

Korean War 60th Anniversary Update

The 60th anniversary of the Korean War armistice is fast approaching. No doubt local, state, and national organizations are planning celebrations of some sort. With each issue we will track events being planned.

And, it is a good time to start compiling stories for our 60th anniversary special edition (May-June 2013). Please let us know where you were when the armistice was signed, what you were doing, what was going on where you were, last minute surprises, your emotions after learning that the armistice was signed, your concerns about left-over ammo, how you and your buddies/units/enemies/families et al reacted...whatever you feel is important to cover in the special edition.

If you have photos, newspaper clips, diary entries, or other documents that supplement your remembrances, they would be welcome. We will put everything together for the special edition of *The Graybeards* that we are working on.

Send your material to 60th Anniversary Editor, *The Graybeards*, 895 Ribaut Rd. #13, Beaufort, SC 29902. (Please make sure to include the #13 part of the address.)

July 27th

Danville, IL

On July 27, 2012, the Danville Area Community College Student Veterans' Association re-dedicated a tree honoring Korean War veterans. The ceremony honored DACC Korean War veteran alumni.

New NPRC Address

All of the 60 million military personnel and health records from the early 1900s are being moved to the new National Personnel Record Center facility. The new address is National Personnel Record Center (Military Personnel Records), 1 Archives Drive, St. Louis, MO 63138.

CALL FOR ELECTIONS

The membership is hereby notified that elections will be held in the spring of 2013 for the following National Korean War Veterans Association, INC. (KWVA) offices: four (4) Directors for the years 2013-2016.

No later than December 15, 2012, any regular members in good standing of the KWVA seeking to run for the aforementioned offices shall make their intentions known to the Chairman of the Elections Committee, Thomas M. McHugh., in writing, using the following format:

Requirements:

Applicants must:

A. Present proof of service by submitting a separate signed Official KWVA Membership Application Form showing eligible service years and include a statement releasing the application form for verification by the Elections Committee (no fee required).

B. Present a current photograph, suitable for publication in *The Graybeards*.

C. Submit a letter, signed and dated, limited to approximately one (1) page, including the following:

- 1) Your intent to run for an office and the office sought.
- 2) A resume of your qualifications for this office, stating any experience that will be of benefit to the Association.
- 3) Your current mailing address, telephone number and KWVA membership number.
- 4) Your email address, if available.
- 5) Alternate email address and alternate phone number. if available.
- 6) A statement that you will attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors and that you understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be used for your removal from office.
- 7) A statement that your dues are current through the whole term of the office that you are seeking. Note: Payment of delinquent dues shall not be retroactive for the purpose of establishing eligibility to run for office within the Association.

D. Send the above items by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Elections Committee Chairman, to arrive not later than December 15, 2012.

Applicants are requested to contact the Elections Committee Chairman if they have any questions.

Address application packages and questions to: Thomas M. McHugh, Election Committee Chairman, 217 Seymour Road, Hackettstown, NJ 07840: Ph: 908-852-1964 Email: TMMcHugh@msn.com

The KWVA election process is as follows:

The Elections Committee certifies the candidates who are qualified to stand for office.

- The candidate declarations are sent to the editor of *The Graybeards* for publication in the January-February 2013 edition.

- The ballots are also published in that edition.

Members cast their ballots by May 10, 2013, and mail them to the KWVA-approved CPA.

- The CPA counts the ballots and reports the results via certified tally sheets to the Elections Committee.

- The results reported by the CPA are verified by the Elections Committee.

- Copies of the completed and verified tally sheets are sent by certified mail to each of the 15 Board Members, the Secretary, the Treasurer. and to each of the candidates for office, regardless of whether they are a winner or loser:

Frank Cohee
KWVA National Secretary