KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

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The Seventh Annual Reunion and Memorial Ceremony will be held 24-26 July 1991. Please see page
11. Here are some important points for you to consider:

The FRIDAY plans have been changed. The business
meeting will be held with all voting members invited to attend.
That will be the time and place to say your piece.

A SPECIAL BUS TOUR IS AVAILABLE AT $20 PER PERSON, EXTRA. SEE PAGE 11. FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT
attend the business meeting, the BUS TOUR has changed because
we now will be having FRIDAY dinner at the CPO Club in the
Navy Yard followed by attendance at the USMC Evening Parade.
We expect to leave the hotel about 5:30 p.m.

SATURDAY morning is the Arlington ceremony. We have
been informed that Korean government budget restraints prevent
our visiting their embassy and/or ambassador's home.

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-raffle 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 need a REUNION hostess committee to greet and assist
members and wives, to answer telephone and take messages and to give
information when needed. Please contact Harry Wallace and volunteer!

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

PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE!

Dear Members:

May 14, 1991

I want to thank all of you for the magnificent work you did in
helping the passage of the legislation for the Korean War Memorial
Commemorative Coin. Everyone connected with that project can be justly
proud of the accomplishments to date.

I was delighted to have been invited to attend the first Strike
Ceremony and to be among those honored with an opportunity to strike
one of the first coins in Philadelphia May 6th, 1991. It was a "once in a
time" experience for me on behalf of our Association and the ultimate
goal of building our long overdue Memorial.

The true success will be when the One Millionth Coin is sold.

On other important matters; Senate Resolution 82 is a bill which
calls for the creation of a Select Committee on POW/MIA Affairs. We ask
you to write your senator and ask his/her sign-on as a co-sponsor of that
legislation. See page 22.

As your President, I urge your cooperation in our new project
TELL AMERICA. Your contribution of even one dollar will help.

Your letters to me will be welcomed and I do solicit your
opinion on any subject that will be good for the KWWA.

Sincerely, DICK ADAMS, President

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"Perhaps with everyone working together we can teach
the public the truth about Korea...". See page 16.

TAPS

They died before we built the Memorial; we will remember them:

RANDALL J.J. BRIERE; San Antonio, TX; Dec. 19, 1989; former
P.O.W. #0096 LIFE MEMBER.


JAMES E. NOSS; Cleveland, OH.

BRADFORD WAYNE RAYWORTH; Inf; Littleton, MA; March 17,

GEORGE C. TIMMS; June 8, 1988; Revere, MA; TSgt, 1st Marine Air
Wing.

CHARLES J. SEIGLER, 24 April 1991. Born 8 November 1930
and entered the Army 31 January 1951 at Atlanta, Georgia. He was
Discharged as a PFC 16 January 1953. On arrival in Korea he was
assigned to the Medical Company, 5th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry
Division and was wounded in action on 16 October 1951 near Yongchon,
Korea. Total Foreign Service was 1 year 6 months and 3 days.
Decorations included Purple Heart, Combat Infantry Badge, Occupation
Medal (Japan), Korea Service Medal w/2 Bronze Stars, and United
Nations Service Medal. A Memorial service was held at 3:00 P.M. April
28, 1991 at the Normand Medford Funeral Home in Marietta, GA.
Attending the Service were seven members of the North Georgia Chapter
of The Korean War Veterans Association, Inc.

"I AM UNHAPPY THAT NO NAMES OF K.I.A. WILL
BE INCLUDED..."

See YOU WROTE IT! on page 18.
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YOUR DONATIONS WILL BE THE KEYSSTONE TO BUILDING THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL

The following contributed financially to our Memorial Fund:

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In memory of M/Sgt JAMES F. SNOGRASS, by Jean E. Weber, FL.

THIS POEM WAS WRITTEN BY DICK ADAMS, KWVA PRESIDENT AND IS ESPECIALLY DEDICATED TO ALL KOREAN WAR VETERANS

He stood before the Pearly Gates
His face was scarred and old
He stood before the man of fate
For admission to the fold.
What have you done? Saint Peter said
To gain admission here?
I've been a Korean War Veteran, Sir
For many and many a year.
The Pearly Gates swung open wide
Saint Peter touched the bell,
Come in and choose your harp my friend
You've had your share of — HELL.
"MOM AND DAD RECEIVED WORD THAT WAYNE WAS COMING HOME; I CRIED"

We were not told who she is, but this letter from "Wayne's Sister" is so close to so many that we had to print it. We hope that she sees this; it was sent to us by JAMES L. BROWN (Rot 1st Cav); P.O. Box 9793; Austin, TX 78766.

A sister writes: I read in our local paper about the Korean War and a movement to have it remembered. This takes me back to when I was just 10 years old and my brother went to Vietnam. I was too young to understand what war was or what it meant. A few years later, I knew, was what I heard from Mother and Dad talking about Korea and my brother Wayne. He was my best friend and my brother. I loved him so much and he had gone away. I missed him so much, yet, I couldn't understand why he would stay away for such a long time. We had such good times together and were gone.

Mom would read letters he wrote to her and he always asked her about me in them. Mom would read them and tears would roll down her cheeks. Much of what he wrote meant little to me, but I would cry with Mom and she always told me Wayne was okay, he is doing good. Somehow, she did make me feel good. Then when the letter ran out, I would ask her why she is crying if he is all right? She would tell me that she just misses him as I did. I remember so many times, when Dad would come home from work and ask if there were any letters from Wayne? Mom would say no, not today. Dad would just walk on by. She would be silent for a time and then he and Mom would talk about Wayne and the war.

A telegram arrived when Mom and Dad were both home. I could see the worry in their faces. Each wanted the other to talk to it and I yelled out at the top of my voice, "DON'T OPEN IT, DON'T OPEN IT!" For some reason, I knew it was about Wayne. We all cried, Dad told me we have to open it. And I knew it was about Wayne. I just knew it was bad, it was the worst! Dad read it and when he got to the end, where it said, your son Wayne was Killed in Action!!! Mom and Dad put their arms around each other and cried like I never saw my Dad cry. He tried to pull me between them, but I ran out the door, screaming at the top of my voice. The neighbors heard me and they came running to me as my knees buckled and I fell to the ground. All I could say, "It's Wayne, it's Wayne!" I couldn't say anything else. Mom and Dad came out for me and told everyone about the telegram. They all had tears in their eyes and hugged my Mom and Dad. Some cried as hard as we did.

Mom and Dad received word that Wayne was coming home.

Not the living brother I knew and loved. They army was sending my dead brother home to be buried. I remember back as I tried to understand it all, how would anyone be to send back my brother to be buried. Today, I understand, but as 15 year old, nothing made sense to me as all I wanted, was to have my brother back home. My parents were a mess just knowing what was ahead. I was still waiting to see Wayne walk in the door. I didn't think it possible when we were supposed to go to the railroad station to get Wayne. There on the platform was a flag covered casket with one soldier standing next to it. Mom and Dad hugged each other as they walked towards it. Dad was holding my hand, I could feel it go so very weak and limp. I remember this day as if it were yesterday.

Dad leaned over and whispered, "Wayne is home at last." I looked at the soldier standing there and said, "Dad, isn't Wayne?" Dad just picked me up in his arms and held me tight. With each word he cried, I could hardly stand him. He said, "Honey, that man is not Wayne! He brought Wayne home to us. He is under the American Flag! The crying never stopped. Mom's knees went weak and Dad was holding her up. They were trying to get close to the casket as I was being pulled by Dad. I didn't want it to be Wayne and I was afraid to go near it. But, I did and when my parents got near it, they threw their arms around it crying Wayne's name, over and over.

The hearse backed up to where the casket was. A man got out and asked the soldier. Where are the others? He said he was the only Honor Guard they sent with the body. Dad became furious after that. Still crying, he talked to the man from the hearse. By then, other people had gathered near by. My Dad actually had to ask people to help load my brother's casket into the hearse. Then came the bad time for the days ahead. It was the funeral, with firing squads and the Taps. They handed Dad the flag which covered the casket and said something to him. He took the Flag and a soldier saluted it. Not to be out-done, Dad did the same. Our home was never the same. Dad lost his only son and I lost my only brother. Now was the strong one to hold the family together. Yet I caught her crying many times and she would only say she was praying.

They have joined Wayne now. I have the flag from Wayne's casket and the memories of yesterday. When I read what they were doing to help the war that took my brother from me, remembered! I don't remember much on the war itself. But, I remember when the war took my brother from me to never come home. I too want the Korean War remembered. Can I help in anyway? I want to get involved. Just tell me what I can do! I'm not 10 years old anymore and now I understand. Bless you for remembering. Sincerely.

Photo above are elected officers of Texas KWWA, Inc. in Houston, TX. Left to right: front row - JOE COYLE, Pres; DON FOISIE, Hist.; FRED ORTIZ, 2nd VP; TED MALOY, MIA/POW; back row - JUAN GARCIA, Sgt at Arms; NAT YOUNG; JERRY WEBER, SecTres; CURTIS SCHOGGIN, 1st VP.

The following poem was written by THEO BAUDIN; Rt 3, Box 471, Dickinson, TX 77539 last September 15 in recognition of POW/MIA Day. Phone 713-559-2110. Theo also sent us the above photograph.

