NOW LET'S RAISE MONEY TO TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR!

Plain old common sense tells us that the only way to really get the attention of American news media and the ordinary people is through two absolutely essential things: large membership, and a large vocal public opinion.

We can get those two things by building a special fund in our KWVA treasury for TELLING AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR. We can do it by searching for many more members through ads placed in, for instance, other veterans groups magazines. We will try other ideas, too (see page 15).

We will try to raise money to pay for commercial TV spots telling America about the Korean War. We will try to raise money to pay for telling your story on TV to America.

Let's face it: today's news media is ignoring us and the national politicians don't want to remember us. So let's build a membership from the 4 million living veterans of the Korean War, with their families; most of them now vote. With a huge membership roster we will be able — at long last — to insist that our children be told the whole truth.

LET'S TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR!

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TAPS

April 1991

They died before we built the Memorial; we will remember them:
JOE M. BLACK; 3702 Monrovia, Columbia, GA.
GEORGE H. WEST; Atlanta, GA. July 25, 1990.
ROY STEEVES; Lynn, MA.
LUCIAN McCLURE; Fort Smith, AR. August 29, 1990.
ROBERT V. JUVINALL; Newport, IN. April 26, 1989.
DONALD M. SMITH; Georgetown, IL.
JOHN C. CHASE; Butlins, NJ. April 13, 1990.
ROGER CRENSHAW; Silver Springs, FL. October 2, 1989.
GERALD P. GARRATT; Decatur, IL. October 11, 1990.
JAMES ERNEST GUY; Ypsilanti, MI. January 1, 1990.
JACK D. PENNINGTON; July 14, 1990.
Col. HARRY F. KEMSKE; July 16, 1990. New Castle, DE.
FRED H. JOHNSON; Brockton, MA.

YOUR DONATIONS WILL BE THE KEYSTONE TO BUILDING THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL

The following contributed financially to our Memorial Fund:

A - American Legion Post 323, Lehigh Acres, FL. Norman Abraham; FL. American Legion Ingersoll - Smith Post 41, NH. Richard S. Andruskin, MA.
C - From Kevin Carle in tribute to his Dad, (H Co, 179th Inf, 45th Div, MO).
Thomas Chilcott, MI. John B. Collura, NY. Eliza B. Coffey, OK. Harold Covault, OH.
In memory of RICHARD E. CRONAN, USAF, from Don and Nancy Cholka, MD.
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Jesse O. Firestone, Sr. CA.
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Donald R. Hahn, MD. LTC Gervaise A. Hatfield, MN. William Hughes, N.Y. Paul D. Humphrey, NY.
In memory of PATRICK HANNONS, from Garibaldi Dacany, CA., and Ernest Alves, CA., and Santa Clara County Chapter of KWVA.
I - Intl. Longshoremen's Assoc., Local Union 1235, NJ. L.L.A., Atlantic Coast District, NY.
J - Norman Jeffers, Port Charlotte, FL. 1st LT USAF Combat vet. Richard Janovsky, IL.
In memory of PFC LEONARD L. JOHNSON, USMC, from Edward H. Holvach, NJ.
In memory of HARRY KEMSKE, from the Mid-Atlantic.
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family, NY. Military Order of Purple Heart, Wm. W. Thomas Chapter 21,
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SOME OF THE UNITS IN KOREA; AND THEIR
PRESENT ASSOCIATIONS

TOM KRZESKI; (P.O. Box 164; Southampton, NY
11969) Sec. - Treas. of the Eastern Long Island Chapter sent this
excellent suggestion and included the following names:

"THE SABER": 1st Cavalry Division Assoc.; c/o Editor, 302 N
Main, Copperas, TX 76522-1799.

2ND INFANTRY DIVISION; P.O. Box 460; Buda, Texas
78610.

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22191.

25TH INFANTRY DIVISION; Box 340; Flowertown, PA
19031.

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Ave., N.W.; Washington, DC 20016.

7TH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION; c/o Bill Beniley,
Sec.; 2620 Olive; Mattoon, ILL 61938.

40TH INFANTRY DIVISION; c/o James Lindsey; 1392 Faren
Dr.; Santa Anna, Calif. 93270.

24TH INFANTRY DIVISION; 120 Maple St.; Springfield, MA
01103.

CANADIAN K.W.V.A.: Box 65; Weston, Ontario, Canada.

MGN 3M6.

THIRD INFANTRY SOCIETY; Glen Rahm; 713 Braemere
Road; Boise, ID 83702.

SEEKS HELP IN VA CLAIM

65th Infantry Regiment 3rd Infantry Division, Korea July
2, 52 thru February 13, 53. GERALD A. WILLEY, 10201/2 North
St., Caldwell, Ohio 43724-1048. Needs to hear from any men that
remember him being wounded twice while serving in Korea, or
any men remembering him in Korea.

"A BRIGHT IDEA FROM SUNNY FLORIDA"

Our Ocala Chapter was fortunate enough to obtain a SeaEscape
Cruise for Two, from a local travel agency. We hope to realize $800 from
this project for our Memorial Fund. We thought this was a neat idea and
wanted to share it with you. — AMY CARAFANO; President, K.W.V.A.
Ocala, Fl.; 1885 Van Allen Circle; Deltona, FL 32738.

THEY HAD PANTYHOSE OVER THEIR
RIFLES!

BY JAN JACKSON

When first I asked KWVA President Dick Adams to run an ad
for the Pantyhose Brigade, he asked if I was pulling his leg. Well,
thousands of legs got pulled — over guns, equipment, helicopter air
filtration systems and anything else needing protection from Saudi-Iraqi-
Kuwaiti sand.

But this was not about panty hose... this was about American
people, pulling together like never before in history, for the troops, for
America and for the Red, White and Blue! I'm proud of you and I'm proud
of how they have been a part of this effort!

Folks, you did it! Some 5,000 pair of used, clean pantyhoes
made their way across land and seas to our troops in the Gulf. They came
in envelopes of one, and boxes of 300; short to tall, narrow to w-i-d-e,
in desert colors of tanpe and beige, in battle shades of black and blue, in hot
tones of yellow, pink and scarlet red.

They came with letters of encouragement and notes of support
from women who recalled the stocking shortage of WWII; from folks who
wanted to do something — anything — to help; from husbands who
unashamedly requested mesh leftovers from their wives; and from college
kids who gave their full support.

They were collected at churches, gas stations, military support
posts, schools, veterans hospitals, VFW posts, and college campuses.
They were announced — thanks to KWVA readers — in newsletters,
college papers, local papers, national papers and a score of radio talk
shows from coast to coast; AND I'm told a song called "They're Sending
Panties to Saudi" was playing daily by a radio station in Florida.

Most important, they were received — and used by the guys
who won the war! The Bob Hope Christmas Special featured an excellent
shot of ground troops moving across the desert; sure enough! they had
your pantyhoes over their rifles.
HERE ARE SOME OF THE MEMORIALS ALREADY BUILT ACROSS AMERICA

Here (above and below) is the monument our chapter erected in front of our town hall here in Marshfield, Ma. We dedicated the monument last July, 1990. The speakers included representatives from both local and state government and officers from veterans organizations. The dedication was attended by a large number of our community. There is hardly a day goes by without a visitor standing in front of it, and remembering.

