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KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

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TO: PRESIDENT BUSH AND ALL OTHER AMERICAN VETERANS —YOUR HELP IS NEEDED NOW!

YOU WROTE IT

"Dear Stan: I have received a copy of your letter about names of KIA/MIA on or off the Memorial. . . I do not have super memory but this question has been asked at every meeting I have been at. When are they going to start, when will they finish, when will we dedicate?

" . . . As you know, Stan, the model was unveiled 14 June 1989 . . . and . . . no mention was made of names. When I see this question asked I put it down as people who have just joined or they do not read Graybeards! If they read Graybeards they would know the KWVA was not asked for an opinion . . .

"The way I understand your letter, you want the present Board of Directors to go on record as saying we do or do not go along with the present design. If we vote NO, I am sure we would be portrayed as uncaring and insensitive to our members. If we vote YES, put names on the Memorial, what is the NCPC, ABMC, and all the rest who have been involved in this going to think? After 3 years (if) we start to voice our opinion that we don't like the design will this give a green light to all involved to take our Memorial and put their own changes to it? At what cost? Then we (would) have to start getting everyone's OK again!

"How long will all this take? I doubt if a day goes by that a Korean War veteran does not die. They all deserve to see this Memorial in their lifetime. To start this process all over again would be ludicrous. I for one say — NO! This is a memorial to ALL who served in the Korean War, not a tombstone to the dead and missing comrades.

" . . . I really feel this answer could and should have been answered by you in Graybeards. You should have told the members how the process to attain the Memorial goes. Step-by-step! Where we were at and why. But most of all you should have told the members that the KWVA was the fund raisers and the ABMC was in charge of design!

" . . . As editor all your personal opinions should be put on a page and labeled as such! They have no business anywhere else! Not as a member or Board member!"

--BILLY R. SMITH, National Director KWVA;

#6 Mac-Cory Drive; Oreana, IL 62554. March 15, 1992.

Editor's Note: Well, Billy, I went back through the Graybeards and find that since Sept 1988 I have published detailed information answering your comments on updates, names, events, costs, etc in MORE THAN 35 ARTICLES. A lot of those stories were PAGES of names and addresses and actions of the various commissions involved. And time after time it was clearly stressed the KWVA has no official voice in the process.

Thank you for your to-the-point letter. It puts into perspective the position that Graybeards is trying — in this issue — to make perfectly clear to every member: Graybeards is caught in the middle of a debate that official Washington would like to ignore. We are simply trying to publish ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION for each member to decide as he/she wants and to then act accordingly.

The Reno reunion committee is looking for a group to hold a seminar on the role of the medics — maybe setup a MASH unit? to inform the general public and veterans. We need your help! Please contact Harry Wallace or Stan Hadden or Dick Adams. Thanx!

SEE MORE STORIES ON PAGES 4, 5, 6, AND 7

IT'S EITHER 19 OR 16 STATUES BUT MEMORIAL DESIGN IS MOVING

PRESIDENT BUSH MIGHT ATTEND THE GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY

March 5, 1992 — the National Capital Planning Commission voted to "approve the design" concept for the Memorial. There is some question as to the full range of that approval. (See page 4).

However, there are those who are satisfied with that vote and plans are being immediately put into motion to have the

GROUNDBREAKING PLANNED FOR JUNE 14, 1992

As of this writing (March 6) we know only these comments for the ground-breaking ceremonies: they will begin about 2 p.m. on Sunday June 14. That date was selected partly because it will be the third anniversary of the unveiling of the proposed memorial model by President Bush in 1989. Large crowds are expected to attend, including many from foreign nations. Access to the area will be under crowd control procedures; credentials will be required in some instances. Possibly there will be limited close-range viewing of the events.

KWVA officials and members will take some part in the ceremony; details are to come later. We plan to have more information for you in the June Graybeards. Meantime, you may choose to contact the office of KWVMAB, at phone 202-208-3561; or FAX 202-208-3459.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

On JULY 26, 1991 the KWVA membership attending the annual reunion adopted a resolution which said, in part:

" . . . WHEREAS, after \$3,000,000 has been expended and the selected design has been amended many times, it is not clear to the members of the Korean War Veterans Association what the Commission of Fine Arts, American Battle Monuments Commission and the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board are going to design or build; and

" . . . It is therefore resolved that the membership of the Korean War Veterans Association in annual reunion authorizes and directs its leadership to take appropriate action, including communication with the President of the United States to the end that a design be selected forthwith and that the Memorial be started on November 11, 1991 and completed speedily."

That resolution was reported, in full, on page 20 in the September 1991 Graybeards. Accordingly, Graybeards, through its editor, has relentlessly pursued information for KWVA members. And the clause "including communication with the President of the United States" is especially important to EVERY MEMBER of KWVA. Graybeards reads your instructions to include passing on to all members the telephone number of the White House so you can — if you choose to do so — call the White House and tell them your personal opinion.

That telephone number is 202-456-7639. Mail address is: The Honorable George Bush, President of the United States; the White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.; Washington, D.C. 20500.

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TAPS

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

HENRY J. SHACKLETON; Medina, Ohio.

CHARLES W. REIDLINGER; Duncannon, PA.

RALPH P. NOONAN; August 12, 1991. Natick, MA. From his wife Louise.

RICHARD G. STILWELL; (Gen. Ret. U.S.A.), Dec. 25, 1991; 15th Inf. 3rd Div, Korea.

JOSEPH N. (Joe) MOORE; March 29, 1991 at Lithonia, GA. He was 57 and served as a medic with the 23 Inf. 2nd Div in 1950 and 1951. He was awarded two Purple Hearts, Bronze Star for Valor, and the Combat Medic Badge. He was buried in Greenwood, SC.

THOMAS KNIGHT; U. S. Army. Retired M/Sgt.; Jan. 7, 1992. Served with Medical Co, 23rd Inf Regt, 2nd Inf Div 1950-1951. Home address: 4918 Westwood Dr.; Hunstville, AL 35815. He is survived by his wife and family. He was a proud veteran of the Korean War; also served in Viet Nam.

JAMES B. FINCH, December 12, 1991. Sgt U. S. Marines, 1st Div. Jim was in the Inchon invasion, Chosin Reservoir, and was also one of the Chosin Few. He was awarded the Korean Service Medal with 3 stars, Presidential Unit Citation with star, and Good Conduct Medal. A member of the Long Island Chapter; he loved his country and flag and served them well.

JESSE McRAY, January 2, 1992, Pacola, Oklahoma. He was 59; a member of the 24th Division and was a P.O.W. in Camp #5 for three years. He is survived by his wife Lucille, and children and grandchildren all of Pacola area.

JOHN JOHNSON (Ltc Ret), March 3, 1991, Mobile, AL. He was retired superintendent of National Cemetery in Mobile and a resident of Mobile for 28 years.

The Crystal Falls, Mich., native received an honorary title as the official Santa Claus of Korea in 1953 for his organizational efforts of "Operation Santa Claus" which was a program to provide clothing and toys to the Korean children made orphans by the Korean conflict. He is survived by his wife, Marcella I. Johnson of Mobile; two daughters, Dianne Kennedy of Grand Junction, Colo.; and Kaylene Prather of Birmingham, Ala.; two sons, Robert Johnson of Mobile and Gary Johnson of Lebanon, Ore.; one sister, Hildegard McMannis of Duluth, Minn.; one brother, Roy A. Johnson of Ironton, Minn.; eight grandchildren; and other relatives.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PLEASE READ AND HEED!

"Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$25.00 as a donation to the "Tell America" program.

"This is my second donation to this program. I would be interested, as I am sure others would also be, in the response and plans for this program. Would it be possible to do an article on it in the next issue?

"Am sure there are all kinds of suggestions but here goes another. A large number of our members live in relatively small to medium sized towns. How about putting together an information packet of possibly a series of press releases geared to the several significant events which took place during that three year period. Such dates as the start of the war, The Inchon landing, The Chosin, Heartbreak Ridge, Pork Chop Hill, the signing of the cease fire, return of POWs etc. Individuals and Chapters could be asked to volunteer to act as distributors of this material to newspapers in their towns. Most local newspapers will publish material providing there is some local involvement. The very act of a KWV bringing the material would in many cases ensure publication. These release would be sent a few weeks prior to the date of the event. Those who act as distributors could report back to advise "headquarters" of the success of the program and make recommendations as to change etc. Those towns which have talk shows could also be approached to have guests on dates of special significance to KWVs.

"Approaches such as these, if properly organized and controlled from a central point, could provide a large amount of publicity at minimum cost."

--CHARLES W. MCKELLAR; 107 Chatworth Road; North Kingstown, RI 02852-5507. 11-7-91.



OUR MISSING IN ACTION



JOHN FISHER, M.I.A. JULY 27, 1950: WAS HE IN THE 24TH DIV?

I belong to the K.W.V.A. I am writing a book about The Korean War. I would like to get some info. If I can about my school friend JOHN FISHER. John and I are from The Charleston, W. Va. area. John joined the Army in the fall of 1949. He became a M.I.A. July 17, 1950 in South Korea.

The newspaper "The Charleston - Gazette" ran a story and a picture of the "Korean War Death March" in the fall of 1950.

John Fisher's dad picked John out of the group. John's dad was told by the government later that fall (1950) that John had died. That is all that is known about John.

I thought he might have been in the 24th Div. John had his army training at Fort Knox, KY. He was only 17 yrs. old when picture was taken. He would have been 18 yrs. old Aug. 1950 - while a P.O.W. I made John Fisher's picture from our "1949" school book. This picture was taken about one-year before he became a M.I.A., so he should have still looked a lot like this in 1950. So someone might see this picture of John, if you could run it in the newspaper and have some info that I could receive. It's a shame that it seems that John just disappeared from the world without a trace of his army past. I would like to change that. Anyone with info. about John Fisher can call me collect at my home (304) 925-1492.

—CHARLES A. HAMMONS; 530 Georges Drive; Charleston, W. VA. 25306.



HE IS ONE OF OUR 389 MIA — DID YOU KNOW CPL. ALFRED LOPES?

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 Hoensong, Korea, when his unit arrived in the town of Wonju, DS 085334 coordinance he was missing. He is an original member of the 389 MIA listed and believed a POW as stated by returning POW's. If you know of any information regarding his situation please contact 1st LT Robert Lopes USMC (Retired) at 27567 Norloti Street, Palm Springs, California 92262, Tel (619) 322-5807.

WE LIKE THIS LETTER

Last September Graybeards had a story on some P.O.W. names found in England. This letter came to us:

"In reply to the article on page 21, British Veterans Association has some American P.O.W. names. I am one of those: KENNETH L. REESE, Ohio, P.O.W. 313. doing very well at present and am married with six grown children. Have 100 percent disability, VA and S.S. compensation. All replies will be welcomed. Thanks. KENNETH L. REESE; Korean P.O.W. Camp #1; 1127 Rumsey Road; Columbus, Ohio 43207.

JOHN ARTHUR KIRK, FORMER P.O.W. FAMILY SEEKS INFORMATION



This is friend number two, and next door neighbor in the 1940's. I made John Kirk's picture from our "1949" school year book also. I joined the service June 1949. John joined the army after I left. John was a P.O.W. in Korea for almost three years. He was released in the fall of 1953. I was trying to get some info on him for my book also. He came home in 1953. Married, and a little later moved to Cleveland, Ohio. Worked as a carpet layer, started his own business in the Cleveland area. Died at the age of 40.

No one I can find knows anything about his army or P.O.W. years. His brother-in-law thinks he was captured around Nov. - Dec. 1950 at The Chosin Reservoir. He could have been in the Army's 7th Div. if that is true. I called his wife in Ohio. She knows nothing, his son was about 10 years old and daughter was about 12 years old. Now in their 30's they were never told anything about John's service years either. All three would like to fill in his background, along with me.

Another Korean War vet and P.O.W. has left the world with his army past missing. Another shame. Not only do we have a "Forgotten-War" we have "Forgotten-Men". I am trying to help people remember both.

If you could run John Kirk's picture in the newsletter along with John Fisher's with a little of this info I am sending, someone might know one or both. A lot of people could be made very happy.

—CHARLES A. HAMMONS; 530 Georges Drive; Charleston, W. Va. 25306. Phone collect 304-925-1492.

HE WAS THE LAST AMERICAN TO DIE IN THE KOREAN WAR

JULY 27, 1953, Eastern Front, Korea --At 8:40 p.m. a mortar or artillery round exploded inside an outpost bunker in which six men were sitting along the walls. One of them had just gone to the doorway and sat there, feet in the doorway and picked up the phone to relay reports on incoming rounds to company headquarters.

His name was Sgt 1/c HAROLD R. CROSS, JR., Co K 3rd Bn 5th RCT. The blast blew off half of his flak jacket and hurled him deep into the bunker. The roof caved in, sealing the interior into two compartments. Two and one-half hours later, Sgt. CROSS died.

He was the last American to die in the Korean War.

One hour and 20 minutes later, the cease fire went into effect.

This letter came from JOHN J. PLENSKOFSKI (Co C 5th RCT 1950-1951); P. O. Box 2188; Warminster, PA 18974.

Many of us ask: why can't the name of Sgt 1/c HAROLD CROSS of Michigan be engraved in the eternal stone of the Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington, D. C.?



Graybeards has been placed in the middle of a debate — thousands of Korean War veterans and their families insist upon having names of KIA/MIA on the Memorial wall. Hundreds have written letters to us . . . and we have printed them for the past two years.

The reviewing authorized commissions in Washington, DC (KWVMAB, ABMC, FAC, NCPD) are going ahead with their plan to put "photographs" on the Memorial wall and to have a "state-of-the-art" computer setup for names.

Graybeards is presenting to you all the facts known to us. We are printing letters that show what the overwhelming majority of our mail is saying.

We are printing the names and addresses and telephone numbers of those government people who are in charge.

It is up to you — the reader of these words — to decide to act or not. It is up to you to speak or act according to your heart and your mind. Contact President BUSH, or congress. If you want to send a copy of your message to Graybeards, we will report again to you in June.

TO PHONE THE WHITE HOUSE, DIAL 202-456-7639. SEE LOWER RIGHT FOR CONGRESS NUMBER.

A February 1992 "Current Status" statement from KWVMAB said this:

"The design concept idea of a column is still intact although circumstances demanded a reduction to 19 troopers. It is a multi-service formation, representative of those who fought the war on foot. Notably, the formation will include an Air Force Forward Observer and a Navy medic. The faces will convey the emotions generated by exposure to danger and the ethnic diversity typical of the era. The troops are positioned in an open triangular shaped field with several emerging from the woods.

"Other design modifications, dictated by several imperatives have had to be addressed. These imperatives include:

— "Compliance with the intent of Congress that the Memorial honor all participants in the Korean war.

— "Honoring particularly those who gave their lives or were held as prisoners of war, also a mandate of Congress.

— Accommodating serious concerns recorded by the approving Federal Commissions during the multiple review sessions; such as circulation of visitors, handicapped access, relationship to other memorials, saving existing trees, containment within the Mall, ease of maintenance, overall size, integration of all design elements.