PRISONER OF WAR

The War in Korea of 50 to 53, many Americans have forgotten you see. I still remember the events so clear, the memories and pain, still bring a tear. The rivers in my mind; they still remind me, of the events that took place; in that land across the sea. Oh how I wish for it not to be, the deaths the suffering for me to see. Why did they treat us in such a bad way, you're Prisoners of War you have nothing to say. Your cry for mercy is heard no more, you're abandoned for ever on this foreign shore. We were starved to death; with such little food, now they wanted our minds; so they sent us to school. We will tell you why you came here to fight, we will tell you the truth; we will show you the light. The Lenient Policy is what we go by, the Red Cross is no good; they will only spy. You are a guest of the C.P.V.,* We are your friends, that you must see. We will give you more food; and a blanket to keep you warm, we want you to write home; and say we do you no harm. Communism is good; you must take a stand, it will spread across America; all through your land. The East may be Red; we agree that's true, but for us it can never beat the old Red White and Blue. The mountains in Korea; with winters so cold, so many died both young and old. The morning air was cold and windy one day, they said we must carry some of our dead away. A man from each squad was asked to attend, a burial detail of twenty-five men. Many more died before the spring thaw, there were sixteen-hundred men whose dog tags I saw. The war has been over so long for me, why then the battles; and suffering I still see. Let History record; let historians say. Americans died in such a pitiful way.

*Chinese Peoples Volunteers
SEARCHING FOR THESE FORMER P.O.W. WITH ME

I am searching for the following individuals who were Prisoners of War with me in North Korea from July 1950 to August 1953. All on this list came home in 1953 and are the remainder of 850 men. Most were in the 24th Infantry Division and were POWs for nearly 38 months. Any information will be greatly appreciated.

ADDESSO, Harry; NYC or NJ
ATKINS, James; Alabama
ATKINSON, Ronald; Greensboro NC
BARANSKI, Alphonse; Cleveland OH
BRUNNER, Clarence; Corona CA
CONLEY, James; Belton TX
COOPER, George; Indianapolis IN
COWART, William; Dalton GA
CRESCON, Calvin; Germany
CRESS, Patrick; Gate City VA
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DONAHUE, Jack; Scioville OH
FERGERSON, Benjamin; East Moline, IL
FERRERELL, Charles; Iola FL
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GONZALES, Florentino; El Paso or Dallas TX
HANCOCK, John; Taylor MN
HAYS, Edward; Des Moines Ia or CA or KN
HEDDINGER, Charles; Apollo PA
HELMICH, Robert P.; Castle Creek NY
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MARTIN, James; Louis SC
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RUPP, Edward; Kessington Ave Philadelphia PA
SCHMIDT, Charles; Nebraska CA
TALBERT, Joseph; Palo Alto CA
THOMPSON, Roy
WALINTUKOMIS, J. - Unknown

Please contact me: WILBERT R. "Shorty" ESTABROOK; Canyon Springs Condo's; 20702 El Toro Road #396; El Toro, CA 92630.

REUNIONS

"THE 351 COMM. RECON. CO. is planning a reunion in Brainerd, MN. Sept. 3 - 5, 1991. For more information contact Tom Loaen, 410 South 6th St., Brainerd, MN. 56401.

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THE 23D INF. REGT. (KOREAN WAR BRANCH) is holding a reunion in Phoenix AZ, July 11, 12, 13, 1991. Anyone including attached personnel, who served with the 23rd anytime from the time it arrived in Korea in 1950 to the cease fire July 53, contact Andy Anderson - 2401 E La Jolla Dr.; Tempe, AZ 85282 or call 602-838-0082.

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USMCR 9TH BATTALION was called to active duty in July 1950 for service in the Korean War. We were transported by train to Camp Pendleton, California where the 9th Bn. was deactivated and the men temporarily assigned to a casual unit. Within two weeks orders were cut sending many of our battalion comrades to Korea. It was these men, along with thousands more, who made the Incheon landing. Since the activation we have never attempted to hold a reunion. Now, with your kind assistance, and God willing, we shall. Anyone interested please contact (August Reunion all wars) Angus P. Robinson, 228 E. 144th Street, Dolton, IL 60419-1153.

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25TH INF DIV ALL WARS: 25th will have reunion in Hawaii Oct. 1 - 6 for information write 25th I.D. Assn. P.O. Box 3927 Mililani, HA. 96789.

DID YOU KNOW MY FATHER?

SGT LEWIS W. SOWLES
2nd Div 38th Inf Regt 38th Med Co

For some years I have been trying to find anyone who knew my father, reported MIA on 30 Nov 1950 at Kunui-ri, North Korea. These are photos of my father. One was taken in the summer of 1950 in camp near Seoul or Kunui-ri possibly. Does anyone in KWVA know anyone shown in the pictures? I would like to find at least one of Dad's buddies. Sincerely, BILL SOWLES; 25715 Woodway Park Road; Edmonds, WA, 98020, phone 206-542-0712.
From the Lawrence Journal-World, Lawrence, Kansas, came this editorial which we show in part:

Central, only about 5 percent died in Korea. Sadly, the Korean undertaking too often is referred to as a “police action.” The casualty figures indicate otherwise.

Of the lack of a national Korean War memorial, Howard Kleinberg of the New York Times wrote: “The problem evolving around the Korean War this time is not apathy; it has to do with bureaucratic in-fighting and bungling. A Korean War Memorial long has been in the planning stages and funds allocated. It just doesn’t get built. The memorial has been designed to death. . . . After 37 years and with a half-million dollars of public funds already spent on design competition and an Advisory Board, the Korean War Memorial is back in boot camp. It was estimated the memorial would cost $15 million to plan and build. Now, starting over after all these years, the cost is sure to skyrocket. Soon the more than $2.5 million raised by veterans organizations to assist in the cost of construction will appear to be a drop in the bucket. . . . What is doubly . . .

"Stan: I thought you might be interested in this poem, which was published late '50 or early '51 in the Peoria (Illinois) Journal Star and was written by my uncle, Freddy Bauer. He died in 1977. I am a member of KWVA having served in Japan and Korea from June '51 to Dec '52 in the 187th Abn R.C.T and 3rd Inf Div. Keep up the good work."

—DON BAUER; 232 W. Friendship St; Medina, OH 44256.

GET A PRINTOUT OF K.I.A.

You can get a printout of Korean War casualties from your state by writing the following:

Korean War Casualty file; C/O Center for Electronic Records; National Archives & Records Administration; Washington, D.C. 20408. Phone 202-511-5579. Send payment of six dollars for each state ordered or send $48 for all KIA of the 48 states.

For a few good books on the Korean War write as follows for a brochure and prices:


—TOM KRZENSKI; P.O. Box 164; Southampton, NY 11969.

NEXT RE-VISIT TO KOREA WILL BE 1992

APRIL 18, 1991: The September revisit trip to Korea has been filled and there are no longer spaces available as of this writing. Kew Chai and I will be working on the 1992 program along with Colonel Kim of N.Y. KVA. KVA-Seoul will release dates for the 1992 trips for our members and will publish this information in the January (1992) issue of Greysbeards. Please contact: KATHLEEN C. WYOSNICK; PO. Box 3718; Saratoga, CA 95070. Phone 408-253-3068.

UNDERNEATH KOREAN SKIES

Underneath these blue Korean skies Is where his heroic body lies.

Even at night, as I walk my post to and fro,
A star is shining for him, in Heaven, I know.

But of his wife and child, I am thinking now,
I pray "God will ease their aching hearts somehow."

I know how sad and lonely they must be,
My wife and child are also waiting for me.

I pray that this Marine "has not died in vain."
He fought so hard and died to restore peace again.

In Pusan, Korea, this gallant brave little Marine
Now lies in silent, peaceful rest.

He lived, he fought, he died to bring an end to this Korean mess.
So to our Heavenly Father I commend you, O pal of mine,
Till once more we meet, at the gates of His Throne Divine.

Sgt. FREDDY C. BAUER
WONJU, KOREA

IN MEMORY OF PFC. RICHARD E. MORRISEY. COM. SEC. H & S CO, ATTACHED TO C CO 1ST BN OF MARINES 1ST MARINE DIVISION.

AND THE WINNER IS...

From OCALA, FL (AMY CARAFANO; 1885 Van Allen Circle; Deltona, FL 32738) the winner of their chapter “Sea Escape” drawing is DON HATHAWAY. Proceeds collected for the Memorial amounted to $370.
ARE YOU OUT THERE?

1st Cav Div, 565th QM Co or other Pennsylvania vets
My name is BILLY J. CHAMBERS. We were attached to the 1st Cav Div when we were assigned to go to Korea in August 1950 to March 1952. I would like to hear from anyone who was in our unit - also any Korean War veterans that live in Pennsylvania, for a get-together some time. Thank you. - B. J. CHAMBERS; 530 Park Ave., Lancaster, PA 17602; phone 717-397-9704.

EDSEL HUNDELY or anyone who can help me contact him. He was from Alabama. We served together in "L" Co., 32nd Inf. Regt. in 1950. Please contact James Woody, Rt. 1, Box 1064, Maysville, Ga. 30558.

PAUL SANCHEZ, Co A, 17th Inf Regt., 7th Inf Div. Pork Chop Hill:
Please contact me: ANGELO PALERMO: 765 4th St.: Oakmont, PA 15139.

322 SIG, BN. 1950-55. If you were there please contact WM. HOTHAN; 513 Lowell Ave.; New Hyde Park, NY 11040.

I would like to locate and contact all former members of WEAPONS CO. 1ST BATTALION, 7TH REGIMENT 1ST MARINE DIVISION who served in Korea from 1953 through 1954 especially anyone from the mortar platoon. Please contact: PAUL DVITO, P.O. Box 538; Shirley, New York 11967.

