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KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF K.W.V.A.

Dear Members: It has come to my attention that we have a few members that want to have their own rules on how to vote at our Reunion in Reno and not go by our By-Laws.

BY-LAWS STATE THIS:
A. The Election Of Officers of the Association shall be held at the Annual Business meeting.
B. The majority vote of members attending the business meeting will be required for the election of any nominee. We have voted this way for seven years. This is the same group that had stated, "that if we moved the Reunion out of Washington D.C. they would go to litigation over this matter."

OUR BY-LAWS STATE AS FOLLOWS:
Article IV - Section I
An annual Reunion of the Association shall be conducted at a place and at such time and duration as determined by the Executive Council. The vote was eleven (11) to one (1) and three (3) absent to move to Reno. The written vote is on record with our Association Secretary. We will not be going to litigation on this.

A few members seem to say "you go to the meetings, serve on the Boards and Committees, do the paper work, study the issues and take care of things that need doing. If things don't suit me, I will complain, criticize and do them my way." If our members want to change the way we vote, the only way to do this is change the By-Laws in the manner strictly mandated in the By-Laws.

Your Association has grown from the original thirty-nine Charter Members to over ten thousand (10,000) and the growth continues. You as a Korean Veteran can be proud of your Association. We are now at the point that we need an office, better communication, once-a-month Newsletter to members. Talking about communications, we sent out a questionnaire to our Chapters and only 50% gave us an answer.

Communication works both ways. We need a brochure to send to people who want to know about our Association. As General Davis stated at our board meeting, we need a permanent executive office. Also over one hundred (100) Newsletters were returned because of wrong addresses. Please help us with this — if you move, fill out a change of address card. These can be obtained from your local post office, and send to Harry Wallace, P.O. Box 12205, Baltimore, MD 21281.

If you would like to be a host for a future Reunion, we now have a Time and Place Committee; Harry Wallace, Don Byers, Charles Dawson and Billy Smith; let them know what you can do. Their address is in the "Graybeards." They will make a report in Reno.

I want our members to know that I have some great Officers and Directors to work with; they try to do things that are best for all the Association members — not for just a few.

DICK ADAMS
National President

HERE IS THE JULY REUNION AGENDA
As you know the 1992, Korean War Veterans Association, Inc. Reunion will be held at the John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks, Nevada (RENO) This is the 8th Annual Reunion and Memorial Service. More importantly it is the first to be held in the West — "Plan to Attend!"

Friday July 24, Board meeting, Saturday July 25, registration.
Sunday, July 26th, 1992 is our Business meeting and election, starting at 9:00 a.m. — And from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. we will have a dance and entertainment.

Seminars are planned for Monday July 27th, 1992, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon, as follows:
2. Presentation of the role of the Medical Corps in Korea, with slides, photos, displays, active participation by many who were medical personnel; by Col. Bob Hall, M.D. USA Ret. SEE PAGE 15 FOR MORE.
3. The stories of P.O.Ws in North Korean camps, as told by ex-Prisoners Of War.

July 27th, 1992 at 4:00 p.m. we will have a Memorial Service to honor our war dead.
Our guest speaker on the evening of July 27th, 1992 will be Colonel Dave Hackworth, (Ret.), Newsweek correspondent and author. Mr. Hackworth is a veteran of both Korea and Viet Nam.
Master of Ceremonies will be Colonel Lloyd "Scooter" Barke, (Ret.), Medal of Honor Recipient; Korea.

General Ro, Secretary General of the Korean Veterans Association of Korea will also be our guest.

Ceremonial ground-breaking for memorial was held June 14 about 2:30 p.m.

NEXT PHASE: IN January 1993 (next year) dump tons of clay onto the site; bulldoze flat; let settle for about six months to soak up ground water.

AFTER THAT: In about spring of 1993 (May? June? July?) begin driving support columns deep into the ground.


See photos on page 2.

Special memorial ceremony was held at Arlington Amphitheater at ten a.m. See photos on page 27.

KWA had only a SMALL part in the ground-breaking arrangements and NO AUTHORITY over events. Special thanks go to Blaine Friedlander and Ray Donnelly — and many others — for their efforts; and an even more special thanks to JACK MURRAY for all his work in the Arlington ceremony.

WE ARE NOT AT FAULT! When General Kelley NEGLECTED TO INCLUDE our POW representatives in a photo session with President Bush, we could not reach his ear!

See the story "Our ex-PowS should have been honored" on last page.

FLASH NOTICE: As Graybeards goes to press on June 16, the TV news channels are carrying reports of Korean War POW/MIA actually being held in Russia camps. Is the long-covered truth going to come out at last?
BLEACHERS CLOSEST TO THE SITE. The "VIPs" are staff employees of the White House, families and friends; mostly non-veteran. A few of KWVA did persist and sat there.

In Line for "what do we get?" turned out to be very special tee shirts with words "ground breaking June 14, 1992." One government official grabbed 40 shirts. Why?

Survivors of Task Force Smith were seated in the special podium section, with MOH recipients, other federal government people; foreign governments representatives.

This area was supposed to be kept clear, to the red ropes.

THE SITE BEFORE NOON.

Extending to right: veterans and families.

Gen. Kelley (Chairman of ABMC) announced that special representatives of various groups would be ushered into a tent for photo session with President Bush. But he neglected one special very important group, and a few minutes later — after being forcibly reminded by visibly-upset Gold Star Mothers, he amended his statement to include our Gold Star Mothers in the photo-op session with Pres. Bush.

KWVA officers were not on the podium when Gen. Kelley made his remarks and his amended statement.

Way down yonder are more veterans and families.

2 P.M.
JUNE 14, 1992
BREAKING
GROUND
FOR THE
MEMORIAL

One of our Gold Star Mothers.


Pres. Bush said: "To our Korean War veterans, a grateful nation thanks you for what you did. For stopping totalitarianism the entire free world still salutes you. The length of time it has taken for this day to arrive only adds to the depth of our gratitude."
M/SG LEON FABIAN DE VILLIER
M.I.A./K.I.A. OCT 30, 1951
MARINE AIR WING

I am enclosing a check and application for membership in the
Korean War Veterans Association. My husband was in the 1st MAW,
VMFN 513, K-1 Field, Mag 12 or Mag 15. I can't remember which, in
Pusan, Korea. I do know he was in a night fighter squadron and flew in a
two seater F7F as a radar operator. He was at K-1 Field, Pusan, Korea.

My husband was reported missing in action on October 30,
1951, then his status was changed from MIA to KIA on May 3, 1954. The
last communication I have had about him was from the commandant of
the Marine Corps on January 24, 1956 when I received a letter from the
Department of the Navy, Casualty Section, signed by J.A. Weatherpoon,
Commandant of the Marine Corps, stating that a report had been received
from the Army that there had been an extensive search of the areas under
their control for remains of Americans who lost their lives in Korea and
that my husband's remains had not been recovered and had not been
returned by the Communists. They also stated that the remains of Master
Sergeant LEON FABIAN DE VILLIER were unrecoupable.

The purpose of this letter is to make sure my husband's
name is included on the Korean War Memorial. Please advise. If you
publish this letter in the Graybeards, I would like to hear from anyone
who knew my husband. Over the years I have lost contact with our
Marine Corps friends. I contributed to the Korean Memorial Fund through
my membership in the Gold Star Wives

I am very interested in any information regarding MIA's, KIA's
and prisoners of the Korean War and any attempts to recover the remains
of these heroes. I was not contacted by anyone concerning the Korean
War Memorial. I found out about it through the Gold Star Wives
Newsletter and Graybeards.

My husband enlisted in the Marine Corp on August 25, 1942 in
New Orleans, Louisiana. We were stationed at Edenton, N. C., Cherry
Point, N. C., and El Toro, Calif.

Thank you. — MARGARET M. DE VILLIER: 2262 La 319
Franklin, LA 70538. 2-3-92.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mrs. De Villier we must tell you that
your husband's name will not be on the Korean War Veterans
Memorial, as now planned. The authorities appointed by
President Bush have decided otherwise; please refer to the April
edition of Graybeards, pages 4, 5, 6, 7, and 9. I am sending you
that copy under separate cover.

1ST LT JOHN SHADDICK, B-29 PILOT
M.I.A./OPERATION BIG SWITCH

JOHN SHADDICK, 1ST LT B-29 pilot, was shot down in
January 1953 over Wonsan, North Korea. He is listed as one of 389
M.I.A., known to be in a P.O.W. camp in 1953 by a few USAF captives.

At 'Operation Big Switch' he was said to have been put on a
truck that turned around and went north — and freedom was to the south
— thru the gate; possibly shipped to China and on to Russia.

I talked with him at Camp Stoneman in early January 1953 on
my way over. When I arrived in Japan, he was in the Stars & Stripes listed
as M.I.A. Feb 1953. Some of the crew from his B-29 survived. One was a
tail gunner, who was shot off by a M24 shooting from the rear. He might
know something — if he is still out there somewhere.

If you have any information, please write me: S/Sgt RODNEY
S. HARPE, 3067 Grube Ave.; Miami, FL 33133; or phone 305-859-9883.
May 2, 1992.

CPL ALFRED LOPES, JR
2ND INF DIV
M.I.A. FEB 13, 1951

My brother, Corporal ALFRED LOPES, JR. RA15297270 was a member
of HQ BTRY. 15TH FA BN 2d INF. Division and became a MIA on
February 13, 1951 when his outfit got involved in heavy combat as his
unit was breaking an opposing forces roadblock in the vicinity of
Hoesung, Korea, when his unit arrived in the town of Wonju, DS 085334
coordinating he was missing. He is an original member of the 389 MIA
listed and believed a POW as stated by returning POWs. If you know of
any information regarding his situation please contact 1st LT Robert
Lopes USMC (Retired) at P.O. Box 651, Palm Springs, California 92262,
Tel (619) 322-5807.

PFC SAMUEL R. OLIVER, USMC
M.I.A. 1952

HOMETOWN CHICAGO ILLINOIS

Sam and I were close friends for the two years preceding our
enlistment in the service. During the early months of 1951 we both
enlisted in the Marines. Sam was 17 or had just turned 18 and I was just
barely 16. Sam made it and I was turned down because my fake ID would
not pass the inspection of the enlistment officer. I tried a few more times
and always the same result. In October of 51 I decided to try the Air Force
and this time made it.

We wrote once or twice and Sam sent me a few photos and I
saw him. In either the late part of 1951 or the early part of 1952 Sam
was sent to Korea and, the next information I got on him was from my
folks, that he was MIA.

I was sent to Korea in late 52 or early 53 and while there I tried
to locate anyone who might have known what happened to him but I had
no luck in finding anyone who knew him.

So much time has passed I am really fuzzy about his outfit etc.
I think he was in the 1st Marine Div. and that's about it. On a trip to Hawaii
I did locate his name on the wall at Punchbowl cemetery and it had him
listed under the USN and not Marines. I do know he was MIA in ground
fighting.

I hope one of your readers might be able to remember
something and fill me in. — RICHARD D. FEILER; P.O. Box 405;
Ardmore, Oklahoma. 73402.
PFC LINDEN GERALD CRAWFOOT
K.I.A. 2-2-51
11TH AIRBORNE

The reason for this letter is to help one of the Widows of a Korean Veteran who was killed in action. She was only 17 when married and her husband was shipped out to Korea. His folks were the beneficiary and got everything. They never gave her any information on how or where he was killed. She only received a certificate that he was awarded the Purple Heart. Could you please put an article in the "THE GRAYBEARD" asking if any one has information on him.

PFC LINDEN GERALD CRAWFOOT K.I.A. 2-20-51 Korea.
15413833. Co. G. 187 Airborne Infantry Regiment 11th Airborne. He was in Greenville Airbase S.C. April 1950, then in Fort Campbell, KY then on to Korea.

Anyone having any information can contact his widow at the following address: Fawn Crawford-Cristy, 126 Georgia Ave., Bowling Green, Ohio 43401. (419) 352-6500.

I am now the President of the Wood County Korean Veterans Assn. We are in the process of erecting a Memorial to our Korean Vets here in Wood County.


CPL VICTOR TABARRINI
K.I.A. 29 SEPT 1950
7TH CAV ENGR

John Tabarrini, 5688 Olive Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90805
(310)-428-8121 would like any information on his Uncle CPL VICTOR TABARRINI, K.I.A. Korea, 29 Sept., 1950, 7th Cav. Engineers.

A REPLY TO APRIL STORY

"TO: Mr. Robert Ostrowske; 2614 Canfield Road; Akron, Ohio 44312. Dear Sir: Yesterday I received and read the article entitled "I am looking for Harry M. Chinen" which appeared on page 27 of the April 1992 issue of the newsletter of the KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION.

Recently I sent for and received (for $48) a list of all the KIA's during the Korean "Conflict". In the alphabetical listings, on page 68, the first name from the bottom reads "Chinen Harry M." The entire listing reads as follows:

AKR A14205 CHINEN HARRY M
A stands for Army. KR for Korea -- in other words he was an army casualty in Korea. Al stands for Killed in Action. 4205 means he was the 4,205th man killed in action in the war (officially). Then comes his full name.

791110103250 CPL E45101003V
Every listing has a 79 next. The next two numbers, 11 stands for his 'File reference number' whatever that is. The 1010250 is his serial number. CPL is his rank at time of death. E4 means the same thing as CPL. The 510103 means he was killed on January 3, 1951. 5 means he was a reservist.

HAWAII 12 30 ZM110 510103 11X
HAWAII stands for where he enlisted from. 12 stands for what is now the state of Hawaii. 30 means he was born in 1930. M means he was of the Malay race. ZM110 is a fill-in that every listing has. 510103 is the date he was officially declared dead. 11X is found in every listing.

If you want to get a listing of all the KIA's in the Korean Conflict write: National Archives Trust Fund Board; Washington, DC 20408. You can get the list either in chronological order of death or in alphabetical order. The cost is $48.