"The column of 19 statues will be flanked by a 170' wall of polished granite on which will be etched 100's of images of representative combat and combat support personnel in operational mode that sustained the troopers in battle. The column and wall meet at a ceremonial plaza where the visitor will find the American flag, the symbolic objective of the troopers. The wall, bearing the simple inscription "To those who made the supreme sacrifice," and the related pathway extend into the still reflecting pool. The reflecting pool is surrounded by a grove of trees and benches for visitors to sit and contemplate if they so desire. All nations who participated under the UN banner will also be recognized.

FORGOTTEN

When did you come home,
I've seen pictures of your war,
When did you fight,
I've read about your war,
Where did you fight,
I've seen pictures of Korea,
When did you come home,
It seems you've been forgotten.

—CELINE ROSE MARIOTTI; 411 Coram Avenue; Shelton, CT 06484.



General RAYMOND G. DAVIS
(then Lt Col)
U. S. Marine Corps,
commanding officer,
1st Battalion, 7th Marines,
1st Marine Division (Rein.).
Received the
Medal Of Honor
for action
vicinity Hagaru-ri, Korea,
1 through 4 December, 1950.

"The review commissions in Washington make the building of a separate wall impossible, but we have a design for listing all names as is being done with great success by the Navy Memorial in D. C. All best wishes, RAY DAVIS." (Gen. Davis, recipient of the Medal Of Honor, is the distinguished chairman of KWVMAB.)

"As Stan knows, names on wall was discussed 2 years ago. . . law says 'honor all who served'; the casualty records were unsatisfactory. Changes now would delay Memorial by two-plus years with law running out. Solution: after we build let KWVA build addition? Warm regards, Ray Davis."

Editor's Note: for more of Gen. Davis' remarks, please see "KWVA Board Action" on page 12.

PUBLIC LAW 99-572, SECTION ONE, says this:

"Section 1. The American Battle Monuments Commission is authorized to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia and its environs to honor members of the Armed Forces of the United States who served in the Korean war, particularly those who were killed in action, are still listed as missing in action, or were held as prisoners of war."

ABMC SAYS 16 STATUES

Washington, D. C., March 3, 1992 - - Gen. P. X. Kelley chairman of ABMC, in a letter to NCPD said this, in part:

"At your March 5, 1992 meeting, Mr. Kent Cooper will present a modified design which (1) Establishes the number of figurative statues at 16; (2) reduces the area of the triangular ground setting; (3) Extends the trees from the rear forward into the triangle; (4) Shortens the granite strips.

"Once your Commission provides the aforementioned approval of this design, and in compliance with the intent and spirit of PL 99-572 (Oct. 28, 1986). . . ." the design process will commence. He added: "We will, of course, return to your Commission at the 65% state of completion."

THESE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS CONTROL ALL MEMORIALS

A letter received from Congressman Harley O. Staggers, Jr. of West Virginia said this: "Memorials are under the jurisdiction of the Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Libraries and Memorials. There is strong sentiment in the Congress supporting the construction of the Korean War Memorial. We intend for the Memorial to be built."

Well, my fellow veterans, there you have it: the correct committee in Congress to which to send your letters and opinions on happenings of the Memorial. Pick a name from the following:

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON LIBRARIES AND MEMORIALS

Mail Address: Commit. Phone:

H1-A612 O'NEILL HOB (ZIP: 20515-6164)..... 226-2307

William (Bill) Clay, MO, Chairman

Phone: 202-225-3121
and ask for
Congressman by NAME

Joe Kolter, PA
Martin Frost, TX
Steny H. Hoyer, MD

Bill Barrett, NE
Pat Roberts, KS

NO TITLE...

NO HISTORY...

NO NAMES...

FOR
YOUR
INFORMATION

Graybeards has studied the specifications available and puts the following for your information: we find nothing on the Memorial specs that says "Korea" or "Korean War" or "1950-1953". We have heard informally that plans will include "something to that effect".

We find nothing planned for public display to tell the American people the basic history of the Korean War. Those basics are answers to why? who? when? what? where?

We find no official who supports the plea to engrave the names of KIA/MIA on the wall or elsewhere in the Memorial.

We have found the decision to have names available through a kind of computer arrangement (see page 6).

We have not been told where or how the planned computer system will be located or housed.

We have been told that changes may be made at specified stages of construction, as follows: at 35 percent, at 65 percent, and 95 percent. We are asking clarification on that information to see if, for instance, names could be added to the wall later without disturbing the construction schedule.

YOU WROTE IT

SOME PREFER TO HAVE KIA/MIA NAMES PUT ON THE WALL

"There are many veterans and their families who do not agree with the concept of having names available only upon call through a computer terminal. I am one of them. I do not agree that the goal is to 'Just get a Memorial built — anything, but just get it built.'"

"I believe that there is a special spiritual significance in being able to touch eternal stone inscribed with the names of ALL who died in the Korean War. It is a deeply emotional experience to reach out and sense those thousands of fellow Korean War veterans who await us Over There.

"Standing before an impersonal computer and asking for the records of one individual cannot begin to approach the high measure of honor that all America owes to the 33,000 - 54,000 who died in that war.

"Therefore, I am writing my letter to President Bush and asking him to do three things: (1) direct his appointees on the various boards and commissions to put the KIA/MIA Names on the wall; and (2) to erect 19 statues as planned; and (3) to do the job immediately.

"I have been told my battle is a losing one. I refuse to agree. It is my hope that enough other veterans and their families will also contact President Bush that he will then take the action requested."

—STAN HADDEN; P. O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425.
Phone 304-535-2259.

"... AGAIN I FEEL HANDS REACHING OUT... PLEADING"

"Again I hear, as I did at the 'moving wall' the voices of 'all those buried in the ground' and again I feel hands reaching out — pleading 'Let us Korean War KIA/MIA speak of our history, now and for future generations. Let us speak in a language even our little children can learn from and understand. Put OUR NAMES on the wall of OUR Memorial — give us back our voices.'"

—KEITH and CLARA BENNETT (ex-P.O.W.); 205 Salisbury Rd. (the blue house); Conneaut, OHIO 44030.

"I firmly believe that the KIA-MIA names should appear on the Korean War Memorial. There is no question that it's the right thing to do and we should settle for no less."

—CHESTER PHILBRICK; 12 Hilliard Rd.; Old Bridge, NJ 08857. 3-15-92.

YOU WROTE IT

"... FIRST REALIZE THE TERRIBLE TOLL AND THE MIGHTY CHANGES..."

"In my opinion, with television constantly re-discovering the Viet Nam war (and mostly likely this re-discovery will go on for more generations), the proximity of the Korean War Veterans Memorial makes a special design imperative to have the understanding and support of the American people. To attract the number of visitors that we would like to see requires the inscriptions of KIA/MIA names on the Memorial wall because for America to remember the Korean War, they must first realize the terrible toll and the mighty changes brought to today's world by the war of 1950-53."

—NORM JEFFERS; 1048 Bermuda St.; Port Charlotte, FL 33980. Phone 813-625-1944.

45 SIGNED THE LETTER ASKING FOR KIA/MIA NAMES ON THE WALL

TOM CLAWSON (Pres. Minnesota Chapter 1); 953 Gorman Ave.; West St. Paul, MN 55118; phone 612-457-6653; sent a letter signed by 45 veterans. His letter was headed this way:

"The below Minnesota Korean War Veterans, Chapter 13, support Mr. Stan Hadden in his belief that names of the Korean War KIA/MIA should be inscribed in the wall of the proposed Memorial in Washington, D.C."

Tom added this: "Thanks for your update info you have sent. Vern keeps me in touch and that I appreciate. Some day, Stan — some day we will meet — shake hands and we (out in the Midwest) know all the sweat and blood that you, the officers and directors of the KWVA have given. Of course this will be at the dedication of OUR Memorial. God bless you."

WE HAVE SENT THAT LETTER TO PRESIDENT BUSH.

PVT KENNY SHADRICK AND 33,000 OTHERS EARNED THE HONOR OF HAVING THEIR NAMES ENGRAVED IN ETERNAL STONE

Graybeards has been bombarded with letters and phone calls from veterans who cannot understand why those in charge of deciding the Memorial design refuse to put the names of the Korean War KIA and MIA on the proposed wall. Among those comments are the following:

"I wrote the Board who is designing it and asked them when their loved ones died, did they put their names on the tombstones, or just Mom and Pop, as they don't want our dead vets' names on our Memorial."

—PHIL STREET; 1812 E. 600 S.; Jonesboro, IN 46938.

"... because we undoubtedly are now living in an era of the most massive and rapid change the world has yet known, it is especially essential that we retain our historical perspective. . . such recent insights as Max Hasting's 'The Korean War,' (Simon & Shuster 1987,) and Harrison E. Salisbury's 1990 foreword to Little-Brown's 40th Anniversary reissue of David D. Duncan's 'This Is War,' just now begin to put the Korean War in perspective and explain how it was the beginning indeed of those events which are transforming the whole world. . . without the names the memorial is nothing except perhaps a mockery."

—PATRICK J. TEEVENS - KWVA #2977; (2nd Inf Div Arty - Korea 1951-52); P. O. Box 176; Brownstown, Michigan 48173. 4 March 1992.

"I fully support your stand THAT ON THE KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL that is eventually to be erected in Washington, DC which is my FERVENT PRAYER FOR all time, THAT EVERY SERVICE MEMBER who died for the United States in Korea 6/25/50 to 7/27/53 have his name put on that memorial. I STRONGLY SUPPORT YOUR STAND. I am very much interested in anything that benefits the forgotten Korean War Veteran."

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

MORE LETTERS ON PAGES 8, 13, 14.

KWVMAB AND ABMC PLAN TO MAKE NAMES AVAILABLE THROUGH A COMPUTER SITED AT THE MEMORIAL

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 5, 1991 — "There will be an honor roll listing names/details of all known KIA/MIAs in an interactive video data base which will be accessible throughout the Memorial," said KWVMAB today.

Graybeards asked about that "interactive video data base" and was told that the model for that "honor roll listing" is the Navy Memorial Log display on Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington.

So, the editor of Graybeards visited that register today . . . I checked it out and here is the straight scoop:

Briefly, the Navy Log is a complicated computer setup that was put together by those who wanted their names and/or photograph to be on file. Cost is \$25 for first entry of name. Another \$25 is required to put the photograph in the file.

The Log contains names from any war. Names of those who died during wartime or later can be filed ONLY through the procedure described above.

As we understand the proposal for the Korean War Veterans Memorial — someone has donated the money for the computer program. Someone will do all the data input, assumed to be names of those who died. If you, as a visitor, want to know the history of one who died in the Korean War, you simply push the buttons on the computer panel and the information will appear on the screen. Apparently, if you want a printout of that information, it will also be available — **and all without charge to you.**

THESE PICTURES ARE TAKEN FROM THE ACTUAL FOLDER HAND-OUT.



AT LEFT: ACCESS PANEL.
BELOW: THE IMAGE:



BELOW IS TAKEN FROM THE ACTUAL FOLDER HAND-OUT AT THE NAVY MEMORIAL LOG THAT APPARENTLY IS BEING USED AS THE PATTERN FOR THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL:

The U.S. Navy Memorial Log is the permanent register of Navy men and women—past and present—who have been enrolled into the Log by themselves, or by their friends or family members.

Names in the Log are displayed electronically on video screens located in the Log Room of the U.S. Navy Memorial Visitors Center. Visitors are invited to search for individual records which are then displayed showing name, branch of service, rate or rank, dates of service and date and place of birth.

A photograph also can be displayed with the record, along with where and when the picture was taken.

A donation of \$25 is requested for each Log enrollment and an additional \$25 is requested to include a photograph with the record. The photograph may be added to the Log at any time. Photographs submitted for the Log may be color or black and white, however must not be larger than 8x10. The name of the individual—along with date and location taken—should be printed on the back of the photograph with soft pencil. Regrettably, photographs cannot be returned.

Anyone who has served in the U.S. Navy, Naval Reserve, or with the Navy's sister sea services—Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or wartime Merchant Marine—is eligible for inclusion in the Log. For more information about the U.S. Navy Memorial Log and Visitors Center, please write or call:

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701 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
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Washington, DC 20004-2608
Tel. (202) 737-2300



PETTY OFFICER
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Like a ship at sea, the Visitors Center has its own "movie call" down below the weather decks—a wide-screen, high-technology, action-packed 70-millimeter film spectacular. This experiential film is the creation of the producers of "To Fly," the cinematic tour de force of the National Air and Space Museum. (If you thought flying was fun, try a trip around the Horn in a Navy replenishment ship.) Other visual presentations await in one-on-one, finger-touch controlled interactive video displays of every ship and aircraft in the Navy and naval events that made American history.

The Navy Memorial Log records naval service information of present and former members of America's sea services, living or deceased, in whose names contributions have been made for the completion of the Navy Memorial. Approaching an enrollment of a quarter-million names (and several thousand pictures), the Log is on continuous display in the Navy Memorial Log Room on the Gallery Deck. The touch of a video screen brings into view the entry for any individual in the Log. Visitors may add names of their loved ones to this living record of naval service.

THIS IS YOUR STORY.

One of the most recent books on the Korean War, "In Mortal Combat" by John Toland, said this: **Korea** "... may eventually turn out to have been the decisive conflict that started the collapse of communism. In any case, those who fought and died in that war did not fight and die in vain."

Graybeards received a lengthy and concise letter from CARL F. BERNARD; 3008 Doeg Indian Court; Alexandria, VA 22309. (Former LT in TFS; now a retired colonel). It was the text of the speech he gave at dedication last year of a memorial to Pvt. KENNY SHADRICK, a soldier in Task Force Smith, the first reported American killed in Korea. Col. Bernard's words are, in Graybeards' opinion, nails driving into the consciousness of an American whose government has — so far — refused to tell its people the truth about the Korean War. Space does not allow us to give you all his words, but look at these few:

"Our first fight in Korea was with 406 men who had to find, move up to, and prepare a fighting position in less than five days. We were roundly defeated. Compare this with the over 400,000 troops and five months of preparation in the Gulf conflict."

"Kenneth Shadrick was killed using one of these ineffective weapons, the 2.36-inch rocket launcher (Bazooka) from World War II. . . The seat in Hell closest to the fire is reserved for the Army officers who knew the Bazooka didn't work and never alerted our generation to its inability to kill tanks, while keeping the larger and much more effective 3.5-inch rocket launcher back in the States."

"... Is this relevant for those of you who have sons of an age to replace Shadrick in a new war? Can this happen again? What is the role of we elder citizens in seeking that it does not?"

"Please be as conscious of the need to keep a Task Force Smith from happening again as General Gordon Sullivan is being. Let's keep Kenneth Shadrick the last person killed from Wyoming County because your Army is unprepared. This probably means that we can't buy exotic Stealth bombers merely to keep aerospace workers employed. It certainly means our intelligence must become adequate and timely, i.e., new qualities. It means that we must retain and assign our most competent leaders and soldiers to man our 'first-to-fight' units. And it means your Senators and your Congressmen must insist that your Army remain well equipped and properly trained. It is certain to be needed again, one day."

HERE IS A COMPROMISE SUGGESTION FOR THE USE OF A COMPUTER TERMINAL

Since the necessary money is actually in hand, let that sum be used to establish a computerized historical record of the Korean War. The system data base could contain WHY the war began; WHEN it was fought and with listing of battles, results, casualties, nations, etc. It could include historical data such as the problems between President Truman and General MacArthur.