The officers and members of our chapter are very proud to have accomplished so much in the short time we have been organized.
—Charles Kearney, Secretary/Treasurer; Cpl Alfred Lopes, Jr./LT. Ronald R. Ferris Chapter; P.O. Box 385; Marshfield, MA 02050.

ARIZONA MEMORIAL BELL OF THE KOREAN WAR was dedicated Nov. 12, 1990 in Phoenix, Ariz. The pavilion is about thirty five feet in diameter. The floor is red brick pavers and the roof is red clay tile. There are a number of lecturns with bronze tops and the names of Arizonans KIA. With an audience of about 1500 people, a Korean minister gave a blessing in English and Korean. The names of the dead were read at a final roll call. The memorial is in a prominent position in front of the state capitol.
-- TOM SHORTELL, MSGT RET.; 4531 E 7TH ST.; TUCSON, AZ. 85711; 1-602-795-4882.

YES, BOB, YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Hi Stan,—Enclosed are some of our latest news articles which have been keeping our Chapter busy. There are many more articles and news write-ups, but Vic Gerst suggested you might be interested in our efforts. We have also had several TV coverage programs and interviews.

Our main interest is in securing funds for our National Memorial, our POW/MIA Program and improving our state Chapters and a real sense of joint harmony. With this, we will grow.

We also wish to be noted that we have the first complete Auxiliary Unit organized in the KWVA with a full list of passed officers and members forthcoming. Should you need any help in your endeavors for our National organization's future, feel free to contact us at anytime. Hoping to hear from you in reference to other future efforts.

For God and Country, ROBERT J. WACKER; State President, KWVA New Jersey; 634 Collax Avenue; Kenilworth, N.J. 07033

Editor's Note: BOB, thanx for the clippings etc. However, we cannot re-write because the volume to Graybeards is growing by leaps and bounds every day. I note your offer to help in KWVA's future and I respectfully call your attention to a story on page one titled "Now Let's Raise Money to Tell America about the Korean War." Putting that plan into operation is one way to help.

WIN TWO FREE TRIPS TO KOREA!

Korean Airlines and the Korean Travel Corporation are donating three expense paid, tours to Korea for two. The Samsung Corporation is donating three 27" Color console television sets. The 1991 Sweepstakes will start on April 5.

Two Grand Prizes will be awarded: for Winner and guest and include airfare, hotel accommodations and meals. Also included are sight seeing tours in Korea.

Three first Prizes will be awarded: a 27" Samsung color console television set. Second prize will be an American Historical Foundation Korean War Commemorative 1911A1 .45 Cal. Pistol, including the display case.

The back of each ticket book provides a form to identify the seller. These forms will be deposited in a separate drawing, at the convention banquet, July 27, 1991 and the name drawn will be awarded the third, expense paid tour to Korea.

Here is the monument we dedicated on the fourth of July, 1990. Our memorial committee, headed by Robert Mastrom, brother of William Mastromani, KIA 9-4-50, who was one of my very best buddies, toiled hard and long for 18 months to raise $27,000 to erect the monument. Without his effort, the task would have never been accomplished. It's located in Stratford, CT on Academy Hill off Main St., 1/4 mile from Exit 32, I-95, easy off and on. The names inscribed on the memorial were the nine valiant men from this town of 50,000 who gave their lives in that terrible war. They will never be forgotten.
-- EDWARD A. MANCINI; 133 Franklin Av.; Stratford, CT
Make Your Memorial A Reality.

You've waited long enough. And today the goal of erecting a lasting memorial to all who fought so bravely in the Korean War is nearly a reality. But there's still work to be done.

To make sure the memorial in Washington, D.C. is built, and to have lasting proof of your contribution to its creation, consider purchasing the Korean War Memorial Coin. It's a legal tender commemorative U.S. silver dollar, featuring a U.S. soldier in historically correct battle gear.

Congress authorized its sale by the U.S. Mint for the express purpose of raising money for the memorial, and to publicly honor Korean War veterans. If all coins are sold, $7 million will be handed over to the building fund.

Whether you purchase the coin to keep as a family heirloom or give as a gift to a fellow veteran, you've come one step closer to making your memorial a reality. Use the coupon below, or call 1-800-492-8800 to learn more.

The Korean War Memorial Coin

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"I do not infer criticism of any! All who have labored to make KWVA a viable part of the family of veterans organizations have my admiration and respect. My purpose is to question the course upon which the KWVA has embarked. To my past fellow Directors, I urge your reconsideration. To KWVA members, I urge you to express your desires, based upon all the facts!"

- WILLIAM E. WEBER, Col USA Ret; 10301 McKinstry Mill Rd.; New Windsor, MD. 21776.

"Dear Dick:

The current issue of your newsletter is totally out of keeping with the avowed purpose, objectives and concomitant posture of the Korean War Veterans Association.

The apparent aim has been to malign the motives and discredit the competence of the American Battle Monuments Commission and the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board. To that end, the authors have blended a few facts with an abundance of misinformation and distortions bordering on fabrication, added wild speculation and dressed the resulting concoction with a heavy dose of bile. If their outpouring had any foundation whatsoever, I would take the time to respond in detail. As this is clearly not the case, I elect not to demean myself.

I am confident that in your heart of hearts, you recognize that the next issue of the newsletter should contain a full retraction and apology. I do not ask that as it would create further discord in an Association already in disarray. In lieu thereof, I simply ask that you disseminate this letter to your membership by the most convenient means; and that you record termination of my membership as of this date.

With warm personal regards, General R.G. Stilwell, USA Ret.; Chairman, Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board; 2000 15th St. N; Suite 450; Arlington, VA 22201."

KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION
OPERATING STATEMENTS
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"On a more sensitive note, I deplore the implied attack in the newsletter on the KWVMA. This is a criticism of the chairman, Gen. Stilwell, without whose leadership and dedicated commitment to the mission, would find the Memorial much further from realization. I, more than any, know of his total devotion to the task. He has earned, and deserved, better from the KWVA!"

"Equally distressing to me is the ignoring of the nature of the difficulties the design approval process has encountered. These are well known by the KWVA and have been fully documented and discussed. Had more information been desired, it was only a phone call or inquiry away! The failure to present the entire story is a disservice to our membership.

An example is the presentation of cost escalation. This is a result of the evolution of the design concept and estimates of cost as the design moves to the construction phase. The KWVMA, and the involved Commissions, orient on an appropriate and approvable design! The costs result from that - - they do not determine design! In the end, the goal is a Memorial that will stand the test of time and purpose. Anything less is unacceptable.

As a result of questions asked last July about the skyscraping Memorial costs and snail-speed progress. The editions of Sept. 1990, Jan. 1991 and Mar. 1991 summarized the effort that started when Graybeards was told the memorial costs "are none of your business"; and the average veteran does not understand those things; and "if you want more information, go through the Freedom of Information Act." The following two letters have been received and are published per their request:"
ARE YOU OUT THERE?

GUNNER Y DEPT and ANYONE IN BOOT CAMP CO. 207 and 208 who served aboard the U.S.S. Valley Forge CV-45 from 1951 - 1954. Please contact R R Tindall; 1910 East Wood St; Decatur, IL 62521-3062.