I am sorry to give you such bad news, Bob. May you have good news in the future.

—JOHN J. BALEK, 3801 So. Central Avenue; Cicero, Illinois 60650;
April 26, 1992.
PVT JOSEPH B. LOPEZ
24TH INF DIV
M.I.A. JULY 11, 1950

JOSEPH B. LOPEZ (Pvt.), was a member of K Company, 21st Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division, when he was reported missing in action on July 11, 1950 near Chochiwon, South Korea. His body was never recovered and there was never word that he had become a POW.

In behalf of the man's family, I am trying to locate anyone at all who may have served in his unit during the battle for Chochiwon and who may be able to shed some light on Joe's demise and perhaps the circumstances surrounding that action. I have read in a couple of history books short accounts of the battle and that most of the American troops involved were lost in one way or another. It was a very bad time for our troops.

If you know of anyone who may have served in the 21st Infantry at that time or who may have some knowledge of it, I would be pleased to have their names and address so I can write to them. Any guidance you can give me will be greatly appreciated. As I believe you gentlemen are members of the Korean Veterans Association, perhaps you could include this request in your newsletter in hopes that some member can help me. I and Joe's family will be very grateful for your help.

—JACK M. WITTER; PO Box 282; Alpena, MI 49707.

TAPS
—They died before we built the Memorial; we will remember them.—
WILLIAM R. NAGY; April 9, 1992; Woodbridge, N.J. 24th INF.
DARRELL B. ZIEGENBEIN; October 1990, Derwood, MD.
HAROLD K. CHRISTIAN; February 6, 1992; Monument, CO. Lt Col (Ret) USAF.
SHERRILL TROUTMAN, JR.; January 20, 1992; 11532 Midhurst Dr.; Knoxville, TN. SFC Troutman was a squad leader in K Company 15th Infantry on Outpost Harry June 10-11 1953 when K Company repulsed a re-inforced Chinese regimental attack.

GOLD STAR MOTHER: ELDA J. JOHNSON; December 10, 1991; Minneapolis, MN. Her son DOUGLAS DUSTIN, USMC, KIA Korea December 1950.

GOLD STAR MOTHER: MILDRED SCHEMMEL; Big Lake MN. Her son CHARLES SCHEMMEL was killed in the Korean War.

CHESTER RICE; April 1992; 2843 Telegraph Rd.; St. Louis, MO 63125. U.S. Navy, WWII and Korea. Very active in veterans hospitals, Navy organizations, member St. Louis KWVA Chapter #1.

HARRY LAVERNE; March 1992; 923 Viles; St. Louis, MO 63123. Air Force, Korea 1951-1952. Past state commander VFW and member numerous other organizations; member KWVA Chapter #1 in St. Louis.

HARVEY KOCHNER, CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN, 15 INF. Regt. 3rd [NF. DIV.], has died. He was on the line from Sept. 1952 to Aug. 1953. (He had 44 points). He gave the last rites under fire to the dying and comforted the wounded. He was always around day and night. A wonderful man and priest. —From CHARLES S. SCOTT; 89-91 218th Pl.; Queens Village, NY 11427.

AN APOLOGY FROM GRAYBEARDS

Let the record be set straight:

In April Graybeards we carried a story from Mr. and Mrs. Keith Bennett of Conneaut, Ohio. BY MISTAKE ON THE PART OF THE GRAYBEARDS EDITOR it was stated that Keith had been a P.O.W. The following came from them:

"Please state in the next Graybeards that Keith Bennett of Conneaut, Ohio wishes to set the record straight that he does not have the distinction of being an ex-P.O.W. This error was made in publication and not due to any errors made by Mr. and Mrs. Keith Bennett. Also may add: the quote 'All those men buried in the ground' was a remark made by a small little girl at the moving Wall. The little girl made the remark 'All those men are buried in the ground.'"
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Colfax Ave.; Kenilworth, NJ 07033.

THESE HAVE ANNOUNCED FOR ELECTION ON
JULY 26, 1992

In accordance with BY-LAWS, ART III, vacancies will exist for
the offices of: President; 1st Vice President; 2nd Vice President; four seats
on Board of Directors.

The following have submitted their names to Graybeards as
being candidates for office as shown:

FOR FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: "This is to inform you that I
am placing my name in nomination for the 1992 elective office of First
Vice President, KWVA, Inc."

NICHOLAS J. PAPPAS
President of Delaware KWVA; 209 Country Club Drive;
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971. Phone 302-227-3675.
"I am a 1960 graduate of American University in Washington,
DC. I served in the U.S. Army 1951-1953, including 16 months with the
1343 Engineer Combat Battalion in Korea.
"I have been employed by the U.S. Navy Department in various
positions overseas and stateside; the last 18 years being with the Office of
the Chief of Naval Operations where I received the department's Superior
Civilian Service Award. I am now retired after 37 years of federal service.
"I am a member of VFW Post 7234 of Ocean View; American
Legion Post 5 of Rehoboth Beach; Rehoboth Beach Lions Club; Post
Trustee for Mason/Dixon VFW Post 7234; on Board of Directors for
Rehoboth Beach Lions Club. Past First Vice Commander of American
"Our goal is to perpetuate the memory of the Forgotten War and
to all those who served under the banner of the United Nations. I pledge
to the membership of KWVA my dedicated efforts to do all within my
power to turn KWVA into the powerful veterans organizations it has
the potential to be. Thank you."

FOR SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: HARRY WALLACE, your
present 2nd Vice President. I want to serve you again in this office; my
wish is to continue in office until our Memorial is dedicated. I have
established a sophisticated computerized system for membership list
control and am slowly getting all previous problems corrected. But it will
take more time. I pledge to you my full efforts to continue this huge
responsibility and fully expect to have it under control by this coming
September.

I was with the 7th Division; was awarded the Combat
Infantryman Badge and two Purple Hearts. If I can be of help to you,
please let me know. Thank you.
—HARRY WALLACE; 514 South Clinton St.; Baltimore, MD 21224.

FOR DIRECTOR. "In accordance with the notice appearing in
the Jan 1992 issue of the Graybeards, I hereby announce my candidacy
for the office of Director:

JOSEPH A. SALUZZI
2339 East 12 Street
Brooklyn, New York
11229

Telephone (718) 769-7919

Membership number 943
"I served in the United States Marine Corps from Sept.
22, 1947 to Sept. 21, 1951. I was
wounded in Seoul on September 26, 1950 while serving as a
machine gunner with D Co., 2nd
Bn, 7th Marine Regiment, 1st
Marine Division.
"I have been active in many veterans organizations,
presently holding the office of
Commandant, Brooklyn #1
Detachment, Marine Corps
League. Last year I retired from
the New York City Housing

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Authority as Deputy Controller with 35 1/2 years of service. My complete story of my Korean War action appears in the Korean War Veterans Association history book. 'My platform is pure and simple: I will fight to restore the membership qualifications to only those who have been awarded the Korean Service Medal. Any one else should be considered Associate Members. To permit those that served honorably in Korea from February 1, 1955 to the present day makes a mockery of the phrase "War Veteran".

'If I have enough support for my views I will permit my name to be entered in nomination for a higher office. I would hope that my platform will be announced in the June 1992 issue of the Graybeard. Past letters on the subject were not printed. Let's air out the controversy and let the actual Korean War Veterans speak out.

'Respectfully submitted, Joseph A. Saluzzi. January 24, 1992.'

FOR DIRECTOR: "Please accept this letter as my notice to run for election to the KWVA board of directors.

'I have functioned as Nairl Quartermaster for the past three years and have turned the sales from a dead loss each year to a very profitable department for the KWVA. My main concern as a member of the KWVA has been membership. We must do everything possible to boost our numbers to a point where we have a strong national membership that has a good lobbying effect when we speak as a group.

'I served with U.S. Marine Corps, and was honorably discharged, from 1953 to 1961.

'I am also heading up an effort on my own to open a national KWVA Repository and Museum in conjunction with the Quartermaster Store at our new headquarters in Phoenix, AZ, where we will be moving on or about March 15th, 1992.

'I am married and have seven (7) children. Thank you, DIXON L. POOLE." February 10, 1992.

FOR DIRECTOR: "I would like to submit my name, and information, to be entered in the coming election, 27 July 1992, for a position as Director of the Korean War Veterans Association.

NAME: RON JABAUT
ADDRESS: 125 Hobson St. 6 A
San Jose, Ca. 95110
PHONE: 408-995-8332
ASSOCIATION NUMBER: 4851
'RESUME: 4 years as Police Officer. 23 years in current business. Current member of American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars LIFE, Chosin Few, 1st Marine Division Association, Destroyer-Escort Sailor Association. Charter President of Santa Clara County, Chapter. Elected for 2nd term, 18 Jan. 92. Member of United Veterans Council of Santa Clara County and have served for two years on the Veterans Day Parade committee. The parade, annually, is one of the largest in the Nation.

'I have attended the reunions since becoming a member in 1990 and I honestly, and firmly, believe that the KWVA belongs to all its members, and that each member has a voice in determining what is happening, and what will happen, and that voice must not only be heard, but listened to.

'I believe that the officers & directors are elected to do what is right, and to always have the long range welfare of the whole KWVA in mind when making decisions that will effect everyone. I further believe that once the Officers, and Directors, or selected committees, reach a decision that the whole of the KWVA should stand behind that decision.


Continued in next column

FOR DIRECTOR: "In compliance with your request on the front page of Jan. Graybeard I am sending you the following information:

'BILLY R. SMITH
#6 Mac-Cory Drive
Oreana, IL 62554
(217) 468-2049.
Life Membership #2695.


'Charter member of Woodland Chapel Presbyterian Church (Past Deacon and Dept. Head) Member VFW, American Legion, National Rifle Assoc. Past President Orville Dunham Antique Gun Collectors, Ohio Gun Collectors Assoc. American Society of Military Insignia Collectors, Orders and Medals Society of America, Bawzia.

'Retired supervisor from Caterpillar Tractor Inc. Now does security work at a Credit Union. Married with 2 children and 2 grandchildren. I am running for election to the post of Director."


FOR DIRECTOR: "The following is for the office of Director 1992-1995:

RICHARD ALEXANDER
14 Wisteria Drive, Fords, NJ 08863
908-225-2474.
K.W.V.A. #1105 (Life Member).

'Joined the Army in 1952 and served in Korea with Co. "H" 38th Regt. 2nd Div. Recently retired from law enforcement after 30 years of service. Joined the KWVA in 1986 and have attended every reunion. Charter member of New Jersey Chaper and designed Historian. Currently Vice President, Department of New Jersey. Voiced top fund raiser in New Jersey for Korean War Memorial.

'Received Certificate of Appreciation from KWVA in 1990 for generosity and hard work. Participates in all KWVA activity in New Jersey. Helped organize the KWVA demonstration at the United Nations in 1991 and was spokesman for the State of New Jersey. Participated in fund raising for Operation - American Loves You. A program that sent free hot dogs and drinks to our troops in Korea during the holidays from 1985 to 1987. Participated in letter writing campaign to troops of Desert Storm, and sent Korea - The Forgotten War, bumper stickers to armored units which carried them into battle in Iraq. Life member of 2nd Division Assoc., V.F.W. and American Legion.

'Photo enclosed submitted by RICHARD ALEXANDER." March 20, 1992.

SEE CANDIDATES ON PAGE 8

IF YOU WANT IT PRINTED IN GRAYBEARDS, SEND TO THE EDITOR, P.O. BOX 131, HARPERS FERRY, WV 25425.
Please see page 6 for BEGINNING of candidates listed for election. This is continued from page 7.

FOR DIRECTOR: "I am enclosing a resume and a photograph and wish to have my name entered as a candidate for a Director's position for the Korean War Veterans Association. My Charter Member number is #84.

**RESUME**
Charles F. Coile: 1040 Woodman Drive, Worthington, OH 43085-2965 (614) 846-0326

*Present employer: Professor of Natural Resources School of Natural Resources; The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH 43210 (614) 292-9855.*


*Assistant Platoon Leader, Underwater Demolition Team #4, Little Creek, VA, January 1952 - June 1953. Separated: June 1953.*

*Commanded two Naval Reserve Electronics Units, one Large Surface Unit and a Research Unit. Awarded SecNav Letter of Commendation. Retired June 1981 as Commander, USNR.

**Related service** Member and chairman, Military Affairs Subcommittee, University of Massachusetts during rebuilding of ROTC program 1974-1980.


FOR DIRECTOR:
"THIS IS A SHORT RESUME OF LARRY GOLDSWHAITE

**MEMBER #1867**


*If you have the book 'The Korean War Remembered' you will see me on page 97. Currently: Semi-retired, and Commander of American Legion, Post #5, Brattleboro, VT. (1200-Membership).*

*Sincerely, Lawrence Goldswaite SFC U.S. Army, Ret. RFD 1, Box 247, Westmoreland, NH 03467. Tel. (603) 399-4318.* April 6, 1992.

FOR DIRECTOR: "I am very interested in the future of the Korean War Veterans Association, which I was one of the original in the organization. I have a lot of time and money tied up to make sure things are going in the right direction. I am very involved in the Monument for our Korean Veterans that I would like to remain on the Board of Directors. I will be in Reno in July 23-28th for the full reunion of the Korean War Veterans Association.

*I am also on the Board of Directors for the 25th DIV Association, first to keep them abreast of the Korean Monument to be erected in the nation's capital in the near future. They have given money toward the Memorial ever since the fund raising started.

*I think all Korean Veterans remember me in the past and I sure hope they will remember me next July election of the officers of the Korean War Veterans Association. Thanks... (#0027) ARTHUR F. PATTERSON, Stillwater, NY 12170, April 16, 1992."

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FOR DIRECTOR: "For the past three years it has been my honor to serve you as a member of the National Board of Directors. During my term of office I have labored for KWVA agendas which include: Fundraising for our memorial, chairing the Resolution Committee, heading the Commemorative Coin bill legislation, co-ordinating the Korea Revisit program, 1991-92 and striving to further our relationship within the Korean Diplomatic Community and The Korean Veterans Association, both in Seoul and the U.S. Departments.