The viewer could grasp the full significance of the Korean War — something that apparently is not being taught in our educational system today. The viewer could judge the true impact of the war upon the forces of communism.

Factual information could be offered on exact details of the cease fire agreement: what the DMZ means to today's Korea; the danger posed by North Korea's nuclear threat to the world.

The offerings of this usage of a computer system are limitless; its value to unborn generations of Americans is beyond calculation.

OTHER ALTERNATIVES TO CONSIDER

(1) Go ahead and build the pool, the flag site, the statues, the walkways, the trees. Proceed with ground-breaking ceremonies. BUT add the wall later; use a process similar to that planned for photo-etching photographs and instead put NAMES of KIA/MIA on the wall. Let the wall be the last thing constructed; why must it be otherwise?

(2) The law is running out? Well, that happened last year, didn't it? And Congress extended the law. Now, with so many members of Congress in trouble with their rubber checks, it seems reasonable to believe they will be happy to readily approve extension of the law to erect our Memorial. Proper management and firm resolve can build the Memorial well within present time limits. (3) The effort to "honor all" — in the use of a photo wall — can also be fully served through installation of a mural wall inside the building contemplated to house the computer access system now planned to be built.

**ATTN: PRESIDENT BUSH AND ALL OTHER AMERICAN VETERANS —
YOUR HELP IS NEEDED NOW!**



We have a distinguished combat veteran in the White House Oval Office, our Commander-In-Chief George Bush. The illustration above clearly shows the debate; if YOU believe the names of KIA/MIA should be on the Memorial wall please contact Mr. Bush NOW and tell him your opinion. The White House telephone number is 202-456-7639.

PERSONAL OPINION

The Korean War KIA/MIA did not fight and die in vain. But it appears that their deeds, their valor, their sufferings, their very names — will be kept from open view of the American citizenry. It is our personal opinion those names should be engraved on the proposed wall at the proposed Memorial in Washington, D.C.

The KIA/MIA names should be on the Korean War Memorial wall because the American people need to be forever reminded of a truth as expressed by Carl Bernard in his last paragraph quoted above.

We have asked repeatedly: "Why do you oppose putting those names on the wall?" of the American Battle Monument Commission (ABMC), the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board (KWVMB), the Fine Arts Commission, the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC). We received no answer.

It is Stan Hadden's personal opinion that to duplicate the method used on the Viet Nam wall would be simply the right way for our nation to honor those who died in the war that transformed the entire world. You — the reader of these words, can form your opinion and act as you see fit.

SEE JOHNSON LETTER ON PAGE 8.

YOU WROTE IT

"DUE TO RESPECT FOR PVT. SHADRICK I SUBMIT THIS SHORT SUMMARY"

Dear Stan; Concerning the article in the Graybeards, January 1992 about PVT. Kenneth Shadrick, first killed in the Korean War struck a chord and I had to write a little about myself.

I landed in Korea from Sasebo, Japan on the first, second, or third day of July 1950, dates and times are a little hazy but I remember on the fifth of July we had our first Battle, at Sojongri; just South of Seoul. Lines of North Korean tanks rained shells on us completely destroying the AID station that I, as a Medical Corpsman and Pharmacist worked.

I was attached to an Infantry Company, 34th Regiment, 24th Division. We had no tanks, artillery or other heavy weapons, only our fists and broken down rifles. I remember helping to carry back PVT. Shadrick.

On the 19th July I was shot in the head and left eye which knocked me out. I came to, with blood running out of my eye, a bayonet pointed at me. I could speak Japanese, which probably saved me from death at that time.

After many beatings, forced marches and extreme malnutrition we finally arrived at Sunchon, North Korea. At Sunchon we were taken along a railroad tunnel and gunned down with Burp Guns and later Bayoneted to insure our death. Because a Bob Salvo or Salvy from Pittsburg fell on top of me, with blood running over me, the Koreans thought I was dead.

That night a Sergeant from Lead, South Dakota and I crawled into a corn shock to keep from freezing. I had no shoes, and only a few rags for clothes. The next morning, after leaving the corn shock I ran into a North Korean who was escaping to the South. He secured some food from a North Korean farm woman and took us South to the South Koreans.

In September 1990 I received a letter from Mr. Lacy C. Barnett who supplied me with information from morning Reports that concluded I was missing in Action 24 August 1950. I was a POW over a month before that date.

I don't like to write about those Horrible days as a POW, but due to respect for PVT. Shadrick I submit this short summary.

Sincerely, —LLOYD D. KREIDER; Box 5013; Lancaster, PA 17601, 1-11-92.



The headstone of KENNETH SHADRICK in the American Legion Cemetery in Beckley, WV. This photograph and that of the bridge named in honor of the first to die in Korea, were sent by Prince Clyburn; 216 Berkley St.; Beckley, WV 25801.

IT IS THE BULLETIN THAT KEEPS US MOVING

Stan: I enclose you a copy of the "The Rifleman", of 31 Dec 1991, as matter of general information. Between the time I took this to printer, and the time I got it back for mailing, the Jan issue of "The Graybeards" came in, and was immediately read and thoroughly enjoyed as always. I believe the newsletters are the most important single thing in keeping any organization alive and moving. Reunions are great but last only a few days; the other 360 days per year it is the bulletin that keeps us going. —W. B. WOODRUFF JR.; P. O. Box 515; Decatur, TX 76234.

YOU WROTE IT

"...THIS IS THE REAL REASON THAT D.C. DOES NOT WANT A KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL"

Dear Stan; Thank you for your newsletter and the report on the Korean War Memorial committees. I am in agreement with you most of the way, and in some respects, I am more angry that you.

However there is one point that I wish to take up with you. We know that the government would like nothing better than to DIVIDE AND CONQUER. If they can keep the Korean and the Viet Nam Veterans fighting each other then they will escape responsibility for caring for the issues that concern both camps.

Look at the list of similarities which exist between these regional wars:

1. Both were undeclared wars. These wars were not initiated according to the U.S. Constitution and were therefore unconstitutional.

2. Both were fought on the Continent of Asia. Why were young Americans called upon to fight a war half-way-around the world from the blessed Homeland? It was not our fight to begin with.

3. Both were limited wars. General Douglas MacArthur was ordered by Washington, D.C. not to pursue attacking Russian MIGS back across the Chinese border, even after they shot up our boys. In the Viet Nam thing, Johnson, and then Nixon ordered our planes and ships to avoid international borders, as well as certain sanctuaries in North Viet Nam. We were told not to touch Russian war supply ships in Viet Nam waters for fear of starting a wider war. (Our boys were good enough to send into battle but not good enough to save once things got too hot.)

4. This leads to the fourth point. Both were DIPLOMATIC wars. The diplomats at the United Nations had more influence on the outcome of the wars than did Field Commanders, as far as Washington D.C. was concerned.

5. Both wars were FOUGHT FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS purposes rather to seize and control the land. In Korea we repeatedly were ordered to take a hill in the morning and then to relinquish the same hill that same night. The trouble was that the NEXT MORNING we were told to take the very same hill all over again.

In Viet Nam we were told to clear a village of Viet-cong during the day, and then to retreat to our former positions at night. The next day we were told to do the very same things all over again. What ever happened to the military doctrine about seizing and holding the enemy terrain in order to deprive the enemy of access?

6. Both wars ended in a negotiated truce rather than ending in VICTORY. What ever happened to Unconditional Surrender? In Korea we promised to stay behind the 38th Parallel like good children, and in Viet Nam, we promised to evacuate South East Asia and leave our military equipment behind so that it could be sold on the Black Market to our enemies.

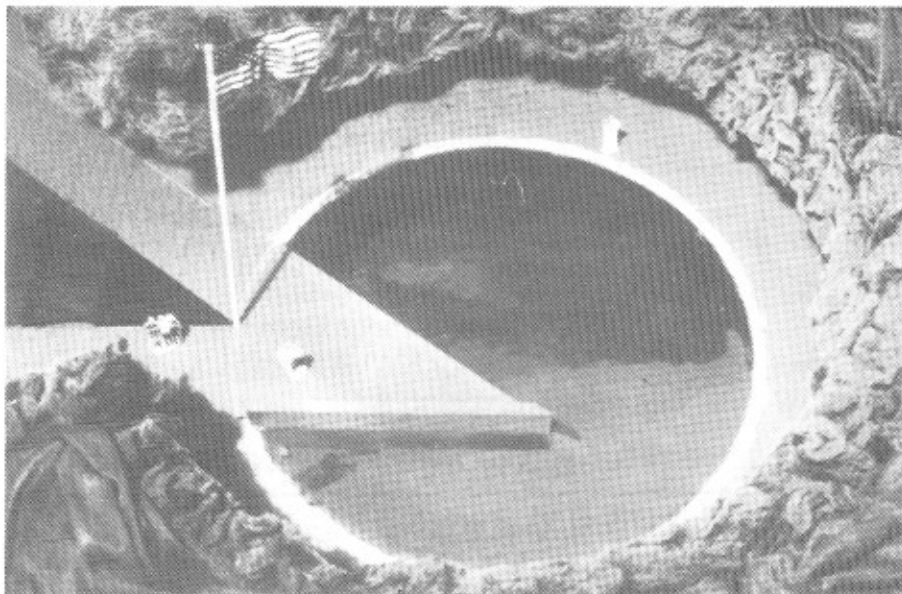
7. Both wars were ended without an agreement to allow us permission to pick up our blessed war dead from off of the battle fields and to take them home for proper burial. It was almost as if our own government did not want the repatriation of young bodies for fear it might stir up the home folks.

8. Both wars ended without a proper accounting of our P.O.W.s. Probably for the same reason stated above. I can't imagine a worse death than that of young men stuck in prison holes, even those who were not beaten or tortured. They simply gave up and died because they lost hope that America would ever come and get them out of there. Healthy young men without a bruise on their bodies simply curled up and died without love, knowing only enemy hate.

Stan, this is the nightmare I live with. It was bad enough for we Korean Veterans to suffer for the policy mistake committed by those in power in Washington, D.C., but it was far worse to stand by and watch our government make the very same mistakes all over again in Viet Nam, with a fresh batch of young Americans bodies.

This is the real reason that Washington D.C. does not want a Korean War Memorial. They do not want to be reminded of their stupidity. It was bad enough for them to have to permit a Viet Nam Memorial, but to have TWO OF THEM would be too much. There would have to be too much explaining to do to the American People.

—LEON G. JOHNSON (Ex 1st Lt. Korea); 105 Geneva St. Apt. 431; Bath, N.Y., 14810. (607) 776-3098. 1-26-92. P.S. You have my permission to use this letter anywhere you think that it will do any good.



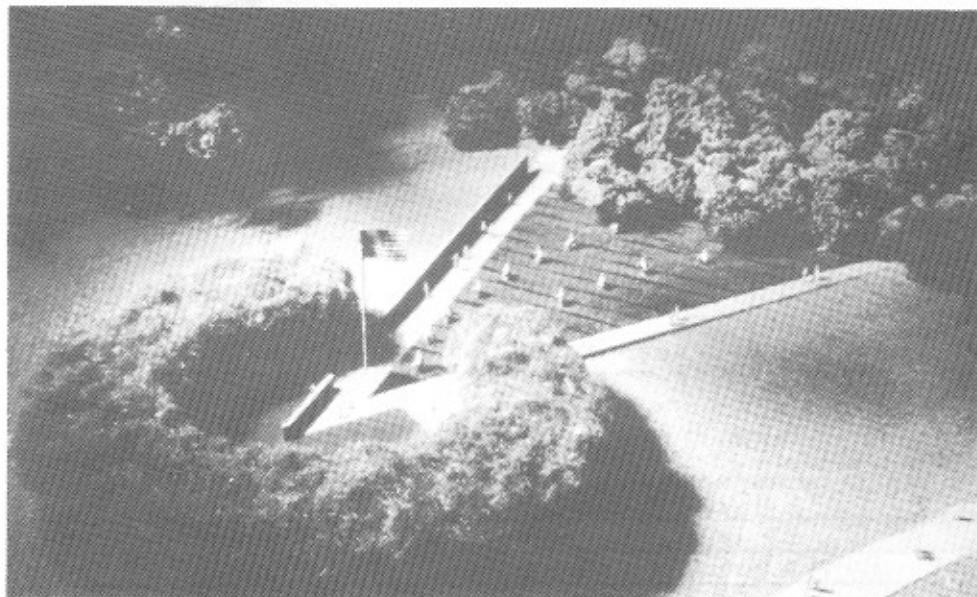
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"An aerial shot of the still reflecting pool on the 1:10 model, showing the flag pole and how the walkway and the wall extend into the pool."

DESIGN OF THE MEMORIAL



"A ground level shot of the walkway next to the mural wall. This wall will have hundreds of images of the representative combat and combat support personnel in an operational mode. This of course will include but not be limited to Navy, Air Force, MASH teams including nurses, surgeons, chaplains, etc."



"Overall shot of 1:10 model, looking in a south-westerly direction. The Lincoln Memorial is to your right. The slide shows the double column of troopers emerging from the trees, ascending a slight incline trudging toward the American flag. At the apex of the triangle is a still reflecting pool. The wall, which has a break in it to allow visitors to move around the pool, extends into the pool and has a statement: "In memory of those who made the supreme sacrifice." There are benches under the circular bosque of trees for those who choose to rest and contemplate."



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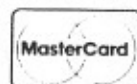
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She said further: "I can assist you with airline, train, hotel, and car reservations; cruises and tours as well. If you will be attending the Reno convention in July, call us. I look forward to assisting you in all your travel needs and hope this will help to raise funds for your organization."

In her home town, Nancy is "fortunate to have the opportunity to work with the Lopes-Ferris Chapter in Marshfield, MA. As a Den mother, I bring Scout troops to VA hospitals to visit. I coordinated a bike-a-thon fundraiser for the local monument fund and have donated flowers and wreath which decorate the monument site."

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We have letters with good poems. . .

We have letters with tales of extraordinary experiences in Korea. . .

But we have limited space for publishing . . . and will do all possible to publish your letter; please bear with us as we "sort-of" ration out our space. Thank you. THE EDITOR.

If you are interested in the Lake Tahoe boat ride in Reno, here is the name and number for you to contact for information: Ms Tammy Dahlberg; phone 916-541-3364; or FAX 916-541-3130. The KWVA reunion committee is not involved in this event.

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Dear Dick Adams:

In regards to our phone conversation, I am enclosing a Cassette recording of "LET'S REMEMBER OUR SOLDIERS" along with a copy of the Lyric & Music. Please feel free to use this song, however you see fit that would benefit all the American Veterans. If additional information is needed, please contact me. This Song has been Copyrighted.

—LOUIS A. DePASQUALE; 2640 East Virginia Ave.; Phoenix, AZ. 85008; 602-957-7859. 6-26-91.

My lyrics read as follows:

Let's remember our soldiers
Those who fought to end the sting of war.
We should always remember,
Every thing their sacrifice was for.

Every gold star parent,
Hold you head up high
With the wives and children
Of the men who said goodbye.

Let's remember our soldiers.
May they not have died in vain.

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Let's remember our soldiers
Those who left their loved ones all alone.
We should always remember,
That they fell on many shores unknown.