607 AC&W Sqdn. Det. #1 later 608 AC&W Sqdn. Det. #3 Hey there, I'm looking for some of my friends & buddies of Paengnyong-Do or K-53 Island up in the Yellow Sea from April 52 to Feb. 53. We need to reach each other before we, or they, are deceased. Please contact Robert T. Crane, Box 491, Greenup, IL 62442.

I would like names and information on any Korean War Veterans who was stationed aboard the USS ASKARI (ARL 30) (converted LST) during Korea War. I was stationed aboard this ship from January 1951 until about February 1952. Our goal should be a reunion. Minimum is that we make contact and keep in touch. Contact: John Spencer, 2 Lincolnshire Avenue, Danville, IL 61832.

999th AFA BATTALION We are interested in locating all members of the "TRIPLE NINE" who served in Korea. We want to here from ABLE BAKER, CHARLEY and HQDQRS PERSONNEL. Please contact: Tom Evans; 503 Tarrson Blvd.; Lady Lake, FL. 32159; 904-733-7278.

82ND ENGINEER PIPELINE CO. 2ND ENGINEER GROUP Korea. Would like to hear from former Members Especially JOHN HANCOCK, Michigan, JOE WARE, Texas, DAN CARDONE, New York for a possible reunion. Contact: Louis C. Sifano; 111 Willis Ave.; Melford, MA 02155; Phone (617) 398-5308.

I am hoping you can help me. I am trying to locate a buddy who served in Korea with me. I would like to get his address and phone no if I can. I know he lives in Calif. his name RALPH BROOK, wife Myrtle, maybe not spelled right. We served with 1st Cav. Div. in Japan, sent to Korea with 24th Inf. Div. 19th Inf. Div. I hope you can help me to locate him, since he lives in Calif.; please advise: Jessie B. Couch; Rt. 2 Box 89; Attalla, Ala. 35954

RALPH, WHERE ARE YOU? I wrote this card and forgot to address it properly; the post office returned it. So here is your answer:

"Ralph -- THANX for writing . . . as for how to get a 7th Div book . . . I don't know. The letter you mentioned also asked the same question and I gave him the only answer that might be of help, as follows: Turner Publishing Co; P.O. Box 3101; Paducah, KY 42002-3101; phone 502-443-0121." Stan Hadden. Feb. 13, 1991.


Need to hear from anyone knowing whereabouts of T. P. McKENNA; J. J. CLARK; FRED RITCHER. Also: anyone who knows about the F.E.C./L.D. 82/40th A.U. Paengnyong-Do Is., Korea, 9/17/51; also the island commandant. Please contact WALT HENRICKS; RR #1, Box D-148; Wolfeville, IN 46795.

ABLE BTRY 955 FAB "Tom (Skip) Hannon would like to hear from any one who served with Able Battery of 953 Field Artillery Battalion during 1952 - 1953. Tom Hannon; 24 Colonel Glenn Drive; Carmel, New York 10512.

765 TRSB-KWV: Can you help me find some of my old buddies? They are: JOHN McCANN, Pettstown, PA. BEN BAKER; MINN. SGL OSHER, Boston, MA. PETE GARAFALO, Conn. DION PICKEITT? ;? Please contact JOE ARONICA; 162 Burlington Ave.; Deer Park, NY 11729.

6146TH AIR BASE UNIT members who served with Col DEAN HESS in Korea, 1950-1951. We are attempting a reunion after 41 years. Please call TOM CABANISS, toll free, 1-800-255-2767; or write: me at 415 Cortina Close; Alpharetta, GA 30020. Thank you.

DON'T SHOOT 'EM, CHANUTE 'EM -- I WUZ THERE

Chanute Air Force Base Historian CMSgt Don Weckworth, USAF, Ret, has formed a Chanute Heritage Foundation organization committee to help prepare a 500 page, 1,200 photograph Chanute 75-Year Diamond Anniversary History Book that is scheduled for publication in February 1992. Chanute is USAF's oldest Technical Training Center and third oldest base. Since starting the project in 1983, he has obtained thousands of photographs, documents, memorabilia, and letters of reminiscences from former Chanutarians, some now in their 80s and 90s, who served at Chanute during World War II. Each contributor will be recognized in a special section of the book: "DON'T SHOOT 'EM, CHANUTE 'EM -- I WUZ THERE, 'with a short quote or statement (prepared and/or edited by the book committee) about his or her experiences at Chanute. Photographs are still needed for both the book and History Office Archives. The committee is still searching for photographs and documents of local area farmers that loaned their wagons and horses to the government to help build Chanute between May and July 1917 and also information about German POWs that were detained at Chanute during World War II. CONTACT: Don Weckworth, CTC/CH, Stand 1, Chanute AFB IL 61868-5000.

233RD INF REGT 46TH DIV: would like to hear from W/O MALONE; M/Sgt RICH RICHARDSON; 1st Sgt JOHN KNOX; SFC RAY BERG. Please write to: BOB McCLEAN; 207 Ingraham Lane; New Hyde Park, NY 11040.

11th EVACUATION HOSPITAL, SEMIMOBILE 10TH CORPS: If you were a Medical Officer in the hospital between May 1951 and May 1952, I want to hear from you. I do not know where any of you are. WARREN ZUNDELL, M.D., 920 Paradise Ave., Coral Gables, FL 33146.

CO „E“ 27TH Reg 25th Division Korea


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Are you interested in Blue Grass music? We'll have lots of banjo and guitar pickin' and fiddle playing in Danville, Illinois on May 25, 26, and 27, 1991.

This will be a fund raising event for KWVA. This is our 3rd year. In the past years it has been a one day event, but this year it will be a 3 day weekend. We have overnight rough camping available. Bring your blanket and lawn chairs. Don't forget your instruments and join in with us in a little jamming. We have 12 Blue Grass bands coming to play for your enjoyment. I would like to see some Korean War Veterans come out and talk about old times with me.

The Blue Grass event will be held at the home of Kenneth Cook (Cook's Farm) R.R. #3 Box 573 (north Michigan Ave.) Danville, Illinois 61832. For more information you may call 217-446-9829, or 217-431-2826.

Ticket prices are $3.00 per show or a special price for all 3 days. Show times are as follows: May 25: 1:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M. May 26: 12:00 noon, 7:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M. May 27: 7:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M. Please call Ken to reserve your tickets.

- - - - KENNETH B. COOK (Lifetime member); R.R. #3 Box 573; Danville, Illinois 61832. 195th ordinance Dept. Co. May 1, 1952 - June 1, 1953.
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**US NAVY MCowan DD678**, 14th Reunion, Niagara Falls, N.Y. All former crew members 1943 - 1960. Contact: Don Rogers; 50 Hunt St., Lynn, MA 01905; (617) 595-1137.


The 45th Infantry Division Association (Thunderbirds) will hold their annual reunion, 22-25 August 1991, at the Hilton Inn West, in Oklahoma City, OK. For further information, contact Raul Trevino, 2145 NE 36th Street, Oklahoma City, OK. 73111. Telephone (405) 424-5593.

Company G 180th Infantry, 45th Division (Thunderbirds) -- reunion planned. Contact Jim Plappe, P.O. Box 347, Clarcona, FL 32710. Tel: (407) 295-6759.

George Company, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines Korea will hold it's annual reunion 12 thru 15 September 1991 in Savannah, Georgia. Contact: G-3-1 Korea Reunion; A. Harrell Roberts; 3 Hughes Avenue; Savannah, Georgia 31406-2337; (912) 354-0185.