*I have traveled extensively, at my own expense, for KWVA to meet with hundreds of K-Vets. Each one commands my respect, in addition to capturing my love. It is my hope you will permit me to continue with my efforts on your behalf.*

*I joined the USAF-Nurse Corps after my first husband, a USAF jet fighter pilot, was KIA over North Korea. I was assigned to the 31st Medical Wing, SAC, Turner AFB, Georgia from July 1952 to November 1953. My husband, Al Wysnoski, USAF-Dental Corps (1952-54) totally supports my dedication to our association and it's entire membership.*

Life Member #2331, Charter Member-Santa Clara County KWVA Chapter.

*Honorary Member: Northern California-Redding Chapter; Mm. Chapter #1; 7th Cav-Korea; Louisiana KWVA; Canada Unit 13.*

*KATHLEEN CRONAN WYSONICK (Lt. Honey:)*

*P.O. Box 3716*

*Yorba Linda, California 92867 Phone: 714-537-3876.* April 17, 1992.

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FOR DIRECTOR: "Per the notice in the January, 1992 Graybeards, consider this my formal declaration of candidacy for another term as Director. Here follows the other information you requested. I am a Life Member. My number is 2781.

*I am a veteran of WWII, serving in the U.S. Army Air Corps Aviation Cadet Program and also underwent training as an aerial gunner on B-29s. After discharge in 1946 I attended the University of Miami. I received a commission as an AAA officer in late 1948 and served in Japan in the Army of Occupation in 1949. In May of 1951 I was called to duty with the 712 AAA Gun Bn of the Florida National Guard, the only ground combat unit from that state. I have served as Platoon Leader, Battery XO, Battery Commander and in Korea, "52-'53, I served as BN Intelligence Officer and Assistant S-3.*

*I graduated from St. Theresa High School in Coral Gables, Fla. I received my Bachelor of Arts degree from Florida International University in 1976.*

*I am married to Sergeant Major Virginia Benjamin whom I could not do that much for the KWVA. We have a cat named Carbine and a Golden retriever named Garand. My hobby is collecting American military rifles (smokeless powder).*

*I have been very active in the KWVA since I first joined. I have started three chapters in Florida and "godfather" to couple of others.*

*Sincerely, EMMETT BENJAMIN.*


Please see page 9 for more candidates for election.

FOR SEPTEMBER GRAYBEARDS: send your opinion on whether the June 14 Memorial ground-breaking was too early — was it just a political move using the veterans as a pawn? Yes or no.
DON'T MISS THE RENO REUNION — OTHER HOTELS AVAILABLE

Here are a few other hotels available for your consideration when coming to Reno. Also, there is plenty of RV space at the Nugget.


Send in your reservations NOW for Reno reunion/convention. Remember: table seating will be first-come first-served and each table seats ONLY 8 People. Thank you.
Support Your KWVA - 20% of all sales are returned to National Headquarters

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1. Official Overseas Cap Midnight Blue with patch
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   State Size & Style $21.50

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   UN Blue w/round official KWVA Patch $10.00

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3. Official UN Blue wool Blend Blazer
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   $ 5.00

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5. Windbreaker/Golf Jacket
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   Call to order. (All medals in stock) $20.00 & up

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MAP OF KOREA W/UNIT DESIGNATIONS
17. 22" x 30" $10.00

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HE WAS BORN OCTOBER 18, 1899!
WAS IN WWI, WWII, KOREAN WAR!
COLONEL JOHN MARTINELLI
IS A LIFE MEMBER OF KWVA!

COLONEL JOHN MARTINELLI; 17
Beaumont Place; Newark, NJ 07104. He was born in
Souk-El-Arba, Tunisia, then a French Protectorate, on 18
October, 1899 and resided there until the age of four
when his father Joseph, who headed a successful
construction company, at the urging of his brother
Nicholas, immigrated to Schenectady, New York, to
pursue the business. He was an outstanding athlete
during his school and Army career days.

He left Schenectady High School in 1917,
volunteering for the Army at Fort Slocum, New York,
and found transport to France, as a member of the 5th Field
Artillery, 1st Division, upon arrival overseas transformed
into combat engineers, assigned to 1st Engineers, 1st
Division, participating in the battles of Meuse-Argonne;
Montdidier-Noyon; Oise-Aisne; Aisne-Marne; Saizerais;
Saint Mihiel, where he was wounded; Meuse-Argonne;
culminating with the 48 hour 71-kilometer forced march
on Sedan, followed by the March to the Rhine and duty
in the Army of Occupation and Victory Parades led by
General Pershing in New York City and Washington,
D.C.

In 1925 graduated from Tri-State University at Angola, Indiana,
with Bachelor of Science degrees in Chemical Engineering. He is a Distinguished Alumnus of University.

In the 30's as a Captain commanded Civilian Conversation
Corps Companies in New Jersey, New York, Nevada and was Sub-District
commander in South Jersey.

Colonel Martinelli subsequently served in World War II
commanding gun battalions in the 7th, 37th, 13th, 20th Coast Artillery,
later commanded 34th Field Artillery, the 2nd and 3rd Battalions 60th
Infantry, at Fort Dix, New Jersey and at the outbreak of the Korean War,
stationed in Panama, received orders for Fort Bliss, where he commanded
the 4th, 5th, 6th Battalions and later the 2nd and 1st groups of the Anti-aircraft
Training Center, retiring as a Colonel with nine decorations on the 31st of
March 1955 at Fort Bliss, Texas, after 34 years of service.

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Mail to: KWVA Quartermaster Sales, The Military Shop
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CELEBRATION, PARADE, DEDICATION

Come to Nashville for a celebration, parade and
dedication of a State Memorial in honor of KOREAN WAR

We accomplished the original mission of the United Nations:
repel the armed attack and restore international peace and security in the
area. This will be celebrated Friday night July 3 at a dinner, conference,
and maybe a big band dance. Veterans will be given a chance for their
own brief remarks or a short war story. Food will be furnished by the
Nashville Veterans community.

Saturday the parade will begin at Broadway and travel seven
blocks to the Legislative Plaza on the Capitol grounds. It will be led by
the 101st Airborne Band, color guard, and fifty marching troops from Ft.
Campbell, Ky. The Naval Air Station at Memphis is sending the "Cracker
Jacks" and the "Flying Rifles", about forty men. The Korean Communities
at Ft. Campbell, Nashville, Memphis, Knoxville, and Chattanooga are being invited to participate.

You, the Korean Veteran can choose to march or ride
in the parade. Patches of the major units in Korea are being
blown up on poster board so you can match with the unit in
which you served.

Of the 5.7 million Americans in service during the period only
1.5 million went to Korea. So come and join in whether you were in
Korea or not. You had a good home and you left... you're right!

The Consul General of the Republic of Korea from Atlanta and
the Governor of Tennessee will be the featured speakers. The ceremony
will be short and should be over by 1:30 or 2 o'clock.

The Nashville Metropolitan Government sponsors a giant
celebration, music and entertainment at Riverfront Park beginning at 4
PM. Fifty thousand or more people attend. It is climaxed by a huge,
brilliant fireworks display. Really something to see.

Or you may choose to go to Opryland Country Music Hall of
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COME!

CALL 1-800-925-1297, leave your name, address, and
phone number so a form to fill out can be sent. We need to know how
many to prepare for. Also you will receive a brochure on the Korean War.
A high school teacher said it had more and better information than the
text book. The director of Youth Education at Middle Tennessee State
University is considering using it as a basis for a supplement to the
Tennessee text book!

—JACK D. WALKER, 615-731-8795.
HERE'S A CHANCE TO TELL YOUR STORY!

Korean War Anthology

YOUR STORY is needed to complete what may be a last chance to tell fellow countrymen about the most misunderstood war in America's history. Only those who participated in some way--directly in the fighting or in support commands--can feel what it was like to prosecute a war that many Americans wished only to forget. The forgetting started even as the war progressed, and went full force when it ended.

But we remember.
The stories I want can take any form -- journal notes, letters, news clips, poetry, song lyrics, etc. -- as long as they relate your personal experiences and observations, either as a military person or a civilian caught up in the struggle. Some stories tell of the fighting, some of bravery, some of fear and cold and weariness, some of capture, some of life in noncombat areas; some are about what it feels like to wait at home for a loved one to return. Some are stories by Koreans themselves; they reveal features of this war that most of us never imagined.

Use this chance to tell your story. Full details on how to prepare and submit them can be had by sending a SASE to me: RONALD J. LANDRY; 1229 Dara Street, Camarillo CA 93010. 805/484-1518 Work 805/482-4808 Eves. Weekends.

I WANT YOU TO RE-UP!

PAY YOUR 1992 DUES TODAY

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YOUR HELP IS REQUESTED: If any of the information on your label is incorrect, please write Harry Wallace, Membership Chairman, P.O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281. Or see page 2 for his phone.

If your dues are past due, please send your payment to Harry. MARK IT with your membership number and the word "RENEWAL". Thank you.

If your payment is not received in about 45 days, we will be forced to remove your name from our mailing list and membership roll. Please do not let this happen!

GRAYBEARDS is trying with this edition, to establish a regular feature of news from various chapters. Some of what we print here is late news - and we know it. Sometimes that happens when you expect me to re-write your long items, and I do not have the luxury of that many required hours. Please send your items for printing (preferably in short and sweet writings) directly to Stan Hadden. (That is, if I am still your editor after July take-over effort).
KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC  
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE  
1-1-92 TO 4-30-92  
OPERATING FUND  

**REVENUE**  
- Membership Dues: $30,912.  
- Quartermaster: 363.  
- Interest: 954.  
- Tall America: 455.  
- Miscellaneous: 1,790.  

**TOTAL REVENUE**: $34,454.  

**EXPENSE**  
- Office Supplies: $1,688.  
- Postage: 3,834.  
- Publishing & Mailing: 20,703.  
- Telephone: 2,131.  
- Secretarial Service: 253.  
- Miscellaneous: 18.  
- POW-MIA: 286.  
- Memorial Activity: 1,851.  

**TOTAL OPERATING FUND AT 4-30-92**: $127,117.  

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND**  
- BALANCE AT 4-30-92: $72,895.  

**MEMORIAL FUND**  
- BALANCE AT 1-1-92: $74,554.  
- 1992 Revenue: 2,344.  
- BALANCE AT 4-30-92: $76,898.  

**SUMMARY - ALL ASSETS**  
- OPERATING FUND - Savings: $50,000.  
- Cash: 77,117.  
- $127,117.  

- LIFE MEMBERSHIP - Savings: $60,000.  
- Cash: 12,985.  
- 72,985.  

- MEMORIAL FUND - Savings: $70,000.  
- Cash: 6,898.  
- 76,898.  

- COMMEMORATIVE COINS - At Cost: 14,000.  

**TOTAL - ALL ASSETS**: $290,910.  

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**TURNER PUBLISHING PROMISES BOOK DELIVERY BY CHRISTMAS**  
KWVA members are given last chance to record their part in history; deadline has been extended to July 15, 1992.  
"Dear Mr. Hadden: All members who wish to participate in the history book being published by Turner Publishing Company only have one more month in which to respond. After that the book will go into full production. We have already started editing materials for the second revised edition which will contain history from the first volume, all new biographies and additional special stories and photographs. It will be larger than the first volume. Submit your materials for inclusion in the book and record your part in history. The book is scheduled for delivery before Christmas of this year. Contact us at: Turner Publishers; P.O. Box 3101; Paducah, KY 42002-3101. Phone 502-443-0121."  

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**CROSS-COUNTRY BIKE RIDE CALIFORNIA TO OUR MEMORIAL SITE STARTS JUNE 25**  
When Marine Lance Corporal DAN LEACH returned home on leave from Operation Desert Storm he expressed a desire to return some of the outstanding support given to our troops during the Gulf War.  
The idea came to support veterans of the Forgotten Korean War. His letter requesting to ride on bicycle from Camp Pendleton, California across the country to the site of the planned Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. was granted.  
When Dan's executive officer, 1st Lt. Andrew Petranek, and Sgt. Douglas Butler learned of Dan's ride they requested permission for the honor of riding for the Korean War veterans.  
"These Marines have my permission and full support for the ride and will be given the time from June 25 through August 1, 1992, to complete it," said L C. R. Holquist, 1st Combat Eng Bn.  
The three 1st MarDiv Marines, veterans of the Gulf War, have been training rigorously for several months. They are scheduled to leave on June 25. A support vehicle will carry large banners on both sides that will read "Thank You Korean Veterans".  
NO MONEY will be solicited; this ride is intended to raise national awareness of the Korean War. Those asking to contribute will be given a suggestion to donate to Korean War Veterans Association in various states and regions or to the various Korean War memorials. There is no professional fund raiser involved or being paid in this project.  
Donations are now being sought to provide necessary equipment for the awareness ride. Bicycles, support vehicle rental, gas, food and other expenses must be met. An account has been set up through the Rangers Infantry Company Airborne of the Korean War (R.I.C.A.). Contributions may be sent to: R.I.C.A.; Bike Awareness Fund; P.O. Box 67-A-66; Los Angeles, CA 90067-1066. (A non-profit organization).  
This story was sent by THOMAS J. SCHEPES "in Country" for the Minnesota Korean War Veterans, Chapter 1. Toni is a Viet Nam veteran and an honorary member of the Minnesota chapter.  

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**WHERE TO FIND THIS BOOK?**  
"I am trying to find, to purchase or borrow, a copy of Volume VI, "The East-Central Front," of U. S. Marine Operations in Korea.  
"Volume VI, part of a set of five volumes (the other four I have) has been out of print for a long, long time. It is not even available through the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office. I believe Volume VI has a Library of Congress Number of: 56-60727.  
"So, if anyone out there has a copy they don't need, I would be glad to purchase it, or even be willing to lease it in order to make Xerox copies. Thanks for your help."  
—JACK CARTY (USMC—Korea 1951-52); 859 Mercer Drive; Haddonfield, N.J. 08033.
The 1992 REUNION — JULY 24 THRU 28
— WILL BE HELD IN RENO, NEVADA!