Not a soldier fighting
Thought of race or creed.
Side by side in battle
When our nation (country) was in need.

Let's remember our soldiers.
Let them rest as God decreed.

IMPORTANT RANDOM INCOMING

This Christmas greeting card came: "Just a short note. I made three trips to the Land of the Morning Calm. I would like to make one to the Korean Monument before I make your TAPS column."

It was signed: WILD BILL METZLER; 3602 Susanna Dr., Louisville, KY 40213.

THE MISSOURI Chapter No. 1 has a new address: P. O. Box 190075; St. Louis, MO 63119. The change was made by the post office when the closing of one office required relocating a lot of mail boxes.

The South Jersey Chapter will host its first Dept. of New Jersey annual reunion on May 8 - 10, 1992. Lodging, meals, dance, fun -- contact TOM DALEY, 26 Knox Blvd.; Marlton, NJ 08053.

The Tennessee Korean War Memorial Association is planning its memorial dedication ceremony to happen July 3 and 4, 1992. There will be meetings and a parade and dance and troops and planes and excitement and speeches and . . . but you will have to be there. Just contact: JACK WALKER; P. O. Box 291946; Nashville, TN 37229. Veterans from all states, peace time or war time, are welcome to come. Family members of those who died in service will have a special place in the parade.

The February 1992 newsletter of the Greater Cleveland (Ohio) Area Chapter lists these new officers: Pres. ROBERT D. HAAS; 1st VP AL. E. HERRINGTON, SR.; 2nd VP ARTHUR W. LASLO, JR.; Sec DANIEL MONTVILLE; and Treas ROBERT J. LAHMAN.

NEEDS HELP FOR CLAIM

I am looking for Capt. L. B. BRALY, MSC Chief of Enlisted Personnel Section in Fort Lewis, Washington in 1949. My records burned in the July 12, 1972 fire and were destroyed. Is there some way, or someone, out there who can help me get in touch with him? I would appreciate it, for my claim with VA.

--JAMES D. LOWE; 1923 Bartway; Murfreesboro, TN 37130.

KWVA BOARD ACTION ON THE MEMORIAL

The KWVA Board of Directors, at their own individual expense, traveled to Miami, Florida Feb 14 - 16 for their mid-winter meeting. Among those present was General Raymond Davis, chairman of KWVMAB, who included the following in his remarks:

Ever since the start of the search for a design, the main theme has been "Service in the cause of freedom" - - but nothing has really surfaced in the competition submissions that would solidly meet that aim.

The wall presentation (such as was shown in the January Graybeard) is designed to try and illustrate the many elements supporting the combat troops. Nothing in the design on the wall is even planned to show any unit or service branch . . . a truck is a truck, for instance.

Logistics and lack of complete information and names. At this time the KWVMAB has studied and dug and researched but feel that the wall design as proposed, that would use support elements, is the better decision.

The KWVMAB is standing firm on the concept of troop columns. There is a problem with the number of statues that will be shown. General Davis made it clear that he and his board retain control of detail design on the statues. There will be distinctive ethnic features; there will be identifiable Army vs Marine gear; there will be a mix of a few service units; there will be definitive detail on clothing and weaponry. It appears that there will be faces on the statues. The statues are planned to be eight feet tall.

The target date for ground-breaking is June 14, 1992. There is not yet a target date for dedication. Plans are being informally drawn for ceremonies of ground breaking. KWVA is planned to be a prominent part of that ceremony.

About 14 or 15 million dollars have been raised through public and corporate donations. Of that amount: the Army Corps of Engineers is authorized by Congress to take about 10 percent off the top for their expenses. The Dept. of Interior (Park Service) will need about another 10 percent for perpetual maintenance costs. Of 900,000 Korean War coins minted, about 820,000 have been sold; that put about 6 million dollars in the Memorial fund. **Officially, the fund raising drive is now in slow gear.**

In response to questions, General Davis said that yes, the efforts of Graybeards and members in sending letters to the various boards and commissions and politicians DID HAVE a positive effect. He told the directors and officers that yes, he thinks KWVA and its members should again join in, and continue, a form of letter writing to expedite solving or resolving the fewer stumbling blocks that we now can identify.

In response to questions, Gen. Davis said that yes, he thinks it would be a good or helpful idea to put an article in the Graybeards to illustrate how the Navy computer presentation system works and is used at their memorial on Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, DC. SEE PAGE 6.

Afterward, the Board of Directors approved the following letter, to be sent to all decision-making commissions and people involved in the Memorial process:

WHEREAS, the American Battle Monuments Commission and the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board have presented a Korean War Veterans Memorial design approved by the Commission on Fine Arts, and

WHEREAS, the Korean War Veterans Association heartily endorses that approved design, and

WHEREAS, the National Capitol Planning Commission (NCP) function is to review and approve this proposed Memorial within the National Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, the KWVA is desirous of having the now scheduled ground breaking for Memorial Day, May 25, 1992, and since time is of the essence, it is therefore

RESOLVED that the KWVA is respectfully requesting that the NCPC forthwith approve the said design and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED that the KWVA respectfully requests that EACH COMMISSION MEMBER OR EX-OFFICIO MEMBER either attend the next meeting session, or instruct their alternates to approve the submitted design in toto and without delay.

EDITOR'S NOTE: At their March 5 meeting, NCPC completely ignored this letter.



KOREAN WAR VETERANS COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL SET.

This outstanding salute to our members can now be ordered from the KWVA Quartermaster. The set includes:

1. Beautifully embossed presentation box with KWVA logo.
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Bill my M/C or VISA account: Number _____

Expiration date _____ My name/address/zip is: (Please print name) _____

Happy New Year Special Comrads

To all our Korean War Veterans
and their families:

We must be thankful and not forget the hardships that we suffered in overcoming the cold and enduring the journey to freedom for Korea. We are most grateful for the prosperity and peace that we enjoy today.

한국 참전 동지 회
KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION
REPUBLIC OF KOREA CHAPTER
Myong Chol Lee
President
TEL: (809) 877-4196

SENT TO
GRAYBEARDS
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NEW JERSEY

I KNEW HIM IN THE P.O.W. CAMP

In the January issue 1992 Graybeards, page 3 the information asked on Father Emil Kapaun, really took me back. I spoke to him a week or so before he died. I was in a so called hospital area, and at the time I had pneumonia. I met him, a British Doctor, and a Chicago Sun Times, Correspondent. Father Kapaun, and the Correspondent both died at Pyucktong #5 North Korea. That camp was on the Yalu River, in North Korea. The date was about February, 1951. —THEO BAUDOUIN, JR.; Rt. 3 Box 471; Dickinson, Texas 77539; 713-559-2110.

TURNER PUBLISHING CO. advises Graybeards that the delivery date for the BOOK II KOREA has been moved up. They have mailed another letter to new members offering them a chance to appear in the book.

YOU WROTE IT

EDITOR: THE GRAYBEARDS. Dear Sir:

In the "YOU WROTE IT" section of the January 1992 issue of "THE GRAYBEARDS" every letter hit home, but none with greater impact than that of Colonel (USA RET.) David Hackworth. The veteran of United States military service is and has been almost completely shunted aside by the government that he served just as soon as the "dust has settled" and the war is painfully brought to a conclusion. A WAR is A WAR! What the hell or who the hell takes it upon themselves to label any war in which human lives are lost anything less? The news media seems to delight in keeping this misnomer alive for forty plus years now. Who is so complacent or so ridiculously smug in this government that they think that the veterans of any war will sit by and be ignored in favor of some ridiculous spending programs carried out by the politicians to seek favor to line their own pockets while they drag their feet when it comes to spending a few dollars to benefit the veterans who put them in their over paid positions to begin with?

We (the veteran) will have to wait a long time until we are finally lucky enough to see some one in office who has a shred of decency and will stand up for the rights earned at risk of life and limb by, not only the KOREAN WAR VETERAN, but all other veterans. None of us wants preferential treatment. None of us asks for anything that we weren't promised and that wasn't earned. The veteran, by and large is the "ELITE" of this society. This society would not exist if it were not for the veterans sacrifice!

To hell with the damn parades, to hell with the "mouthed promises" that never materialize. The veteran needs something substantial, and he/she needs it now, not when they are in their graves.

I joined the Veterans of Foreign Wars in 1952 when I was separated from the Army, and I have been beating my head against the wall for 40 plus years in the area of veterans benefits and rights. I am a past commander of both the V.F.W. and the American Legion and a charter member of THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION. I am not a politician nor am I attempting to make any kind of political statement. I am, however, an American citizen first and a veteran, who is fed up to the ears with this perpetual foot dragging by the "(Powers that be???) in the area of veterans recognition. ALL VETERANS OF ALL WARS!!!!

Just what the hell is the difference between a war and a police action anyhow????

—GEORGE W. RUNYAN, Member Number 360, Korean War Veterans Association; 1 Kathy Drive; RD 2, Box 178H; Seneca, Pa. 16346-9618. 1-15-92.

RICHARD G. STILWELL

This letter is for the purpose of making a personal comment concerning the passing of an outstanding Marine, General Richard G. Stilwell, on Christmas Day 1991. My good fortune was to have him as my regimental commander in Korea in the 15th Infantry known as the "Can Do" Regiment. I served under him as a company commander and as his assistant S-2. This was during the winter campaign of 1952-53. His outstanding leadership inspired all under his command.

My good friend, Leonard Lassar, who was my medic in Korea attended the funeral service at West Point. An impressive ceremony was held in the West Point Chapel before the interment in the cemetery behind the chapel. Quoting Leonard's letter, "There was a Catholic Mass for the General at 11:00 a.m. in the Old Cadet Chapel and then buried in the back of the Old Cadet Chapel." General Stilwell had served as the commandant of West Point in 1960 when my brother Paul met him at his class reunion. This assignment is reserved for the most promising officers of the army of which General Stilwell most definitely was from my experience in his Korean command.

Along with thousands of men, I owe my life to one of the finest officers who ever led troops in combat. In my condolence letter to Mrs. Stilwell, I stated that I was only one of many who will miss and greatly respect her husband. He served in three wars and his last assignment was chairman of the Korean War Memorial Committee. In our phone conversation in October he said that it will be done despite problems we all know about. The "charity of choice" to honor his outstanding life should be to this memorial for which he worked so hard.

—DAN BRAUCHER; 710 73rd Court; Willowbrook, IL 60521.

YOU WROTE IT

This one is the opinion of your Graybeards editor: "The Korean War transformed the entire world and yet the men and women who performed their tasks of war are the least-known and least-recognized by the American people and our government.

"Their untimely deaths in a war fought in a land most of them had been unaware of and for a people whom they never met is a mantle of honor that can only add to their legacy of sacrificing their short lives for the future of their homeland and its citizens . . . our United States of America.

"It is my personal opinion that the wall as presently proposed for the Memorial does not even begin to approach the magnitude of honor all America owes to those Killed In Action, those Missing In Action, those living today in their own special lonely Hell as a result of war experiences.

"Why is it wrong to put the names on the wall — just as was done for the Viet Nam veterans? Why is it wrong to duplicate the method of tribute that has proved to be one of the most respected and publicized of all our war memorials?"

--STAN HADDEN; P.O. Box 131; Harpers Ferry, WV 25425; 304-535-2259.

"Stan, what we KWVA members need to do is to take our story on the Korean War Memorial to the TV news shows such as 20/20, 48 Hours and 60 Minutes and the other TV programs that are always reporting on these types of events to the American people. I think it is well past the time that we let the American people know what has and is taking place in regards to the memorial. Just reading about this commission and what they have to say about the memorial and the type of changes they want to make, I have come to the firm and trueful conclusion that these people are what I heard one Korean War vet call them, "Educated Idiots". Again I think that was putting it mildly because I think of much stronger words, just let the mind wander.

"By the way, I think I might have a first for you and the Membership and that is that I served three tours of duty in Korea: before the war, during the war and after the war. February 1947 - August 1948, September 1950 - August 1951, May 1957 - September 1958. First time before the war I served in Seoul and after the war I served in Pusan.

"Remember my dear and fellow comrades, if we do not stand up to be counted, we won't be counted!"

--FRED A. DUVE, JR.; 916 West Clark; Vermillion, SD 57069.

"Remember when you were in service and you had a complaint that you wanted to be heard, what did you hear? . . . One of two things: "Get your card punched by the Chaplain" or "Write a letter to your Congressman."

"Really, if our members would just sit down and take an hour to write a letter it might mean a lot. The letter doesn't have to be fancy just so you get your thoughts out there. The squeaky wheel gets the oil, as they say."

--WARREN DOLFINGER; 30-33 Westgate Dr.; Bohemia, NY 11716.

TASK FORCE SMITH SURVIVORS ARE SOUGHT

I am planning to write an account of the actions of Task Force Smith in the early days of the Korean War, and am writing to request your assistance in contacting surviving members of that task force. It was composed predominantly of members of the 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry, and was commanded by then-Lieutenant Colonel Charles B. Smith. I would greatly appreciate your placing my request for information in the next issue of your publication.

I am a member of the KWVA, who retired from my medical practice some three years ago to devote my time to the study and writing of military history. I have just completed my first work, a critical biography of MG Edwin D. Patrick, mortally wounded while commanding the Sixth Infantry Division on Luzon, Philippine Islands, in March 1945. This biography will serve as my master's thesis in history at the University of Hawaii. I will greatly appreciate any assistance that you can provide.

--WILSON A. HEEFNER, M.D. (COL MC AUS-Ret); 7205 Park Woods Drive; Stockton, CA 95207.

YOU WROTE IT

A KOREAN VETERAN WHOSE NAME WILL NOT APPEAR ON THE MEMORIAL

Dear Stan: I would like to see this article appear in Greybeard.

Master Sargent George McIntyre, Fox Co., 15 RCT, 3rd Infantry Division, died in Korea, but will never appear with our dead.

Mac came back to Korea for a third tour in 1953. He served in occupation in 1947, returned in late 1950 and again volunteered in 1953. He was wounded three times in combat.

I first met Mac in 1953, when we were both transferred from Baker Co., 15 Regiment to Fox Co. He was made my assistant on a BAR, even though he was a Corporal and I just a Private. He never questioned this arrangement and I had a lot of respect for him. This was brought on by 2nd Platoon being hit on Outpost Harry, in April 1953, taking heavy casualties. We were sent in to beef up the 2nd.

I feel that Mac was the reason I came back. He and I were good friends to the end.

In November of 1953, Mac was court-martialed for something he said to a colonel on Thanksgiving day. Two days later he was demoted to Corporal and relieved of all company responsibility, where he had been the First Sargent. That night we heard one shot and was told shortly afterward that Mac had taken his life in the battalion area.

I still think of Mac and miss him. A Korean Veteran who will not appear on the memorial.

--IRV TREMBLAY; 10009 Lexington NE; Albuquerque, NM 87112; 505-294-3743. 1-21-92.

DID YOU KNOW THIS MAN?

I wear one of the MIA bracelets and would like to know anything about: 1st LT FRANCES W. ESCOTT; U.S.A.F. 12-31-53 Korea. Your help will be appreciated, and God bless you. Contact me: ANNA McHUGH; 5251 Akron St.; Philadelphia, PA 19124.