538th ORDNANCE M.A.M. CO We are looking for former members for our third reunion to be held in Denver Col. on Aug. 16, 17, 18. Reunions are held every two years. Our first was in 1987. Please contact for info. D. A. CARRERO; 525 Westminster Rd.; Wemonah, N.J. 08090.


EASY CO, 2ND BN, 5TH REG. IST MARINE DIVISION KOREA. Sept 18-22 New Orleans. Contact Bart Dauberman; 526 N. 2nd St.; Lybens, Pa 17047; 717-453-7472.

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**66TH SIGNAL SERVICE COMPANY** Former members (VHFTS, 1943-1946) & 60th Sig. Svc. Co. (ASA), (Fl. Lewis, WA & Korea, 1946-1951) are urged to contact DONALD L. WOODS, NE 263 Tahuya River Dr., Tahuya, WA 98358-9753, phone 206-275-1504, for information concerning the “Association of 66th Signal Service Company” fifth reunion to be held during October 1991 at Scottsdale, Arizona. 86970

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 October 9-12, 1991 at the El Tropicana Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. Contact: Billy G. Turner, 8702 Midtown Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78239; (512) 655-0755.

**HEAVY MORTAR CO, 160TH INF REGT 40TH INF DIV**, Hot Springs, Ark. Sept. 20-21, 1991; Majestic Hotel. Contact HARLAN CLIFT, 8328 E. Cherry, Benton, Ark. This will be the very first reunion, since 1952 in Kumsong Sector.

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**I NEED HELP FROM ANY IN**

**CO A, 725TH ORD BN, 25TH INF DIV**

Dear Mr. Adams: No doubt you are well aware of the many legislative bills to disallow Korean Veterans their rightful earned entitlements. In view of this issue, as well as the Korean Conflict never being declared a WAR, many of us disabled Korean Conflict Veterans must prove our wartime service. In which we must prove we did have medical treatment in the field hospital, even though the treatment "WAS NEVER REPORTED BY THE MEDICS AND BY THE OFFICER OF THE DAY."

It is relevant for myself alone to secure all or any vital statistics related to the Conflict during the Korean wartime conditions. The Veterans Administration forces the veteran to obtain material evidence related to his active service. Many of the proof of service relates to the confirmation in written form, letters from those who served in that particular era. My time of combat was January 22, 1952 through October 23, 1953.

One uttermost issue of concern is the December 6, 1952, action in which Company A, attached to the 725th Ordinance Battalion were strafed and bombed IN THE KUMWA VALLEY.

Please assist me in securing the necessary information I dearly desire, as follows.

I am searching for those veterans who served in the Korean Conflict Police Action, in which they were stationed in the First Echelon Combat Zone. While attached to the 8th Army, 25th Infantry Division, 725th Ordinance Battalion, Company A, APO 25, Korea.

Seeking names and addresses of those who actually recall any wartime conditions related to this particular outfit.

Seeking names and addresses, and/or letters from those able to confirm the combat conditions, either in the 725th Ordinance Battalion, Company A, or who was assigned to the 25th Infantry Division.

REPLY TO: Theodore C. Cauley; 4204 Rose Lane, #15; Mount Vernon, IL 62864.

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— from "What Every Veteran Should Know"; Veterans Information Service; East Moline, Illinois 61244-0111.

When is it appropriate to wear our awards and service medals? Memorial Day, July Fourth, Veterans Day, Armed Forces Day, Flag Day ceremonies and other functions where veterans are involved such as memorial services, dedications, military funerals, reunion banquets, etc.

— HAROLD L. PUTNAM; 720 S. Pine River St.; Ithaca, Michigan 48847.
SOME OF THE PLANS IN WORK FOR THE 1991 REUNION

The Seventh Annual Reunion and Memorial Ceremony will be held 24 - 28 July 1991. Please see page 13. Here are some important points for you to consider:

There will be a dinner dance the evening of July 27. Arrangements are being finalized for the band to play tunes of the fifties for your listening and dancing pleasure. Cost will be included in the registration fee.

Banquet speaker for July 27 will be JIM BRADY, the Korean War veteran, news reporter, and book author (one of his latest is his memoirs titled "The Coldest War").

If your group plans to conduct a mini-rafle in the hospitality room area, you MUST first have the approval of Harry Wallace, chairman. See his address on page 2. Then, when you put your wares out for sale, you MUST show who is doing the proceedings, what you are selling, and WHEN the drawing will be held and at what TIME. Also please state to whom the proceeds will be given.

We have asked COORS BEER company to provide refreshments.

A SPECIAL BUS TOUR IS AVAILABLE AT $20 PER PERSON, EXTRA. SEE PAGE 13.

DINNER AND BANQUET SEATING WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY; DATE OF YOUR RESERVATION RECEIVED IN BALTIMORE DETERMINES WHICH TABLE SEATING WILL BE YOURS.

IF YOU PREFER A CAMPGROUND WHEN YOU COME TO THE REUNION

One of the places we found closer to Arlington, VA (about 60 miles by auto) is the following: Harpers Ferry Camp Resort; Rt. 3, Box 1300; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425. Phone 1-800-323-8899 for reservations. For two people, full hookup charge is $23 per day. Open April 1 to Dec. 15.

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ALL WELCOME - PLEASE JOIN US IN NEW YORK CITY

On Tuesday, June 25th, The New York Korean Veterans War Memorial is to be unveiled in Battery Park. We hope that all members of the KWVA will join us that day to honor all those who were killed in Korea. In addition to the dedication ceremony, there will be numerous bands (both military and civilian) throughout the park. This event will be both a solemn and festive occasion. The war may have been forgotten, but we veterans will not be, if we make our voices heard and our presence seen.

Following the activities in Battery Park, a reception is planned where veterans and their families can come together and swap war stories.

Mayor Dinkins has invited all Korean War Veterans to march in the Welcome Home parade for Desert Storm troops. As yet, no firm date has been set. Hopefully the date chosen will be in proximity to June 25th.

Arrangements have been made with a number of various hotels to provide reduced rates for you and your families.

In order to facilitate preparations for this event, please fill in the questionnaire below and return it with a legal size stamped self-addressed envelope as soon as possible.


Name: __________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________

Phone: Day: ________________________ Eves: ________________________

( ) I will attend the ceremonies in Battery Park on June 25th.
( ) I would attend an outdoor reception.
( ) Please send information about reduced hotel rates.
( ) I will march in the NY Welcome Home Parade for Desert Shield Troops.

I CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO..."

"Dear Stan; Let me start this letter of by telling you how pleased I am with "the Graybeards". It's all about "us", it is informative and well put together.

"I must however call your attention to the January issue, page 16, under the subtitle "Summary of Veterans Organizations Contributions." Not listed is the 23rd Infantry Regiment (Korean War Branch). As of this writing our membership stands at 632 members and to date we have contributed $11,434.00. To verify this statement attached you will find a letter and a memo written to us by General R.G. Stilwell U.S.A. Ret. The letter is addressed to our secretary treasurer Wally Woods and the memo is addressed to our membership.

The letter from General Stilwell said, in part: "Your memorial is on a straight path to completion. We are planning on a ground breaking ceremony next Veterans Day; and God willing, the newest of Washington's great monuments will be dedicated on 27 July 1993."

