimated that the cost per statue will be in the range of \$150,000 - \$160,000. But I must emphasize this is still being negotiated.

There may be the possibility of the donation of some of the metal used to cast the statues and that will reduce the cost somewhat. As details become available to me I will keep you informed.

All persons concerned with the design development and construction of the Memorial are aware of the intense interest of the KWVA and this knowledge will protect our pocketbook.

THE MEMORIAL DESIGN

In my opinion, the design is sensational and is the most expressive memorial ever designed. I say this without reservation and training, but with conviction. The replica of the memorial was on display at the VFW convention (and I understand it is no longer truly representative of the final design), but the only adverse comments from fellow veterans who were my peers with their lack of training, concern the lack of names of deceased, POW'S and MIA'S. They had had the advantage of also pausing a moment or two for quiet and serious reflection at the Coors and Budweiser exhibits. I also understand that provided there are excess funds (about \$500,000) there will be a possibility of adding the desired names through the use of interactive technology. In fact the Board has just engaged a company to do a feasibility study on the subject and it is in process now.

The consensus of many veterans and their wives was that a memorial is not a memorial unless it had the names of the deceased. These respondents were most impatient with artistic merit. As one VFW member said, "Names is names!"

The architectural critic of the Washington Post panned the design as being too grand and large for the site. His exposition is probably aestically correct, but he forgets the honorees and the thrill of the newest concept of memorial design. I predict it will be widely attended by visitors who will be as excited by its design. It reminds me of Stonehenge. It is that powerful.

DESIGN CHANGES. The design will probably be changed with the path of the soldiers being changed to the southeast from its present easterly course. From what I can gather the existing design has a poor circulation pattern and that, as designed, the visitors will not see the entire memorial with ease. There is currently discussion to move the 38 statues to have a smooth triangular traffic flow so that all visitors will visit all the parts of the memorial easily.

The path between the statues, the flagpole, the wall covering the history and support elements in the war, the chapel-like area, giving

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homage to KIA's POW's & MIA's, the recognition to the other nations participating under the UN banner are all in the design development stages with the architect of record and is very exciting. We will follow the design as it progresses and keep you up-to-date.

"THE KWVA MEMBER, IF HE OR SHE WANTS A MEMORIAL, WILL TAKE WHATEVER THE BOARD APPROVES." This statement made at the February, 1990, KWVA Board Meeting, is at the root of current problems. It is not a correct statement of fact.

The views of the Korean War Veteran are important. They are and will be considered. The KWVMAB is the Presidentially-appointed Board and as established by legislation is charged to make certain decisions. They do not have the authority to make all decisions, nor do the have the SOLE authority to make any decision. There are checks and balances well established. There are three bodies with the jurisdiction to make the final approval of design and location. To date, everyone with authority has approved the design. The issue at present is location and traffic flow to make the Memorial easily accessible to all visitors.

At all times, and at any time, each member of the KWVA, and indeed, each citizen of the United States, has a right to raise hell...(remember that is way we all went to Korea) and we will still have the Memorial. What is needed is a line of communication. A proper line of communication is now being established. It will be the purpose of KWVA to keep our members up-to-date and to see that your concerns are completely addressed. If this is not true, this article would not and could not have been written.

GROUND BREAKING AND DEDICATION

"KWVA MEMBERS, IN ALL PROBABILITY, WILL NOT BE INVITED TO GROUNDBREAKING AND DEDICATION CEREMONIES BECAUSE THERE WILL BE TOO MANY VIPS TO ACCOMMODATE." This statement made at the February, 1990, KWVA Board Meeting, is not true, and wasn't true at the time it was made. I was told two weeks ago that the officials in authority recognize the important contributions of the KWVA and that members of KWVA will be welcome at:

- THE GROUNDBREAKING ceremonies on or about November 11, 1991, and
 - 2. THE DEDICATION on July 27, 1993.

The grounds will hold about 10,00 people.

Now to some other important issues:

FUND RAISING

"IF ALL THE MONEY IS NOT RAISED BY THE END OF OCTOBER, 1991, THE WORLD WAR II VETERANS MEMORIAL WILL BE BUILT ON THE SITE!" We were so advised at the July, 1990, KWVA Board Meeting. Categorically, this is not true and has never been a possibility. The facts are: It is the commemorative works act that limits the fund raising to five years from the time a memorial is initiated. That is where the October 1991 deadline comes from. The site in Ash Woods has been established by Congress and approved by the Secretary of Interior. It is not in danger of being used by the WWII memorial or any other memorial. It is reserved for the Korean War Veterans Memorial in the Nation's Capital. If, heaven forbid, all the money is not raised by October 1991 then I am told it will be necessary as well as possible to get an extension of time. It is possible that ABMC and the Board may pursue this route anyway just to be safe.

FUNDRAISING GOALS. Our first fund raising goal was six million dollars. We reached this goal, only to find we need another seven million dollars. Thus we are halfway with only a year to go.

As I understand the fundraising, current and protected:

Raised to date \$6,800,000.00

WE HOPE TO RAISE, FROM:

Hole-in-one Event 2,500,000.00 Commemorative Coin 3,000,000.00 Total \$11,300,000.00

THE HOLE-IN-ONE GOLF TOURNAMENT. This will be

explained at a later time, but is the concept of Tom Maines and John Kenney. According to those with knowledge of this concept, it should raise at least \$2,500,000 with a minimal contribution from the golfers on Memorial Day, 1991. Bob Hope has endorsed this plan and if it gets the appropriate publicity it will raise more than expected.