HIS CHURCH HAS A PROBLEM

"Dear Editor: I have a problem. Maybe so you also have the same one at you own respective church. These Methodist preachers (where I go) never, ever mention in their service for the Sunday nearest Memorial Day and Veterans Day anything about us veterans — or those who died.

"I can't determine IF these preachers are pacifist, forgetful, or just don't care. Any suggestion how I can bring them into line? I have spoken to them with no results so far. I think we do deserve a mention, don't you?"

—JAMES MALONE; 12703 Jones Rd.; Apt 1015; Houston, TX 77070.

Editor's note: I dunno, James; just do not give up. Maybe they are part of our younger generation who have never been told anything about the war by our government or educational system.

SUPPORT THE IKV MEMORIAL

To The Editor of Greybeards:

Re: The Memorial planned for Washington D.C. I am suggesting that we stop putting money in a bottomless pit. As long as the government is involved there will be delays and cost override, example we have gone from 6 million to 15 million dollars and we are still no closer today then we were 2 years ago. Even the concept 38 men walking does not in any way represent what we endured.

I urge the members to support the International Korean Veterans Memorial, San Pedro, CA. It represents what we endured, the Government is not involved. (The government that forgot and ignored the Korean Veteran). The cost 3.6 million dollars has remained due to the fact the government is not involved.

—CLIFFORD W. MEYER; #3831 K.W.V.A. Member of The Chosin Few; President River City Chapter; 7143 Valeriana Ave.; Citrus Heights, CA 95621-1962; 1-916-723-8026. 1-19-92.

**COPY DEADLINE FOR
JUNE GRAYBEARDS IS
MAY 15**

YOU WROTE IT

I think non-veteran "politicos" have entirely too much to say about veterans and what we deserve. It's the Korean War vet who put his life on the line in Korea and had to go through all that crap and it should be the Korean War vet who should have the final say on our monument and what it should look like.

It's our "Baby".

I'm sick and tired of those non-vets telling us what we should do and shouldn't do. They never had to go through what we had to go through and are not qualified to run our lives for us.

We earned our right to speak and get what we deserve and by God, we should stick to our guns. --RICHARD A. BLANC; 19200 Pawnee; Cleveland, OH 44119-1725. Phone 216-486-8156.

"It is my opinion that the names of those killed in action and POW/MIA names be engraved in stone. This is a simple, powerful, and respectful effort that the American people continue to understand.

"(Yes, I can punch a number on a computer and read names; I also understand I can purchase a complete listing of all names, however, this is no lasting tribute to those who paid the ultimate price!)

"I want to read my 1947 graduation classmates name (DEAN BUNDSCHUH) on the wall of this memorial. He gave his young life early in that war in Korea." —GENE L. BOWSER; 12373 4th Street SE; Fort Myers, FL 33905-4811.

A number of members have phoned to ask about a questionnaire they have received in the mail from Minneapolis. The questions are asked in a "voluntary study" of KWVA. The Board of Directors and officers and Graybeards know nothing about that letter. We do not know how the sending party found your name and address.

GRAYBEARDS FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Last September our postage cost went up from twelve and one-half cents to fourteen and one-half cents. When we add all costs together, it costs about \$1.25 for each Graybeards you receive. That just about takes care of the first five bucks in your dues (and under our by-laws we have many who, due to their special status, pay no dues and all others pickup part of their cost).

When you move and do not give us advance notice, it costs from 35 cents to \$1.86 just to be notified by the post office that you have changed address. Will you please make a note somewhere and next time you move: TELL GRAYBEARDS FIRST.

And if you have any loose change to give to us for postage use, it shall be appreciated. Thank you.

CANADA HAS ABOUT 4,000 MEMBERS AND PLANS ITS 1992 REUNION

"The one most important ingredient that binds together an association such as ours, where we have nearly 4,000 members scattered from coast to coast in 60 active units, is communication," said SAM URQUHART, CD (National President KVA of Canada); 7740 #4 Road, Richmond, B. C. V6Y 2T5.

His message to Canadian units concluded: "I sincerely hope that from now on, that all of our members will be kept informed as to the happenings of KVA Canada."

Three re-visits to Korea are planned for 1992. Members of the New Zealand KVA are discussing the possibility of pursuing their government for issuance of their own Korean War medal.

KVA of Canada Inc National Convention Committee have sent out information kits and registration forms. Planned to be held in mid-September, this huge event should be most enjoyable for U. S. veterans. Contact Sam Urquhart.

The 1992 REUNION — JULY 24 THRU 28 — WILL BE HELD IN RENO, NEVADA!

8th ANNUAL REUNION AND MEMORIAL SERVICE
KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION

39TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CEASE FIRE
RENO, NEVADA

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

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P.O. Box 12205

Baltimore, Maryland 21281

I WILL ATTEND

Yes

No

SPOUSE;

Yes

No

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☐ 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 _____

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ARE YOU OUT THERE?

Looking for members of the **307TH BOMB GROUP** 1946-1954 B-29's that served at Mac-Dill AFB and Kadena AFB. Contact: Lee Rosenberg, 3 Wellington Dr.; Stony Brook, NY 11790. Ph# (516) 751-7324.

2nd Chem Mortar BN: I have been unable to read anything or find anybody in connection with this battalion. They were in Korea 1950 to 1953. I was called back as a reserve in Sept. 1950 to Nov. 1951; served on front lines continuously from F. O. to 1st Sgt. A Co. Can we hear from you? Anything will be appreciated. Contact me: V. P. LEAVEL, Jr.; 4717 Diaz #1; Fort Worth, TX 76107.

Veteran of Korean War wishes to correspond with previous members of his battalion, the **2d Battalion, 224th Infantry Regiment, 40th Division**. Also, has several photographs of battalion members and battle areas that he would like to exchange with others. Ronald Gorrell, 2617 Scorpio Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

Seeking men who served in **MILITARY POLICE UNITS IN KOREA** during the war years of 1950, 1951, 1952, and 1953. Whether companies or battalions, unit information and personal experiences are needed for the purpose of a book on the Military Police in action. The corps was established in 1941 and celebrated its 50th anniversary with no celebration. All information to be forwarded to: FRANK ALEKSANDROWICZ, 343 Canterbury Road, Bay Village, Ohio 44140.

I am trying to locate anyone who served with the **95TH CHEMICAL CO.** from 1950 to 1952 in Pusan, Korea. I did my basic training at Ft. Ord, Ca. was later transferred to Edgewood, Maryland, and from there sent to Korea. I am especially trying to locate: **JOHN SARJOHN PARKER OF OK, RALPH WILLIAMS, BRISSE** or anyone else from this unit.—GERALD R. WAMPLER; Rt. 2 Box 492; Comanche, OK 73529; 405-255-0028.

We in **PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER #38**, first charter chapter in Philadelphia or the state of Pennsylvania would like to hear from any other chapter in the state. In that way we can keep everyone informed of what's going on and help each other at different functions; and maybe hold a mini-reunion interstate. —BILL DURNIN, Sec.; 852 N. 21st St.; Philadelphia, PA 19130-1431. And a P.S. to you, Stan: Thanks for putting out one hell of a paper and I still feel the same way about that march on D.C. See you in Reno.

SEEKING MILITARY PSYOPS LEAFLETS and related military paper memorabilia for research project and donation to military museums. W. G. HARRISON, Army, Retired, 5546 N. Sixth Street, Fresno, CA 93710.

Looking for members of **Co. "B" 453rd Engr. Const. Bn.** that I served with in Korea from Feb. 1951 to June 1952. Contact me: William E. Sparks; 175 Pinewood Park Ct.; Chillicothe, IL 61523, Tel (618) 579-3009, 12 P.M. to 6 P.M.

I am seeking any member of the **3RD INFANTRY DIV.** who served during the evacuation from the Hungnam Beachhead Christmas 1950. We had our first reunion Aug. 1991 and are planning another Sept. 92. Anyone interested contact: Paul A Dudash; 1375 Mt. Hope Rd.; Fairfield, PA 17320.

I've located the lone grave of **SGT GEORGE H. KENNEY**, 42203437, near a ROKA compound in western South Korea. He was from New York and served with the 7th Regiment, 3rd Division, either during or after the War. I would appreciate hearing from anyone that knew him: Mike Thomas; 1319 Tuckaway Court; Ft. Collins, CO 80525.

116TH ENG COMBAT BN, out of the 19th Eng Combat Group. Looking for anyone who was there. Contact me: WARREN THOMAS, RR2, Box 504; Linton, IN 47441.

ARE YOU OUT THERE?

I would like to locate **CPL LEONARD F. HAUGE**, RA 19348076. Served in E Co 31st Inf Regt 7th Inf Div from Inchon to Yalu River 1950. For 40 years I was sure he was KIA but he is not listed in Washington casualty list. Contact me: JAMES E. HATTON; 297 East Bullard #132; Fresno, CA 93710, or phone me 209-453-0932.

Any service men who were in **44TH MOBIL ARMY SURGICAL HOSPITAL** from July 1953 until August 1954, I'd like to hear from. Hope you ALL are in good health. It was a great outfit! JULES KURTZ; 16 Cherokee Avenue; Rockaway, NJ 07866.

Anyone who may have known or have information pertaining to **MASTER SERGEANT LOUIS C. JOHNSON**, RA14277616, HQ'S&HQ'S Company, 31st Inf. Regt., 7th Inf. Div. K.I.A. whose unit was overrun on or about 29 November 1950 and Johnson taken prisoner, where he later died in a P.O.W. camp with approximate time of death 31 August 1951. Please contact Mrs. Benita C. Johnson Sterne; 2004 Hillcrest Road; Mobile, AL, 36695 (205) 660-0397.

CRUISERMEN'S ASSOCIATION FORMED

Last fall several cruiser sailors got together and formed the "Cruisermen's Association." We are now actively seeking members to swell our ranks.

Membership is open to all ship's company, Marine detachment and aviation division personnel that served or are serving aboard cruisers. Associate memberships are also available for all past and present Navy men and women, reservists, widows and interested associated members.

For further information contact: Ronald J. Maciejowski (USS Worcester CL-144); 55 Donna Terrace; Taunton, Ma. 02780.

Collecting names, addresses, phone numbers all former crew of the **U.S.S. STICKELL DD/DDR-888** for a "Reunion '93" Oct 1, 2, and 3 at Charleston, SC. Write: Lost Bill Luttrell; 641 Bryan Drive; Moncks Corner, SC 29461; phone 803-899-6377. Or you can contact: Tom Broman; 640 11th St. Apt. #4; Pine City MN 55063-1836.

COMBAT INFANTRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.: if you were awarded the coveted Infantryman's Badge, you belong in our elite association. Please send large SASE to Leo Kibble; RD #3; Smethport, PA 16749 for application.

Anyone who served in the **213th F.A. Bn.** This is NOT for a claim, just for a friendly contact. DON PARROTT; 3431 Grand Ave. So; Minneapolis, MN 55408.

606th AC&W Sdn Personnel; I still am trying to locate the following men: FRED RICHTER, O. M. MITCHELL, J. J. CLARK, T. P. McKENNA 1951-52. Also any Py-Do and Chodo Island personnel. --WALT HENRICKS, P.O. Box 3; Wolcottville, IN 46795.

Are there any members of **Btry B, 176th. Arm'd F.A. Bn Korea 1951**, that are members of this Association. My name is Henry C. Waldeck; I was switchboard operator for the Btry. I think our code name was Noonday Baker. I was on the switchboard from 12:00 am to 6:00 am and 12:00 pm until 6:00 pm. The other operator's name (I think was CPL Bunge from Michigan). The last position I can remember was on a hillside above the Peace Negotiator's Camp. I was with the Btry. from October 1950 until Sept. 1951, from Camp Carson, Colo. to Korea. I would very much like to hear from you all again! HENRY C. WALDECK; 2205 Sylvan Way; Apt. #7; West Bend, WI 53095-5244.

GOING TO RENO? OR SOMEWHERE?

This travel agency offers **UP TO 45 PERCENT DISCOUNT** On fare to/from Reno or anywhere else, from your home town area. Call **INGERSON TRAVEL 1-800-846-4376**. They offer a three percent of their commission to the **KWVA Tell America fund**.



ORDER OF THE BAYONET

I have made this ORDER OF THE BAYONET and paid for it out of my own pocket. I am 80 percent disabled and can't afford too much. If you can place a word in Graybeards that I have them for \$10.00 I will donate part of the price to KWVA. It is made of nickel and silver. It was given to the 7th Division for high use of the bayonet from 1950 to 1953 in Korea.

—GILBERT (Sgt ISH) ISHAM; 9544 W. Morgan; Milwaukee, WI 53228.

NEW BOOK WILL CITE POLITICIANS' MILITARY RECORDS AND VET VIEWPOINTS

"A dear KOREAN EX-POW friend of ours is working on a project to be released soon. I hope every Korean Veteran will pay attention to it. Much research is being conducted right now for the upcoming election season. Re: those running in the elections. We have all grown up with the notion of "WE THE PEOPLE" are running this country. But sad to say WE THE GOVERNMENT is at the helm. It seems to be that the only right we truly have left at our disposal (since they refuse to acknowledge our letters, marches and voices) is our VOTE.

"The research now in progress will expose the voting records, military service and personal feelings about Korean Veterans (as well as all other veterans.) So that's why it's so important to study this material carefully when it comes out and this will be an excellent way to turn the tide. As the old saying goes: there's more than one way to skin a cat! There are alot of fat cats in Washington. They've become fat on money while in office. But if they are removed from office and the right people put in their place. Things can change"

—CHARLES and BETTY WINDER; 3214-B 74th St.; Lubbock, TX 79423.

DEPT. OF ILLINOIS TO MEET

The Department of Illinois KWVA has announced that they will have a State Convention on JUNE 20, 1992 at Decatur, Illinois. It is sponsored by the Department of Illinois, K.W.V.A. and hosted by the Charles Parlier Chapter K.W.V.A.

This is the second convention held in Illinois and is open to not only Illinois Korean War Veterans, but any Korean War Veteran who wants to come and participate. These Veterans are encouraged to bring spouses, family and friends. We will have at least one National Director. New State Officers and Chapter Officers will be sworn in that night. This is good time to meet your Officers and Comrades. The PLACE is: Holiday Inn, Decatur, IL. Lets get together and make it a memorable one! Reservation Form: Write Paul H. Stern Jr., 614 S. Crea, Decatur, IL 62522. Questions taken at 217-468-2049 after 5 PM. Billy R. Smith; #6 MacCory Dr; Oreaana, IL 62554.

There is an old military axiom:

LEAD!...

FOLLOW!

... OR GET THE HELL OUT OF THE WAY!

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?"

There is one suggestion that we will make here in the pages of Graybeards — you can help to

TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR

THE GOAL OF THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION IS TO DEVELOP AND PRESERVE ALL FACETS OF THE KOREAN WAR:

A. — Publish text, have seminars, films, books and journals on the Korean War.

B. — Publish teaching materials for educators from elementary school to college level sources.

C. — Create an archive for collection of papers, documents and films pertaining to the Korean War, including a library for public use.

D. — Document the service of our allied forces.

E. — Create a Museum to display the artifacts from the Korean War. This will give those who write and study their history the opportunity to touch, see and experience the influences of those times. The Museum will provide a place to bring our families to view the contributions made for the peace and freedom of our great nation and our allied nations.