8th ANNUAL REUNION AND MEMORIAL SERVICE
KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

OFFICIAL NOTICE JULY 24-25-26-27-28, 1992 OFFICIAL NOTICE

An exciting reunion combined with somber memorial ceremonies as well as official business will greet every member of KWVA next July in Reno. Bring your family; enjoy the casinos, the boat cruise on Lake Tahoe, the many other sights and pleasures that will be there. Your reunion committee has tried to hold costs down and the following agenda will give you your choice of what to select.

Rooms are reserved at the SPECIAL RATES SHOWN (single or double) per day. Other rooms are available nearby, but we suggest that early reservations are a must. In order to receive this special rate you must use the KWVA procedure and form.

All functions will be held in the main hotel: The NUGGET (Tower), a year-round casino. Secondary accommodations are available in the next-door COURTYARD Hotel about 300 feet from the Tower. There are 7 restaurants in the Tower with prices all in low range.

ROOM RATES apply for 2 days BEFORE July 26 and for 3 days AFTER July 28. Early reservations are recommended. We have made arrangements for the following:

On FRIDAY July 24; All rooms are booked. Board of Directors will meet. You are welcome to be present.

On SATURDAY July 25, 100 rooms, Tower, at $80 plus 50 rooms, Courtyard, at $60. Registration will commence. Hospitality room will be a cash bar operated by the hotel/no host.

On SUNDAY July 26; 150 rooms, Tower, at $80 plus 100 rooms, Courtyard, at $60. Business meeting and elections will start about 9 a.m.

On MONDAY, July 27; a series of seminars is planned for start in the morning. Help is needed and your offer will be welcomed. Our traditional Memorial Ceremony will be held. There will be a reception with cash bar after 5 p.m.; followed by traditional Commemorative Banquet and installation of new officers and Board members. We plan only 8 per dinner table; seating will be allocated by ticket on first come/first served basis.

On TUESDAY, July 28; we will have a joint buffet breakfast with recap business discussion followed by adjournment around noon.

Among the many other sights and things for your entertainment will be an evening dinner cruise on Lake Tahoe on a motor steamer. It is not part of the reunion schedule but we can help you get reservations at a cost of about $40 per person which includes sit-down dinner, and dancing to tunes of the Forties and Fifties.

THE 1992 REUNION JULY 24 - 28, RENO, NEVADA

Mail to: Korean War Veterans Association (REUNION)
P.O. Box 12205
Baltimore, Maryland 21281

I WILL ATTEND ___________ Yes No SPOUSE: ___________ Yes No

1. { Reunion Fee of $__________ at $69.50 per person enclosed; Check number__________

PAYMENT PLAN: (PER PERSON) □ ALL NOW □ HALF NOW □ BALANCE BEFORE JULY 10

OR "PICK-AND-CHOOSE" as follows, for which payment is enclosed or arranged for as explained:

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□ Breakfast, 28 July $12.00 □ Persons at $12 Each = $________ Due

□ Banquet, 27 July - $29.50 □ Persons at $29.50 Each = $________ Due

$________

3. YES—I AM INTERESTED IN THE LAKE TAHOE CRUISE. Send me the address for getting more information.

MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Korean War Veterans Association; Note "For 1992 Reunion"

Operating fund donation of $________ enclosed; Check number________

CHECK MONEY ORDER

YOUR SIGNATURE AND DATE
GRAYBEARDS thanks whomever sent this editorial for our attention. However, we thought we have been calling attention to the issue. Now it seems that not enough people seem to care strongly enough to insist that KIA/MIA names be put on the Memorial. WHAT ARE YOU DOING ABOUT IT?

200 Years of Sacrifice

MEMORIAL DAY 1772

Off to the side of a cemetery on a hill, near the dusty chicken-wire fence, is a veteran's grave. Faded old plastic flowers, placed there last spring, months ago stopped providing color to the site. Now there is only the green grass and the bronze grave marker to focus the attention. Died, 1944.

Exactly like the other white stones, row upon carefully aligned row, is the one in Arlington National Cemetery for a lad who had never been out of his home county...until he went to France. Died, 1918.

Deep in the woods of southwestern Virginia is a small family plot. Many of its graves are marked with crudely-cut fieldstone. Barely-legible inscriptions, chiseled by hand, give the briefest of biographies. In front of one someone recently has placed a small Confederate flag. Died, 1864.

A middle-aged woman with grown son and daughter beside her searches a black granite wall in Washington, D.C. Her eyes fall upon a name and her fingers trace the lettering. "1868," she murmurs.


WHAT'S MISSING HERE? NAMES OF KOREAN WAR KIA/MIA WILL NOT BE VISIBLE—EVER—TO AMERICA.

HOW CAN YOU REMAIN QUIET?

Awkwardly, without the snap which marked their movements decades ago in basic training, an honor guard of veterans clad in navy blue blazers comes into line. Then they straighten and hold, stiffly, as a commander crisply shouts them to attention. Another command and old rifles are brought to their shoulders. "Fire!" and a half-dozen M-1 Garands bark as a salute shatters the calm.

Soft, mournful strains of "Taps" fill the air. "Day is done gone the sun..."

It is Memorial Day, 1992.

Since our nation was founded two centuries ago, more than 1.2 million of the United States' sons and daughters have been claimed by war. They perished on the decks of small sloops outfitted by British men-of-war during the Revolutionary War, and vainly trying to protect their new capital during the War of 1812. They fell storming a citadel in Mexico City. Lads in blue died at their guns as youths in gray fell in front of them during the Civil War. Young Americans were claimed by malaria in hot, muggy Cuban hospitals during the Spanish-American War. Choking, exsiccating death claimed doughboys exposed to poison gas during World War I. Shot from the sky, American fliers crashed and died to stop a two-pronged threat during World War II. Bitterly cold and facing overwhelming human wave attacks, young Americans uncertain why they were fighting were killed during the Korean War. Anxious only to get home, more of our countrymen struggled through the jungles of Vietnam only to be slaughtered by land mines and booby traps. And finally, unable to share in the joy of victory, scores of Americans perished in the Middle East.

Their sacrifices were the price paid to guarantee that for more than 200 years Americans have enjoyed the most prosperous, free nation on the face of the earth. Today, we honor them.

"Day is done, gone the sun..."
YOU WROTE IT

"THE VA... CAN GIVE AWARDS TO... WHO ARE ON PROBATION..."

"Working at a Veterans Administration Medical Center, I see first hand the injustices of the system and the victims are the veterans. The local VA can afford to stock crackers and other nourishment on patient wards, but they can send incompetent managers to retreats and seminars to play with other incompetents; they can give awards to supervisors who are on probation for committing felonies; they can buy new modular furniture and carpeting; and the list goes on. My heart aches for the treatment given to our veterans. Where does it end?"

—N.H. (Name and address not revealed for a very real fear of retribution from VA local officials).

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EDITOR’S NOTE: "Fear of retribution?" Hey — doesn’t that recall the days of WWII when we heard everywhere the words 'fear of retribution for criticizing the Nazi regime'? That’s enough to give me pause for thought: I note in the media stories about Ross Perot who said he would, when elected, have his management teams go into every department of federal government and dig out problems and their causes. Should he be elected, such a management technique would definitely not out the misdeeds cited in the letter from "N.H." Until that event, I do not expect to see any corrective steps taken.

Another letter in similar vein also was received:

HE BELIEVES TWO CONGRESS BILLS NOT ENOUGH FOR VETS MEDICAL CARE

WILLIAM J. WALSH; 77 Tibbetts Town Way; Charlston, MA 02129 (2-14th Inf 25th Div 1953-54) sent two letters that he urges all veterans to send their congressional delegation in Washington.

Graybeards will take both letters to the Board of Directors meeting in Reno on July 24; first consideration for adoption must start there.

William said this: "Could you possibly print these in a forthcoming issue? Vets should know what's in their future as to medical care, etc. We must always be at war with our government on what is our due! This should not be necessary. Our government trusted us to fight; we ought to be able to trust them to heal our wounds."

Excerpts from his letters for Congress are as follows:

Dear Concerned Elected Official: The Secretaries of the VA and HHS early in 1992 attempted to admit rural veterans into VA hospitals for treatment ahead of veterans. Angry veterans rose-up in furor. The President stopped them. Many veterans today still cannot get needed care. Senator Pryor charges that daily large numbers of veterans needing care are turned away from and are shunted by VA hospitals. THIS TRAVESTY MUST STOP! IT IS TIME TO ENACT NEW VETERANS TOTAL HEALTH CARE ACT OF 1992" enacted immediately, as follows:

1. UNITED STATES WAR VETERANS ONLY ARE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE TOTAL CARE AND EACH WAR VETERAN SHALL RECEIVE TOTAL CARE AND TREATMENT FOR ANY CONDITION EACH HAS DURING THE VETERAN'S LIFETIME. THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS SHALL PROVIDE ALL TOTAL CARE AND TREATMENT WITHOUT COSTS.

2. "PUBLIC LAW 99-272 IS HEREBY AMENDED TO ADD AND TO ESTABLISH THAT ANY WAR VETERAN WHO SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MILITARY IN FOREIGN OR UNDECLARED WAR SHALL BE A CATEGORY OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER PUBLIC LAW 99-272 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS SHALL PROVIDE ALL HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOME CARE AND TREATMENT THAT VETERAN SHALL NEED."

"Two Bills, S. 2248 and H. R. 4278, now in Veterans Committees, fall woefully short of giving ALL VETERANS THE HEALTH CARE THEY NEED! These Bills MUST BE VOTED "NO" AND THIS IS IMPERATIVE! Among other glaring inadequacies, they REQUIRE VETERANS TO PAY FOR VA HOSPITAL CARE AND TREATMENT!! VOTE NO!"

"We, the war veterans of America, ask you to help enact into law this totally new and urgently needed "WAR VETERANS TOTAL HEALTH CARE ACT OF 1992."

YOU WROTE IT

"A NEAT LITTLE WAR"????

LET US "EXPOSE THE M*A*S*H MYTH!"

(Special to the Graybeards)

Larry Gelbart, creator of the M*A*S*H (the asterisks were added by 20th Century Fox) TV series, in an Oct. 1984 lecture at The Museum of Broadcasting in New York City summed up the horror of what happened on the Korean peninsula between June 25, 1950 and July 27, 1953 as "a neat little war." That descriptive phrase, however, is an accurate assessment of his own grossly inaccurate perception of the horror and sacrifice of all who were involved. Tragically, Gelbart's myth has become America's perception of the conflict. Not only did Gelbart, but the producer, writers, and Robert Altman, the auteur-director of the M*A*S*H film manifest contempt for the historical record, but all were involved in the scam to con a goodly portion of the world into believing that M*A*S*H was about the Korean War.

Contrary to what the producers of the film and TV series would have you believe, M*A*S*H is a product of crass commercialism, packaged to target the largest audience possible. Time Magazine was right on target in its appraisal of the TV series. Although M*A*S*H was set in Korea it was really about Vietnam. But in my estimation, M*A*S*H was much more about box office receipts and TV ratings wars than it was with either the Korean or Vietnam wars. From its inception, life in the film and TV's M*A*S*H compound was conceived as a microcosm, an hilarious metaphor for the two wars. Barring a few exceptions, each newly packaged M*A*S*H episode was tuned for commercial breaks and edited to the demands of a laugh track so that the viewer does not miss the joke. Like Pavlov's dog, which was conditioned to salivate at the sound of a bell, Americans and viewers in the world at large were conditioned to smile at the mention of M*A*S*H. The vested interests reduced a major conflict in America's history to the parameters of a situation comedy and in the process did a grave injustice to the men and women who sacrificed so much for so little recognition.

Neat little war indeed! Any Korean war veteran who has returned on the Korea revisit program is reminded of the nobility of the cause for which we fought. What we accomplished in Korea will have impact as long as there is a free world. But M*A*S*H did little to enlighten its audience on the true nature of the war.

The seminar on the role of the medics in the Korean war, to be held in Reno, is a great idea. A full report should be published in The Graybeard. It would afford us all a chance to use it as a new release to be addressed to our local papers. The Korean war vet is working against time. Our numbers are diminishing with each passing year. It is imperative that we now displace the M*A*S*H myth with the truth. Ten years down the line is too late. If we don't act now Larry Gelbart and his ilk will have won and the truth will be buried with us. Korean war veterans, and medics in particular, deserve better. It is hoped that the upcoming seminar is the beginning of a new era. It's a perfect way to launch another phase of our crusade to "Tell America About The Korean War." Expose the M*A*S*H myth for what it is!

—RICHARD COATE; 265 Hicks St.; Brooklyn, NY 11201

INDIANA CHAPTER #2

2729 Medford; Lafayette, IN 47905

Chapter #2 of Korean War Veterans Association, Lafayette, Indiana installed officers March 27, 1992. Installing Officer Art Floow, Chapter #1, Fort Wayne, Indiana installed the following officers:

Franklin Littleton, President; Everett Welton, 1st Vice President; Donald Easterly, Sr., 2nd Vice President; Betty Baker, Secretary; William Taber, Treasurer.

31 members applied for Charter February 15, 1992 and at the time of installation 33 members had paid dues. Membership cards and Charter was received in April 1992.

The membership of Chapter 2 would like to thank VFW Post 1154 and Navy Club Ship 12, both of Lafayette, Indiana, for their support and use of their facilities.