THE COMMEMORATIVE COIN. On either September 10 or 17th, 1990 the House Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs and Coinage will mark-up HR 5053 authorizing the Director of the United States Mint to produce for sale 1,000,000 coins. Thanks to a lot of hard work from KWVA members calling and writing their congressmen, 9 of the 16 subcommittee members will vote for H.R. 5053, 33 of the 50 full banking committee members have co-sponsored this bill and 272 members of the House are co-sponsors. Once it comes out of subcommittee it is sure to pass the House. The Senate has already passed the bill. The proposal calls for each coin to sell for approximately \$20.00 each. A profit of about \$7 per coin will go to the Korean War Veterans Memorial Fund.

Fourteen veterans groups pledged to support this effort, to wit: Korean War Veterans Association, American Legion, Amvets, Catholic War Veterans, Disabled American Veterans, Jewish War Veterans, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Military Order of the World Wars, Paralyzed Veterans of America and Eastern Paralyzed Veterans of America, Rakkasans, Retired Army Nurse Corps Association, 13th Bomb Squadron Association (Korea), and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

According to the Mint, when the 1,000,000 coins are authorized, a preliminary sale will be held by mail to coin collectors and dealers. Normally one would expect to sell 800,000 coins to these collectors and dealers. This leaves about 200,000 coins for the general marketplace to be sold by veterans groups. The Mint normally doesn't mint more than one coin per year, but this year there are the Mt. Rushmore Coin, the 50th Anniversary USO coin and the 38th Anniversary Korean War Coin. The Director of the Mint told the House Subcommittee that for the last several years the sale of commemorative coins has been slow. The Director of the Mint also reported that there were more commemorative coins to follow:

Ben Franklin, Pending Columbus, Pending Bill of Rights, Pending 1992 Olympics, Pending

There could be a problem in the sale of coins, if the present budget, recession and Iraqi crises cause a decrease in expected sales. This is a highly specialized market and the KWVA must be ready to assist with a marketing plan which encompasses the current financial market and our small numbers for the market place.

HERE'S HOW TO ORDER THE BOOK ON THE MEDAL OF HONOR

Dear Stan: I need a favor. I'm trying to get up with a Book titled, (The Congressional Medal Of Honor, Korea: the names, the deeds.) I don't know who authored this book. KWVA Quartermaster use to sell this book, but the people who are now over the Quartermaster, will not be handling books, so they couldn't help me.

What I'm asking of you, you may not be able to do. Can you in the next KWVA Newsletter Mag., run a small paragraph stating, John Patterson is looking for this book, if someone could tell me where I can order his book I would appreciate it very much.

--JOHN A. PATTERSON; L/35 Assn.; Rt. 4, Box 241; Russellville, Alabama 35653.

JOHN: The book is titled "The Congressional Medal Of Honor Library; Korea: the names, the deeds." Write the publisher at this address: Dell Publishing Co. Inc.; 1 Dag Hammarskjold Plaza; New York, NY 10017; attention special Sales Dept. Or phone them at 212-605-3319.

EX-POWS HAVE SENT ABOUT \$15,000

Dear Stan: I would like to pass on some information about the Ex P.O.W.s of Korea. Each year we have our reunion around the 1st of Aug. We move from city to city each year.

This year we were in Baton Rouge, LA. Next year we will be in Denver, Colo.

What I want to pass along is that since 1988 we take up a collection for the "Korean War Veterans Memorial Fund" at our banquet. This year at Baton Rouge we collected \$3100.00 plus \$1500.00 from our tee shirt sale making a total of \$4600.00 for the fund. In the past two years we have collected approximately \$8000.00 at our past reunions. The Ex P.O.W.s of Korea have contributed approximately \$15,000.00 to the fund. This money comes out of our pockets and the hearts of the Ex P.O.W.s We will be collecting more next year as we too want this memorial built.

--HARLEY J. COON; "B" Co 35 Inf 25th Div; Ex P.O.W. Nov. 27, 1950 to Sept. 1, 1953; 2439 Lantz Rd.; Beavercreek, Ohio 45385

THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL FOR HEAT EXHAUSTION?

By War Department General Order No. 3, dated February 22, 1932, the Purple Heart established by General Washington at Newburgh, August 7, 1782, during the war of the Revolution, was revived out of respect to his memory.

Thirty-eight years ago I was with the 7th Inf. Div. in Korea, when I was wounded by being shot in the arm, also shrapnel in my arm and both legs. This is how I received my Purple Heart Medal. Years ago if you received a wound due to a direct result of hostile enemy action and required medical treatment, you were eligible to receive the Purple Heart Medal.

But not so today, thanks to Chief of Staff, Four Star Gen. Carl Vuono. After the 82nd. Airborne arrived in Panama, several soldiers suffered from heat stroke, after being there less than 24 hours. As a result they were evacuated. After they arrived in a military hospital in San Antonio, they were greeted by the one and only Gen. Vuono and presented with the Purple Heart Medal.

Back in 1952 and 1953 when I served in the Army, I saw men pass out from heat exhaustion while standing at attention on a parade field down in South Carolina, also while in combat in the hilly country of Korea during the summer months. I am sure there were many WWII and Vietnam Veterans who were also affected by the heat while in combat.

There were no Purple Hearts handed out then because of heat conditions. But we did not have the one and only Army Gen. Carl Vuono with us at that time.

I happen to be a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (chartered by Congress), but I am almost ashamed to tell anyone that I received the Purple Heart, because someone out there may laugh and say, "Did you sit in the sun too long".

What has happened to our military, our good old Army ways. I guess today there is the right way and the Army way of doing things.

I am afraid when the Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard read this, they will laugh you Army guys off post and out of town.