"Stan, it would be appreciated that in the future publications of "The Graybeards" credit be given to this branch and its ladies for the outstanding job they have done with auctions, 50-50's and personal contributions to reach the contributed amount of $11,434.00. Your action in this matter would be appreciated."--DONALD W. HOFFMAN; 1543 Rose Ave.; Stow, OH. 44224.

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DONALD: You need to know that your letter is the FIRST inkling we in KWVA had of your unit donations. The only way KWVA knows of any donations is those received as indicated on our request coupon (see page 1). It is not our intention to overlook anyone; but please understand that we cannot acknowledge anything unless we first know about it. -- The Editor.

SIX MEMORIALS HERE! Korean War Memorials on Long Island, N.Y.C. and N.Y. State:

- Springs Long Island, N.Y.; East Hampton, Long Island, N.Y. (all wars);
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- Happaque, Long Island, NY (Korea); Albany, N.Y. (Empire State Plaza) Korea; Battery Park, N. Y. City, N. Y. (Korea).
--TOM KRZENSKI; Eastern Long Island Chapter Korean War

THE HORDES "I racked my brain trying to remember if the picture is of the Punch Bowl or Heartbreak Ridge or a little of both. Note the planes are attacking from behind. Wherever it is, it is because there is a mountain range behind us and the A/C couldn't come in from behind us. Had to come in from other side. It was in the late spring of '53 wherever it was. I remember two 50 cal machine guns at each end at Heart Ridge but I don't remember how far back the mountain range was."
--LARRY M. BOTTINI; 59-30 108th St.; #3 CC; Corona, NY 11368.
A presentation of a copy of a Proclamation for support of the National Korean War Veterans Memorial was presented to the Korean War Veterans Association by U.S. Congressman Robert Torricelli. The proclamation was read into the U.S. Congressional Record and is based on the text of the "Dear Patriot" fund drive flier. The flier has been circulated nationally and the message has been well received by veterans groups and the public at large. At present the National Guard organizations of 21 states have pledged publicity support to this worthy project. It was noted that two National Guard Divisions and other units of the Guard fought in the Korean War.

The presentation was made in the congressmen's office in Hackensack, N.J. on March 4th, 1991. Pictured are (L to R) Robert Wacker; President of Dept. of N.J. K.W.V.A., Congressman Robert Torricelli and Kenneth Erckenbrack, Secretary and author of the "Dear Patriot" flier. Submitted by KEN ERCKENBRACK: 115 Grant Ave.; Harrison, N.J. 07029.

THE 'DEAR PATRIOT' FILER AND THE NATIONAL GUARD ARE WORKING TOGETHER

National Guardmen pitch in to distribute fund drive fliers for the National Korean War Veterans Memorial. Two of the Infantry Divisions that participated in that war were National Guard. They were the 40th Inf. Div. and the 45th Inf. Div.

Pictured from left to right: SSG. Oreste Milano and SST. Joseph Marchesini of the 50th Personal Service Co. Trenton. SSG. Martin Roth and SSG. Eddie Noble of the 50th. HHC Discom at E. Orange. Last is: Ken Erckenbrack; Dept. of N.J. Secretary Korean War Veterans Assoc. (Korea 1952 40th. Inf. Div.)

Dear Editor: I have been greatly involved in a project to obtain publicity support from the National Guard organizations. I have communicated with 53 of them and to date have succeeded in obtaining commitments from 20. In my cover letter I reminded them that two Guard divisions saw action in Korea and that our memory causes truly relates to those many who are currently answering the call. Each also received a copy of the 'Dear Patriot' flier. The flier works well when distributed. Veterans groups respond well to it.

Te. $500 from Morris County American Legion, $500 Polish Falcons with more to come, $100 Harrison F.V.W., $100 Washington Square Am. Legion etc. I have modified the new flier by dropping the reference to Bergen County, N.J. That makes it more nationally suitable. I am enclosing a group picture of me and some co-workers who are engaged in distributing flyers. They are members of the New Jersey National Guard and will be reflected in a future article of the Guardlife magazine.

— KENNETH P. ERCKENBRACK: 115 Grant Ave.; Harrison, N.J. 07029 201-481-1393.

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AND FROM DR. SHADISH

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--WILLIAM R. SHADISH; Suite D, 2625 Edith Ave.; Redding, CA 96001. Phone 916-243-8123.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: this is another example of why your contributions are vital to help America know the truth. See page 1: TELLING AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR!
THURSDAY JULY 25: Registration. FRIDAY JULY 26: Business meeting; election of four directors; evening dinner. SATURDAY JULY 27: Arlington ceremony; afternoon with Ambassador of South Korea; banquet/dance in evening. SUNDAY JULY 28: Adjourn.

AN EXTRA CHOICE FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO TOUR WASHINGTON: The Reunion Committee has arranged this ONE-DAY TOUR that will go from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on FRIDAY JULY 26 for those who do not plan on attending the business meeting. The tour, by Washington Group Tours will include these stops: Mt. Vernon. Driving tour of Old Town Alexandria. Capitol Building. Lunch on own at pavilion at Old Post Office Building. Ford's Theater. Exterior tour of White House (you do not go inside) and Lafayette Park. Embassy Row. National Cathedral. Return to hotel.

A wreath-laying ceremony will be conducted at the Tomb Of The Unknowns at 10 a.m., 27 July 1991. Immediately afterward, a Memorial Service will be held in the Amphitheater in remembrance of our fallen comrades, and those 8,177 men Missing In Action, and the 389 prisoners-of-war still unaccounted for. We will then visit the South Korean Ambassador's Home.

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE REUNION - please fill out the below attendance registration form and return it to the Korean War Veterans Association with your attendance fee. Upon receipt of your attendance form and payment, we will mail you a hotel card for your reservation along with a hotel brochure of particulars.

There are rooms reserved at the SPECIAL RATE of $62.00 (single or double) per day. Other rooms are available and plentiful. In order to receive this special rate you must use this KWVA procedure and form.

There will be a Hospitality Room serving refreshments. Should you also wish to make a financial donation (regardless if you attend or not) it will help offset the additional cost of this year’s reunion.

THE 1991 REUNION JULY 25 - 28

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ATTENDANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

Your KWVA
Card NO. ________

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PLUS TOUR?

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(Please Print)

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3. YES: I WANT THE TOUR. I AM ADDING $_________ to cover cost at

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IMPORTANT RANDOM INCOMING

"Dear Stan: Thanks for the copy of Graybeards. I appreciated your detailed accounting of what has happened to our monument design and monies involved since its inception. You did a truly great service for all members of the KWVA, (you may print that in the next newsletter)."

--JOE RICKER, PRES.; EASTERN LONG ISLAND CHAPTER; RD #2, Jermain Ave.; Sag Harbor, NY 11963.

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If you are interested in helping to form a system of selling national ads for the Graybeards, please see page 15.

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OUR RAYONNE, N.J. Memorial was dedicated on June of 1987 and is located at Collins Park; East 1st St.; Rayonne, N.J. Our city lost 21 brave men in Korea.

Thank you kindly. Former Marine Cpl. S. J. Kopec; 73 E. 28 St.; Rayonne, N.J. 07002.