60th A&K W Korea 1950-1952: I would like to hear from anyone who served with me or knows of a planned reunion. KEITH BENNETT; 265 Salisbury Rd. (blue house); Conneaut, Ohio 44030.

USAF 1951 - 1955: I would like to hear from any of my old buddies. Stationed at Bergstrom AF Base, Austin, TX. I sure miss them and often wonder if and who is still living and where. Would like a reunion someday. I was with the 12th, also 27th Air Police Sqd. We took the first jets overseas, by refueling in the air, in 1952. - HERMAN L. HOLMAN; RR 1, Box 66; Selma, ND 57383; phone 317-284-300.

Trying to locate anyone who served with the Hq and Hq Co, 2nd Bn, 19th Inf Regt, 24th Inf Div, in Japan and Korea. I served with Regt in Japan from 8/49 and went with it to Korea at the end of June 1950. Was wounded in July 1950 and again at the Naktong River in Sept. 1950. Would like to hear from anyone who served with the Regt at that time.

--JAMES H. GRIFFIN; 11800 Grant Rd.; Cypress, TX 77429.

I WAS ASSIGNED TO THE 501ST HARBOR CRAFT & MARINE MAINTENANCE CO in Pusan Harbor between 9-1-53 to 10-28-54 and would like to hear from anyone who was in company at those times.

-- LEANDER B. HOGUE; Rt 5, Box 328; Chipley, FL 32428; Phone 904-638-8594.

23RD INF RT, 2ND DIV, MED CO
Fours years after a war and not a day goes by that you don't reflect on some aspect of it. Now I'm looking for old friends: JAMES T. BEAR; ROBERT SHEPARD; ROBERT SHANTZ; LOUIS DARLING; CHARLES E. TUTTON. These people, I believe, returned; they can call me collect. -- JOHN KAMPERSCHROER; 26 Illinois Drive; Lincoln, IL 62655; Phone 217-375-5046.

Looking for anyone or anything on 2nd Chern Mortar Bn; 1st Sgt of Co A, Nov 1950 to Dec 1951, Korea, Please contact V. P. LEAVEL, Jr.; 4717 Diaz #1; Ft. Worth, TX 76107

IF YOU AGREE with this logo: please consider giving at least one dollar to TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR. See page 16.

Above are 3 pictures taken in Korea. I do not remember any of their names. But we were all with the UNITED NATIONS MILITARY CEMETERY IN PUSAN, KOREA, 1951-53. In the group picture I am the one with my hands over my eyes. In the other picture I am the one who looks sick. The other picture is the United Nations Military Cemetery in Pusan. If any of them would like to get in touch with me they may call me collect, Or send me a letter: --FREDERICK W. REED; 357 Lowden Point Rd; Rochester, NY 14612. Phone 716-225-1393.

13TH AND 378TH E.U.D. (ENGINEER UTILITY DETACHMENT):
I was in Korea with the 13th and then April 1951 with the 378th that came from Chicago. I was called back to service from Maxwell, PA in September 1950. Would like to hear from somebody who ever heard of us. --RICHARD McMAHON; Cumberlaid Green Apt 22-A; Millville, NJ 08332.

MORE ON NEXT PAGE!
ARE YOU OUT THERE?

"I would like to know if there is anyone out there that served with the 1ST SHORAN BEACON SQUADRON, 5TH AIR FORCE, 502ND TACTICAL CONTROL GROUP, detached with the 1st Marine Air Wing, Marine Air Group 12, March 1953-1954, especially BILL LAHMYE, "SMOKEY" EHRDIA, LEO LEHENE, 5gt KING, MORT RUSSELL, V COBB, if so please drop a line to DON HOOCK, 75 Lynciale Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14223." Phone 716-832-7591.

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1ST MARINE DIV 7TH REGT 2ND BN E CO "THE ONES LEFT BEHIND"

"How come I cannot get a article printed about anyone left behind from June 1953 to Oct 1954? We were the ones that got the P.O.W.s out - not Eisenhower.

"It is bad enough being deserted by our 1st Marine Div but even the Graybeards choose to ignore us from each printing. Once again I shall try to get help from Graybeards. (Hey, as I wrote you before, your first letter simply came too late to make the April Graybeads, so here is your letter just as you wrote it. Is Graybeads forgiven? - the Editor)

"Anyone who served with the 1st Marine Div 7th Regt 2nd Bn "E" Co. This outfit was composed of 24 drafts thru 34th draft. I was 33rd draft. 2nd Lt CHARLES WHEATON took 27 of us at night approx 3 to 5 miles in front of our lines to set up a special force between our lines and the Gooks. No Army involved! This was about July 18th, 1953. We had several kills and never lost one man!

"Our outfit left us there after the cease fire. Just like sitting ducks. Thanks E-2-71 I was surprised week later that they ever came back at all. After all I'm sure they considered us misfits as lawyer Blaine Friedlander would put it.

"Why don't you people stop wasting money on the dead, and start taking care of your living?"

"Once again I need help to establish my frostbite and trench foot and (sorry, I can't read your next word) at the Los Angeles VA Board hearing in the near future. I hope.

"I want to hear from anyone who served with me. I will need their help on my claim with VA. Please advise. Write, or call collect: ROBERT "PRESTON" BROWN; P.O. Box 2223; Cora, CA 93188-2223. Phone 805-968-8666.

"P.S.: I have been a member since 1988 and have recruited 5 others and will endeavor to recruit more. I have given over $80 to the Memorial."

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154th P.M.C.D. — LT. HANSON: He was a graduate of Clemson U. and a great CO and human being. Please write: AL ORNER; 675 Anderson Ave.; Cliftonside Park, NJ 07010.

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3RD DIV 7TH REGT 7TH BN HQ CO: I am trying to find two old buddies of mine: JACK FERRY, believed to be in state of Pennsylvania somewhere. We served together in 1952-53.

And RICHARD FEISTER. We had basic training and school at San Luis Obipso in California, Signal Corps. I believe he may be in southern California, somewhere around the L.A. area. — JOHN COOPER; 5052 Barham Ave.; Corina, CA 90621. Phone 916-824-3954.

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171ST FIELD HOSPITAL 7-53 TO 3-54, PURSAN: I am looking for anyone who was there. It was a POW camp for North Korean prisoners. I was a medic attached there after war ceased; 2nd Div. Thank you. — DAN RUSCILLO; 8700 25th Ave., 7-E; Brooklyn, NY 11214.

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D COMPANY, 3RD ENGR BN: MGST JOHN TURNER who was with me in Hawaii in early 1950's and again in the 3rd in Korea 1950. Anyone knowing John's whereabouts, please write me: CHARLEY M. CLARK; 89-346 Lepeka Ave.; Waiakea, Hawaii 96792.

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I'm looking for the history of 56th Amp Trac and Tank BN since I served in that battalion in Japan and Okinawa 1951-52-53, Had a 16th Corp patch. Thank you. RAY GLAVICH; P.O. Box 356; Fields Landing, CA 95537.

On Memorial Day, the V-N Wall dominated the news. Do you suppose the designers of the Korean War Memorial just do not want our KIA/MIA names because it would be competition?

"Dear Dick Adams: On page 1 you asked for personal opinions. Here's mine: Who among us will deny the powerful emotional bringing forth upon seeing the names of war dead engraved into a marble wall?

"Any announcement of national patriotic importance to our country takes place before the V-N Wall. Why can't the Korean War Veterans Memorial be equally important? Didn't our dead earn the right to be equally remembered?

"YES—I want to see our KIA/MIA names on the Korean War Memorial.

—STAN HADDEN; P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425. Phone 304-355-2299. May 29, 1991.

THIS POST HAS FIVE LIVING MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS

"Stan, here is some information we would like printed in the Graybeards: VFW Post 3297, Delaware, Ohio, is proud to have five Congressional Medal of Honor recipients as Life Members. They are: Capt. CARL SITTER; REGINALD MELSON; JACKLYN LUCAS; RONALD E. ROSSER; RUDOLPH O. HERNANDEZ.

Last year the post lost its sixth recipient of the Medal of Honor when MELVIN MAYSFIELD died. His photo is hereewith."

—BOYD THOMPSON; 3967 Main St; P.O. Box 41; Kilbourne, Ohio 43032-0041.

WHICH UNIT WORE THIS PATCH?

Am trying to identify a unit for historical purposes. It wore a square black shoulder patch with a blue star in the middle. In the middle of the star the number 104 was located. Toward the bottom of the patch, directly under the star were the letters MDI. Both the number and the letters were yellow. Sincerely, RALPH R. BALESTRIERI (bry C, 13 FA Bn (Nov '50 - Jun '51); Forward Observer with Co's I, K & L, 19 Inf through Apr '51); 41 Rose Ct.; Estontown, N.J. 07724.

45TH Inf Div Assoc.; 2145 N.E. 36th St.; Oklahoma City, OK 73111

THOMAS SHARKEY; 2982 Warn Springs Dr.; San Jose, CA 95127 sent this and said: "The VFW magazine left us off of their cover when they did an item on the Korean War. Sure hope we aren't forgotten by Graybeards. What the matter, people mad at us or what? I know we served there."

(Editor's note: Nope, Tom, it's just that you are the first to send us the address. Thanks.)