--CHARLES SOULES; P.O. Box 731; LaFayette, NJ 07848 Phones: home 201-383-7232; or at work 201-724-3469.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Charles, don't let a casual act by any general (overzealous? or just poorly informed by his staff?) take anything away from you. Wear your badge of honor proudly. The general will have to wear his badge of shame.

WE CAN'T FIND YOU! We tried to mail you the Graybeard, but these were returned as "MOVED":

SIDNEY MEISEL; Saganore Hills, OH CECIL SPINNER; Phoenix, AZ FRANCIS L. WEBSTER; Avon, NY JOSEPH MASHBURN; Wapakoneta, OH.



This photo shows
MARY
McCLEARY
POSNER holding
her Honorary
Membership,
while she and
DICK ADAMS
listen to remarks
by NOEL
ROBERTS.

At the July reunion, MARY McCLEARY POSNER was received as an Honorary Member of KWVA in recognition of her tremendous efforts on behalf of the Korean War veterans. She has expressed her sentiments as follows:

As I said at the banquet I am often asked, particularly by members of the media, why I work on behalf of the Korean War Veterans Memorial. My answer is always the same. I hold a strong, heart-felt belief that people who serve their country should be honored.

Especially the Korean War Veteran, from the forgotten war.

The opportunity of working alongside such wonderful people as General Stilwell, Colonel Weber, Colonel Cherry, General Davis, Dick Adams and most especially my old friend, SSG Noel Roberts, from Crocker, Missouri has been truly inspiring.

That you have chosen to honor me is overwhelming. I will treasure the award and the evening for the rest of my life.

BATTLESHIP NEW JERSEY WILL BE RETIRED

On 8 February 1991 a valuable veteran of The Korean War, U.S.S. NEW JERSEY (BB-62) is to be decommissioned at Long Beach, Calif., and placed in reserve at Bremerton, Washington. The problem with placing this famous and formidable Battleship on the West Coast is that it will have an adverse impact on the vital mission of the BATTLESHIP NEW JERSEY HISTORICAL MUSEUM SOCIETY, P.O. Box BB-62, Middletown, New Jersey 07748.

This non-profit and patriotic organization is dedicated to displaying the dreadnought in her Name State as a Museum, a Memorial, and as a superb public attraction when the ship is taken off the Navy list. Looking to the future, the most desirable development would be for U.S.S. NEW JERSEY to go into reserve on the East Coast, especially at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

To advance this worthy objective the Battleship New-Jersey Historical Society would appreciate it very much if the membership of THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION would write their Senators and Congressmen urging them to have the Department Of The Navy dispatch the Battleship to a Base on the East Coast. Letters to Admiral Frank B. Kelso, II; Chief of Naval Operations, Navy Department, Washington, D.C. 20350-2000 would certainly help convince the Navy to set the ship on the right course that will insure her salvation.

U.S.S. NEW JERSEY provided heavy gunfire support for the troops in Korea, and later in Vietnam, and it would be shame if after rendering such significant service she was to be cut up and reduced to nothing. U.S.S. NEW JERSEY is an essential element of our history and must be preserved for generations of American veterans to respect and admire. Thank You Very Much.

--ROBERT S. KAPLAN; 22 Murray Hill Terrace; Marlboro, New Jersey 07746-1748



TOM KAPPEL stands beside his memorial. Mrs. Eve Lyon, mother of the first Dade Countian to die in Korea, stands at the memorial.



TOM KAPPEL, Korean War veterans and ex-P.O.W., wanted to do something to memorialize those who did not come home. Irving Solotoff, VFW Jr Vice Cmdr said in Hollywood, Florida that "There are people who talk about doing things. There are very few who do things. But Tom Kappel has been working very diligently, of his own labor, with his own cost (about \$5700), all by himself."

So he built this memorial and erected it on his front lawn of his home. The simple ceremony is shown here in these

photographs. Tom's letter is printed, in part, below:

"In commemoration of the 40th anniversary of the Korean War, on July 28, 1990, at my home, a dedication ceremony was held with monument unveiling to honor all veterans, POW's, MIA's and those who died for their country; and remembering Eddie Lyon, who was the first military personnel, from Dade County, killed in action in the Korean War.

"The United states Flag, the POW-MIA and Korean Flags will fly daily at the monument. These flags will need to be replaced at least every four months. It would be appreciated, therefore, if you could make known to any interested persons that any assistance in providing flags to me, thereby assisting in eliminating some of my expenses in maintaining the monument would be appreciated. Please advise if you will be able to help in this manner. Also, please feel free to inform those who might be interested, that the monument is available to anyone who wishes to visit it."

--THOMAS KAPPEL; 1501 Madison St.; Hollywood, FL. 33020

John Waihee, Governor of the state of Hawaii, upon a request made by the Hawaii Chapter, 45th Infantry Division, proclaimed the week from June 24 through June 30, 1990, as the Korean War 40th Anniversary Commemoration Week in Hawaii. The signing of the proclamation was witnessed by a representative group of Korean War veterans. The intent of the proclamation was to pay tribute to all Korean War veterans and to especially those who gave their lives while defending South Korea against communist aggression. It was also to insure the fact the Korean War is not a "forgotten war" by any means, as labeled by the misinformed media and historian. Names of those in the photo at right: Seated: Governor John Waihee. Standing left to right: Nick Nishimoto, Louis Baldovi, Michael Hur*, Calvin Hiraoka, Charles Chang, Ronald Kim*, Korean Consul General Jang Nai Sohn*, Chong Nam Kim*, and Francis Yasutake. (Asterisks denote representatives of the Korean Community in Hawaii).