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IF YOU INTEND TO BE A CANDIDATE for Board of Directors, please contact BOB SNIDER, chairman Election Committee; 138 Fairview Road; Massapequa, NY 11768. There will be four new Directors elected on July 26.

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IF YOU LIKE TO DO EDITORIAL WORK, please contact Pres. Dick Adams to offer your help on the forthcoming second edition of Vol. II by Turner Publishing. The job pays nothing; your reward will be the satisfaction of knowing you have helped the veterans of KWVA.

"THEY CALL IT THE SILENT WAR"

The reason for this letter is that I need your help in getting an address of any Army Unit that is now stationed in Korea on the DMZ.

A few weeks ago I met a young man that was in the U.S. Army and stationed on the DMZ in Korea 1981 and 1982. He told me the men now call it THE SILENT WAR. He said that there are still fire fights going on every night. And these men are forgotten as we were during the war. I would like to write to some of these men to let them know we are behind them 100% for what they are still doing. I am sure that there are many other veterans that would like to write to these men if they had an address.

For each name and address sent me, I plan to then write an article that I would get printed in the newspaper after I get their letter. We cannot forget these brave men.

--KIETH W. DALLMANN; 68 Elmore St.; Holyoke, MA. 01040-1067. Phone 413-532-8613.

ARIZONA CHAPTER AFFAIRS PROMPTED RE-MAKE OF ELECTED OFFICERS

After lengthy discussions by the membership, the Phoenix, AZ chapter accepted the resignation of Pres. Marquis as of March 9. Immediately afterward, an Executive Council was formed with the following named as functioning officers:

R. M. "Bill" DAVIS, Chairman; R. F. "Dick" RONBEHLER, Sec.-Tres.; WILLIAM "Bill" TAYLOR, Sgt.-At-Arms; GENE YOUNG, 1st. Vice President.

It was agreed that the executive Committee will administer the chapter affairs until a proper election can be called and held. A local attorney, Harry P. Friedlander, has been requested to begin procedures to file for incorporation under Arizona law; IRS forms for tax exemption have been filed.

A picnic is planned for April 14 and Guest of Honor will be KWVA National Pres. DICK ADAMS. For more information, call BILL DAVIS; 602-274-1387.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor, Will the war always be forgotten? In a letter we Graybeards recently received from "The American Historical Foundation" about the Commemorative 45, the letter states that "38,000 Americans will die on the Korean peninsula!"

In the June, 1990 issue of the magazine "Military", page 42, Maj. Gen. Henry Mohr said, "the cost of the Korean war was 33,629 American dead and 389 missing!"

In the July, 1990 issue of the "Readers Digest", in the article titled "Veterans of a Forgotten Victory", page 74, Ralph K. Bennett said, "nearly 38,000 Americans died in Korea!"

In the November, 1988 issue of the "American Legion" magazine, page 8, Nat'l Cmdr. H.F. Gierke said to all veterans: "We cannot forget the sobering statistics of Korea: 33,600 killed in combat, 21,400 non-battle deaths and 389 still missing in action! On the same page Gierky used the word Vietnam 12 times. Further, on the same page, the American Legion Commander boasted, "2.7 million Legionnaires donated nearly $1.3 million, making the legion the single largest contributor to the Vietnam Memorial."

Over the past 15 years, the thousands of articles about the Vietnam War, I have never read or heard of anyone separating the combat dead from the non-combat dead, here they are; Vietnam - combat dead 47,253, non-combat dead 10,449 that incurred over 16 years.

My question to all these Korean war mis-quotes is: If 33,000 or 38,000 died on the Korean peninsula, where did the other 16,000 to 22,000 die in 37 months?

For example, statistics tell us that 1200 U.S.A.F. personnel died in combat in Korea, but there are 919 A.F. MiAs somewhere over-there, and some 5,884 A.F. "other deaths". (Vietnam total A.F. dead, 2318).

I know of many Korean War A.F. deaths, 18 of them were comrades: 3 vanished in N. Korea, two C-46 nightly scheduled couriers crashed into the Sea of Japan shortly after takeoff (30 days apart) from K-18 airfield, breaking up on impact, killing a total of 8 crew members and 15 military passengers, some of the passengers were hitch-hikers (names not on any manifest). Only 3 bodies were ever found. I always presumed that sharks had a meal with the other 20. Sabotage was suspected, but no investigation was ever made. Five others were killed in an air crash in Japan.

In many cases, there is a very fine line between "combat deaths" and "other deaths". The graveyards do not differentiate. There is something very wrong! Footnote: The Korean peninsula (N. & S. Korea) is about the shape of Florida, but about 50 percent larger. Yes I am "picky" when it comes to the Korean war.

--NORMAN 'JEFF' JEFFERS, #5045; 1048 Bermuda St. N.E.; Port Charlotte, FL 33980. PH. (813) 625-1944.

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KENNETH WHITE; Port Chester, NY.
RAYMOND BRADFORD; Pittsfield, MA.
CARL MCKENNEY; Detroit, ME.
ARTHUR VIGNE; New Orleans, LA.

IF YOU MOVE-- When your Graybeards comes back because you moved and forgot to tell us or the post office, it can cost us as much as $1.12. So please send us the new address, right soon. Thank you.

IF YOU WANT IT PRINTED IN GRAYBEARDS, SEND TO STAN HADDEN; P.O. BOX 131; HARPERS FERRY, WV 25425
Dear Stan: Not long ago you said to send you a write up on the Korean War Memorial I erected.

After my children grew up and left the house I undertook to build memorials for my hometown war dead as there was a memorial for one but not the other 39.

After 3 years of research I learned the 39 names, units and how each died. In 1985 my friends and I erected the memorial on this page. This memorial is in Gateway National Park, Howard Beach, Queens County, New York City across the water from JFK airport. On the way to the Korean War Memorial you will pass the Vietnam and WW2 War memorials as follows:
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--WILLIAM HOTHAN, 513 Lowell Ave.; New Hyde Park, NY.
11040; 516-775-3438.

TO SELL AN AD IN GRAYBEARDS
FIRST OF ALL: there is no charge to any chapter sale or to any member who is making something at home and trying to raise funds that will at least partly benefit KWVA.
SECOND: we are simply trying to reach any business or person interested in donating funds in this manner. The sample above is one column by 3½ inches for $225. One column wide by one inch deep will be $50. Here are some other figures: Two inches: $110. One-eighth page: $150. One-fourth page: $350. One-half page: $600. Three-fourths page: $800. Whole page: $1,000. Prices are donations and for one printed edition only.

Send the ad copy and the check — made out to the KWVA National Treasurer — to editor of Graybeard. If you need more information or help, please contact Stan Hadden, P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425. Phone 304-535-2259.

This is a paid advertisement simply to show my support for the KWVA goal to Tell America About The Korean War.

I buy Civil War relics and other items related to that war.
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Stan Hadden, Proprietor.

TO CLEAR UP SOME CONFUSION: no, the KWV/MAB is NOT part of KWVA. That board was appointed by Pres. Regan and Pres. Bush.

The June Graybeards will report your letters and comments on status of the memorial.