AS OF MAY 8, 1991 THESE ARE CANDIDATES FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

From BOB SNIDER, chairman of nominations committee, comes the following names as having written him they are officially candidates for election on July 26, 1991 at the national reunion/convention:

WARREN G. AVERY seeks re-election
LOUIS SELMI, JR.
DIKSON L. POOLE.

"Four seats are open," said Snider. "If anyone else wants to run, please contact me immediately at this address: 138 Fairview Road; Massapequa, NY 11768. Your declaration must be in writing."

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By BLAINE FRIEDMAN

Senator John Warner (R-VA) for himself and Senators Murkowski, Inouye, Conrad, Shelby, Stevens, and Hollings, filed on May 7, 1991, SJR-141, a joint resolution to designate the week beginning July 21, 1991 as "Korean War Veterans Remembrance Week." The bill has been referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

Representative Sangmeister for himself and _____ filed on May 10, 1991, HJR 255, identical in language to SJR 141. This bill has been referred to the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee.

Nothing will happen until the bill is co-sponsored by 51 Senators and 218 Representatives.

Our KWVA president will lead the effort of each of our members to contact his/her two senators and representatives. Space prevents our listing the 535 members of Congress; consult your post office for names.

Once you have the name, you may then write or telephone the congress member. The post office address of each senator is:

The Honorable_________
United States Senate; Washington, D.C. 20510.

The post office address of each representative is:

The Honorable_________
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515.

If preferred, you can telephone: dial 202-224-3121 for the Senate and 202-225-2131 for the House; ask for the member. Some members of congress have an 800 number which you can get by dialing 800-555-1212 and name the member whose number you want.

In addition, each member of congress has two or more offices in his/her state or district. Look in the white pages of your directory.

Please write or call your senators and representative today and ask their support of the appropriate bill (Senate or House).

Your letter or postcard should read as follows:

Dear Senator__________:
Please support SJR 141, a joint resolution to designate the week beginning July 21, 1991, as "Korean War Veterans Remembrance Week." The bill has been referred to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary. Please have your staff call Bill Sykes at 4-6293 to enroll you as a co-sponsor of the resolution.
Thank you for your support of this commemorative.

Dear Congressman__________:
Please support HJR 255, a joint resolution to designate the week beginning July 21, 1991, as "Korean War Veterans Remembrance Week." Kindly have your staff call David Wilke at 225-3635 to enroll you as a co-sponsor of this resolution.
Thank you for your support of this commemorative.

* * * * * * * * If you prefer to telephone, just repeat the appropriate message to the person answering.

"Poor is the nation that has no heroes. . . shameful is the nation that has them and forgets!"

Ralph Mattingly: 211 E. Central Ave.; Delaware, OH 43015; phone 614-369-1216 SWAMPED Graybeards with pictures and newspaper clippings and letters from his campaign that started with collecting clean, used Panty Hose for the Desert Storm operation. He is shown above with one of his hand-made collection boxes. There is no way we can reproduce everything he sent — we just say Thank You Ralph for all that you have done. He wrote (in part): "we collected 5,950 pairs and sent them all to Sgt Davis of 101st Airborne Div. He said although most reached him after the war was over, they are still being used by our troops. And I had not realized how old I look until they took my picture and I'm still proud to wear my parachute wings."
TRIPLE NICKLE CANNON REPORT: "A group of us met on 20 May as guests of Col. Beirne and his lovely wife in Baltimore and we want to thank him for a memorable day. Among those old vets who came were Crockett, TK; Geo. Matisick, B355; John Pienkowski, C5; Gottschall, Hvymr5; Dave Eckert, F5; Al McAdoo, E5; Lee Knight, E5 and his wife.

After a buffet lunch, Col. Beirne showed his movies and also the ancient camera that took those films 40 years ago. We all had a great time and in this family room anyone could pinpoint where he had been anywhere in Frozen Chosin. The Col. had maps of north and south with a modern contour overlay of the Pusan-Chinju area. I wish I had more time and space, but write to me: Dick Lewis, P.O. Box 1776; Frederick, MD 21702-0776."

"I FEEL THAT HAVING A REUNION IN THE MIDWEST WILL BE...

"Stan, I write to first express to all of you responsible for the newsletter our congratulations on sending to all a fine publication. We literally read the ink off the copy. It is such a great wealth of information, and how you "pack it all in" is just great. Keep up the fine work!!

"I feel that having a reunion in the midwest will be a big "plus" for the organization. There are many who STILL have not heard of the KWVA. Many veterans would make the trek even if they haven't been to one before. We sure would be glad to help inform those of this reunion."


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.

RENEWING DUES: when renewing your dues please mark your membership number on your check. Then mail to this address: KWVA, INC.; P.O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281.

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THURSDAY JULY 25: Registration. FRIDAY JULY 26: Business meeting; election of four directors; evening dinner with the USMC at CPO Club followed by the USMC Evening Parade at 8th & I. SATURDAY JULY 27: Arlington ceremony; banquet-dance in evening; semi-formal dress code. 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 about 4 p.m. on FRIDAY July 26 for those who do not choose to attend the business meeting. Exact itinerary is not known at this date but lunch will be on one's own at pavilion of Old Post Office Bldg. Return to hotel in time to prepare for bus ride to USMC dinner and ceremony.

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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APRIL 9, 1991 at the Korean War Museum in Seoul. “This shows our KWVA group with a group of Korean school children who were also visiting the museum. In my 11 days over there, I found the old middle school we had used and the building was used for the 8th Army PX and now a department store. I also located the exact valley and area north of the 38th parallel where we spent January 1953. That was with HQ Co 10th (e) Engrs, 3rd Inf Div.”


"WE DON'T HAVE PHOTOS, BUT WE DO HAVE MEMORIALS!"
Mr. and Mrs. KEITH BENNETT; 205 Salisbury Rd (Blue House); Conneaut, OH 44030, sent these directions for driving to the local Memorials: "It is dedicated to WWI, WWII, Korean War, and Viet Nam War. From Interstate 90 take Route 7 North (Mill St.) to Main St. (first traffic light); turn right on Main St. to City Hall (2 blocks). The Memorial is in front of City Hall on the corner of Main and Buffalo Streets."

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"I don’t have any photographs, but I did take part in dedications of these Memorials to Korean War veterans: In ALBANY, NY June 25, 1990; and in BINGHAMTON, NY, Nov. 11, 1990. —F. MIKE MACEY; 25th Inf Div, 27th Inf, 500 C Co and 501 R 1951; 1200 Main St; Vestal, NY 13850. He also added this as part of his letter: 'I believe the Korean War was a defeat and not a victory I would not belong to the KWVA and be proud to advertise the fact that I am a Korean War vet.'

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.

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MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENT HAS DIED
"Stan, I know you are always looking for a good and worthy articles to put in our great paper. You can’t get more worthy or deserving than our great comrade, JAKE W. LINDSEY. Aren’t you glad he was on our side; I know I am.”

—RICHARD ANDRUKONIS; 82 Morningside Rd.; Worchester, MA 01602.

WAYNESBORO, MISS. March, 1991 -- Medal of Honor recipient JAKE W. LINDSEY, whose heroism in WWII and the Korean War earned him the nickname "one-man army", died at his home Monday of a heart attack. He was age 67.

He received the Medal for action in 1944 in the Huertgen Forest of Germany. During the Korean War he single-handedly killed 150 Chinese soldiers in one night, said Ron Busby, who is familiar with Mr. Lindsey’s exploits.

HE WANTS NAMES ON THE MEMORIAL
"Stan: Thanks for the photo of the Korean War Memorial, Graybeards. Some of those memorials are just great. I go in the direction of names on the memorials of our dead heroes. I even have the names of the fellows who went to fight in Korea and came home. Thanks for all the nice photos of the war memorials. Keep up the good work. The Graybeard is so good.”


TRUMAN LIBRARY, members of the MO chapter, Feb. 9, 1991: L to R: SANTIAGO VARELA (ex-POW Camp I); RICHARD CONES (ex-POW Camp I); NEIL VAN DERMEULEN, Sec.; DON GUTMAN, 1st VP; PAUL PHILLIPS, Pres.; GEORGE STODT, Treas. Varela and Cones had their first reunion in 38 years; both were imprisoned for 30 months; both were with the 555 Triple Nickel.
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ARNIE ANDERSON (left) with SALVATORE PROFACI, wartime buddies from the 96th Field Artillery

Arnies Anderson of Huron, SD got the idea for a 1991 reunion of his old outfit, the 96th FA, when he was able to locate a former buddy, Salvatore Profaci in Freehold, NJ.  

They had lost touch after the war, but two years ago renewed contact through telephone conversations. Last November they finally got together and have contacted more than a dozen of the original 140 in their battery. Among those found were: ART JENSEN, JESSEE THOMAS, and BERT OUTLAND. They are still looking for men who served with the 96th from 1950 to 1958.  

"It was emotional," Profaci said. "Thirty-seven years ago we slept in the same foxhole. We have an old friendship. These are some things you can't forget. There are beautiful memories. Then there are some bad ones."  

For more information, contact: ARNIE ANDERSON; 1350 Fourth St. SW; Huron, SD 57350. Phone 605-352-6313.


On Friday night, April 19, 1991, The first Korean name for a Chapter was formed. The name was picked by me, as I was a member of 21st Infantry Regt, 24th Infantry Division. 

To honor the 1st Battalion of the 21st, I used this name to honor the men I knew from Japan before Korea; the name is OSAN CHAPTER, where the war began, July 5, 1950. Also where the first American was KIA, on that same day. 