DEAR EDITOR:

Some thoughts on what I called a "warm, emotional and wellrun reunion." My congratulations to the committee that worked so hard since the 1989 reunion to make this one even better. Few people understand, or try to understand, what it takes to put together such a gathering and try to keep all factions happy. "Taint an easy job!"

The general business meeting on Thursday was most interesting with information on our POW/MIAs. It was also interesting to hear the various suggestions, and comments from members of the KWVA. I was somewhat disturbed during the last breakfast when our president Dick Adams asked for volunteers to help with the reunion next year. I didn't see one hand go up, nor hear one voice say, "I'd be glad to help." I did hear however, a number of complaints about what some perceived was wrong with our reunion. But, outside of those who already involved in organizing the reunion, no-one volunteered to help. Many were called and none had to be chosen. Remember people, if you're not part of the solution, you are part of the problem. Best wishes until 1991!

--JOE RICKER; President, Eastern Long Island Chapter; Box 164; Southhampton, NY 11963; Phone 516-725-29907 (2300).

I was amazed at our new masthead which proclaims "America's Forgotten Victory." Was there some new resolution passed at the last Convention which supports this new policy line by a majority vote? I am aware of no such support.

For the last forty years I have grown accustomed to seeing the Korean Conflict judged to be a stalemate. There was a North and South Korea established after W.W. II, and there remained a North and South Korea after all the suffering of the War. Nothing had changed. There was no victory.

As a matter of fact, I was one of those military idealists who believed that America would settle for nothing less than absolute victory in Korea, with or without the Chinese intervention. Along with many others, I was disappointed to see our government settle for a political compromise. To me, this was not a victory but a defeat.

The Korean War has many more things in common with Vietnam that with World War II. Both of these were undeclared wars. Congress declared war at the beginning of WWII. Both of these (Korea and Viet Nam) were fought by American troops on the continent of Asia. We had no expedition to Asia in WWII, not even to defeat the Japanese occupation there. Both Korea and Vietnam were limited wars, in the sense that the full participation of the American people was lacking, and they were limited in the sense that American policy objectives were sought which were short of absolute victory.

In the Korean War, one of two mistakes had to be made. Either it was a mistake for America to commit her troops on foreign soil, or else it was a mistake to remove those troops short of victory. The same could be said, and indeed, is being said, about the adventure in Vietnam.

Please, do not let the K.W.V.A. become a messenger for the historical revisionism of the present administration in Washington. Allow our organization to stand for one thing above all else. Historical truth. In this way we can honor our blessed fallen brothers.

--LEON G. JOHNSON; 105 Geneva St., Apt 431; Bath, N.Y., 14810.



THE JULY VOTE CHANGED OUR BY-LAWS

by Blaine P. Friedlander

The bylaws of the Korean War Veterans Association were dramatically changed at our Reunion. We no longer have a line and staff configuration but rather a double triangle with each member having more of a say in KWVA affairs.

Our problem was similar to other growing national organizations. When a membership is small a simple line and staff is sufficient. Anyone who want to be heard will be. Once an organization expands, the individual has a harder time being heard.

The veterans of Foreign Wars grew rapidly after World War I, and as the KWVA today, had to have breakdown into subgroups. They formed into departments or states. From the state configuration, the VFW then formed posts. When the posts became difficult to manage, the VFW formed districts. That is why today, the district commander in the VFW has little power and essentially is the messenger between department and post.

Most of KWVA members are used to the VFW approach and when, several years ago, KWVA membership was too large for administrative ease, some members took things in their own hands and began forming chapters. After years of debate the membership has now voted to have departments and chapters managing their affairs on a state level.

I have been asked to describe the thrust of the bylaws changes as of July 26, 1990. A complete set of bylaws will be printed in the next issue. Some members have asked that I draw a "chart". I drew two: The VFW configuration and the KWVA configuration, as explained verbally in the following:

THE VFW CONFIGURATION. You will note that the member joins a post in the VFW and from that point on the member votes as a member of the post. The post represents the member of the post and at a district and department level the post has a vote predicated upon the number of members of the post. The larger the post the more votes. This is similar to the manner in which the United States House of Representatives votes. When the post goes to the VFW national convention, voting is by delegates, with each post having three delegates. Size does not matter, and in this regard it is as the United States Senate. All work in the VFW is by committee, which committees are duplicated on each level and it is a real chore working one's way up the administrative ladder. The individual member becomes lost in this configuration.

THE KWVA DEBATE. This concern formed the basis of the KWVA debate over the past several years. When the committee working on the bylaws submitted its recommendations to the Executive Council this past July all hell broke loose. The committee followed the VFW model, but concerned KWVA members did not wish to give up their individual vote at the Annual Reunion. This was the most knock-down-drag-out-debate we have ever had.

It is my personal belief that we may have the most open organization ever devised. On one hand the person joining the KWVA joins a national organization with one-member, one-vote. The minority will be heard by the Executive Council and the Annual Meeting. This is the First Triangle.

The Second Triangle is the configuration of Executive Council, Department and Chapters. In this triangle, the Chapters determine the action of the Department. This forms a good check and balance with the Executive Council. The two triangles form a square where each member and each Chapter has immediate access to the upper reaches of administration. As we grow the need for districts and regions will be easy to bring into the picture.

THE ARTICLES OF ADMINISTRATION

The Korean War Veterans Association is governed by the charter filed on June 25 1985, in the state of New York. KWVA amended its charter on April 14, 1986, to comply with the IRS code. A Charter is a contract with the state of New York in exchange wherein we agree to

obey the laws of the state of New York in exchange for permission to operate under their laws. It used to be that these laws were tough, but today most states allow a not-for-profit corporation complete freedom. Basically, KWVA actions are controlled by the charter.