Call Kathleen, Korea trips open. 408-253-3068.
THIS IS TO CLARIFY WORDING OF BY-LAWS ON COST OF DUES

By Harry Wallace, Membership Chairman

Various misunderstandings, grammatical errors and typographical mix-ups have created a number of instances wherein mixed signals have been sent/received on our KWVA By-Laws. So here’s a plain language statement of:

ARTICLE II. SECTION 2 DUES

"A. Amount of Dues. Payment of dues is a condition of beginning or continuing membership."

NATIONAL DUES are payable to the address of the National Membership Chairman (K.W.V.A.; P.O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21201).

Regular Members shall pay $15.00 per year and is repayable on the member's anniversary date. A current membership card will then be issued by the Baltimore chairman, each year. Lifetime Members will get only one card issued, ($150.00).

Auxiliary and Associate Members shall pay NATIONAL DUES of $12.00 per year, renewable on anniversary date. A current membership card will then be issued by the Baltimore chairman each year.

Congressional Medal Of Honor recipients, ex-Prisoners of War, Gold Star Mothers and Wives, and Honorary Members, upon application shall not be required to pay dues. They may choose to do so at their own discretion. A current membership card will then be issued by the Baltimore chairman.

Any and all members are free to choose to be Member At-Large and not belong to any chapter.

CHAPTER MEMBERS must belong to the National K.W.V.A. and must pay NATIONAL DUES as stated above.

CHAPTER DUES are payable to the Chapter only, in the amount and by the procedure decided by the chapter members themselves.

It is emphasized that Chapter Members must have a paid-up National K.W.V.A. membership card.

DEPT. OF ILLINOIS TO MEET

The Department of Illinois K.W.V.A. has announced that they will have a convention on June 8, 1991 at Decatur, Illinois. It is sponsored by the Department of Illinois, K.W.V.A. and hosted by the Charles Parlier Chapter K.W.V.A.

This is the first convention held in Illinois and is open to not only Illinois Korean War Veterans, but any Korean War Veteran who wants to come and participate. We will have at least one National Director, all the old and new state officers (they will be sworn in at the banquet). Chapter officers from the different Illinois Chapters will also be sworn in that night. This is a good time to meet your officers and get acquainted. Let’s all get together and make it a memorable one!! Questions and reservations taken at 217-468-2049 after 5 PM.

-- BILLY R. SMITH; #6 MacCory Dr.; Orneba, IL 62554.

THESE ARE SOME NEW CHAPTERS

The Sept 1990 Graybeards listed all chapters on record at that time. For a complete up-to-date listing, please contact Mary Ann Adams; P.O. Box 127; Caruthers, CA 93609. Meantime, listed below are the newer chapters with also some changes to older chapters.

ALABAMA: Gulf Coast Chapter K.W.V.A.; John J. Valentin, Sr. - Pres.; 6715 Hitching Post Court; Mobile AL 36609.
CALIFORNIA: Northern Cal. Chapter #1; P.O. Box 991418; Redding, CA 96003. Jack Sinfleid - Pres.; 6283 Pueblo Drive; Magalia, CA 95954; 916-873-2713.
DELWARE: K.W.V.A. Delaware Chapter 1; Lester C. Ehrick - Pres.; A9 Herring Green Estates; Millboro, DE 19966; 302-945-2577.
FLORIDA: Eddie Lyon's Chapter K.W.V.A.; Joseph D. Pirriolo - Pres.; 2510 N. E. 209th Terrace; Miami Beach, FL 33180; 305-931-6365.

I am a disabled Korean veteran and former POW and a member of the KWVA, CARD # POW 111. I am sending you one of the Korean War Mini Memorials that I have been making over the past few months; am in hopes that you might be able to put an item in the Graybeards to promote them a little. I get fourteen dollars for them plus two fifty for postage and packaging. I would be more than willing to contribute two dollars per copy to the memorial fund or for whatever need the organization happens to have at the time.

These little memorials are made from dry cherry wood. Each one is a little different due to the grain of the wood and the fact that I make them one at a time. I put a small safe on the back and don't like to do them that way. They might vary slightly in thickness but basically they are the same. When I show them to people, many never realized that the Korean War was so bloody, so I believe that we should display the statistics when ever we get the chance. "Let Them Forget!"

These also come with the Mini CIB in place of the American and ROK crossed flags if any one would rather have them. Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for delivery. Also I am not equipped to handle credit cards, so personal check or money order is preferred.

Sincerely, — VERNON CLARK; Box 1120 R.F.D. No.1; Brooks, Maine 04921
FRED RECOMMENDS YOU READ "WAR IN KOREA" BY HIGGINS

I also want to say that over the years I have been trying to read just about all the non-fiction books that have been written about the Korean War (which there are not too many) and I was in luck with reading one of the very best that was ever written about the war. The book is "War In Korea," by Marguerite Higgins, Combat Correspondent for the now defunct New York Herald Tribune newspaper.

She wrote about the war the way she covered it in its first bloody and dark days and really does a good job on it; in fact I think it was one of the best books I have read about that war and the way it was fought and what we had to fight it with, us who were there in them years of 1950-51.

The book may be a little hard to come by because it was published in 1951, by Doubleday and Company Inc, New York, but I can tell you that it will be well worth the time of any who fought the ground war in Korea, to try and get the book. I can tell you that you will be well rewarded for your efforts. This gal was damn good at her job and she pulled no punches in telling about the first days and years of that war.

I got the book through the local lending library and it took about four weeks to get it but as I said it was well worth the wait to read it. The books has some photos and only 223 pages but very powerful and trueful writing on every page. Thanks again, Stan, for getting my letter in the paper and I hope you will pass the word around on the book I have mentioned to you. -- FRED A. DUVE JR; 916 West Clark St.; Vermillion, South Dakota 57069. Served with 7th CAV REGMT, 1st CAV. DIV.

AUTHOR OF PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

I am under contract to Stackpole Books to write a military history of Psychological Warfare operations in the Korean War, a subject that is part of the myths of that War, but that has yet to be covered in any meaningful detail.

I am surveying military historians, museums and veteran's organizations to elicit fresh stories, recordings, mementos and photos from official sources and from those who were there. Previous examinations into Korean War psychological warfare have been either a cursory note in a personal memoir, a small comment in a dry military history, or an academic treatise. I want to concentrate on the subject and to show all aspects of the art in an accessible and original style.

I would greatly appreciate any information you can furnish on the following specific topics involving the Korean Conflict and PSYWAR: Leaflets ops from B-29's and other aircraft — examples? Leaflets from artillery — examples? Loudspeaker companies — recordings? Pacification ops, roads, schools, bridges, Propaganda examples? POW's — personal interviews. Safe Conduct Passes and surrenders — examples? Defections. The Operation Moohah/MIG 15 incident. Radio broadcasts — recordings? Contact with soldiers who were assigned to Korean Psywar units or who have stories to tell about the effects of Psywar on them. Bedcheck Charlies (annoying aircraft raiders). Newserlads. Germ Warfare claims. Posters — examples?.

Of course, similar activities by the North Korean and Communist Chinese People's Armies and by the Soviet Union.

If you can furnish any help, please write me. STEPHEN E. PEASE at P.O. Box 16854, Colorado Springs, CO 80935, or call 719-633-3604 evenings. All sources will be gratefully acknowledged in the book. Limited funds are available for purchasing photo publication rights and copies of documents. Thank you.