Submitted by: JOHN M. RUTLEDGE; Publicity Chairman.
CONGRESS IS NOT CREATED EQUAL

The following letter came from a veteran of WWII and the Korean War. He was Infantry enlisted; went on up with battlefield commission. Among his awards are the Combat Infantry Badge With Star. In WWII he was with 71st Inf 14th Inf Regt. In Korea he was with 7th Inf 32nd Inf Regt L Company. In civilian life he worked 30 years for the federal government and has ten years experience as an industrial engineer.

To the Editor: Isn't it interesting and disgusting how the budget process and the deficit being handled by Congress continues to "exclude" an "unbridled sacred cow" identified as separate and independent congressional growing staffing support (approaching approximately 50,000); their salaries, pension program which provides ten percent plus allowance over and above other federal employees and expenses for themselves that are rarely scrutinized.

All of these specialties aren't bad enough, but they formulate separate criteria, rules and regulations for themselves apart from the rest of America.

We the people of this country have the best system in the world, but we allow our elected officials to satisfy their own whims, established rules apart from other Americans and expend funds without full complete scrutiny. We can accomplish and remove these unfair practices through our voting rights. Let us not lose our values of equality, freedom and voice at the voting polls.

—Sincerely, DOUG FARDO; 157 Tuscawilla Hills, 106 Hickory Cl.; Charles Town, WV 25414. Phone 304-725-0817.

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"...A HOP HEAD'S PICTURE...

"Dear Stan: Looking thru the paper today and I see where Washington is having ballots printed up for the post office. The people can pick which picture of 'Elvis' to put on our stamps. I do not believe this crap.

"They don't want the people to know about the over 54,000 Americans who died in a war this nation forgot, and the over 8,000 that are still missing from Korea. If they want a picture of someone to put on our stamp, put our Medal Of Honor people from the past and present.

"The young people and future leaders of our country will have a hop head's picture to look up to. Just great."

—DICK WYSOCKE, 4242 So. Grove; Stickney, IL 60402.

Editor's Note: I agree, Dick. Some kind of strange reasoning is being used. And look at the many members of KWVA who do not realize there will be no names or title on the Memorial -- and the same strange reasoning in the bureaucracy by many who don't want those names to be seen. Just who is at fault? Us -- or them?

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If we veterans -- of all wars -- are not willing and ready to step actively into the political campaign arena of 1992, then it is possible that all our concerted efforts and sacrifices in war will amount to nothing as the Washington politicians strip our national treasury and drive our people into a state of anarchy and terrorism.

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"Regarding the Mule: I am a strong advocate of a Commemorative Stamp in honor of the MULE. Primarily, only us (we?) Korean War Vets and WWII Vets know the importance of the mule in our History and heritage. Stamps honoring Elevator, Comedians, W.C. Fields, Cattle, Horses, Elvis, W.E.B. DuBois; Wheel Barrow, Pop Corn wagon. Why not a stamp honoring THE MULE? It has been considered once unfavorably -- at some time in future, maybe — it may be considered by the committee one more time. The Address to write: Joe Elaine McKinney-Andersson; Manager, Stamp Administration & Advisory Branch, The Citizen's Stamp Advisory Committee, USPS, Washington, DC 20260-6753. Thank you."

—CLARENCE A. DUNN, Jr.; (Capt AGC USAR Ret) PO. Box 521; North, SC 29112.

U.S. CARBINE CALIBER .30 M1
50TH ANNIV. STA.

AUG. 27, 1992
NEW HAVEN, CT 06511

"I am writing to inform the KWVA members about an anniversary of a weapon that many of them used. The weapon is the U.S. carbine, caliber .30 M-1, and its anniversary is now 50 years.

"On August 28, 1942, Winchester turned out its first ten carbines for the U.S. government. Winchester developed the M-1 carbine and it also developed the .30-caliber cartridge for the carbine. Their total production of the M-1 was over 800,000, and a number of other (manufacturers) produced the M-1 carbine.

"Inland Mfg. of GM 2,625,000. Underwood 545,000. Nat'l Postal Meter 413,000. Rock-ola Mfg. Corp 228,000. Quality Hardware 359,000. Standard Products 247,000. Saginaw 739,000, and IBM 346,000. There were more carbines produced than of any other U.S. weapon.

"I have suggested to U.S. Repeating Arms Co./Winchester of New Haven, CT to hold a ceremony on 27 Aug 1992 to honor the 50th anniversary of the M-1 carbine.

"I have submitted to the Postmaster of New Haven, CT a special pictorial postmark to mark and honor the 50th anniversary with a special postal cancellation.

TO OBTAIN THIS PICTORIAL POSTMARK (see photo copy above) send S.A.S.E. with 29-cents stamps affixed, to: U.S. Carbine Caliber .30 M-1; 50th Anniversary Station; Postmaster, New Haven, CT 06511-9998.

—BILL OFFERMAN (Volunteer, the Nat'l Alliance of Families for our Missing Service Men); 810 Atlantic Ave.; Trenton, NJ 08629. May 4, 1992.

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PERSONAL OPINION: "It is my personal opinion that some people in the Department of New York are duping others into signing proxy votes. It is my own opinion that such 'proxies' are illegal and that innocent members are being used in an effort to take over KWVA for personal gain."

—STAN HADDEN; P. O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25435-2250.

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BEFORE JUNE 25, 1950

"— THE FORGOTTEN FEW"

Dear Editor: Do not forget those that were in Korea when it started.

I was a member of KMAF, one of the 400 men that were in Korea when the hostilities began in June 1950. I have not seen anything about the men and women that were stationed in Korea during the Occupation (1945-1949) and after the days of occupation (1949-1950). These were dangerous duties. Thank God, I came out on top and continued for a twenty-year retirement in the Army.

My wife and daughter were with me in Korea when hostilities began and were evacuated on a Norwegian Freighter to Japan. I haven't seen in any bulletins, VFW, Graybeards, etc. anything about the dependents who came home alive. Let's give thanks for all those that were in Korea at any time. They are all the 'Forgotten Few'.

—Sincerely: ERWIN A. YARBROUGH, JR.; P.O. Box 363; Terry, Ms 39170. KWVA Member #5979. May 4, 1992.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Thank you for telling us your brief story. However, Graybeards repeats what we say so often — unless you send us your story, we cannot print it. We have no staff; we have no facilities for pursuing stories; we have no staff for re-writing. We have just me — and you.
YOU WROTE IT

"I LOST MY KWVA LAPEL PIN in an Honor Guard formation for a disabled colonel. The lapel pin was the original one that had the Korean peninsula on a blue field.

"IF ANYONE Out there has an extra pin of this 'old style' I am more than willing to buy it".

—CHARLES L. COLLINS; Life Member 3723; 3931 Shamrock Dr.; Hunstville, AL 35810-4033.

MOST URGENT
1ST MAR DIV HQ CO

I'm writing this letter for my brother-in-law, being an ex-ground pounder with the 158th RCT New Guinea etc. WWII. I want to get him some help. Buddy; he has a bad problem and I recommended to him that I would write a letter to someone who might be able to remember the incident. You know how the VA is ??? This happened in Korea and this is the following information from him:

A. JAMES PINCH, 143 9082.
B. Boot camp San Diego MCRD 9/17/53.
C. Time in Korea - Jan 54 to Mar. '55.
D. He was attached to the 21st MarDiv. HQ Co.
E. Gun commander of 90 mm gun mount.
F. Knocked out of gun mount, about 80 miles NE of Pusan - Hill 487.
G. His organization relieved 1st MarDiv, 3rd BN, 5th Marines.
H. James outfit was 1st: MarDiv; 1st: BN, Baker Co. 1st 90mm outfit commanded by Captain Dewar.
J. He was picked up by ambulance to Evac or Fld Station, then by Helo to Pusan Milt Hosp.
J. He has being getting dizzy spells and at times fainting to last about 5 -10 min. I recommended he go to the VA and they gave him a ration!

K. Would appreciate anyone at your re-union in July who would be able to remember his accident, then need a letter and witnessed and possibly notarized— I will help Jim to jam it - - - 1
L. He is unable to hold any type of work.

Hoping that there is someone there that can remember this incident. Something else, the 90mm had a missfire and he and the Sgt carried the shell into trench and made about 5 steps when it exploded. Thanks a whole lot buddy. — GEORGE J. MICHALKA; 2901 N. Pennington Dr.; Chandler, AZ 85224.

"IN 1988 I SUBMITTED A ROUGH DRAFT DESIGN..."

Re: KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL

In 1988 I submitted a rough draft design for the Korean War Memorial which was similar to the Viet Nam Memorial. The difference was that (in my design) the Korean Memorial was shaped like mountains typical for Korea. In the center of the wall I showed a large outline of North and South Korea with a UN Emblem. The names of all KIA and POW on both sides of the wall. There would be no need of numerous architects, designers etc., and the cost would be very minimal.

I received a letter from the commission along with an application for the design and a fee of $30.00. Nuff said!

In November 1950 I was in Wonsan, North Korea where I took up some 8MM movie films of the destruction rained on that town. In another scene I took a shot of the Wonsan Police station, and on the marquee were the words BUCK KANG WON DO POLICE STATION. Would this be the jail where the captured crew of the USS PUEBLO were kept?

The USS HENRICO was the last ship to leave Wonsan evacuating all personnel on shore. I took some movies of the Henrico's landing boats filled with North Korean refugees fleeing from that town. The refugees were transported to a nearby merchant vessel. If the present Memorial containing all those sculptured soldiers will be finalized you can bet that they will be target of vandals similar to the vandalizing of tombsiernes in cemeteries. Respectfully — LOUIS C. BAKULA (#8763) ex-RM2C USNR; 13 Little Lane; Peabody, MA 01960.

YOU WROTE IT

HE SEeks SALESmen WILLING TO WORK ON COMMISSION

"WANTED — salesmen for furniture line. On commission only. Company will ship. Etc."

KWVA member JULES KURTZ offers this measure of self-employment to any who want to contact him for more information. Reach him at P.O. Box 124; Hibernia, NJ 07842. Or phone him at 201-627-6987.

I WAS IN 2ND INF DIV AND...

AND I SERVED 1951 TO 1953. I want to know how to order a decal, or a cap, or a bumper sticker for 2nd Inf Div. I would appreciate this information, thank you. NICK DE BONO; 212 Colorado Ave.; Trinidad, CO 81082.

Dear Stan: Charter member JERRY KOEHANE has regulation size US decorations and service medals, shoulder patches, plus collar brass, all for trade. He wants PX & NCO Club tokens, WWII shoulder patches and EM collar discs plus sterling wings. Write him at 16 St. Margarets Court; Buffalo, NY 14216. THANKS!

I SEEK SURVIVORS of the American patrol captured in the DMZ August 8, 1956 and sent to prison camp number 5. Included were Sgt. WALTER EMBROM, Sgt JOSEPH KING and a Lt KELLY of California. They brought out with them, in June 1957, the names of 35 to 40 wartime POWs. Please contact me: NORM JONES; phone 1-800-592-5909. Or write me at: 5260 Hillcrest Drive; Cambria, CA 93428.
Here is a picture of our Korean War Memorial — dedicated last July. We lost 20 men in Korea, and no one cared till some of us Korean Veterans wrote the local paper and raised hell about being forgotten when they announced they were putting up a Desert Storm Memorial and bypassing us Korean Vets again. This was for The Korean Vets of Grant County in the state of Indiana and was erected in Marion, Ind. It was a combination ceremony to honor Korea & Desert Storm Vets and out of about 50,000 people in this County only 75 showed up. A lot of the Korean Vets didn't even bother to come.

Most Korean Vets I talk too never believe they will live long enough to see a Korean Memorial in Washington D.C. In the last 3 months, 8 of them have died, just in our county.

——PHIL A. STREET; 1812 East 600 South; Jonesboro, Indiana 46938-1537.

A Veterans Memorial Salute

To all who fought, and bled, and died
in war and peace, when called, or volunteered;
By land who marched, awash by sea,
and airborne tried;
Whatever cause, whichever side, whomever's pride;
By wounds still burdened, whoever cried,
Allegiance pledged, we cannot hallow, memories
Faded, slightly jaded, never shallow.

'Ten-shun ... Eyes Front ... Amen!

—PAT TEEVENS; P.O. Box 176; Browntown, MI 48173.

Enclosing a picture (SEE AT RIGHT) of the President of the KWVA Chapter 38; BOB MCCGOVERN, and standing next to him is the City Controller of Philadelphia; Jonathan A. Saitel. This was held March 18, 1992. Enclosed also find the brochure that is being distributed in the area to generate donations for the local Memorial. The picture shows the “tee-shirt” being sold to help generate funds for the Memorial. We had a reasonably nice day, Sunny, not too cool, and the print and Radio and Television Media covered the event.

For more information and a copy of the brochure, please contact: VINCE WALSH; 311 Pepper Road; Huntingdon Valley, PA 19006-6740.

BOOKS ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR

KOREAN WAR HEROES
By Edward Murphy
$24.95

"Korean War Heroes" tells the story of America's "Forgotten War" from a special perspective: the exploits of the 131 Medal of Honor recipients from the Korean War are woven into an anecdotal history of what actually happened, from the dark days of the Pusan Perimeter to the trench war stalemate at the end.

Author Murphy's narrative is fast-paced and exciting. He paints the "big picture" so vividly that the reader will easily grasp what happened during this agonizing and often confusing war.

But the heart of the book is the profiles of the Medal of Honor recipients. Men like Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, whose last-ditch defense of Taegon in which he personally fought oncoming North Korean tanks, and his subsequent captivity, are the stuff of legend.

Within each chapter, the stories of the heroes are told in expanded profiles. Throughout each chapter there are shorter, vignette-type profiles of other Medal of Honor recipients, giving brief accounts of their background and heroic acts. The result is an unforgettable view of the Korean War and of human nature in its finest moments.

Contact: Presidian Press; 505-B San Marin Dr.; Suite 300; Nvado, CA 94945-1340. Phone 415-898-1081. FAX 415-898-0383.