Because we are now a national organization (we were not in 1985) we are seeking a federal charter which will give us other advantages, but as of today, we are a New York Corporation subject to the laws of New York. We are qualified to a tax-exempt status under section 510 (c) (19) of the IRS code and we are further exempt under the New York Law. These documents form the outer limit of our corporate being and control our conduct as an organization.

Because we wish to define our own behavior we have enacted by-laws. By-laws are an internal constitution setting forth the local laws. For immediate results an organization passes motions in the form of resolutions which are narrow instruction and policies of any group.

NOW TO DISCUSS THE CURRENT BY-LAWS:

MEMBERSHIP: Nothing was changed this year but KWVA is the only veterans organization in the United States that permits all UN service personnel to join. We have Canadian and English chapters to date. We are also authorized by the by-laws to accept men and women who were on the DMZ after 1955 as members. MOH, POWs, Gold Star Mothers and Wives are eligible to join. We can have an auxiliary, but none has been formed thus far.

Each member is entitled to one vote on any national issue, and each applicant must be a member of national. There is no requirement that a member join a chapter. If a member is also a member of a chapter, only the National Executive Council may remove the member from the KWVA.

Dues are \$15.00 for regular members and \$12.00 for associate members, with life membership at \$150.00. Like most associations, those who are required to pay dues, must pay dues or lose their membership.

DEPARTMENTS MAY BE FORMED

This year we added a possible total of 53 departments when a state territory or UN Nation has two or more chapters. This means that the state with two chapters may meet before the end of June of each year and elect a department president, department vice-president, department secretary, and department treasurer. The secretary and treasurer may be the same person. A department council will be formed by the elected department officials, appointed department officers and a member from each chapter in the department.

The state department must incorporate and follow the charter and by-laws of national. There must be a sixty-day notice for a meeting and the annual department meeting must occur before the end of June. All terms shall be one year. The design of the department seeks that actions of each department be consistent with general KWVA policy, but the control of each department shall be the chapter therein.

CHAPTERS: We have had chapters, but this year they are subject to more discipline. Like the departments, the chapters must incorporate. This is to protect the members of the chapters, and to have conformity within the organization. The chapters are run by the members, with the provision that the chapter does not have the right to remove membership rights of any member. This can be done only by the national executive council.

AMENDMENTS: This year the right of the executive council to amend the by-laws was changed. Next year the executive council recommends changes to the by-laws, but the annual meeting must ratify the changes.

VOTE! You fought for that freedom! Records show that only 1 out of 4 of us is voting. Where do you fit on those numbers?

Write to your congressman and senator; they work for you. Your letter has power ONLY if you write it and mail it!

If you do neither; those in that category deserve nothing.

IMPORTANT RANDOM INCOMING

FOR THOSE HELPING HANDS:

We owe a real vote of thanks to all those who helped make our July reunion a success. It is impossible to name all whose hands were there when we called for help, but here are some to whom we might have forgotten to say "THANK YOU": Mary Ann Adams, Virginia Benjamin, Earl House, Joe Perc, Art Patterson, Bill Smyers, Frank Di Leonardo (and we hope your wife is feeling better, Frank), Joe Ricker, Blaine Friedlander, George Schaudel, Tom Maines, Dick Adams (and son Richard), John Kenney, and of the hotel staff; Patsy Curry.

LEATHERNECK", magazine of the Marines, had a good article titled "Korea: 40 Years Ago This Month" in its August 1990 edition.

FROM CANADA:

KOREA VETERANS: you are welcome to Royal Canadian Legion; Branch 126 Preston; 334 Westminister Drive; Cambridge, Ontario. "You are a stranger only once."

SEND YOUR OPINION:

Please read the story in this issue talking about the Harry S. Truman Library and Museum in Independence, MO. Maybe your unit is on exhibit there? And while you are at it: please send The Graybeards (P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425) your opinion on holding the 1991 reunion in or near the Truman Library area. See pages 10 and 11.

ON RE-VISITS:

With this edition we inaugurate the arrangement between KWVA and the KVA of Korea regarding return visits to Korea. Full details are contained elsewhere. We urge you to read the story and understand why we will publicize only trip arrangements made by those who hold agreements with KVA.

If you have an extra copy of Graybeards for April 1990 - I would appreciate your sending it to me for the records. Stan Hadden, Editor; P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425. Thanks.

In speaking of the return of the Remains of MIA last May, chairman Warren Avery of KWVA POW/MIA committee said this: "Our committee was a major factor in return of the five Remains on May 28, and if we work with our government we will have return of all of the MIA bodies."

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THANK YOU, COORS:

COORS BEER donated all the beer to our July reunion, and we wish to extend to that company and its management and employees our heartfelt thank you. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

PLEASE NOTE THIS:

Credit cards will not be honored for paying your annual dues. Contact Harry Wallace, membership chairman; see address on page 2. And the old annual dues of ten dollars will not be accepted, as full payment. Please discontinue handling out those applications.

AND THIS ALSO:

Only about 15 or 20 percent of KWVA members belong to chapters.

31st REG'T. CO C, 7TH DIV

Anybody from 1950-1951 please contact RAY ONG; 3855 Ayrshire Dr.; Youngstown, OH 44511. Phone 216-799-8600. CALL COLLECT ANYTIME.

HOW TO PAY YOUR DUES-Please see page 23

ABOUT THE TRIPLE NICKEL...

Dick Lewis wrote in the last edition of the Graybeard, about the valor of the men of the 555 F.A. "Triple Nickel." He referred to the "Death Valley" battle of April 1951. In which his unit fired their artillery directly at the enemy troops. This was not the only time that this proud outfit faced the enemy head on.