It's time to realize that if we do not start some of the aims of our organization, that they will be lost after the completion of the Memorial. We have certainly come to know that the public is not emotional about our memorial or overwhelmed about noticing our war.

Although we do not have enough members to have political strength I think we have accomplished an astonishing record in congress and other federal offices for the size of our association.

WE MUST BUILD OUR MEMBERSHIP WE NEED YOUR HELP!

PRESIDENT, KWVA

YES! I WANT TO HELP!

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FOR TELL AMERICA ABOUT THE KOREAN WAR

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MAIL TO: KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC.

P.O. BOX 127 — CARUTHERS, CALIFORNIA 93609

YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS: (PLEASE PRINT) _____

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YOUR WAY
TO TELL
AMERICA
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THIS IS WHERE THE NEARLY THREE MILLION DOLLARS WAS SPENT: In response to many requests from KWVA members, the U. S. General Accounting Office sent a report of audit in which, among other documents, this one shown here "is a current report on the financial status of the Korean War Memorial". "Cooper-Lecky" is the architect working on the Memorial design.

Enclosure 4

	A/E AND CORPS OF ENGINEERS COSTS EACH CHANGE SHOWS NEW TOTAL COST							December 2, 1991	
	BASIC 08/01/89	CH 1 03/12/90	CH 2 10/09/90	CH 3 02/20/91	CH 4 03/25/91	CH 5 04/18/91	SPECIAL 06/10/91	CH 6	
Cooper-Lecky									
1. Field investigations	50,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	
2. Select sculptor & 38 maquettes	200,000	339,000	339,000	339,000	339,000	339,000	339,000	339,000	
3. Preconcept Report	150,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	
4. Concept Design	75,000	130,500	130,500	130,500	130,500	130,500	130,500	130,500	
5. Preliminary Design	75,000	160,500	160,500	496,500	680,405	690,405	690,405	690,405	
6. Final Design	90,000	185,500	185,500	185,500	185,500	185,500	185,500	185,500	
7. Attend meetings	10,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	
8. Design Mural Wall			360,000	24,000	141,000	141,000	141,000	141,000	
9. Construct 1/8 scale statue model				290,000	314,095	314,095	314,095	314,095	
10. Move 1/8 scale model to Washington							27,000	27,000	
11. Redesign with 19 statues								305,000	
COOPER-LECKY SUB TOTAL	650,000	1,100,500	1,460,500	1,750,500	2,100,500	2,110,500	2,137,500	2,442,500	
AMOUNT CHANGED		450,500	360,000	290,000	350,000	10,000	27,000	305,000	
Corps of Engineers (Baltimore)									
1. Project Management	18,800	18,800	18,800	18,800	18,800	21,300	21,300	21,300	
2. Design review	34,260	34,260	34,260	34,260	34,260	34,260	34,260	34,260	
3. Environ Assessment/Real Estate	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	70,000	70,000	
4. Non-technical support	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,800	40,800	40,800	
5. Geotechnical Design		50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	
6. Develop earth fill project in-house					0		60,000	60,000	
7. Redesign with 19 statues								20,000	
OCE SUB TOTAL	153,060	203,060	203,060	203,060	203,060	206,360	276,360	296,360	
AMOUNT CHANGED		50,000	0	0	0	3,300	70,000	20,000	
GRAND TOTALS	803,060	1,303,560	1,663,560	1,953,560	2,303,560	2,316,860	2,413,860	2,738,860	
AMOUNT CHANGED		500,500	360,000	290,000	350,000	13,300	97,000	325,000	

REUNIONS

33RD AND 44TH INFANTRY DIVISIONS VETERANS ASSOCIATION Open Reunion 33rd WW II, 44th Korean War, 33rd after WW II, 33rd Brigade. Date: 1-2 August 1992. Place Best Western Shelton Motor Inn, Decatur, IL. Write: Paul H. Stern Jr., 614 S. Crea; Decatur, IL 62522. Chester Boggs, 2580 E Logan, Decatur, IL 62526 or Charles Munie, 465 S. Linden, Decatur, IL 62522.

Notice to anyone who served with **CHARLIE COMPANY 1ST BATTALION, 1ST MARINES** in Korea 1950-51. The company has reorganized and has been having reunions. The 7th reunion of Charlie Company will be held in Reno Nevada at the Sands Regency Hotel and Casino from August 26 to August 30, 1992. For further information contact Al Baiocchi, C-1-1 Reunion Headquarters, 2975 Treat Blvd, Suite A-1; Concord, CA 94518.

106TH ORD CO HM will hold its annual reunion Aug. 15-16, 1992 in Springfield, MO. Contact: HAROLD BAKER; 2637 W. Jean; Springfield, MO 65803. Phone 417-869-4723.

USS WRIGHT AZI-AVI, CVL 49, CC-2. Sept. 16-20, 1992 Contact: USS Wright Assn., Inc. 5250 Loughborough Ave.; St. Louis, MO 63109. Phone 618-235-9016.

424th FA Bn will be holding a reunion in September 1992, which will take place in North Carolina. In particular "A" Btry (1950-1951). Persons interested may write me: LOUIS C. NEIR; 94-32 112th St.; Richmond Hill, NY 11414 (Phone 718-847-1214).



THE SCREAMING EAGLES

CAMP BRECKINRIDGE REUNION: All personnel who took basic training or were cadre at Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky during the years 1948 to 1954 are invited to attend the second annual reunion in Evansville, Indiana June 25th to the 28th 1992 Please forward this, to anyone who took basic at Breckinridge. Request registration information from Camp Breckinridge reunion; 4104 So 42 St; Omaha, NE 68107-1096.

REUNIONS



WOLFHOOUNDS TO GATHER IN OMAHA NEBRASKA 27th Infantry Regiment known as "The Wolfhounds" will hold a reunion in Omaha, Nebraska July 31st to August 2nd, 1992. If you have ever served with the Wolfhounds and have heard the chilling cry of a wolfhound at night, you should plan to attend this gathering of the pack.

For additional information write: Wolfhound Reunion; 4104 S 42nd St.; Omaha, NE. 68107-1096.

24TH INF DIV: a reunion will be held May 15-20, 1992 at the Executive Plaza Inn, 823 Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, Tenn 37217. Send your reservations to PAT SPENCER, 1-800-251-5964. This reunion consists of E, F, G, H companies, 21st Regt 24th Inf Div AND I, K, L, M Companies 34th Regt 24th Inf Div 1950-1951, Korea. Any questions call or write HARRY WITTMAN; 1385 Terri St.; Keyser, WV 26726 or phone 304-788-0465.

COMPANY "L", 35TH INFANTRY, 25TH DIVISION, will hold its annual reunion May 15-17, 1992, at Days Inn in Shelby, NC. Contact W. B. Woodruff, PO Box 515, Decatur TX 76234; Ph 817/627-3745.

1992 MUSTANG MUSTER The Marine Corps Mustang Association's "1992 Mustang Muster" (Reunion and General Membership Meetings) will be held September 15 - 20, 1992 at the Sheraton World Resort, Orlando, Florida. To qualify for "Mustang" designation, a Marine must have begun service in the Corps as an enlisted private subsequently earning his or her promotion to warrant or commissioned grade in the Marine Corps. For more information contact: Bob Richter, MCMA, Inc., P. O. Box 1314, Delran, NJ 08075-0142.

B-1-5 (THE BAKER BANDITS) and other Korean War Marines will have their seventh annual reunion June 10 - 13, 1992 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Contact: Emmett Shelton, Jr., 808 Caravan Circle, Austin, Texas 78746, Telephone: (512) 327-1305.



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City/Town/State mail delivery zip code	NOTE!

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!



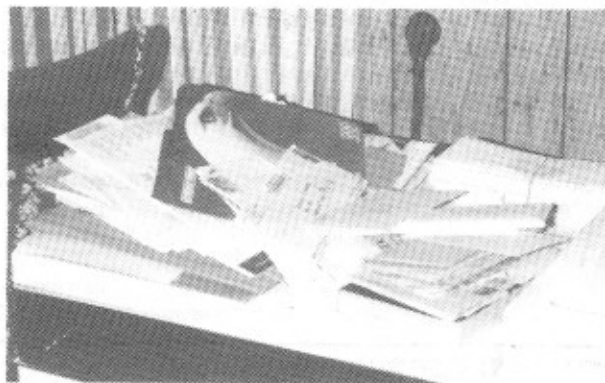
THIS IMPRESSIVE MEMORIAL was dedicated June 24, 1990 in Erie PA. ANTHONY M. PRESTON; 505 Colorado Dr.; Erie, PA 16505 (First FA Bn, of I Corps Arty) sent this photo and added: "On the other side are engraved the names of all Erie veterans Killed or Missing In Action, and those who died in th P.O.W. camps."



This is Graybeards' desk at 3 a.m. -- that's before sunup. The entire editorial staff occupies the one chair.



... and stories sorted on the floor by the 6 dollar typewriter.



... and the day's mail — every letter will be answered.



... and the van loaded with printed copies enroute to the mailer and postoffice. We just thought you might like to know how hard Graybeards works for you.

REUNIONS

999th FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION will be holding their seventh annual reunion Saturday and Sunday Sept 12-13, at the Days Inn in Monroe, Michigan. Anyone interested may call me: BERNIE JONES, 313-654-6915 or write 2317 Carleton West; Carleton, MI 48117.

The **204TH FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION (LI'L JOE)**, Korea, 1950-1954, will hold its eighth reunion in St. Louis, Mo. on 7-10 October 1992. For further information, contact Nick Vanderhave, 1333 Littleton Road, Morris Plains, N. J. 07950, telephone: 201-538-7189.



86TH ORDNANCE COMPANY will hold its annual reunion 15-17 September 1992 in West Richfield, OH. Contact: Stephen J. Luska, 8255 Wright Road, Brecksville, OH 44141. (216) 526-2159.

USS NEW JERSEY VETERANS, INC. will hold its 6th reunion Sept. 3-7 1992 at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, Nashville, Tn. Contact: Edwin Fogelson 281 Autumn Trail, Port Orange, FL 32119 Phone 904-788-1459.

45TH INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION (THUNDERBIRDS) will hold their annual reunion, 21-23 August 1992, at the Hilton Inn West, in Oklahoma City, OK. For further information, contact Raul Trevino, 2145 NE 36th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73111. Telephone # (512) 681-9134.

USS MCGOWAN DD678, 15th reunion Baton Rouge, LA. 8-10, October 1992. All former crewmembers 1943-1960 Contact: DON ROGERS; 30 Hurd St.; Lynn, MA 01905; (617) 595-1137.

7TH INF REGT ASSOC., May 26-28, 1992 Incline Village, NV. Reunion. Write: D.A. STRONGIN, P.O. Drawer ZZ, Incline Village, NV 89450. (702) 831-1166.

ARMY 2ND INDIANHEAD DIVISION, COMPANY K 38TH INFANTRY: reunion June 17th to June 21st 1992 Lacrosse, Wisconsin. Contact: DICK SMITH; 3286 C. R. 29; Burgoon, Ohio 43407. (419) 986-5870.

301ST VETERANS ASSOCIATION United States Air Force: REUNION September 17-20, 1992. Spokane, Washington. Contact: Frank Madden; E 10601 Nixon Lane; Spokane, WA 99206. Ph. 509-924-6497.

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REUNIONS

Boeing is sponsoring a celebration for the **50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE B-29**, Aug. 14, 15, 16. They say about 20 Group/Wing associations are planning reunions at this time. It should be great fun! Contact: Paul S. Friedrich, Bomb Group Coordination Committee; PO Box 3999, M/S 17-28; Seattle, WA 98124-2499. (206) 662-2501.

A reunion of personnel who trained or served at the former **US Naval Air Station, Hutchinson, Kansas** is scheduled for May 15-17, 1992 at Hutchinson. WAVES, Cadets, squadron and station personnel are all invited. Details are available from Jim Powell; Box 113; Newburg, PA 17240. Phone: (717) 423-5236.

7th Defense/AAA Battalion, U.S.M.C. Reunion September 16-20, 1992. Marriot Hotel, St. Louis, MO. Contact: Phil Pacini; 191 Greenbriar Road; Lewistown, PA 17044.

8th FA BN, Korea 1950-53 Reunion in Valley Forge, PA. Aug 27-30 contact Allen M. Smith 3338 Dupont Ave. N. Minneapolis, MN. 55412 (612) 529-4567 (Any person also interested in 25th Inf Div. Reunion)

3rd Inf. Div. O.P. Harry Survival: A reunion of all Outpost Harry Survival will be held on June 10-14. In Fort Stewart, GA. All interested Members, please contact: Jerry Cunningham; 501 Chilhowie Rd. Columbia, SC 29209 or Phone (803) 783-4491; For further information.



H & S Co. 120th ENGINEER (C) Bn. 45th DIVISION is planning its 11th Biennial Reunion for August 20-21, 1992 in Oklahoma City. Contact: Woody Harris; 26 Preston Circle; Stillwater, OK. 74075-2017. (405) 372-4098.

USS LYMAN K. SWENSON DD729: reunion will be held in Charleston, SC on October 29, 30, 31, and November 1, 1992. Contact: Glen Ingram, DD729 SECRETARIAT; 203 Shadow Ln; Euless, TX 76039. 817-283-8294.

USS HELM DD-388: Oct 8 - 12, 1992. Landmark Hotel; 2601 Severn Ave.; Metairie, LA 7002. Phone 800-277-7575. For information contact: RICHARD "Stinger" STEEL; 1259 Wanda Way; Santa Rosa, CA 95405, phone 707-544-0807.

25th INF DIV and attached units: all current and former members WWII, Korea, Viet Nam, Desert Storm, peacetime, are invited to attend the 12th annual convention at Valley Forge, PA Aug 27 - 30, 1992. For more info, contact: KEN HOSER; 50 E. Germantown Pike; Norristown, PA 19101.

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LIFE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

To: 1st Cav. Div. Assn., 302 N. Main, Copperas Cove, TX 76522-1799

Here is my application for LIFE MEMBERSHIP in the 1st Cavalry Division Association, and my LIFETIME dues of \$10.00. I understand I will receive a membership certificate card, insignia decal, lapel pin, plus ONE -year subscription to *SABER*, the Association's bi-monthly newspaper.

Name _____ Telephone _____
 Rank _____
 ADDRESS _____ SS# _____
 CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

I served with THE FIRST TEAM in _____ (Bde., Bn., etc.)
 from _____ until _____

Applicant recruited by: _____ Date: _____
 Address: _____



Dear editor: I am now 70 years of age so I don't think I'll obtain a life membership. But I do want to see a Korean War Memorial, so again I'm contributing, as I believe you will send it to the proper person." This came from H. F. Gutierrez, M. D.; Med Dir USPHS Ret; 118 Pine Tree Drive; Swannanoe, NC 28778-2014. Also the following was included:

While Dr. Hector Gutierrez was chief of urology service at Asheville, N.C., VAMC, the South Korean government invited him to Seoul, Korea, to thank him publicly for his service in 1951-52.