A BOOK IS BEING PREPARED TO LIST ALL KW CASUALTIES; YOUR HELP IS REQUESTED

A Korean veteran is editing a book listing all of the Korean War Casualties that he can find from the military records available to him. He needs your help to show what unit they were assigned to. If you had a buddy or friend killed, died of wounds or was missing in action in Korea please send the information to: CHARLES E. CASEY; Korean KIA-MIA; 4104 S 42 St; Omaha, NE. 68107-1096. Phone 402-731-6715 or 402-731-9897.

We need this information, if known: Full name, serial number if known, city and state he was from (Army and Air Force only), company name, regiment and division, air force or navy unit or ship he was assigned at the time of the casualty.

The list has been cross checked with known state records and the editor has found some men listed twice as he is claiming as a resident of two states. At the present time there are 34,119 casualties listed. The book will contain two lists: one in alphabetical order complete or alphabetical by states and the other list will be by unit where it is known; if unit is not known their name will not appear in this list.

There will be room to publish a few memorials. Please send a stamped self-address envelope for information. Since room will be limited, the space will be used on a first come basis.
ESCAPE & EVASION

June 1992

ESCAPE A TRUE STORY
CARLTON PRESS, INC. - NEW YORK, N.Y.
By Charles R. Winder

& EVASION
ISBN 0-862-3980

CONTACT: Carlton Press, Inc.; 11 West 32nd St.; New York, NY 10001. Phone 212-714-0300.

Korea, 1951. The author, Sergeant Charles Winder, and two of his companions are caught behind enemy lines. They are force-marched for six days, suffering tremendous torture at night, with the promise of spending the rest of the Korean War in an enemy prison camp looming before them. With a remarkable surge of guts and glory, they escape their captors just hours before incarceration into a North Korean prison. This begins this fascinating and fact-based tale of how brave men evaded the enemy and survived on their way back to their own lines and safety. The trek took forty-eight days. Forty-eight unforgettable days.

Charles Winder writes Escape and Evasion with a vivid storytelling ability, using stylistic prose and suspense to create this unique presentation. While the story illustrates the saga of these men from August 1951 through October 1951, the memories that these harrowing events evoke in the reader of that time in our country's history are sure to affect every American. Mr. Winder brings all of his characters to life with the believability of the action and the true-to-life agony and heartache of war itself. Although he is the only surviving member of his group, he writes with the bold eloquence and fine sense of timing that breathes life into all those who have now passed away.

From its mellow beginning to its thrilling conclusion, this story is a captivating literary experience. In almost hypnotic fashion, the author Winder weaves his tale of intrigue and excitement while portraying his rich understanding of human nature and the tricks it can play in the heat of battle. The pace is fast and furious, the moments of glory and anguish real, and readers will be turning page after page to see just what happens next.

Flowing like a power river, Escape and Evasion by Charles R. Winder, is highly recommended for its action-packed plot, realistic characters and energetic rendering. This story is one of thousands occurring to servicemen throughout this "police action" war we fought, however, it is emblematic of the courage and honor of those who fought it. Read it and feel your chest burst with pride!

ABOUT THE AUTHOR Charles R. Winder was born in Morton, Texas, and he attended school in Morton and Lubbock, Texas, before joining the Army in 1949. After basic training and leadership school, he went through Airborne training jump school and Ranger training, eventually ending up in Korea in 1950 with the 4th Airborne Ranger Company. Wounded, captured and tortured by the enemy, he escaped with several buddies and evaded the enemy for almost two months while making his way back to safety. He was one of the most decorated soldiers in the Korean War, having been awarded the DSC, Silver Star, two purple Hearts, United Nations Medal, Korean Service Medal with six battle stars and the Army Distinguished Service Cross.

After being medically discharged from service in 1969, Mr. Winder attended Texas Tech University, Eastern New Mexico University and Sul Ross State College. He earned a BA in Civil Engineering and became a general contractor until his retirement in 1989. He has written this book, in one sense, as a detailed account of the treatment of POWs in Korea, and most of it was written while the author was a patient in VA hospitals in La Jolla, California, and Amarillo, Texas. The author continues to be a lifetime member of the 4th Airborne Ranger Company Infantry Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion and the Korean War Veterans Association.

His greatest support comes from his loving wife of thirty-seven years, Betty. The couple have two children and one granddaughter. This is Mr. Winder's first published book.

CHARLES PARLIER CHAPTER
614 S. Crea; Decatur, IL 62522

This chapter will host the 1992 Department of Illinois Convention on June 20. More information may be had by contacting PAUL H. STERN, JR.; 614 S. Crea; Decatur, IL.

This thoughtful proverb was sent by Chaplain ELLYMAE PATTON: "Friendship adds a brighter radiance to prosperity, and lightens the burden of adversity by dividing and sharing it."
ARE YOU OUT THERE?

I am looking for ALBERT MARTIN GARBAGE JR., who served with Heavy Mortars, 2d Bn, 65th Inf. Regt., 3rd Inf. Div. in Korea in 1951. He was awarded a Silver Star for heroism above and beyond the call of duty in an action during the battle of the Imjin River. The battle involved 2d Bn, 65th Infantry Regiment and it occurred the night of April 25-26th, 1951. I'm including a chapter in a book I'm writing about this particular action so any man involved in that action may be able to help me. Easy Company, 15th Inf. Regt. was in blocking position to witness the firefight which took place to its front. Dawn of the 26th we were subject to an accidental napalming by "friendly" jets. Anyone serving with Company 'E' 15th Inf. Regt. during this timeframe could also be of help. Contact Richard Coates, 205 Hicks St. 1C, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Or call 718-625-4241.

Thanks for printing my notice about Army Captain (Chaplain) EMIL KAPAUN. Many Korean vets contacted me; in fact, my wife and I were at a parish dance recently and someone approached me to say that he had seen my notice in The Graybeards publication.

I note that the 1992 reunion of the Korean War Veterans Association is scheduled for July 24 to July 28. If anyone attending knew Chaplain Kapaun, I would appreciate it if he would contact me. I am writing a biography of Chaplain Kapaun. He was with the 8th Cavalry Regiment and was captured at Unsan. He died in May, 1951 at Camp No. 5, which was located at Pyongteak, North Korea.

—WILLIAM L. MAHER; 2311 Cedar Swamp Rd., Brookville New York, 11545.

WHERE ARE THE SURVIVORS?

The purpose of this letter is to ask your assistance in locating the surviving pilots of the crash of eight F-84 Thunderjets near Richmond, Indiana on June 8, 1951. The 8 jets were part of a group of 34 en route to Selfridge AFB, Michigan from Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

The following is a list of the crash survivors, with rank at the time of the crash:

- Maj. Richard E. Willms
- Capt. Robert A. Jackson
- Capt. Bryce (or Brice) E. Long
- Lt. John R. Bonar
- Lt. Eustace D. Coltharp

If you do not have any records of their memberships, would you please include a notice in your magazine stating that I am trying to locate them or anyone with knowledge of their whereabouts for the purpose of writing a historical account of the crash. Thank you for your assistance.

—JAMES M. DULY; 1611 Wain Court; Fort Wayne, IN 46808-1807, March 18, 1992.

The purpose of this letter is to ask for your assistance in locating my old Army buddy CPL. NORMAN SCHUMAN.

He was born about 1929 or 1930, and served in the Army from about 1947, to the summer of 1951. He served in Germany, and was sent to Korea in Feb. 1951. He was regular Army, assigned to the 568 Heavy Maintenance Co. Tank, a National Guard outfit from Nashville, Tennessee, that was activated during the Korean War.

In the 1950s he lived in New Jersey near Route 46, possibly near Clifton, N. J. I do not know his social security number, or his old service number.

I also served in the 568 H.M. Co. (Tank) in Korea, from Feb. 1951 to Nov. 1951; service number was 52031503.

Thank you for your assistance: Harold N. Schmidt; 857 Poplar Rd., Hellertown, Pa 18055.

NAVY CORPSMEN (WWII & KOREA) - Seeking anyone interested in forming an association with possible reunion. STAN PATROVSKY, POB 722, Anacortes, WA 98221.

ARE YOU OUT THERE?

I am trying to find a buddy from my former unit. HIS LAST NAME IS ANDERSON. I do not remember his first name. I am pretty sure he is from South Carolina; just a chance that he could be from N. Carolina.

The picture enclosed (see above) is me holding the rifle. Anderson in the middle and Robert Miller from North Carolina. Thanks to the article I mailed you last year about Paul L. Sanchez, Robert Miller has contacted me along with several other veterans from my unit. I still haven't heard from Sanchez yet. I am still trying.

I was in CO. A 17TH INF REGT 7TH INF DIV. Picture was taken in June 1953 on the front lines! I belong to the Korean War Veterans Assoc. of Western Penna.

Please contact me: Angelo Palermo, 765 4th St.; Oakmont, Pa 15139. Phone 412-828-2433.

Looking for information or anyone knowing the whereabouts of WILLIAM H. TODD. We were in the same tank crew with Hq. Co. 2nd. Eng. and were captured together at Kuni-ri on Dec. 1st, 1950 and released in Aug. 1953. Todd was originally from Rome, Ga. and his wife was from Rochester, N.Y. Contact: Ray McGinnis, P.O. Box 120675, Nashville, Tenn. 37212, or telephone (615) 255-1068.

My drill sergeant in Basic Training at Camp Gordon Georgia was RUSSELL C. BOWLES. I'd love to locate and just hello to him in the KWVA, Inc. brochure. I know he served in combat in Korea before being shipped to Camp Gordon, Georgia in 1953. He worked with the raw Recruits like me in company F Military Police R.T.C. — Camp Gordon.

—JULES KURTZ; 16 Cherokee Ave., Rockaway, NJ 07866.

DO YOU KNOW ALVIN DANIEL CREWS?

"Dear Sirs: The purpose of this letter is to ask your assistance in locating my uncle, ALVIN DANIEL CREWS. I have not seen or heard from him in five years. It is extremely important that I contact him, for estate settlement decisions.

"Alvin was born October 12, 1927. He served in the US Army from June 13, 1952 to October 14, 1955. His service number is 18-145-934. He received the Korea Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal and the Combat Infantry Badge.

"I would appreciate if you would check your files and determine if he was or is a member of your organization. If so, please advise me of his current address. If your policy prohibits giving out his address, please at least let me know what unit(s) he served with in Korea.

"If you do not have any records of his membership, would you please include a notice in your magazine or newsletter stating that I am trying to locate him or anyone who knows his whereabouts. Thank you."

—ARTHUR HARRAD; P.O. Box 84078; San Diego, CA 92138.
I would like to tell you how much I enjoy and look forward to "THE GRAYBEARDS". The only information I get about the Korean War Memorial is from this newsletter.

I'm enclosing a snapshot taken in Korea at "Lukes Castle" Nov. 1952. These soldiers were in 2ND PLATOON CO. "E" 179TH REG 45TH DIV. The Platoon leader on the left is Lt. McCarver (sp) from Pennsylvania. The patron Sgt. and Cpl I don't remember their names. If these men or anyone from Easy Co. from Nov 1952 - July 1953 read this paper I would like to hear from them.

—GARLAND L. SLAYTON; 4309 Cresthill Dr.; Roanoke, Va. 24018; (703) 774-3967.

I am a member of KWVA and I am searching for WARRANT OFFICER RIGGLE. He served with the 623 Field Artillery battalion in Korea in the early 50's. This was a Kentucky National Guard outfit that was activated. I was one of the first replacements, so they could return to the states. They were in 1-CORPS in support of the Marines for most of our tour. I searched the information directory of Warrant Officer Riggle's home town, Monmouth, Ill., to no avail. I would like to hear from anyone in 623 Field Artillery battalion. I was in supply in B Battery and supply sergeant in A Battery. When the cease fire was signed we were one of the first outfits into Camp Casey.

Thank you for any information; please send to the following address: John Breslin; 3535 Alta Vista; Sterling Heights, MI 48312.

I am trying to locate JOHN J. NEUPAUET JR. from Irvington, N.J., who served with 'B' Co. 8th Regt. 1st Cav. Div. in Korea. I need information about the two Bronze Stars I was recommended for by Lt. John Risdal, our Platoon leader before Sept. 1951. I also would like to hear from anybody who served in "B" Co. 1st BN. Please contact me: Phillip T. Garcia, 583 So. Robert St., St Paul, MN 55107. 1-612-224-0768.

Trying to find... Attempting to locate JOSEPH GEIST — enlisted in Army from Atlantic City, N.J. Fall of 1949, died Basic at Ft. Dix, believe he then went to Ft. Meade, hurt in Korea, hospitalized on Okinawa. Please contact EARL GOSS, 412 Clayton Rd.; Ashley Falls, MA 01222, phone 413-229-7767.

WILL SHARE HIS FILMING

As an "ole campaigner" of the 7th Inf. Div. in Korea I would greatly appreciate a bit of info on a particular unit. I was a combat motion picture photographer 7TH SIGNAL CO. 7TH DIV. Most of my filming in Korea was with the 32ND R.C.T. & TANK BATT.

Is there a 32nd Regt. Vets Organization? I would like to attend any gatherings or correspond with members. I have all my film prints retrieved from the war and would like to share them with the 32nd R.C.T. "Bayonet" "Queens Own" survivors. Aug. 51 - June 52 filming of operations, "Cleaver", Mt. Goat & "Blaster". My very best regards.

—(SGT) FRANK KLAY; Klay Associates Inc.; 995 Union Street; North Marshfield MA 02059; (617) 834-4423.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Contact CHESTER L. BAIR; 1022 Howell Ave.; Brookville, FL 34641. Phone 904-754-9304.

SEEKING MILITARY PSYWAR DOCUMENTS and foreign paper money for research/museum project. W. G. Harrison, 5546 North Sixth Street, Fresno, CA 93710.

Dear Friend: Keep up the good work, publicizing the status, merits, and oft-forgotten Korean War Veteran. The "name of the game" is UNITY. Some sage wrote "One string is stronger than two"; likewise we need to remind other Korean War Veterans that we do have an organization proclaiming our cause. United totally — one strong combined voice, we would be an organization to which "When K.W.V.A. Speaks, Everybody Listens".