In July 1953, an estimated 60,000 Chinese troops overran the 2nd and 9th R.O.K. Divisions, which fled in front of such an overwhelming assault. They left the Triple Nickel, who was supporting them, to fend for themselves. The men of the Triple Nickel held their ground and fired directly at the advancing enemy troops. This battle was called the "Kumsong Salient."

The 3rd Infantry Division, of which I was a riflemen in, was the first unit sent in to rescue the Triple Nickel, and set up a new M-L-R. We stood in awe of their courage. With no infantry in front of them, they stopped the enemy attack.

I talked to some of the men of that outfit, who were still in shock from the slaughter that had just taken place, If I was wearing my Combat Infantry Badge at the time, I would have taken it off and presented it to them.

The army should have a medal similar to the CIB to present to these brave men. In my eyes, as an infantry man, every member of the 555F.A. "Triple Nickel" is a hero!

Respectfully, --LARRY EATON; 7300 Davie Rd., Ext 230; Hollywood, FLA 33024.

"It is really a generous effort to reward Artillerymen with a Combat Badge for defense of their position, above and beyond regular defense and to recognize the combat lives of Artillerymen who served as Forward Observers and aides. This may be an opportune time to put forth the cause, since the Army Chief of Staff (Gen Vuono) is Artillery. However there are many, many who might not want to share the honor that the Combat Infantry Badge does evoke! For this reason the noble idea of such a reward would be doomed."

--DICK LEWIS; P.O. Box 1776; Frederick, MD 21702-0776.

KWVA MERITS HIGHEST PRAISE

KWVA President Dick Adams received the following letter written Aug 24, 1990 by Gen R. G. Stilwell (Ret.) Chairman of the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board:

"Dear Dick: 27 July 1990 was an historic day. It climaxed the outstanding Reunion of your highly spirited and dedicated association; of greater significance, it coincided the US Senate's passage of the Commemorative Coin Bill and, on the House side the recruitment of sufficient co-sponsors (a clear majority of that body) to prompt an immediate hearing by the cognizant element of the Banking Committee. Providing the Bill is enacted, our funding goal should be well nigh assured.

"The Korean War Veterans Association merits highest praise for the role its members played in achieving such wide spread support in both Chambers of the Congress and in such a short span of time. To be sure, it was a team effort, involving the personal leadership of Senator Armstrong and Representative Parris, the harnessing of the legislative infrastructure of the major veterans organizations and concentrated individual lobbying. But, in my evaluation, your Association's efforts were the best organized, the most persistently pursued and the most productive. The number of calls made, letters written and Congressional offices visited would have been impressive for an organization ten times your size. For all that, you have this Old Soldier's grateful salute and heartfelt commendation in which my Board colleagues enthusiastically join.

"I am proud to be in your ranks!"
--Fraternally, R.G. STILWELL. (GEN; RET., U.S.A.)

"the design is sensational and is the most expressive memorial ever designed." See page 16.

WHAT IF????? you wanted to contribute to the National Memorial and you wonder just how much each member of KWVA could use as a personal goal? Suppose we divide the cost of 11 million dollars by 8,000 members: the answer is about \$1,375 each. Here are some approximate figures to consider in wondering what the average individual spends on non-essentials:

Two packs of cigarettes a day is \$1278 per year. One 6-pack of beer per week is \$260 per year. Four cups of coffee per day is \$1314 per year. One doughnut per day is \$274 per year. Two soft drinks per day is \$548 per year. Those five items total \$3674 per year.

So just how hard would it be for each one of us to go out and raise ONLY \$200 each and send it in? Will you please consider that as your goal for this next nine months? That would total \$1,600,000.

TWO MORE IN REFERENCE "LYNX"

I missed out on the earlier discussion about "Lynx". My recollection is that from Dec 52 till Oct 53 "Lynx" was phone code for the 14th Inf. I was in the 3rd platoon of Heavy Mortar Co. and we were "Lynx Brown 3". 25th Div was "Lighting" and the 35th and 25th Inf were "Leopard" and "Lion".

This gave the division and its 3 regiments code names beginning with "L". This made it hard for North Korean and/or Chinese to pronounce. Therefore they couldn't deceive our people on the phone line.
--PAUL E. JACOBS; 521 Sampson; Dyersburg, TN 38024

In 1953 I served with the 25th. Division in Korea as Communication Officer of the 3rd Battalion, 14th Inf. Regt. The call name of the 14th Inf. Regt, was 'LYNX'. My designation was 'LYNX BLUE COMMO".

--HAROLD E. BROUPHY, JR.; 828 Greenwood Dr.; New Orleans, La 70124. Phone 504-488-6700



Sunday June 25, 1990 was a memorable date in Albany, New York for Korean Veterans. The fountain memorial for the Korean War was unveiled as part of the Empire State Plaza, in Albany. The fountain is 25 ft. in diameter. Its walls carry all the flags of nations that participated in the Korean War. Half circle of the fountain is a wall bearing four bronze plaques 2 feet by three feet. One plaque the dates of the Korean War. The next plaque is New York's salute to New York Korean Veterans. The third the history involvement of the Korean War. The last was all battles listed and which military outfits involved. On one end of the high wall, the Navy and Marine Corps plaques in metal, colored by baked enamel, on the other end, the Army and Air Force emblems. The semi circular wall tapers down on both ends for seating and viewing the fountain. All around the fountain on outer edge of the cobblestone colored patio are benches for people to sit and relax.

--HENRY R. RUSKIN; 146 Byron Ave.; Kenmore, NY 14223.