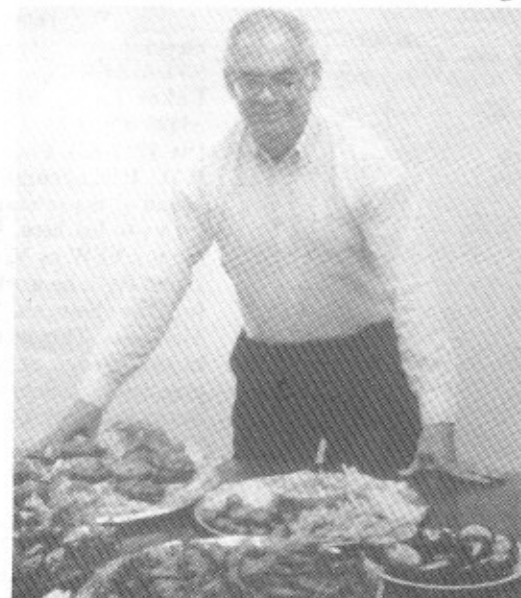
As a young physician and captain with the U.S. Army Third Infantry Division, he was a surgeon with a first-aid station on the front lines when his division attacked an enemy position. Gutierrez moved the aid station directly behind the attackers to give prompt treatment to the wounded. Heavy shelling put the front line and the station in danger. But Gutierrez decided not to evacuate the aid station until the wounded could be moved and he could collect the identification tags of those who had died in the station.

The young doctor received the Army's Bronze Star-Meritorious for his bravery that day, and the Republic of Korea recognized it 35 years later.



WESTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER ready to move out at Memorial Day parade last year. The Korean lady in center with our banner is Sunny Lippold, originally from Seoul.

I apologize for being so late with this letter. Enclosed you will find a \$25 check for the monument, donated by our chapter in the name of our late member PAT LaPORTA, who died last October.
 --TOM BURNS; 872 Englewood Ave.; Apt 3; Kenmore, NY 14223.



CAJUN COOKING FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Several months ago Ronald Treadaway, Sr., a member of Allied Services Division District 917, shared one of his prize-winning Cajun-Creole recipes with interchange readers. That recipe was one of the many he is now putting together in a cookbook which he hopes to publish soon.

Now Treadaway has an offer: he will send six of his published recipes, all due to appear in the cookbook, plus several others recently published in *Georgia* magazine. All you have to do is send him a self-addressed stamped envelope and \$2.00. **That money will go towards oral surgery to help correct his son's cleft palate, a severe birth defect; medical and dental insurance will not pay a major portion of the expense involved, he explains.**

"Please consider publishing my offer in The Graybeards as stated in the TCU publication. Or donations may be mailed to: c/o Railroad Publications Services; **Ronald C. Treadaway, Jr. Medical Fund**; 151 Ellis Street, N.E. Suite 200; Atlanta, GA 30335 (404) 659-6266."

--RONALD C. TREADAWAY, SR. 2410 Nowlin Circle; Acworth, GA 30101.

Looking for an ole buddy? Maybe an ole buddy is looking for you! The military, as well as the government, is not authorized to render any assistance to veterans trying to locate each other. So, let's do it ourselves! If you're interested in being listed - fill in the form below and return.

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P. O. Box 7000-918; Redondo Beach, CA 90277-0710.

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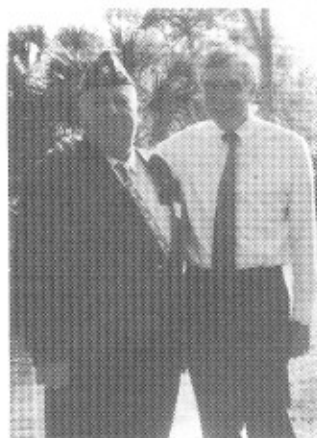
Years In-Country _____ War-time Nickname _____

To order a copy of the Directory call or Fax 310-373-9792

IN SEPTEMBER, GRAYBEARDS HAD A STORY ABOUT DECALS FOR MEMBERS

And we had several letters in response. Nothing official has been done by the Board of Directors yet, but we call your attention to page 10 with the quartermaster's page ad. There you will, at items 14 and 15, find decals and bumper stickers.

Oh yes --NOTE HIS CHANGE OF ADDRESS -- from the state of Washington to Phoenix, Arizona.



We received a bulky envelope from PETE STUMBERGER; 11390 Island Lakes Lane; Boca Raton, FL 33498 (Co G 23rd Inf Regt 2nd Inf Div 1952-53). Phone 482-4683, in P.M. His accomplishments on behalf of the veteran are too much for us to list here. He works hard for the VFW as National Aide-de-Camp PAC; he works equally hard for the Korean War Veteran Memorial. This picture was taken in the garden of the governor's mansion in Tallahassee, Florida; it shows Pete with U. S. Senator Bob Graham.

"NO VICTORY, NO STING"

To help "Tell America" about the "Forgotten War," Town House Press in February will publish Dick Sayers' new novel, "No Victory, No Sting" a stirring account of combat infantrymen in the Korean Stalemate, as part of the 40th Anniversary of the Korean War.

The prize-winning author, an ex-combat infantryman and member of KWVA, has pledged \$1 per book (half the 10 percent royalty) to the KWVA's "Tell America" fund.

General James A. Van Fleet, who commanded the U.N. forces in Korea 22 months, has said:

"Dick Sayers expresses the battlefield emotions, philosophy, esprit d' corps and 'the Will to Win' of 'The Queen of Battle' as seen through the eyes of a combat infantryman."

"The Queen of Battle," of course, is a proud reference to the infantry and "the Will to Win" is the 99-year-old, four-star general's motto. Van Fleet's forces had the Communists in full flight north when he was ordered by Washington to halt the pursuit. Thus began what is called the "Big Sitdown."

That phase of the Korean War is what "No Victory, No Sting" is about.

And Dick Adams, the KWVA's National President, commented: "Not since 'All Quiet on the Western Front' has a novelist captured the realism -- the brutality and beauty, the loneliness and love, the courage and tenderness -- of combat infantrymen embroiled in a long, static trench war."

Saying that it's "an absorbing, eminently readable book, true to life and true to history," he called Dick Sayers "a master of dialogue and understatement."

Adams was with the 25th Recon Company when they broke out of the Pusan Perimeter early in the war and was wounded as his outfit rescued 100 captured American soldiers in the attack. He later was wounded again near Pyongyang, the North Korean capital.

Sayers has won the Carol Ross Memorial Award, named for the investigative reporter who was murdered in Thailand, and numerous other awards.

He asked for the infantry when he enlisted at the outbreak of the Korean War and within a year became a Battalion Sergeant-Major at Fort Riley before going to Korea, where he served with the 14th "Golden Dragon" Infantry of the 25th Division.

A native of Joplin, MO. he has been a newspaper and magazine writer, editor and publisher, merchant seaman, combat correspondent, corporate public relations director, public speaker, official Roastmaster for the Circus Saints & Sinners, and inveterate punster, a county commissioner, and a city councilman.

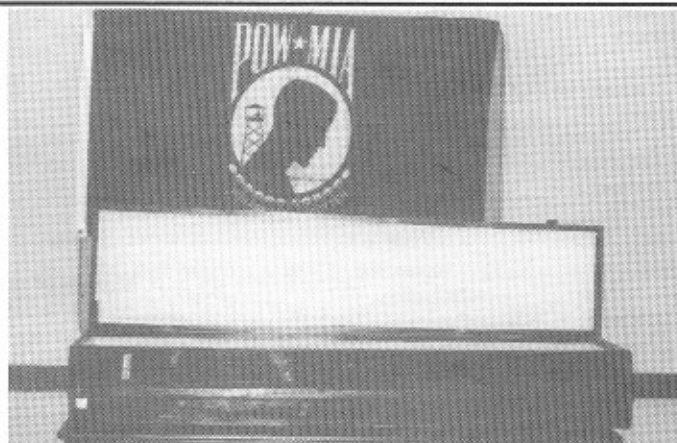
He is a graduate of Washburn University and makes his home, with his wife, Emily, in Winter Haven, FL.

CHARTER TRIP TO KOREA ANYONE?

"If you would just put a note in Graybeards and ask if anyone has plans to charter a trip to north or south Korea, I would be interested."

"Also, if the members would clip the obituaries of Korean War vets who died and send them to their Congressman or to the Memorial Commission and say here's another who'll never see the Memorial built. It may take several hundred but it will get their attention." —JOHN KAMPERSCHROER; 26 Illini Dr.; Lincoln, IL 62656.

EDITOR'S NOTE: See page 23 for information on revisit trips.



NORM JONES; 2511 Christopher Lane; Costa Mesa, CA 92626: brought to the Miami Board of Directors meeting "the first and only North Korean casket that was used to bring the first remains to the U.S.A. on May 28, 1990. It will be displayed in the Korean War memorial area of the Korean consul office and library" in Los Angeles area. The flags were furnished by THOMAS KAPPEL of the Miami area.

Norm said further that "Some 85,000 copies of my book have been printed and distributed in South Korea. The monies received have been made available to the University of Korea to pay tuition for students whose grandparents were killed in the Korean War."

Just Published- *THE Novel of the Korean Stalemate:*

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CURRENT KOREA REVISIT TRIP INFORMATION

April 11 - 16th, departing Chicago. . . Sold Out.

September 14-19th, departing New York, allotment 35 persons. KVA Department, New York is restricting this trip to K-Vets who live in the New York/East areas.

October 26-31st, departing Los Angeles, allotment 60 persons, no geographical restrictions, but it is the policy of KVA-L.A. that ticketing to Seoul and return, must be made by their appointed travel agency. Travel is on Korean Airlines, \$890.00 Roundtrip, per person, from the Western States, and \$1,090.00 RT/PP from all other States.

June 21-27th, departing Los Angeles, space still available for 20 persons. \$990.00 RT/PP from the Western States, \$1,190.00 from all other States. Colonel D. K. Lee, Chief Revisit Program, KVA-Seoul, recently faxed me regarding this trip. KVA is planning to mark the anniversary of the Invasion with a parade/ceremonies in Seoul on June 25th. They have invited several U. N. Veterans, along with ROK K-War Vets, to participate. At present, this trip is reaching capacity, but if you have requested either of the above trips and would like to transfer to the June trip, please contact me as soon as possible.

Hotel, meals, tours are courtesy of KVA-Seoul on all the revisit trips. Spouses or ONE adult child are also eligible. In the next two months, I will be sending applications to those who have requested 1992 trips. New York KVA does not, as yet, have the airline prices, so will send the September trip info later when I receive it. The order in which applications are sent: 1st priority, our ex-pows, KWVA members who requested 1992 trips who could not go in 1991 due to space limitations and the order in which I received requests for the 1992 trips. You must have a valid passport to travel to Korea.

The travel agencies will arrange to ticket you from your nearest airport to meet with the Seoul flights, if you desire. You may extend your time in Korea, as many of our K-Vets wish to visit other battle sites in South Korea. Also, the agencies will arrange travel to Hawaii, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Bangkok or Singapore. I will enclose this information with the applications I mail. In addition, info on private tour services, should you not wish to rent a car to visit sites in the Seoul area. All of the revisit trips include a trip to Panmunjom-DMZ, National Cemetery, War Museum, Palace, Korean Folk Village and a formal dinner hosted by KVA, during which, each combat vet will be presented the Medal, Ambassador to Peace by President SO-KVA. For those of you who have inquired, I do not receive any commissions/"kickbacks" from either the airlines or travel agencies. I donate my time as a labor of love, to the combat vets, who are my heroes. . . never "forgotten" forever loved!

--KATHLEEN (Lt. Honey:) CRONAN WYOSNICK; P.O. Box 3716
Saratoga, Calif. 95070. Phone: 408-253-3068 Fax: 408-973-4889.



Last July 4 we had a parade for Desert Storm troops. We Korean War veterans made our banner and off we marched, as a unit, and the FIRST time for all of us to march as a Korean War veteran. In the middle with white shirt and red tie is our Congressman, George Gekas, who was the guest speaker. He could have ridden in a convertible, but being a Korean War vet he chose to march with us and was truly moved by it all as in all his years of service in public life he had NEVER been asked to participate in anything as a Korean War vet, much less march in a parade.

--THOMAS P. GERBER (USAF 1950-55); 1202 Spruce St.;
Montoursville, PA 17754.

Graybeards receives quite a few requests to publish travel information; and we cannot handle the volume. Therefore, we will list here the ones we think of more interest to you. Graybeards and KWVA do not sponsor any of these.



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The Korea Revisit Program offered by OLYMPUS TRAVEL is sponsored by a consortium of the International Korean War Association, the Korean Navy League, and other institutions. Veterans who desire to participate must submit a complete application with a deposit payment.

The Olympus tours offer the veterans the "Korean Navy League" medal.

For additional information, we recommend you contact a fellow KWVA member: ARTHUR J. MANGER (USN Ret); 2528 West Olympic Blvd, #201; Los Angeles, CA 90006. Phone 213-487-0947 or 213-380-0886. FAX 213-487-5130



Henry "Russ" Ruskin 146 Byron Ave., Kenmore, N.Y. 14223
WORLD WAR II KOREA VIET NAM VETERAN
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Buffalo Cavalry-First Marine Division-Guadalcanal Campaign
Korean Veteran-Chosin Few of Korea-Viet Nam-American Legion
VFW-Royal Marines Canada-Marine Corps Tankers-Purple Heart

My travel groups is not affiliated with any travel agency that does not bear my name assigned to it. My group is authorized by the Korean Veterans Association through direct contact with them in Seoul.

I have arranged many re-visits through my own handling and obtaining the lowest possible rates for round trip travel. I believe in organization and prompt assistance and do not want a bunch of procrastination. Brochures mailed out will be on a first-come first-served basis; all will be sequentially numbered as received and assigned accordingly.

Each response to me must include a self addressed legal-size envelope with two first class stamps affixed.

--HENRY "Russ" RUSKIN; 146 Byron Ave.; Kenmore, NY 14223.
Phone 716-836-3784.



This picture was taken at our first Annual Chapter Dinner of the Eddie Lyons Chapter of Dade and Broward Counties held on Saturday, November 16, 1991.

Stan, there is something I would like our Association to look into. There is a definite misconception that to belong to our Association you must have served in Korea. When I speak to potential members and ask them why they have not joined KWVA, they inform me that they did not know they were eligible because they did not actually serve in Korea, but were stationed in this country or other parts of the world during the years of 1950-1955. These vets did a great job at that time even though they never heard a shot fired in anger. If it were not for these men maybe the Russians might have come into the war in Europe.

--JOSEPH D. FIRRIOLO, President; Eddie Lyons Chapter; 2510 ME 209 Terr; North Miami Beach, FLA 33180.

JOE - Please check the application blank on page 32 this issue. It clearly states membership is given "to any man or woman who served in any of the Armed Forces. . ."



Recently the City of Buffalo, NY unveiled its memorial to the Korean War in the Buffalo and Erie County Naval & Servicemen's Park located on the waterfront near downtown Buffalo. One of the ships in that park is the missile cruiser "Little Rock" on which the Korean veterans of western New York State are establishing a Korean War Museum.