Bob Wacker, from the Department of New Jersey, President and his Vice Pres. Rich Alexander attended our meeting and swore me and all officers elected. Ist VP, Al Willis, 2nd VP, Vernon Wood. Sec-Tres John Marley, and myself President, Lou Selmi, Jr.  

—LOU SELMI, JR.; 201 N. Madison Ave; Cherry Hill, N.J. 08002. 609-667-6994. April 27, 1991

Photo Above L. to right: Bob Wacker; Lou Selmi; Rich Alexander, installation night.

ONCE AGAIN, KOREA VETS FORGOTTEN

I am a veteran of both Korea and Vietnam Wars. First of all I would like the readers to know that I support the way our President handled the Gulf War. He left most of the decisions up to our military. If we had such a leader during Korea and Vietnam, I am sure the outcome would have been different.  

I have just seen him on television where he welcomed the troops back from the Gulf at Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. He praised them and the Vietnam veterans. Once again, the Korean veterans were forgotten; only this time it was by our Commander-in-Chief. I am sick and tired of hearing about just Vietnam veterans. We owe them no more than we owe all G.I.'s that fought in all previous wars.  

HELP WRITE THE KOREAN WAR BACK INTO HISTORY

IF EVER THERE WAS A GENERATION OF FORGOTTEN SERVICE PERSONNEL IT IS THAT WHICH FOLLOWED THE CALL TO ARMS WITH THE OUTBREAK OF THE NOW FORGOTTEN WAR OF KOREA.

Korean War Veteran remembers

‘THE FORGOTTEN WAR’

March 3, 1951, Easy Company, 2nd En, 15th Inf, Korea.
February 1990, 205 Hicks St.; Brooklyn, NY 11201; and RICHARD COATE began his personal drive, using this wartime photo of himself as a basis, for soliciting funds for the Korean War Veterans Memorial.

Graybeards does not have the space for his entire fascinating story, but this quote from his letter is worth noting: “I was happy with the publication of the first article on March 1, 1990 under the banner headline ‘Why We Need To Write The Korean War Back Into History.’”

Richard’s picture, and his words and thoughts, have been reported by many publications including the NY Times, Time Magazine, and newspapers across the nation. He has worked hard and long and deserves more recognition than this space in Graybeards can give him.

We can only ask that equal effort now be devoted to telling America more about the war and its after-effects upon our nation today.

His home phone number is 718-625-4241.

"BETTER TO BE HEARD THAN TO DIE IN SILENCE!"

"Stan: Having read the comments... from different sources... It seems to me that we as a group have been misled and find ourselves in the political con game that is pervasive in the Nation's Capital these days.

As for the Memorial..."

"Sometime back, I wrote a letter to Dick Adams and expressed my views on this very subject and mentioned to him, that the membership should have had some input as to the over all design and suggestions should have been open to all to have a say in it. As it stands now, we’ve hit a stonewall and this could drag on forever. This is unreal.

"I don’t know how you feel about it at this particular juncture, but as for me... We ought to tell them to build it in the Mid-West someplace.

"This is my suggestion, don’t know how many votes you’d get on it, but I’d go for it. Kansas City would be about as close to the center of the country for us that are from the West Coast. Nothing is chiseled in stone... We waited forty years for this eh?

"If they excommunicate me for trying to go against the grain, so be it! Better to be heard, than die in silence."

—ALFRED D. RAMIREZ; R. K. 1, 2400 Imperial; Winterhaven, CA 92283. April 21, 1991.

"... COULD YOU PRINT THIS IDEA"

"Stan: I was just rereading the last issue of the Graybeards and felt that I should write to you. I decided to write to tell you that I have copied my issue of the Graybeards to send to my senators and congressmen from my area plus a copy to President Bush. I am going to ask them in my letters to them to please give back to the Korean War Veterans Monument Advisory Board the right to develop the design and scope of the monument that will be dedicated to our members both living and dead. It is a shame that it is taking so long and that there is so much fudging going on. The ones of us left are getting older as everyday goes by and want to see something built as a monument before we die.

"I know that I have rambled quite a bit but I still cannot point a finger at any one and say you are the ones that are wrong. Hopefully somehow this will be resolved and we will have our monument. Could you print in the next issue of the Graybeards this idea?

"(To all involved): Please set aside your individual feelings and join in together in a undertaking of good will and harmony among yourselves to design, approve, and get built a fitting monument to the Korean War."

—KENNETH R. KENDALL(3rd Inf Div); 5782 Houston Ave.; Portage, IND 46368; April 17, 1991.
LET'S TELL AMERICA! IT'S THE NEW CHALLENGE FOR YOU AND THE K.W.V.A.

We have raised enough money (more than 14 million bucks) to probably build the National Memorial in Washington DC.

Now let's go to work and raise the money to Tell America About The Korean War.

We don't mean just tell the kids about combat and hardships. Here's a sample of what can be done WITH THE FUNDS SENT BY YOU:

- Buy time on TV, radio, and print media.
- Educate Americans, especially our young people so they WILL KNOW THAT WHAT YOU DID IN THE KOREAN WAR affected the entire world today... how it impacted upon the fall of Communism in Russia and China.
- Tell young Americans how political decisions have affected their chances for jobs and homes and good futures by failing to properly manage events that resulted from the sacrifices of the Korean War.
- Tell America how the Korean War was really the last time America fought in the sincere belief that the U.S.A. was saving freedom and liberty.

DO YOU KNOW THESE FACTS?

45 percent of Americans are too young to remember the Korean War firsthand.

Only 36 percent of our college students can identify which side we were on in the Korean War.

Our students at all levels will not be able to understand the meaning of the recent Gulf War unless they first are told WHY the Korean War happened. AND THAT IT DID HAPPEN!

Television programming today is directed at age groups between 15 and 35... the Americans who don't know about the Korean War... the Americans who will be voting tomorrow without knowing the real values of history.

Only 13 percent of Americans under age 30 watch or read the news of America or the world. That is a national disgrace.

And you are now in the position of doing something just as important as what you did in 1950 - 1953: TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR and how it changed the world we live in today and tomorrow!

"Perhaps with everyone working together we can teach the public the truth about Korea..."

"Dear Editor: I am enclosing a letter that I have sent to "The Evansville Courier", and one I plan to send to every paper I can find an address to, in as many states as possible, as part of my personal crusade to do something for the Korean veterans.

For years I have felt that the way this country, and particularly our government, has treated those who fought in Korea, has been a disgrace. But when the Gulf War started and I saw politicians falling all over themselves to do something for the men and women serving in the Gulf, primarily for the benefit of the publicity it would give them, while our Korean veterans were struggling to keep what few benefits they had from being taken away from them, it really made me angry. I could also see how much it was bothering my husband to hear how the country was reacting to this war, when they had acted so shabbily towards him and those he served with in Korea. It isn't right, it isn't just, and it's time we did something about the "Forgotten War".

I was so glad to see that the Korean War Veterans Association which Hobe is a member of, has decided it's time to right this wrong. Perhaps with everyone working together we can teach the public the truth about Korea, and especially wipe out the untrue and unjust film that PBS presented."

-Dolly (and Hobe) Young; 115 North Gibson St.; Oakland City, IN 47601; April 26, 1991.

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. 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. Then, America will listen!

YES! I WANT TO HELP!

I AM ENCLOSING: □ Other $________ □ $200 □ $100 □ $50 □ $1

TO BE USED FOR ONE OR BOTH AS MARKED

□ $________ FOR MEMORIAL (about 14 million already on hand, probably enough to build with.)
□ $________ FOR TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR

CONTRIBUTIONS MAY BE MADE BY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

MAKE PAYABLE TO: KWVA NATIONAL TREASURER. DO NOT SEND CASH.

YOUR CANCELLED CHECK IS YOUR RECEIPT.

MAIL TO: KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC.
P.O. Box 127 — CARUTHERS, CALIFORNIA 93610

YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS: (PLEASE PRINT)__________________________

PLEASE CONSIDER THIS AS YOUR WAY TO TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR
NORMAN "JEFF" JEFFERS; 1048 Bermuda St. N.E.; Port Charlotte, FL 33952; phone 813-625-1944, is putting his money, his time, and his heart where his mouth is. Look at these pictures; do they need explanation?

He wrote: "I plan to leave Florida in June. My sign will be seen as far East as Washington and through the Midwest and South. I may go to Reno in September and will be passing out KWVA applications all the way. I always have veterans stop me, on the highway, in shopping centers and camp grounds, etc.

"All the sign edges are trimmed in gold glitter. The flags on each corner are mounted on springs and sway constantly. The signs have four coats of poly type sealer, and I am adding two short signs on the bumper."

IMPORTANT RANDOM INCOMING

"... each time major changes to the design concept are required by the approving authorities, it costs $350,000 to engineer them," wrote Col. Wm. E. Ryan, Jr. of American Battle Monuments Commission on March 21, 1991.

"Jeez, we're still battin' a thousand, KWVA!! Hells bells, we can't even get mentioned in the funny papers. See this enclosed cartoon of May 4 on the Doonesbury strip where WWII vet talks to a vet of V-N about the Gulf War and the cartoonist simply ignored Korea." —G. W. RUNYAN; RD 2, Box 178-H; Seneca, PA 16346.

FROM CANADA: "I think that it is time for us all to pick up our pens and write a letter to our local newspaper editor in an attempt to let the public know how the current government is treating those veterans who put their lives on the line for the hopeful preservation of Peace throughout the world, many years ago."