"At all times and at any time, each member of the KWVA, and indeed, each citizen of the United States, has a right to raise hell...(remember that is why we all went to Korea) and we will still have the Memorial. What is needed is a line of communication." See page 17.



PAT GARAPOLO, Korean War Veteran and member of the Korean War Veterans Association reviews health benefit information at Northport (NY) VA Medical Centers Women Veterans Health Fair.

GOAL: 11
MILLION \$
WE HAVE
6.8 MILLION \$

PLEASE CLIP AND MAIL THIS. THANK YOU.

YES! I WANT TO HELP BUILD THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL TO THE Korean War veterans, in Washington, D.C. I want to contribute: Other \$ \$500 \$\$\square\$
CONTRIBUTIONS MAY BE MADE BY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER. MAKE PAYABLE TO: KWVA National Memorial fund. DO NOT SEND CASH. YOUR CANCELLED CHECK IS YOUR RECEIPT.
MAIL TO: KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION P.O. BOX 12205 BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21281
YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS: (PLEASE PRINT)

RENEWING DUES: when renewing your dues, please mark your membership on your check. Then mail to our computer data center at this address:

KWVA, Inc. 1801 Saw Mill Run Blvd. Pittsburgh, PA 15210.

Your renewal card (numbered the same as your old number) will be sent to you from Baltimore. Important: please compare membership number to your old number. They <u>must</u> be the same.

FIRST TIME JOINING: send the completed application blank with your check (mark New Member on your check, please) and mail to this address:

KWVA, Inc. P.O. Box 12205 Baltimore, MD 21281.

Your membership card will be mailed from Baltimore.

Thank you for your cooperation.

KWVA AND KVA NOW OFFER SPECIAL KOREA RE-VISIT TOUR

KWVA President Dick Adams announces that plans have been completed for offering return trips to Korea. Last March, eight officials of KWVA National traveled to South Korea on a visit that included meetings with officers of Korea Veterans Association (KVA) (ROK Veterans).

This past July at our reunion, Mr. KEW CHAI of KVA made a personal review of KWVA and reported back to Seoul. Dick Adams has asked KATHLEEN WYOSNICK, member of our Board of Directors, to point up all coordination of travel details with KVA and KWVA. Her statement puts the facts in pretty good order.

Kathleen said: "I am pleased to inform you that the KWVA has started a program to arrange re-visit trips to Korea for all vets who were there from June 25, 1950 through July 27, 1953. Immediate family members as well as Gold Star Mothers and wives are also eligible for the

"I will be working with Kew Chai of KVA through his office in Chicago. He works directly with General SO, president of KVA in Seoul. Their primary purpose is to assure that each trip will be memorable and trouble-free. Yes, there are other and various revisit programs available to our vets, but I speak only for the jointly-sponsored KWVA/KVA trips. Those revisits are officially and exclusively sanctioned by the two organizations."

Mr. Kew Chai said: "The South Korean government wishes to express their deep gratitude to the men and women who so bravely fought in Korea for our nation, and to that end allots funds each year for all expense (except air fare) incurred for the revisit."

Wyosnick further said: "As far as I know, South Korea is the only nation that has such a unique program to 'repay' those veterans who fought to preserve freedom in a foreign country. This agreement is the outcome of a decision by your Board of Directors meeting this past July to form a closer alliance between KWVA and KVA. It is felt that this will be to the mutual benefit of all members.

"Each revisit will be for six days in Korea. After this announcement has been published, it is my understanding that KWVA members will be given first priority by KVA for all future visits. This October 19, 1990 is departure date for a group, but as of this date (September 1) there is space only for 15 more. Future issues of Graybeards will carry more information.

"If you are interested in this or any future trip, please contact me at the following: KATHLEEN WYOSNICK (Lt. Honey); P.O. Box 3716; Saratoga, Calif. 95070. Or telephone 408-253-3068, Or FAX 408-973-8449."

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON JULY 31, 1990

Dear General Stillwell:

Thank you for your recent letter. I am grateful for the good work being done by you, Mike McKevitt, William McSweeny, and all the other pledging their time to make the Korean War Memorial a reality.

The sacrifice of the men and women who served in Korea was great, and the importance of their commitment can be seen today in the political changes sweeping across Europe, as well as in the freedom and prosperity the Republic of Korea enjoys. Our soldiers held the line at a time when the line had to be held, and this Nation is truly grateful.

I look forward to the completion of this monument to the courage of these fine men and women.

Sincerely, (Signed) GEORGE BUSH

DID YOU KNOW THEM IN POW CAMP?

I have been searching for former POW who may have been in the camps with my 2 friends who died there.

They are: Cpl Alfred Perry, HM Co. 31 Reg 7 Div. captured 1 Dec 50 taken to camp Valley (Chosin R.) where he died on 10 Feb. 51. Some KWVA who knew Perry says he was one great guy.

PFC Walter Gross, Co. C, 19 Reg. 24 Div. captured 1 Jan 51 N/O Seoul taken to Camp #12 where he died on 3 July 1951. Walter was only with the unit one week before the Chinese big attack.
--WILLIAM HOTHAN; 513 Lowell Ave.; New Hyde Park, N.Y. 11040.

MY SON, ALEX, WROTE TO PRESIDENT BUSH

I am enclosing a letter my son Alex wrote to President Bush about the Korean War POW-MIA problem. I would appreciate you printing it in the Graybeards. Thank you. VINCENT RUSSO.