"I am urgently searching for address(s) of: WWII Military Burmas-Ledo-Stillwell Road Association(s); WWII Military Alaskan Highway Association; Any (All) American POW WWII, Korean War & Viet Nam War Associations."

"I am a disabled retired veteran and collect Autographs, Std Size Envelopes and U.S. Stamps. Anyone knowing address of these units, please write. Let's "keep on keepin' on."

—CLARENCE A. DUNN, JR.; (Capt AGC USAR Ret) P.O. Box 521; North, SC 29112.
ARE YOU OUT THERE?

CO. B, 194TH ENG. COMBAT BN. Looking for anyone who served in this unit in 1951-52 especially anyone from Oak Ridge, TN. Need history. Contact Charles Havery; 2525 W. Dahlia Dr., Phoenix, AZ 85029.

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F-2-5 1st Mar Div Jan - Sept 1951, then 1st Supply BN. Please be advised of the following immediate and permanent change of address: FROM: Fred Shear (#5675); 104 West Court Drive; Centerreach, NY 11720. TO: 1225 N. W. 21st St, Apt 502, Stuart, FL 34994. Would like to hear from any of you.

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DO YOU KNOW RICHARD A. COLLETT?

I am trying to locate the following veteran for reunion purposes. We realize the information we are furnishing is over 40 years old and is more than likely the address of his parents at the time he entered the service. His name and address in the early 1950s was: Richard A. Collett, General Del.; Elkins, WV. If any readers might know the whereabouts of him or his family please be so kind as to let me hear from you. I am Rick Feiler; P.O. Box 405, Ardmore, Oklahoma. 73402.

DELAWARE CHAPTER NO. 1

P.O. Box 25, Millsboro, DE 19966

Nicholas "Nick" Pappas of Rehoboth Beach was elected president of the Korean War Veterans Association of Delaware Chapter 1 at a meeting held April 12. Officers elected to serve with Pres-Elect Pappas for the 1992-93 years include Bill Carr, first vice president; Jacob Keifer, second vice president. Walter Farren, secretary; Wilmer Long Jr., treasurer; T. Eugene Womack, chaplain; Walt Farren service officer; and Nicholas Togues, POW/MIA chairman.

The newly elected officers were officially installed May 17 at 1 p.m. at American Legion Post #28, Oak Orchard. Installing officer was Harry Wallace, second vice president of the KWVA national office.

Chapter 1, which meets at Mason-Dixon YFW Post #2734, currently has 125 members. A charter to establish Chapter 2 in northern Delaware has been filed with the KWVA national office. Future plans include the establishment of a Department of Delaware KWVA.

"Plans are being formulated to reach out to the approximately 13,000 Korean War veterans living in the state," said Nick. Incidentally, NICK PAPPAS has thrown his hat in the ring, and is now a declared candidate for National KWVA 1st Vice President.

ROBERT WURTSBAUGH CHAPTER

P.O. Box 1983; Danville, IL 61834

This chapter's newsletter "The Korean Monitor" included this information: Officers are Ray Spicer, President; Howard Varner, 1st Vice President; Daniel Schiroll, 2nd Vice President; Theo McCallon, Treasurer.

It is with the greatest humility," said Ray Spicer, "that I accept the challenge to be your President. Being the President of the Robert Wurtsbaugh Chapter is a big responsibility and not something to be accepted without considerable thought... any organization to be a success must have a goal, in the past we had the memorial in Washington. To keep on being successful we must have a new goal. May I suggest the State Memorial and that we really get to work on the POW/MIA's to see to it that something is done favorable in this area. Let me suggest that we each one write to our congressman; if you don't know who that is or his or her address let me know. But let us not forget the Memorial in the Nation's Capital. It isn't built yet. Lest we forget Neglect is why there is no monument to our fallen Comrades and that our war has been forgotten. We didn't plan it that way, it just happened that way... I am going to put a plea in at this time for more support and help from the membership. We need more people attending meetings and the functions. In other words I can't plan things to help the entire membership unless I know what the entire membership feels on. What do you like about the organization? What are your dislikes? With your input we can do the things that we are all interested in."

DONATIONS MARCH 1992

Loius Arsenault, MA, John Bell, W.Hugh L. Boyd, KS., Ritch Cecilio, FL.,
Leonard Ferrell, MO (In Memory of Medal of Honor Recipient
Loren R. Kaufman). Marion E. Gambill, IN.
Col., Donald M. Graham (Ret.), FL., Alvin R. Highower, OK.
Agnes H. Denicola (Gold Star Mother).
Greece (??) Send this check in Greek will have to find someone to
translate who it is from.
Dr. James B. Harle, TX, William Klinkenberg, MI, Massanete
Ares Vocational & Technical Center (MAVTC), FL.
In Memory of Delbert Learner.
Kenneth E. Stine, CA.,

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FOR "TELL AMERICA"

Richard A. Blanc, OH., Charles Bowar, SD, Ritch Cecilio, FL,
Vernon W. Clark, ME, Julius Gurzauner, NY, Kenneth O. Heisner, PA,
Harry G. Jarvis, NC, Stanley D. Levin, NY, Kenneth E. Stine, CA,
Louis Gaspaniti, NY, Al Zentlo, IN, Charles W. Fetzer, OH.

NEW JERSEY CHAPTER

634 Collax Ave.; Kenilworth, NJ 07034

The chapter newsletter "Bunker News" is edited by Bob and
Evelyn Wacker and a recent edition included these items:

STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE — The time has come
when we must now decide amongst us; see we going to stand up
and work and join together on things concerning us, or just leave it to a few
who are dedicated to you and your interests and as they wear out or die,
so does our place in America's history as the "Korean War" — second
bloodiest war in history — second only to our Civil War. I don't want to
hear you're too old — that's a poor excuse for a cop-out. We your
comrades want and need your help, no matter how or what you have to
offer with it and supporting each other, we will make our goals possible.

DUES AND PLATES — Many of you have not paid your
Chapter dues or do not even belong to a Chapter. This is and will be
corrected. The State of N.J. Division of Motor Vehicles has offered to
make Special Plates for N.J. Korean War Veteran Association members
with the emblem on the plate and all — 175 sets of plates at $15.00 a set
will start us off. Keep in mind you must be paid to date at National and
a member of a N.J. Chapter to be eligible for these plates. The plates will be
ordered through the KWVA at my office. A $15.00 check to KWVA and a
photo or xerox copy of your registration for the vehicle you want the
plates for must accompany your National numbers and Chapter to us.

CHAPEL FLAG — I would like to thank those of you who
made donations toward our flag to be put in Gen. William C. Doyle
National Cemetery Chapel along with all the other veteran's groups.
As your president, to those who gave, I say thank you for caring. We still are
somewhat short, but I feel with each State Chapter, plus the State's
Officers' donations, we will make it with no problem. The cost is not
cheap, — $660.00. Be Proud. You will be notified of the date for
presentation. We should all make an effort to attend this program.
A special note! The first veteran buried in the National Cemetery was a
Korean Veteran (#1 grave."

PRAYER

O God, give us strength
For all the missions that you
Have given all of the 'KWVA's'.
You assembled all of us
same forty years ago
To help a poor terrified
South Korea from the murderous
Army of the North Korea and China.
And now some forty years later
You have assembled all of us
For yet another mission
And that great mission is to
Honor our fallen comrades
of that mission some forty years ago.
So all of the world will remember them
That they are not forgotten
So help us God.

—CARLOS BALLARD (1st MarAW MAG 12 1952-53); 10615 Brighton Lane; Stafford, TX 77277.
REUNIONS

3RD INFANTRY DIVISION and attached units: All current and former members — Peacetime And War — are invited to attend the 73rd annual reunion in Burlingame, CA Sept 3 - 6, 1992. For more information contact John Shirley, 4218 Drake Way, Livermore, CA 94550.

32nd Inf. "Queen's Own" Reg. Association, Sept. 9 -13 at the Sheraton Hotel, Columbus, GA. Contact Chester L. Bair; 1022 Howell Ave. B2; Brooksville, FL 34610. Phone 904-754-9394.


Hotel Rate: $42 per room (1 to 4 people). Complimentary airport pick up. Check in time: 2 pm. Check out time: 11 am. Reservation deadline: July 22.

Information mailings, after this issue, will go ONLY TO THOSE WHO WRITE OR CALL ME. You don’t have to commit to come, but we do need to let me know you’d like to receive more information. Gerald Kirven; Reunion Host; 2706 Firs National Tower; Louisville, KY 40202-3174; 502-589-4100 (Office); 502-893-7170 (Home).


Please write: X Corps Reunion; Korea 1950-1953 Alumni; PO Box 274; Wolfville, Oregon 97543-0274. Or call (503) 476-7808 John G. J. Bimentel.

ANY MARINE WHO WAS IN THE 10TH INFANTRY TRAINING BATTALION stationed in New Orleans, La. is cordially invited to attend our next planned reunion. The time period covers from 1940 to 1955. The Reunion will be held as follows: Date: August 13, 1992; Time: 2 to 5 P.M.; Place: Magnolia Room in Harahan, La.

We will mail you all the information needed. Anyone interested in attending should write: Raoul R. Lozano; P.O. Box 143; Harvey, La. 70059.

Or call: 504-340-8601 or 1-800-375-8601. If calling, please leave your Name, Address, and Phone Number if I am not in.

We are trying to locate former shipmates of the USS William C. Lawe, DD 763. We are planning a reunion in October of 1992. Anyone interested in more information, please contact: Owen O. Tumer; 14 Gordon Terrace; Newton, MA 02158; (617) 969-8328.

U.S.A.F. 94TH SIGNAL BATTALION AND/ OR 5TH COMMUNICATIONS GROUP KOREA 1950-54: I have been a member of the K.W.A.V. for about a year, our group has a reunion membership of over 500 members and we get a newsletter out about 3 times a year, during the last 2 publications we have copied your membership notice from your newsletter and placed it on the last page of ours. We will continue to insert the notice in all future issues of our "5th COMET Newsletter".

Will you also be so kind as to insert the following information in your reunion section of the next issue:


"C" COMPANY, 72D TANK BATTALION, 2ND DIVISION Korea 1950-51, Reunion Sept 17-19, 1992 Sweetwater, TN. Details: James Randolph; RR #5 Box 868; Sweetwater, TN 38774. Phone 615-337-3625.

REUNIONS

VETERANS OF UNDERSAVER MILITARY SERVICE

We are desperately seeking our comrades who served in the U.S. military at any time under the age of 17. There are probably such underage veterans in your organization, and we would like to contact them to inform them of our organization and the reunion we plan this August, the first of its kind. We would appreciate your publishing the following notice or its equivalent in your organization’s publication:

The Veterans of Underage Military Service is trying to locate all veterans who served in the U.S. military for any length of time under the age of 17. A REUNION WILL BE HELD in Las Vegas in August. Contact: Allan C. Stover; 3444 Walker Drive, Ellicott City, MD 21042.

Any help you can give us would be very much appreciated. Thank you, and God Bless America.

Seeking FORMER MILITARY PERSONNEL who took basic training at Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky during 1948 through 1954. Also seeking men who were ever assigned to any of the following regiments: 18th Infantry Regiment, 27th Infantry Regiment and the 11th Armored Calvary Regiment (Camp Carson, Colorado early fifties), Company E. Write C. E. Casey; 4104 S. 42 ST.; Omaha, NE 68107-1096.


H & S Co. 120th ENGINEER (C) Bn. 45TH DIVISION is planning its 11th Biennial Reunion for August 21-22, 1992 in Oklahoma City. Contact: Woody Harris; 26 Preston Circle, Stillwater, OK 74075-2017. (405) 372-4098.

We are making a concerted effort this year to locate as many of our buddies as possible. Our group is largely from the Korean War, but we welcome Engineers from WWII and other companies of the 120th.


USS Delong (DE 684) 5th reunion; Oct 7-11, 1992; Charleston, SC. Contact Billy A. Owen; P.O. Box 8024; Norfolk, VA 23503. Phone 804-583-4285.

USS Meredith (DD 890) 2nd reunion; Oct 21-24, 1992. Charleston, SC; contact Joseph Sufozynski; 812 Oakleigh Beach Rd.; Baltimore, MD 21222; Phone 410-477-5535.

USS FLOYD B. PARKS. For information contact: James P. Robbins; P.O. Box 61; Twain, CA 95549. Phone 916-283-2165.

USS Chouvre ARV-1; July 93; Nashville, TN. Contact: LeRoy Driskell; P.O. Box 36; Richland, IN 47634. Phone 812-359-4530.

KWLA LOUISIANA CHAPTER

P. O. Box 55321; Metairie, LA 70055.

Phone 504-282-0228, FAX 504-288-5530

Election of officers for 1992 was held — and then came a surprise: newly-elected President C. EDWARD KARST decided to run for election to the United States Congress and regrettably resigned as our president. We understand. So the Board of Directors voted to have Past President Anthony A. Birkel, Jr. fill the unexpired term.

Other officers elected are: LAMAR O. HOOKS, Vice President; GEORGE L. HUNNER, Sec.; MILROY J. BEYDLER, JR., Treasurer. BOBBY KNIGHT, Chaplain; LAWRENCE H. CHAPMAN, Judge Advocate; SENA PETERSSEN, Sgt-at-Arms; Exec VP is ROBERT HATFIELD. Directors elected are ROBERT HATFIELD, BOBBY KNIGHT, SENA PETERSSEN, and DAN MOYLE.