—DON B. URQUHART, Pres.; KVA of Canada, Inc.; 7740 #4 Road; Richmond, B. C. V6Y 2T5.

KOREAN WAR VET KILLED IN OPERATION DESERT STORM

1st Sgt JOSEPH MURPHY, in Korea 1950-1952, was one of those killed in non-combat vehicle accident in Saudi Arabia. He led 230 men and women in the 102nd Maint Co.

A close friend and fellow veteran, Robert Shands, said: "We were close for so long that now I don't have anyone to talk over my problems with. That's what tears are for."

—Sent by WARREN A. DOLFINER; 30-33 Westgate Dr.; Bohemia, NY 11716. Warren also suggested this: "I suggest you give membership some kind of form letter to send elected officials regarding our Memorial."

NEW CHAPTER OFFICERS

DEPT. OF NEW YORK, NORTHEAST CHAPTER: President: James Busier, P.O. Box 44; Lansingburgh Sta.; Troy, NY 12182.

LOUISIANA CHAPTER President: Robert L. Hatfield; 7301 B. West End Blvd.; New Orleans, LA 70124.

TWO NEW CHAPTERS

Adirondack Chapter — Eugene Slavin, President; 216 Ridge Street; Glen Falls, NY 12801; 518-793-2358.

Empire Chapter Brooklyn-Manhattan — Roy Spanower, President; 346 Broadway 8th Floor; New York, NY 10013.

The MEMORIAL DESIGN can be changed - - right up until the last hour when the last okay signature is inked on the paper. So why not include the names of our KIA/MIA on the Memorial? TELL AMERICA!
YOU WROTE IT!

"I REMIND YOU THAT THE FUNDING OF THE MEMORIAL..."

"Stan, I am enclosing a copy of an article from the front page of the April 15, 1991 issue of the Stars & Stripes. To say that the wording of this article is maddening would be an understatement! But, I would remind you that this is just one other source of where some of us are getting frustration. The first paragraph is a typical example of classic gibberish-geek! "Crept closer"? "Caustically O.K.d? And for heaven's sake! Who in hell are these new kids on the block, the "National Capital Planning Commission"? And who is the Commission Chairman, a Mr. Glen T. Uquhart?

Korean War Memorial Gets Another Go-Ahead

A memorial in the nation's capital for veterans of the Korean War has been approved - April 8 when revised design plans for it were submitted by the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC). The commission's decision was based on a staff report recommending approval of the memorial, which has been planned to consist of a 15-foot sculpture by Frank Ogawa and mural artist Louis Nolan on a 13-foot pedestal. The NCPC and the Commission of Fine Arts have expressed "caution," why do I get the idea that the development of the memorial is being conducted with about 5.000% more care than was the entire Korean War?"

"And please notice that the total cost of the Korean War has been downgraded to $38,000, from the usually, and mistakenly, total of $42,246. Has anyone ever done a study of the other category, first used in the first category, those listed as 'Died of Wounds'?"

"There is enough confusion in this article, with the wording alone, with extreme care" and "caustic optimism." Why do I get the idea that the development of the memorial is being conducted with about 5.000% more care than was the entire Korean War?"

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"I think that it is long overdue for the KWWA, through its publication, the "Graybeards," give this memorial a comprehensive, complete listing, including the pedagogues of all of these members or these various committees, that, for all intents and purposes, are nothing but obstacles in the path to our Memorial. I would like to see everyone on the KWWMA, this new NCPC, the Fine Arts Commission, this "sculptor" and this "muralist," (!) all identified by name, their backgrounds, and where it is that they draw their salaries from! At the risk of repetition, I would remind you that the funding of the Memorial is not coming from any Governmental funding agency, or if it is being raised by, and from, veterans and the American people! So, why the sudden interest on the part of previously unheard- of agencies, and just whom is it that is "appointing" them?"

I stated in my earlier letter, that I was of the opinion that there was a conspiracy to see that there would never be a Korean War Memorial erected, nor would the Korean Veteran ever get any recognition. In light of all the foregoing, do you think my suspicions are without foundation?"

-PAT BRESLIN, P. O. Box 6025, Newark, NJ 07106; April 16, 1991.

... HOPED WE WOULD LIVE LONG ENOUGH TO SEE THIS MEMORIAL...

"Sian, As a member of the KWWA and a promoter of our aims and goals, I agree with you. We need someone to stand over the money raised for the memorial, only with a gun! The politicians and their free wheeling contractors and architects reminds me of a bunch of hungry jackals, trying to feed off of the monies raised.

And I suppose a lot of other people, including donors, are getting pretty discouraged over the infighting going on and the continued raising costs from 6 million and now 15 million. Somewhere along the walk many veterans are going to say enough is enough.

We all had hoped we would live long enough to see this memorial built; meanwhile the list of deceased veterans is getting longer."


IF YOU LIKE THIS EDITION OF GRAYBEARDS: then please help by sending your contributions now to Tell America fund raising; see coupon on page 16.
YOU WROTE IT!

"AFTER ALL, YOU ARE OUR EDITOR AND ARE SUPPOSED TO TAKE THE GAFF..."

"Stan: Wish to thank you very much for the Graybeards. I found it very interesting to read, and it does back up my feelings and stand that there is something wrong in the approach of KWVA in trying to get the job done. It has been my feeling, for quite some time now, that everyone is 'headin' their own way. I fear that there might be a leader, or two, that is hell bent toward an ego trip.

You, I know are not one of them, and I do not want you to think I was jumping on your back in my past correspondence with you. I did tho', want to be heard, but it was to no avail to those I wrote prior to you. After all, you are our Editor and are supposed to take all the gaff. From what you report, I have nothing but respect for you in what you are trying to do. I'm sure it has been, and will continue to be nothing but an uphill road trying to deal with beaucracy and satisfying malcontents, such as I, along with getting the leadership on a straight-arrow path toward achieving the initial goal of KWVA.

I was all for this when I joined the organization and did my best to recruit new members and sell tickets, etc. But, as time passed I began to have second thoughts as to where we were going. We are now about where we were two years ago. I'm not getting any younger, and neither are you. I do not wish to try to right any wrongs before I die. Especially when you come up a loser when you have to deal with the government.

"I really can't buy, that we are really the government, any more. It's not up to us, but those "Hacks" for whom we have the privilege to vote. Not much choice, in either case. I can say that it is pretty "dancing that the government sends us off to war and refuses to acknowledge it by planting just the slightest of a monument in memory of those who fought, to preserve what? Kinda makes a guy want to give up, especially after forty years.

"We see the U.S. pass out billions to these other countries, who are doing okay in the world, and I wonder how this all went down to us. We are the ones who paid the money."

"Talk about patience and perseverance, keep up your hopes Stan, that all will turn out well in seeing your goal reach the fruition stage. I hope that I am wrong, but I don't see it happening in the near future. At least I never expect to see it. And if it does not come about, who gets that money, Sam? Well, at least Arizona has a KWV Monument in Phoenix I can go look at.

"So, thanking you for your time, once again, I will close for now. Respectfully, God Bless."

—JOHN A. BROWN, KWVA #11110; P. O. Box 6217; Kingman, AZ 86402. March 14, 1991.

YOU WROTE IT!

"OLD HARRY HAD THE BALLS..."

This is an excerpt of a letter. "... Old Harry had the balls to commit the A-Bomb to stop WWII and he does deserve the credit for the swift conclusion of WWII — but by not listening to "Dugout Doug" and firing him, he placed us in a no-win situation.

"Both Korea and Vietnam were prolonged by yellow, left-wing politicians in Washington and I pray to God that the men now in the Middle-East don't end up getting screwed several years down the line like we did." —CHUCK DAVIS; P.O. Box 597; Levittown, PA 19057. Feb 23, 1991.

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I think most Korea veterans who have studied the why of the events taking place that ultimately changed the outcome of the war need understand and agree that President Truman's hands were tied because of lack of meaningful support from our European Allies who were afraid the Soviet Union would turn on them in Germany and elsewhere. The uncertainty of what the Russians might do guided President Truman's actions throughout the duration of the war.

"The lesson learned from Korea is that the Communists respect only power. Since then, our resolve has been tested several times and only our strong military power and presence throughout the world allowed us to contain the Communist threats.

"Is "America's Forgotten Victory" an appropriate slogan for the organization? I don't know, maybe not, although I personally believe Korea was a victory. Maybe we didn't view it as a victory then but it was the most important event of that era and stopped the menace of Communism in Korea."

—DONALD E. BARTON; Seven Colonial Avenue; Cleveland, OH 44110. Feb 16, 1991.

Former address: May 1951 - Sept 1953: POW Camp #3, Chongsong, North Korea.

DO YOU BELIEVE THE NAMES OF KOREAN WAR KIA AND MIA SHOULD BE ON THE MEMORIAL?

TO: Dick Adams, President KWVA. P.O. Box 127; Caruthers, CA 93609

"Dear Dick, I read the article by Mr. Blaine Friedlander on Page #19, The Graybeards Volume 6, #4, April, 1991, relative to the Korean War Veterans Memorial Design.

"While I am intensely proud that the Memorial is nearing finalization I am also deeply distressed that no names of the KIA will be included. The War brings back memories of my close friend, Lt. Bob Carroll, who was killed by a Greek grenade in 1952.

"After 39 years I strongly believe that his name and the other 54,245 men and women deserve to be so listed.

"What can we do to force this issue in the name of equity, justice and patriotism??

"A poll of all the membership would indicate that I am not alone."