Dear President Bush:

I am writing to express my deep concern about our government's POW/MIA policy. Specifically, I want to address the Korean War POW/MIA issue that has been unresolved for almost 40 years. Before I continue, I want to state for the record that I am not the type of person who draws conclusions without well documented evidence to substantiate my claim.

Over the past two years, I have had the opportunity to learn a great deal about our government's handling of the over 8,400 Korean War P.O.W.s and MIAs, and it greatly disturbs me. Currently, the Pentagon and State Department insist that efforts have been taken to try and reach an agreement with the North Korean government about our captive servicemen. But these steps have been futile and without the drive to gain hard results. To make matters more interesting, I have seen evidence that strongly indicates that thousands of U.S. POWs were transported into Communist China and the U.S.S.R during the war, and yet our government will not even acknowledge this fact. As a proud American, I, along with thousands of other knowledgeable citizens, cannot imagine our government deliberately "writing off" our brave servicemen and denying that they are still being held in hostile hands. But it's true.

With this in mind, Mr. President, my request is simple. Please call for immediate negotiations to take place between our diplomats and those of North Korea, The People's Republic of China, and the U.S.S.R. to resolve this terrible problem once and for all. Why must our servicemen stay captive in a country, or countries, when the war in which they fought has been over for almost 40 years?

Let us rectify this grave injustice by removing the black mark on our country's good name and get these men home, dead or alive. For God's sake, they fought for us! They should be home, not rotting away in some hell-hole on the other side of the world! Surely, as a war veteran yourself, you can understand the point I am making, and I stress to you that steps need to be taken right now to resolve this dilemma.

I sincerely appreciate all that you can do and pray to God that our servicemen come home very soon. Thank you for taking time to listen to my concern. Respectfully, Alex Russo; 116 Elmdale Ave.; Providence,

FACT SHEET

THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION

- Raise the awareness of the American people about the Korean war and those who served in it.
- Raise and contribute funds for establishment of the National Memorial in Washington, D.C.
- To seek out the truth about our 8179 M.I.A.'s and 389 P.O.W.'s that didn't return.

The Korean War Veterans Association was founded in July 1985. The place was near Arlington National Cemetery - - where we held the first of our annual ceremonies to commemorate those who had died, who are missing, and who were prisoners of war. Thirty-nine Charter Members enrolled in our Association at the first meeting. We returned to Arlington in 1986 for our ceremony and convention, and celebrated the growth of the organization which had taken place in that first year.

In 1986, we convened again in Arlington, Virginia, and in 1987, in cooperation with "No Greater Love," we dedicated a Meditation Bench at the Cemetery to memorialize those who died in the war. At our convention that year we also identified, as an objective for our Association, helping to raise money for the Korean War Veterans National Memorial in the nation's Capital.

By the summer of 1988 we had grown to over 2,000 in number, and our Arlington Cemetery ceremony was highlighted with the presentation of our first check, for \$10,000, to the Memorial Fund. Following the ceremony, we again visited the Meditation Bench and attended a reception at the Korean Embassy. In September, 1988, several of our members participated in the ceremony to announce the approval of the site for the Memorial.

On November 11, 1988, Abigail van Buren ("Dear Abby") published a letter from one of our members asking Abby's help in obtaining Memorial donations from her readers. Abby responded by making her own donation and asking her readers to do the same. More than 35,000 readers of "Dear Abby" contributed over \$340,000 to the Memorial Fund.

In the Spring of 1989, we sponsored a ceremony at the Memorial site and made another \$10,000 donation to the Memorial Fund. On Flag Day, June 14, after conferring an Honorary Membership on Dear

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Abby in Washington, D.C. more than fifty of our members watched President Bush unveil the winning design for the Memorial at a ceremony in the Rose Garden at the White House.

By convention time in July, 1989, our membership had grown to more than 5,000. General Stilwell, Chairman of the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board, spoke at our ceremony in Arlington National Cemetery, and we donated an additional \$50,000 to the Memorial Fund. Colonel Dave Hackworth, author and a veteran of both Korea and Viet Nam, spoke at our dinner. Bob Hope was our honored guest and spoke at our convention banquet.

Late in the fall Dear Abby again provided the basis for another successful fund raising campaign. This time she sponsored the sale of a book written by a physician from California who had been a soldier in the ROK Army during the War. Sales of the book earned over \$200,000 for the Memorial Fund.

By the end of 1989,our Association had contributed \$80,500 directly to the Memorial Fund. In addition, through the efforts of Dear Abby, we were also recognized as responsible for an additional \$340,000 contribution to the Memorial Fund. Therefore, by May 1, 1990, at a fund raising gala for the Memorial Fund, our organization was recognized as the third largest contributor to the Fund overall.

In May, 1990 we were recognized as being instrumental in the first return of remains of American dead by the North Korean government since 1954. Our Association president accompanied the team of U.S. Legislators and other prominent Americans to accept the remains at Panmunjom, Korea, May 28, 1990.

On July 27, 1990, we held our Annual Memorial Ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery and again we were able to present another \$50,000 check to the Memorial Fund.

Our Association is living up to its promise. It has grown from the original thirty-nine Charter Members to over 8,000, and the growth continues at a steady pace. In the past five years this Association has established a track record that anyone can be proud of, and any qualified veteran of the Korean War, and all who have served in Korea since the end of the active hostilities, can be a part of it by becoming an annual member for only \$15.00, or signing up for the long haul as a life member.

Either way, your continuing support for our Association and its objectives will be welcome. Begin your membership, today!

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC.--- AMERICA'S FORGOTTEN VICTORY"

 Enrollment for membership in the "Korean War Veterans Association Inc.: is given to any man or woman who served in any of the Armed Forces from June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955; you need not have served in combat to be eligible.

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