GREATER CLEVELAND AREA chapter: "We are a proud bunch of veterans, but why keep it bottled up within ourselves." So saying, the new officers sworn in last Feb 15 were, L to R: ROBERT HAAS, Pres.; ROBERT O'HARA, 1st VP; FRANK DILEONARDO, 2nd VP; WALTER HERTZEL, Sec.; FRED ELLIS, Treas.

"I HOPE THIS WILL HELP SOMEONE IN SEARCH OF THEIR BUDDIES"

Four of us got together in Nashville last September. Had a great time and will do it again. In this photo, L to R: FRED LEONARD, Bismarck, ND; NAT LOTTELA, Pittsburgh, PA; WAYNE MURPHY, Union, SC; and RICHARD DAHMS, Neenah, WISC.

"This confusing little story does have a happy ending. About two years ago I thought it would be nice if I could find some of my old friends from CO A, 27th INF, 25th Div. I started my search with help from three others who have been in touch over the years by remembering where some of the people were from.

"In most cases phone searches were usually successful, but not always, so we had to find another way. Well, Vic Gerst's name popped up on the 25th Div roster; he was in Co A; he sent me a copy of CIB orders with 140 names including service numbers.

"That was a start, but I was also aware of the fact that St. Louis records center could, if they wanted to, send you a roster of the unit strength at that time when we were assigned to the unit plus service numbers. All this is available under the Freedom of Information Act of 1974; using Standard Form 180.

"You must have a service number, or in later years have a Social Security number which is almost impossible to obtain unless you happen to have an old roster of your unit. Some of the vets have no record and in some cases the letter cannot be delivered as they have moved after all these years. A lot of people just do not respond to our letters.

"I thought if I were to have the VA Records Processing Center put the Social Security number on a stamped envelope with the individual's name on it and have them send it to the Social Security Administration in an envelope which I provided they might forward it to the person I was looking for. At that point I struck out but got my foot in the door.

"This might be of help if you are looking for your old buddies: it takes a little doing but can be done. I do have my roster from St. Louis and am still searching, I would be more than glad to help anyone. All you have to do is call or write me; RICHARD DAHMS; 1880 Bridgeview Dr.; Neenah, WISC 54956. Phone 414-722-2997."

Editor's Note - we were not able to reproduce the sample documents from Richard, due to lack of space. WE DO RECOMMEND that you contact him for detailed information.
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Streator, Illinois is very proud of its Veteran Plaza. There are memorials for WWI, WWII, Korea and Viet Nam, all in the southeast corner of City Park.

In November of 1986, I wrote a letter to the "Voice of the People" column of the local newspaper, asking why there was no memorial for the men who were lost in the Korean "conflict". (A high school friend had lost his life before he turned 18 years of age.) A few days later a WWII Air Force veteran answered the letter and offered his help. His name is Howard H. Minick. Working together, we organized a small group of veterans and got the ball rolling.

With fund-raisers, canisters and generous donations, we were able to break ground in August 1987; and with the help of many, completed the memorial in June 1988.

Enclosed are pictures of the Korean Memorial, which was dedicated June 25, 1988, the 38th anniversary of the start of the "conflict" in Korea. We have three poles and fly the United States Flag, the POW/MIA Flag and the State of Illinois Flag. They are all lighted by lights on top of the memorial.

--BOB HELANDER & HOWARD MINICK, Co-chairmen, Streator Korean Veterans; 1414 N. Otter Creek St.; Streator, IL 61364.

THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL DESIGN

By Blaine Friedlander

On March 22, Fine Arts Commission representatives, a special task force of the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC), a representative of the American Battle Monuments Commission, the architect, and members of the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board met in session and approved in principle, a modified design. The design still has a column of 38 troops marching or trudging toward an American flag, with a wall to their right depicting the contributions of the supportive elements used during the Korean War. There is a quiet reflecting pool with a memorial stone properly honoring the KIA/MIA's. The other 20 nations who joined with us under the UN banner will also be recognized in a dignified manner. No names of KIA will be included.

During the first week of April, the NCPC will meet to hear the task force report and to vote on this design. It may not be smooth sailing, for two of the commissioners who expressed opposition to the memorial design and location were not part of the task force. Two of my informants advised that there will be meetings to reduce this opposition and obtain NCPC approval of the design and that the opposition will try for additional delays.

The National Capital Memorial Commission (NCMC) and the Fine Arts Commission have already given ABMC a green light to continue to develop this design. Once NCPC does the same (which is expected in April) then the detailed design development phases of each statue and the wall must go through the same review cycles with Fine Arts and NCPC. Final approval will include completed design drawings which can be used to get bids and let the contracts. There will be several meetings as the design is further refined.

The National Capital Planning Commission will meet between the time this is written and you receive this Greybeards. Their function differs from the Fine Arts Commission, in that they represent the several governmental bodies dealing with the administration of developmental law. Their task is to see that commemorative work will stand up to the test of time and elements and is in line with the existing governmental policy. This board may take as many as three more sessions.

"The sponsoring organization for the Memorial has always been The Battle Monuments Commission. They let the contracts and see that the engineering is done. There is sufficient funding for the memorial. All that is necessary is to shepherd the design through the above cited bureaucratic maze.

"When this process is finished, the ABMC will submit the completed detailed design drawings, and contracts to the Secretary of the Interior and, if approved at that time will receive a construction permit.

"Gen. Adams, Secretary of ABMC, Col. Bill Ryan, and I were discussing the need to extend the time for two years, and the unhappiness of the KWVA for the need for such an extension. General Adams explained that there was a chance that the contracts could be completed and the construction permits could be issued this October, but the ABMC did not want to be caught short, and sought the extension of time to protect the memorial. This appears to be prudent, and even if the reader does not agree with the extension, there in, in my opinion, little that we can do about it.

"Senators Glenn and Rudman, with Congressmen Montgomery and Solomon, will introduce the extension legislation upon the return of Congress to session on or after April 8. The KWVA position is that we desire the memorial built and the dedication be on July 27, 1993.

THE KWVA FEDERAL CHARTER

"Yesterday, I met with the one United States Representative who can obtain federal recognition of the Korean War Veterans Association. I understood that within a very short time we, the KWVA, will be a nationally recognized veteran's organization. In the past, this gentlemen had considered federal recognition as an "ego trip." When his staff understood from the KWVA the urgent need, the appointment was made, and this important item on our legislative agent was fully discussed. If all goes well, we shall be federally recognized in short order.'

Send your letters and comments:
to Dick Adams and/or Graybeards.
FACT SHEET
THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION
1. To seek the truth about our 8179 M.I.A.'s and 389 P.O.W.'s that didn't return.
2. Raise the awareness of the American people about the Korean war and those who served in it.
3. Raise and contribute funds for establishment of the National Memorial in Washington, D.C.

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 were 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 $346,000 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 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 over 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 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!

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

1. 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; or served honorably in Korea from Feb. 1, 1955 to the present day. You need not have served in combat to be eligible.
2. Associate member is offered to surviving spouse, children, parents and other.
3. All Medal of Honor recipients and ex-Prisoner of War of the Korean War are automatic Life Time Members. There is no fee for dues unless the individual freely chooses to pay.

MAIL TO: Korean War Veterans Association Inc., P. O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281
K.W.V.A. Annual Dues - $15.00 Life Membership - $150.00 Associate - $12.00

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Today's Date ________________ Your Signature ________________________