THIS SPACE FOR SALE

To a business wanting to donate to The Korean War Veterans Association — or a business wanting simply to show its endorsement of what war veterans have done for our country.

TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR

Will you, the member of KWVA, consider trying to sell such an ad for Graybeards?

If so, please see story below.

Thank you; we will somehow succeed in helping America

Remember The Forgotten War

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. For more information, prices and help, please contact Stan Hadden, P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425. Phone 304-535-2259.
Danville, ILL takes the time to care, such as the Memorial Walk Bridge, provided by the city, as the memorial to ROBERT WURTSBAUGH, a 20-year-old Marine Killed In Action August 8, 1950 near Chingdong-ni. His mother, Hazel Wurtsbaugh Dalbey, looks on.

7TH INF DIV 17TH REGT 916 MED AMB CO

Did you know me, NORMAN "REDS" EVERETT? I would like to hear from any of the vets that I was with. I took basic in Camp Picket, VA in May 1950; then to Fort Hood TX and then back to Picket; and then to Korea. I was a front line medic and was called "Reds" or "Doc". --NORMAN "REDS" EVERETT; RD 1, Box 1406; Clayton, Delaware 19938.

'T's not a great photograph but never have seen pic of our' Memorial in The Graybeards. So maybe you could print this one: BERGEN COUNTY, New Jersey. Thanks.'

OH I AM THE LONELY ONE
Oh I am the lonely one
Just looking out into space.
Silver my hair has got,
Wrinkles upon my face.
Sometimes I ask myself
What have I done so wrong.
And answers are far and few
Oh, I am the lonely one.

Well I seek but cannot find.
Questions run through my mind.
I wake from far away dreams.
Never ending it seems.
Riches I do not have
Memories I seem to save.
I wake from crying alone
Oh, I am the lonely one.

Well someday somewhere I'll find
A wonderful piece of mind.
Of these forgotten few
Who died and carried on.
Someday someone will say,
It's time they had their day.
Let's not leave them alone.
Still I am the lonely one.

HOW MANY OTHER VETERANS HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE BUREAUCRATS?

"We have sought assistance" from dozens of people in and out of government and the Veterans Administration. All to no avail; we now apparently will lose our home.

That is the substance of a lengthy letter received by Graybeards. As best we can tell, the matter is one of a dispute between a veteran and the municipal system of San Francisco wherein there is the threat of condemnation.

"We have been subjected by the legal and judicial systems of San Francisco to all sorts of threats, harassment, abuse, and all of my GI Bill of Rights were taken away from me and my wife, said GEORGE A. SEMENOFF: 1067 Shady Oak Place; Santa Rosa, CA 95404, on April 15, 1991. He was a translator with the U.S. Army, discharged in March 1954.

"P.S." he wrote: "While in the service with 525 Military Intelligence, though I have forgotten who told me, there were 25 American servicemen or more held at Shanghai Wang Road Prison by the Red Chinese in late 1953."

Graybeards can only ask other veterans around the nation to consider offering help. This probably is an example of why KWWA is trying to TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR, a project that could include the broad scope of explaining to America how our veterans are being treated by the government bureaucrats.

"WE LIVE WITH THE THREAT OF LOSING OUR HOME..."

"To The Graybeards: I just want to outline for you the story of my problems, not that I believe you can help right what I believe to be wrongs upon me, but to let other Korean War veterans know how I have been treated.

"I sustained job-related injury in 1978 while employed by the US Postal Service. I have not been able to hold gainful employment ever since that incident. And I was un-voluntarily separated from their service in 1982 with just a 40 percent disability pension."

"The Federal Office of Workers Compensation has denied me my rights. My representative and I were informed at a hearing that the US Dept of Labor rules supreme in all federal compensation cases. I reported to over 22 qualified physicians; the Dept of Labor will not accept them."

It is obvious that this veteran needs help; if you think you can be of assistance please contact:

ALTON L. MacLACHLAN; 95 Bethel Road, RFD 3; Norwich, CT 06360.
LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR KWVA
By Blaine Friedman

The basic task in Washington, D.C. is to forward the agenda of KWVA on two tracks: Executive and Legislative. For the moment the primary agenda is legislative.

COMMEMORATIVE BILLS. Elsewhere on these pages you will see the article on the Senate Joint Resolution (SJR 141) and House Joint Resolution (HJR 255). Each Resolution provides for remembrance of the men who fought and died in Korea. (See page 9).

Please telephone or write to your two Senators and one Representative. If you do not know the names of your officials you will find them listed on the wall of your Post Office. Now that the bills are filed, the sponsoring congressmen will be sending out a "Dear Colleague" letter soliciting support. The Senate Joint Resolution will pass when 51 Senators co-sponsor the bill and the House Joint Resolution will pass when 218 Representatives co-sponsor.

FEDERAL CHARTER. Our application for a Federal Charter is now in the hands of Congressman Barney Frank (D-MA). We have been working with Mr. Frank's legal staff. As this is being written, the Department of Veteran's Affairs has responded to Mr. Frank's Subcommittee and it now appears they are generally supportive. The KWVA should receive a copy of the letter. We supplied additional evidence of our need for the charter and that is being considered. As the GREYBEARD goes to press our charter is going through the legislative mill. We hope to be recognized prior to the reunion.

MIA-POW. There are two bills now being considered. The Senate is considering the "Smith Bill" (SR 82), this bill provides for a Select Senate Committee to exercise effective Senate Oversight. The bill solicits co-sponsors. You may wish to write or call each of your senators to evidence support.

The House of Representatives is considering the "Truth Bill", HR 1147. It has been filed and referred to three different committees. This bill was not heard last year. Several veterans organizations are opposed to the bill. We do not have sufficient space to detail the opposition.

MILEAGE RATES FOR VOLUNTEERS. This is the "Downey Bill", HR 1506. Congressman Downey (D-NY) introduced this bill to increase the tax deduction for mileage allowance from .12 per mile to .16 per mile. All members should support this bill. Call or write your Congressman.

BURIAL BENEFITS. One New Jersey KWVA chapter requested its Congressman to support a bill to reinstate burial allowance back to $300.00 from $150.00. This bill does not have wide-spread support. Our information is that the burial allowance was cut because of reduced income and was an agreement among the Veteran's Affairs Committee to reduce expenditures. One congressional staffer stated unequivocally that the bill will not pass. We will continue to monitor.

VA CEMETERIES. Congressman Harley Staggers, Jr. (D-WV) is currently investigating complaints about the conditions existing in veteran's cemeteries, particularly in California. Mr. Staggers is considering legislation to turn VA Cemeteries over to the jurisdiction of the American Battle Monuments Commission. The subcommittee has invited KWVA to comment. If you have any such comments kindly forward them to Dick Adams.

VA HOSPITALS. When we mentioned VA Hospitals to a Congressman recently, he winced. This is a painful subject and you will hear more in the months to come.

MEDALS. The legislative office of KWVA has been instructed to proceed with administrative and legislative remedies concerning medals and honors that have been withheld or forgotten. There will be more about this later.

If you have a legislative concern or interest, please let us know.

"THE GULF BLINK"

"Stan: A big chunk of shrapnel landed at my feet while in Kuwait covering the Gulf Blink* for Newsweek and I thought 'What the hell am I doing here? I'm 60 plus'. Hopefully, we won't hear the cannons too much more. But wait a minute, isn't that what Truman said in 1949?"

*It was hardly a war. More like the 49ers clobbering the first grade of a blind school.
—DAVID "Hack" HACKWORTH

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 (KWVA, P.O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281).

Regular Members shall pay $15.00 per year and is repayable on the member's anniversary date. A current membership card shall 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-Prisoner-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.

↑ PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE!

Your photos etc. of Korean War monuments in the April 1991 issue of "Graybeards" is impressive, and encouraging. Here at the Colorado School of Mines we carried out our own modest effort for a memorial.

In 1988 we were successful in having a plaque dedicated to honor our graduates who served in both Korea and Vietnam. Our ROTC unit has commissioned many men, mostly in the US Army Corps of Engineers, who served in both those conflicts. I am one of those who served in Korea.

Although our effort is certainly modest at least it is there. I thought you might be interested.
—NORMAN R. ZEHR; P. O. Box 1410; Golden, CO 80402; May 1, 1191.
JOE POWELL and Chief of Police dedicated the Korean stone.

Our city, Crest Hill, Illinois, decided to build a memorial for all service men and women. My wife and I were both chosen to be on the committee that decided to honor both peace time and war time service people and included all five services. The cost of our little park turned out to be closer to $80,000, all donated by the community. Our Park sits right next to City Hall at one of the busiest intersections. We have five black granite stones with the different wars listed on them. One side of one stone has a list of all the peacetime service people. All other people are listed under the war in which they were involved.

CARROLL, Iowa Cemetery presents this Memorial to the Korean War veterans. It was sent by DONALD STILES, RR Box 71, Rippey, IA 50235, who said: "Although I had nothing to do with the work for this Memorial, I think the Carroll volunteers who gave so much time and labor should be recognized for their outstanding work in honoring the veterans. They also have placed Memorials for Civil War, WWI, WWII, Viet Nam, and are preparing one for Desert Storm."

They all served, but few died.