Our Bingo Game which is held every Sunday at the Napoleon Room in Metairie is doing great. We need workers. If we can expand our membership this will no doubt help us find bingo workers, so lets put out a little effort and try to bring in some new members.
MONROE COUNTY CHAPTER NO. 1
36 Tilegate Glen; Fairport, NY 14450

The Monroe County Chapter No. 1 of the Korean War Veterans Association has "Adopted" a two and one quarter mile section of Route 441, in Brighton and Penfield, under the state DO's "Adopt-A-Highway" program. Under this program, the KWVA will be responsible for trash and debris removal on a scheduled basis during the next two years, thus making the highways safer for motorists and more pleasant for the community. If you have any questions about this chapter and its members, please call DONALD COFSKY, PRO, 716-223-7782. He added this: "We are the first local Veterans organization to participate in this program, and hope that our leadership in this effort will result in other Veterans groups 'adopting' other sections of area roadways. I believe that our group's involvement in Rochester may be the first such involvement of any Chapter in the nation."

Inchon Chapter 109 Bergen Turnpike, Ridgfield Park, NJ 07660 introduces its new Chapter Banner. Pictured are left to right: JIM HANNON, Treas.; RALPH ROVERE, President; JIM SCHERER, Sect. The banner honors all four branches of the armed forces. The banner was designed by JIM HANNON at the request of RALPH ROVERE, after he came to office. We are proud of our banner.

A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO YOU... THE MEMBER OF KWVA

It is high time for each of us to sit down, look in the mirror, and ask ourselves: How can I do something good for my family, for my country, for my fellow veterans?"

Now that about 16 million dollars has been given for the National Memorial, — and the official fund drive has ended — there is one suggestion that we will make here in the pages of Graybeards — you can help to

TELL AMERICA
ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR

PLEASE SEE COUPON BELOW:

YES! I WANT TO HELP!
I AM ENCLOSING: [ ] Other $ _______  [ ] $200  [ ] $100  [ ] $50  [ ] $10

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 — CAROTHERS, CALIFORNIA 93609

YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS: (PLEASE PRINT)
ARIZONA CHAPTER #1

Hello to all from Chapter 1 here in Phoenix. We now have Chapter II in Tucson. Don’t like to lose members but we are glad they could start a chapter there and am happy to report their membership, from a start in Oct. 91, is over 75 at this time. I really think the big boost came from our God Father Emmett Benjamin, who was our reunion Guest of Honor last Oct. in Phoenix.

This may be bragging a little but I met Emmett in Oct 88 at a KKYW reunion in Col. Springs, I was so moved by him I started forming a Chapter when I got back to Phoenix. By Jan 89 we had a charter and are now at 233 members. This number takes us to 12 different states and we have members not only U.S.A. but Canada, and So. Korea, A Medal of Honor Recipient and 59 life members. I’m sure this can be beat but we are trying.

We put out 10 newsletters a year and have Chapter Uniforms, Chapter idemty caps and $3500 in the bank, and you guys thought all we do is play Cowboys and Indians out here in the desert.

For the book: I served with “E” Co., 160th Inf Regt. 40th Div from Oct 50 - Oct 52. My 3rd year was at Fort Hood, Texas.

We are always excited to hear from other chapters. Any chapter that will put us on your mailing list will be put on our mail list. Our address is: Korean War Veterans, Inc. P.O. Box 11767, Phoenix, Ariz. 85061-1767. Looking forward and best to all. Phone 602-272-2418.

—Jim Bork, President.

TEXAS LONE STAR CHAPTER
P. O. Box 800605; Houston, Tx 77280-0605

Phone 713-462-4061

TEXAS LONE STAR CHAPTER on April 16, 1992, gave oath of office to its new officers. Shown administering the affirmation is Chaplain Roland Potts, to (L to R) Bill Kirchheim, President; Don Foise, 1st Vice President; J. DeBenedetto, 2nd Vice President; and Jerry Weber, Sec-Treas.

Jerry Weber sent these photos and added: “This is a photo of our Chapter’s Korean War Panel. It measures 8 feet high by 24 feet long and is joined in three sections. It has been a big hit at all veterans’ day functions and a big source of attraction by TV and other news media. The Wall was copyrighted by us in May of 1991. It is now covered with clear plastic and has the names of the 1700-plus from Texas who were killed during the Korean War. (Unfortunately, we cannot reproduce stat copies in Graybeards).

“We are proud to note that Lt.-Gov. Bob Bullock of Texas is a Life Member of our chapter. Recently, retired LtGen (USMC) Richard Carey also joined. And we are loaded with doctors, judges, politicians, professional business men and a bunch of hard-working Korean War veterans. We are justly proud of our organization and our 200 members — in just 15 months!”

What do you do on a cold Wednesday night in March when it is raining heavily and the temperature is dropping toward the freezing mark? Why you pick yourself up and go out to attend a meeting with your fellow vets at the local meeting hall. At least that is what you do if you are a West Penn Korean War Veteran. On March 18, 37 of you attended the meeting called to order by President Ed Stevens. I repeat the number 37 because I am impressed. There are many organizations with larger membership rosters then ours, that are conducting monthly business meetings with less than half of the attendance that we are getting. To me this is IMPRESSIVE! This attendance is due to your interest, concern and desire to see our Chapter succeed. You are to be congratulated!

Prez Eddie’s comments — 1st VP Rich Kohler is recuperating from a hip replacement operation. Sec’y Jim Lillie is recuperating from by-pass surgery. Get well quick greetings and speedy recovery wishes go to both these officers. Hurry! You are missed at the meetings. Our condolences and sympathies are offered to Judge Advocate Bob Aubele and brother Bill Aubele in the loss of their mother. Membership cards were passed out to those who had not previously received them. ID name tag pins were distributed to those who had ordered them at the February dinner buffet. Members who had previously ordered ID name tags were given the opportunity to place an order for them. Cost is $6.00. This gives a small profit to the Chapter to help defray the one-time cost of the silk-screening process needed as a set-up for the ID name tags.

If you have stayed with me this far, you are more than likely bored to the limit so I shall close. Keep the faith!

Your editor, Pusan John, Chief Honey Dipper.

NATIONAL CHAPTER #1
NORTHERN CA. CHAPTER

P.O. Box 991418; Redding, CA 96009

Pres. Paul Chamberlain

Our April regular dinner meeting was held at Phil’s Place, 141 Lake Blvd., Redding. Phil is a Korean Vet, ex-marine and a member of the Chosin Few. He has a nice smorgy as well as pizza and chicken.

June 28, 1992 at 1:00 P.M. will be the Korean Veterans Annual Picnic 1:00 P.M. at B.B.Q. Pit #1 in Anderson River Park. All veterans are invited to attend. More information later.

September 26, 1992 All veterans picnic at Anderson River Park. More information later.

Anyone sick or in need of help, please notify our Chaplain Parvin Misner, PH. 916-474-1905.

We received word that one of our members, Calvin Drafeld, passed away in December, 1991. He served on the U.S.S. Renville, one of my ships. He lived in Monticello, WI and had been ill with cancer for a long time. Mrs. Drafeld sent a nice contribution for the memorial and said Calvin had hoped to live long enough to see it competed. We are saddened by his death. The U.S.S. Renville is in moth balls at Susunay Bay in Vallejo.

One of our honorary members from England. Ken Palmer and his wife are here on a visit. They are going to try to make the Red Bluff Parade as well as the next meeting. Let’s all make them welcome.

We received a Certificate of Appreciation from Bill Harvey for providing funds for the Veterans Day Parade last Nov. 9, 1991.
K.V.A. OF CANADA INC.
Office of the National President
7740 #4 Road; Richmond, B.C. V6Y 2YS
The letter from President DON B. URQUHART, CD, included:

MEDAL PRESENTATIONS — I have received word from many units across Canada as to Presentation Ceremonies that have taken place in regards to the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal for Korea. My congratulations go out to all of the recipients of the medal. It was a long time coming, but we are very proud to finally have it presented to us.

NEWEST UNIT CHARTERED — Cactus Unit #64 received its charter at an impressive ceremony held in Medicine Hat on 21 March, 1992. Visitors for the occasion arrived from units in Vancouver, Edmonton, Calgary, Lethbridge Cranbook, and Saskatoon.

Many of those attending from the Edmonton area wore the new formal dress for our association. Their green bow ties worn with white shorts and green cummerbunds looked very impressive with the miniature medals worn.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMP KOREAN WAR — A big thanks to Les Pike of Ottawa and Don McClellan of Surrey, B.C. for their combined efforts on our behalf to try to have a Canadian Commemorative Stamp issued to honour those Canadians who fought and died during the Korean War. It looks like the earliest date would be sometime in 1993 or 1994. We wish them much success in their endeavors.

K.V.A. OF CANADA INC. NATIONAL CONVENTION — The very hard working Convention Committee in Victoria, under the Directorship of John Carson, CD, and Convention Chairman Gerry Ratchford are doing their best to see that this years convention will be the best ever for our association. Everything is falling into place very well. The committee is anxious to receive more registrations, although it is known that many units will not be registering their delegates until they know how many will be allotted by the Executive Secretary 90 days prior to the Convention. If you know that you are going to attend, please make your intentions known now to the committee for planning purposes. All convention questions may be directed to John Carson at 1106 Craigflower Road, Victoria, B.C. V9A 2Y1 Phone (604) 386-0545.

DID YOU NOTICE THAT TIME INC. FAILED TO USE PHOTOS OF THE KOREAN WAR IN ITS SPECIAL COLLECTORS EDITION??
IT WAS TITLED “150 years of photo journalism”. “...I presume the letter from you is the nearest to an apology that the Korean War veterans can expect...” said K.V.A member NORM JEFFERS, 1048 Bermuda St. NE Port Charlotte, FL 33980

It was the judgment of the TIME editorial staff that the Korean War simply was outweighed by other events and not worthy of recognition by them. For example, they selected a large picture of a group of people watching a 3-D movie in 1952, rather than use any photos by David Douglas Duncan who was their photographer on the scene in Korea.

In an effort to understand why TIME refuses to recognize the vast impact of the Korean War, NORM JEFFERS has persisted for three years in his search for facts of the war. He sent those facts to TIME, Inc., but they still refuse to acknowledge their import. Some of the facts uncovered by Norm are these:

Twenty percent (1.2 million) of Korean War veterans also served in WWII — and over 600,000 Korean War veterans went on to serve in the Viet Nam war.

It is imperative to remember that "during the Korean War the chain of command from the UN Security Council to General MacArthur was THROUGH the Under-Secretary for Political and Security Council Affairs, CONSTANTINE ZINCHENKO, a Communist."

On his death bed, Donald Maclean, the KGB spy who headed the American desk of the British Foreign Office, declared that his greatest coup in his career as a Communist spy was passing on to Stalin the secret orders of Truman to MacArthur to limit any American action to the Korean peninsula and NOT to cross the Chinese border. We know the result.

Because we lacked enough space in this edition, the September Graybeards will carry Norm’s letter in full, along with the reply he received from Time, Inc. You might get upset at realization of how politicians and certain news media manipulate you and other veterans.
"IT WILL BE A MILESTONE IN YOUR LIFE"

On April 10, 1992 I had the opportunity to return to Korea for a revisit to some of the same areas where I had served with the 7th Division in 1951-52. I took advantage of this rare opportunity along with 37 others who were either Korean war veterans or some of their family members.

Now 40 years have passed and South Korea has a new look that I am happy to pass on to others who have not had the opportunity to see for themselves.

The people of South Korea have their freedom. They have a lot of respect for military personnel from the U.S.A. and the other 15 United Nations countries that contributed to the great effort of the Korean defense.

If you haven't returned to Korea since the war, there is very little that you would recognize. The hills are still there but they don't look the same. The hills aren't barren any more, there is a solid growth of trees up to 35 feet tall. It is especially beautiful in the fall colors.

There are wide hard surfaced streets and highways. Seoul is a very modern city of approximately 11 million population compared to 300,000 in 1950.

There are approximately 20 beautiful bridges that span the Han river in Seoul. There are high rise buildings up to 63 stories. The hotels are large and as fine as you would find anywhere. The subway system is modern and massive in size, it will take you to some of the nicest shopping areas that I have ever seen. Seoul is a large modern city that can stand with the best of cities throughout the world.

I always knew that we did a good job during the war in Korea, and I know now that the Koreans are very thankful for our extreme efforts.

The Korean war was probably the most vicious war ever in modern history. There were some good that came from that war, a better life in freedom for the people of South Korea.

You should try to revisit Korea. It will be a milestone in your life.

I love the people from the land of the morning calm, where I seemed to have done a lot of growing up during the eleven months that I served there in 1951-52.

SFC MELVIN W. SCHRIEFER (7th Division); 814 West Harvard; Champaign, IL 61820

This is SFC MELVIN SCHRIEFER April 14, 1992 on KWV Re-Visit in background is North Korea and the Bridge of No Return.

OUR EX-POWS SHOULD HAVE BEEN HONORED

We arrived in Washington D.C. on Saturday, June 13, 1992 with much emotion, and pride. The fact that we were finally going to have the ground breaking for our monument left us with an extreme feeling of happiness.

However, we left the memorial area on Sunday with a feeling of dismay. We do not understand how our organization could have forgotten our MIAs, and EX-POWS, as our country forgot our "Forgotten War". I do not understand why we could not, on the reviewing stand, bring to the attention of General Kelley, at the least, that he did not recognize our MIAs AND EX-POWS. Personally we think that there should have been a symbolic area left empty to represent our MIAs and that our EX-POWS should have been honored by being seated on the reviewing stand, ahead of many of the other people who were sitting in this place of honor.

I am sure that this was not a malicious omission, but one of not thinking by the powers that be. I asked one of the secret service men to bring this to General Kelley's attention, but to no avail.

We respectfully request that you see to it that a statement by General Kelley acknowledging this oversight is printed in the next issue of the Greybeard. Our MIAs, and EX-POWS deserve this acknowledgment, for who of our comrades suffered more than the men held in captivity, and those who still are unaccounted for, some of who may still be suffering to this day.

—DONALD FELDMAN; and ex-POW WALTER BRAY; Chowen Chapter; Paramus, NJ.

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