PAT TEEVENS (37th/12th FA, 2nd Inf Div 1951-52); P.O. Box 176; Rockwood, MI 48173: "This is the Memorial to our Korean War veterans here on the River Raisin, in Monroe County. And I want to tell you and all the others thanks for doing a helluva good job while voluntarily exposing yourself to hostile enemy fire of the vested interests, and for giving equal voice to the diversity of membership opinion."
EMMOTT BENJAMIN, Dept. of Florida; 12431 S.W. 195 Terr.; Miami, FL 33177 — last September 15 he and his chapter presented "A Roll Call of Heroes" in which six recipients of the Medal of Honor were honored guests. In the photo, left to right: DOUGLAS T. JACOBSON, WWII South Pacific; JAMES R. HENDRIX, WWII Europe; CARL SITTER, Korea; HAROLD E. WILSON, Korea; LEWIS L. MILLETT, Korea; GARY LITTELL, Viet Nam.

"... they fell for a cause just and true,
Undying tribute is their due,
'God rest their souls', our humble prayer.
for those who gave their all — UP THERE."

—This is a selection from the poem "Up There" dedicated to his buddies by "Buck Private" McCollum of the famous Lost Battalion of WWI in 1918. Graybeards thinks it is also fitting for those who died in the Korean War.

"Stan: In the April 1991 issue there is a column on SOME OF THE UNITS IN KOREA: AND THEIR PRESENT ASSOCIATIONS. Don't know if this qualifies, but I am putting together an association for our first ever reunion and am doing 98% of the work myself and I guess I would call it an association at least for the purpose of future get togethers.

It is "96th Field Artillery Battalion, 1950-58 (Korea)".

IT'S HERE AT LAST! (see photos at right)

On Saturday May 11, 1991, our Korean War Memorials were at last unveiled to the public, and to us. With clear skies and a temperature reaching into the 80's a crowd of over 1,000 participated in the unveiling of the two monuments. The Memorials were that of a soldier in battle gear, and a map of Korea showing where, when and who was there.

We should give special thanks to Frank Belsito, Chairman of the Monument Committee and County Legislator Rose Caracappa who was head of the Suffolk County Veterans Committee at the inception of the idea of having a Korean War Veterans Monument. The entire cost of the monuments were borne by the county of Suffolk.

The other members of the Committee who spent three years to help make it become a reality were: Peter Iannone, Nicholas Deganieri, Tom Kaiser, Edward Mattola, Jr. and Joe Rieker.

Veterans organizations from all over the area participated in the ceremony; even a Chapter from Staten Island came in by bus.

The ceremony started at 1 P.M. with a fly over of helicopters, followed by over of helicopters, followed by the Presentation of Colors, the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem. Suffolk County Executive Patrick Halpin gave the opening welcoming remarks.

The ceremony lasted about two hours, and ended with the singing of God Bless America.

After the ceremony President Bob Merga of the Central Suffolk Chapter was kind enough to invite all for lunch and refreshments at the Smithtown Bowl.

—HAROLD KRANTZ, Editor; Eastern Long Island Chapter, Sgt. Erwin L. Beckwith Memorial Post; P.O. Box 164; Southampton, NY 11968.
The United States of America honors the memory of

TOMMY D. HADDEN

This certificate is awarded by a grateful nation in recognition of devoted and selfless service to the Army of the United States.

Thelma Ford
President of the United States

WHY CAN'T THE KOREAN WAR DEAD AND MISSING NAMES BE INCLUDED ON OUR MEMORIAL?

THE COMMEMORATIVE COIN AVAILABLE

By BLAINE FRIEDLANDER

It looks as though the Korean War Veterans Memorial will have its groundbreaking ceremony on November 11, 1991, and everyone is invited.

On the date the Korean War Veterans Commemorative Silver Dollar was formally minted, over 250,000 coins had already been ordered. Gen. Dick Sulwell told Dick Adams at the festivities that he was leaving the United States for South Korea and expected to take orders for 100,000 more — leaving only 650,000 available for the troops.

It appears these 650,000 will go like hotcakes and the entire edition will be sold out prior to the end of June. If you wish to order, it is suggested that you do so immediately.

The Commemorative Dollar is legal tender and you may spend it as you would a paper dollar, but you must remember that you will have paid over twenty dollars for it.

You will have received in the mail an application from the mint, and each veterans' group has an application blank. If you wish to order a coin, the form is printed on page 13.

As of May, 1991, the Memorial finances are as follows:

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NEEDED TO COMPLETE MEMORIAL $6,151,129

If all one million coins are sold, the Korean War Memorial will receive Seven Million Dollars and the Memorial will go forward.

THE MEMORIAL

The memorial design has been approved in concept. This design is for 38 troops in a column of two to be travelling from the west to southeast toward a flagpole in a Line from the Lincoln Memorial toward the Jefferson Memorial. This design is much smaller than the first two designs.

The design is now going through the detail stage. The National Capital Planning Commission and the Fine Arts Commission will be having a series of meetings with the architect to agree upon detail. When this is done the final contracts will be let by the American Battle Monuments Commission.

When there exists in the bank sufficient funds to build the memorial, and the NCPC and FAC have approved the detail of the design, and the ABMC has let the contracts, the ABMC will then submit all to the Secretary of the Interior, who then lets the building and construction permits.

There is one hitch. All of this must be done by October 18, 1991, according to the commemorative arts legislation. In case the deadline cannot be met, companion legislation in the Senate and the House to permit a two year extension is now in place.

General Adams of the American Battle Monuments Commission told this reporter that there is an outside chance that the deadline could be met, and The KWVA has agreed with the ABMC that the legislation should be supported.

We will know more at the Reunion, including having rooms available for those who want to attend.
This is a photograph made May 24 showing the newest approved design of the Korean War Veterans Memorial. There are two files of troops walking from the right (about 4 o'clock position) to the flagpole circle. The numerous figures seen scattered on the walks and in front of the wall represent TOURISTS; please do not mistake them for a part of the Memorial. On the right, from about 3 o'clock position, is a wall, apparently plain, about 10 feet from the statues, and stretching to the rim of the flagpole circle.
MINNESOTA KOREAN WAR VETERANS CHAPTER 1

"Stan, would you please put this poem in the next Greybeards. It's a good way to show the men out there what they can do to start a chapter.

"I have started a Fun Night for a few of the hard workers: Poker Night each month, and this picture (at right) shows the first game. We had a helluva good time. We will also have a few FUN DAYS for the Chapter like fishing trip, rifle shoot; whatever they want.

"We are up to 200 men now, and 60 to 70 come to the meeting each month. Each month gets new members. Kathleen will be our keynote speaker at our reunion Sept 27-28.

"Stan, all the men are just like me when it comes to the GREAT newsletter you put out. They can hardly wait until they get it, and if it's a little late, they say Where-in-hell is my newsletter! You are doing a great job and we all thank you."


THEY MADE IT HAPPEN
Dedicated To Vern Marquart and Angie Garcia
BY TOM LYONS, 2ND Inf Div 1952-1953

The guns became silent that was the end of the war. After three years of fighting there was peace there once more.

The fighting men in Korea were thankful the war came to an end. They would soon return home to be greeted by family and by friend.

Many of us returned home and put the war in the past. Thanks to two guys that brought us veterans together at last. Vern Marquart and Angie Garcia who fought a war in that land. Called us Korean veterans together and said, let's take a stand.

A meeting was called at the Armory in St. Paul. Vern and Angie greeted one and all.

They were twenty three veterans who met that night. Meeting of fellow comrades was a great delight.

On left: VERN MARQUART. On right: TOM CLAWSON.

AND IN HURON, S.D.

"This photo (left) shows a closeup of the Korean War Memorial, which is part of the memorial. The memorial is located in one of our city parks on one end and the other end has a bandshell. During special days our American Legion (I am Commander this year) puts out two rows of flags, 25 in each row, from the bandshell to the Memorial. It is very impressive.

"This one is located in Campbell Park in Huron, S. Dakota. Campbell Park is located on State Highway #37 (Dakota Ave. S.) and about 1 mile south of U.S. Highway 14. Huron is located 50 miles north of Interstate 90 at Mitchell S.D. So it can be on one's way to the Black Hills and Mt. Rushmore and not be out of the way. Thank you!"


"I am researching
FREDERICK W. MAUSER III
Medal of Honor
1st Mar Div, Co B, 1st Bn, 7th Marines, at Songnephyong, 12 Sept 1951, Hill 673. Since his heroism has gone largely unrecognized and because he spent his early days in Cambridge and the neighboring community of Greenwich, local historians are pursuing his story.

"I need your help, and am in hopes that someone who served with him may have some helpful information to send to me. Thank you very much.

- KATHY VELTZ; Sec KWVA Monroe County Chapter 1; 10 Mercedes Drive; Rochester, NY 14624.

"Better to be heard than to die in silence!" See page 15.

HE ALSO TELLS AMERICA!
FACT SHEET
THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION
1. To seek out 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 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 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!

---(CUT HERE OR MAKE A COPY IF YOU PREFER)---

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 21201

K.W.V.A. Annual Dues - $15.00   Life Membership - $150.00   Associate - $12.00

HARRY WALLACE, Membership Chairman;
phone: 301-327-4854 (Baltimore, MD.)

All our membership roster will receive the K.W.V.A. Newsletter.

Name: (PLEASE PRINT)_____________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________

City________________________Street________________________State________Zip________

Unit Assigned_________________________Date of Service_____________________

Please Check One: □ POW □ KWVA □ LIFE MEMBERSHIP □ ASSOCIATE

Make checks payable to: Korean War Veterans Association. WE DO NOT ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS FOR DUES

Today's Date____________________Your Signature________________________

June 1991

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