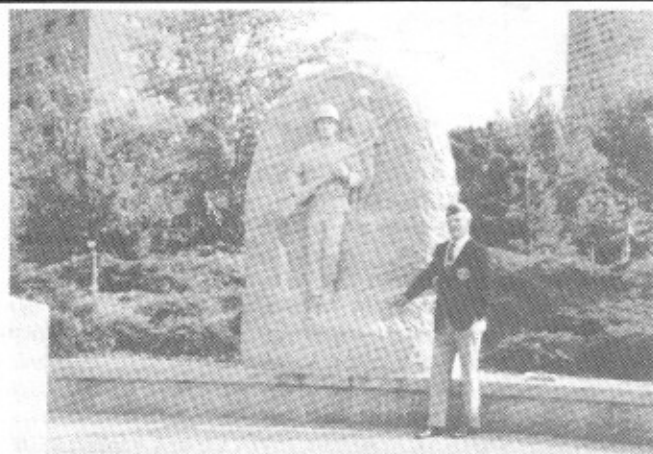
Since I am on the committee, I am reaching out to our national membership for assorted memorabilia of the Korean War - such as North and South Korea patches, insignias and rank materials, U.S. patches for branches of service, units, etc., campaign maps, propaganda flyers (from both sides), assorted photos (combat, etc.), or anything else anyone would like to donate to the museum. Each and every donation will be credited with the donor name and organization.

Before interested parties send items, they should drop me a line telling me exactly what item(s) they wish to donate. I will then contact them as to whether or not the item(s) are needed. This will avoid duplication of items and wasted postage by the donors. I will answer any and all letters.

The ceremony will take place in our Naval and Servicemen's park on Saturday July 11, 1992 at 10 am. The park normal charge to all visitors is \$6 per adult, \$3.50 per child. But on this day the park is open all day for nothing to all on hand. This way after the ceremony, they can board all the ships, submarines, planes and military vehicles, PT boat in the park and make a day of it. Just outside the gate are two small garden parks, each contains the following. One the Korean War monument and the other the Viet Nam monument. The Naval Park is the World War II monument and the museum which is the finest in the US today, showing our Naval History from 1776 to date. No Charge. Plus there is a cruise boat landing where people can take a three hour cruise on Lake Erie and view Canada, Buffalo, Grand Island and Niagara Falls and have lunch or dinner aboard.

On Friday the 22nd of May we will have a sit down dinner dance with open bar on the fan tail of the USS Little Rock, Missile Cruiser which is home of our Korean Museum.

Those interested in the full package brochure (including hotel arrangements) just write to me; enclose three stamps to cover postage. --RUSS RUSKIN; 146 Byron Ave.; Kenmore, NY 14223; ph. 716-836-3784.



"Russ" Ruskin at recently unveiled Korean Memorial in Buffalo, NY. He also seeks donations from KWVA veterans of items from the war suitable for the museum his group is establishing (see story above).

YOU CAN WRITE TO OUR ALLIES IN THE NETHERLANDS

I just got my photos back from the local photography shop, and I thought you might be interested in at least one of them for The Greybeards. My lovely bride of over 38 years came to the States in 1953, after I returned from Korea, and since turn about seems to be fair play we moved to Holland last August. To be sure, it has been quite an experience for me, but I can't say I've been at all lonely. Last April, when I went to Korea on a revisit, I had a nice talk with Col. Lee and he gave me the address and telephone number of Dutch Army Col. Schreuder, a Korean War Veteran. I called him after arrival in the Netherlands, and to make a long story short I am now also a member of the "Vereniging Oud Korea Stryders" the Dutch version of our own association.

In October, I attended an all day commemoration and general get-together (reunion) in s'Hertogenbosch. I was very impressed with the entire proceedings. In addition to all the Dutch veterans, there were also veterans from Belgium, England, and three of us YANKS. I wore my KWVA pisscuter so I was easy to spot amidst all the berets. One part of the ceremonies was extremely touching. A Dutch Army contingent of 111 stood at attention and as the names of those KIA's were called out one by one, a soldier would call out "HERE" loud and clear.

They also called out the name of the MIA's but at that point there was only a dead silence. To be frank, it kind of got to me.

All the Dutch veterans wore the 2nd Infantry Division patch on their right shoulder and were very proud to have served with us YANKS. After the commemoration services and speeches by the base Commandant and the Korean Ambassador to The Netherlands, everybody retired to a huge tent, where the Ambassador held a reception. After that there was a lunch and the bar was open and a band started playing an assortment of music. This was the time to walk around and get acquainted, which I did, and I sure met a lot of great guys.

A lot of the guys asked about Americans they met during the war, and I had to explain the size of the U.S. and what the odds were of my knowing a name. One guy told me a story about pulling a U.S. Army cook out of the river where he was on the verge of drowning, and said he would sure like to get in contact. If any of our people would like to write they should send their letters to: V.O.K.S., Postbus 457, 600 AL, Weert, The Netherlands.

In January I will be attending another reunion in t'Harde, a town not far from here, and I will try to give you a report on that one. In any case, I can tell you and all the other KWVA members that I may be far from my home turf, but I'm definitely not lonely.

Here is hoping that I will be able to attend the unveiling of our own memorial in Washington, D. C. in 1993. You can bet that there will be a lot of Dutch, Belgian and English vets there too.

--BOB PRINSELAAR; Beneluxlaan 142; 3844 AN, Harderwyk; The Netherlands.



This news story is from Lubbock (Texas) *Avalanche-Journal* of Feb 21, 1992. The story is about CHARLES WINDER (4th Airborne Ranger, 2nd Inf Div 38th Regt); 3214-B 74th St.; Lubbock, TX 79423.

Lubbock man receives belated Purple Heart

By GARRY WESNER
Avalanche-Journal

The year was 1951 and Charles Winder was a U.S. Army sergeant leading a squadron up a Korean mountain that would later become known as Heartbreak Hill.

At the top, the squadron was ambushed.

Winder says he and another man were the only survivors.

Stabbed in the right foot and thigh by Chinese bayonets, and suffering shrapnel wounds to the chest and back from grenades, Winder awoke and found himself bound hand and foot with barbed wire. He was a prisoner of war.

After six days of brutal torture and questioning, Winder said he and two others escaped from Chinese custody and spent 48 days raiding enemy patrols and working their way back toward safety.

And all that led to a piece of unexpected mail the Lubbock resident received on Wednesday — a Purple Heart medal belatedly sent to him by

the U.S. Army.

"I first thought it was probably my POW medal," Winder said. "Frankly, I was shocked."

The story has taken 40 years to unfold, Winder said, because transcripts of the debriefing had been declared classified and he was prohibited from speaking about the incident for fear other American prisoners would suffer retaliation.

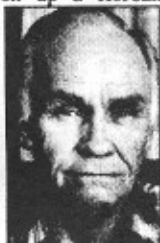
"They kept saying, 'If this happens, their blood is on your hands,'" Winder said.

But now he feels safe about talking of those 48 days, and has written a book detailing in diary form what the three men did to survive in hostile territory.

During those days, the three Americans ambushed Chinese patrols, killed soldiers and stole their ammunition and food.

It was only after the men rejoined their units, Winder said, they learned that the Chinese were accusing the United States of ambushing enemy patrols in North Korea — allegations the Army vigorously denied.

Winder said he never knew why the American military clamped down on his adventures north of the 38th Parallel.



Winder



WE HAD A MINI-REUNION in Nashville, Tenn last year. This group is the 21st Regt, G. Co 24th Inf Div. Left to right: Front row — William K. Van Nest, 1st Sgt Harold Peters, Lt. George Williams. Back row, left to right: Harry Wittman, Lt. Donald Zimmerlin, Roscoe "Bob" Collier, Warren Avery, Virgil Voelker, Charles Delaney. Not in the picture are Nath McCall and Lt. Charles Hyer.

HE ENLISTED TO AVENGE HIS BROTHER'S DEATH

BOYD THOMPSON; 3967 Main St.; P. O. Box 41; Kilbourne, Ohio 43032, sent this news clipping. The story concerns RON ROSSER, recipient of the Medal of Honor who, with five other Medal recipients, are members of Boyd's KWVA chapter. The story is from the Columbus (Ohio) Dispatch, written by David Jacobs, staff reporter:

Medal of Honor holder still wary of North Koreans

By David Jacobs
Dispatch staff reporter

DELAWARE, Ohio — Forty years after a Columbus native single-handedly turned back a platoon of Chinese soldiers in the Korean War, about 125 of his friends and comrades saluted the deed.

"I am so honored by all of this," Ron Rosser said before an anniversary ceremony at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3297 yesterday. "What happened to me in 1952 seems like yesterday. It is something you never can forget."

Rosser, 62, of Roseville, Ohio, is credited with killing at least 13 enemy soldiers Jan. 12, 1952. He is one of Ohio's three living Medal of Honor winners.



Rosser

President Harry S. Truman awarded Rosser the medal in June 1952, something Rosser called "the greatest honor in my life."

Rosser had completed three years in the Army in 1949 but re-enlisted the next year to avenge his brother's death by North Koreans.

Four decades later, Rosser still is bitter toward the Communist nation.

"I wouldn't trust them as far as I could throw this building," he said. "I personally feel a 30-foot wall should be built around that country to keep it away from civilized people for 1,000 years. They shot and bayoneted our wounded."

Yesterday's ceremony was a trip back in time for Rosser. He was treated to a videotape of old newsreels about his heroics and trip to Washington for the medal.

Rosser was joined yesterday by two other Medal of Honor winners, retired Marine Col. Carl Sitter of Midlothian, Va., and Army Reserves Col. Walter J. Marm of Philadelphia. They are among 3,400 U.S. veterans to win the highest military honor. Only 210 are alive.

"Ron is someone who is willing to defend his country and home," Sitter said. "He has given a great deal to this country."



RON ROSSER (on right) receiving plaque from Mayor Dana Rinehart Oct. 5, 1990.

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.



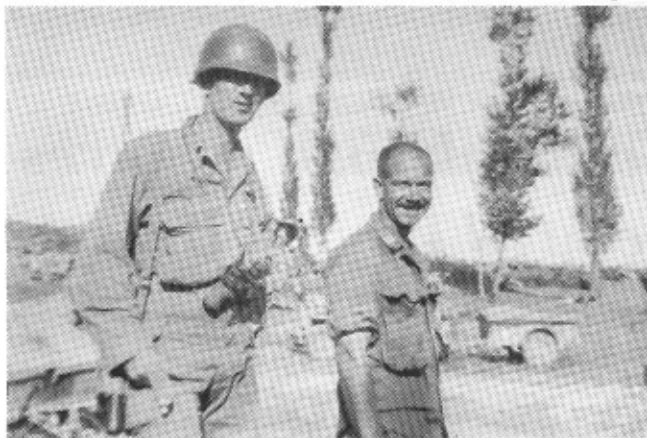
THEO BAUDIN; Rt. 3, Box 471; Dickinson, TX 77539. Phone 713-559-2110. He sent this poem and photograph last August; we apologize for being so late in publishing. Theo said: "This is a picture of us at the ex-P.O.W. reunion held in Denver. Left to right: **FRANK JETER, ANTHONY JUREK, VIRGIL STEELE, THEO BAUDIN, ARDON ROWLEY, ROY STORY, and RAY MCGINNIS.** **THOMAS KAPPEL** was present but did not show for the photograph. We all are ex-P.O.W.'s and all from 2nd Engrs Combat BN 2nd Div. This poem is dedicated to all the men who were in battle in North Korea, near the Chongchon River, October to December, 1950.

CAPTURE AT KUNU-RI

I remember the night of the "Bugles" you see,
this is my story of the Battle at Kunu-ri.
We were surrounded and death was at hand,
we were ordered to break out, any way that you can.
I was in a group who made it out that night,
up on a hill we witnessed the fight.
We left that hill and into the valley we walked,
until we heard someone say halt.
Our officers had planned to meet at this site,
now we joined forces to continue our plight.
A Chinese calvary came upon us that night,
we were in a creek bed we had to fight.
Chinese on horses were on us before we knew,
we had no cover there's nothing we could do.
It's too late I heard the Lieutenant say,
they got us now there is no other way.
He fired his carbine in the full automatic mode,
the calvary unit bolted, and away they rode.
We left the creek bed and scattered that night,
the enemy hunted us until the morning light.
The enemy heard me climbing up that hill,
now they came after me to make the kill.
I was surrounded and all alone,
no more ammunition, now I was thinking of home.
Now I wondered what my fate would be,
for I was a captive of the CPV.



**KWVA
Directors
Bill Coe (left)
and
Chuck Dawson
ponder a
proposal
at the Miami
February
meeting.**



I served with all these guys in Hq Co 1st Bn 5th RCT 1950-51. If you know any of them, or me, please contact me: JOHN W. HEMPEL; 3619 Sunridge; Flint, MI 48506 (that's me in bottom photo).



I AM LOOKING FOR HARRY M. CHINEN



This is a picture of HARRY M. CHINEN made in the summer of 1949, in Japan. He and I were in the 34th Regt 24th Div. He was born in Hawaii, and came back from Korea on the same ship as I. At that time he was with the 21st Regt.

When I went to the 24th reunion in Hawaii, I phoned every Chinen in the phone book, without any luck.

Also (and this is for veterans in West Virginia) is there a place in West Virginia that gives passes to handicapped people; I have a friend that picked one up last year when he went to Harpers Ferry. The reason is that I have family in Buckhannon, WV

--ROBERT "BOB" OSTROWSKE; 2614 Canfield Rd.; Akron, OH 44312. phone 216-784-9802.

I am a disabled Korean veteran and former POW and a member of the KWVA, CARD #POW 111. I am sending you one of the Korean

War Mini Memorials that I have been making over the past few months; am in hopes that you might be able to put an item in the Graybeards to promote them a little. I get \$18.95 plus \$2.50 for postage and packaging for total of \$21.45. I would be more than willing to contribute two dollars per copy to the memorial fund or for whatever need the organization happens to have at the time.

These little memorials are made from dry cherry wood.

Each one is a little different due to the grain of the wood and the fact that I make them one at a time myself, they might vary slightly in thickness, but basically they are the same. When I show them to people, many never realized that the Korean War was so bloody, so I believe that we should display the statistics when ever we get the chance. "Lest They Forget".

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

Sincerely, --VERNON CLARK; Box 1120 R.F.D. No 1; Brooks, Maine 04921.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Vernon has already sent his check for \$236 donation from publication of his story!

RENEW your membership NOW! Sign up a new member TODAY!

PAUL S. PHILLIPS HAS A NEW ADDRESS: P. O. Box 190075; St. Louis, MO 63119. Phone 314-832-6723.



Here's the photo I told you about. Left to right: BILL DURNIN, Sec; BOB McGOVERN, Delegate United Vets Council; KARL SHARPLES, Pres; JOHN PLENKOWSKI, PR; BOB FULLER; IAN KIM, ROK Marine; A. GELSHER; and PERNELL JACKSON, Chaplin. In one year we have tripled our membership. You have the East Coast support. --BILL DURNIN; 852 North 21st St.; Philadelphia, Pa 19130.

TOM CHILCOTT; 1020 Livingston; Brighton, MI 48116, sent this information. Books are available at Government Bookstores; see in your telephone yellow pages or write the Government Printing Office; Washington, DC.

Korea 1950

This illustrated volume records in text and photographs the first six months of the bitterly fought conflict that began in Korea on June 25, 1950, from the North Korean offensive across the 38th parallel to the withdrawal of UN forces across the Yalu River. 281 pages, illustrated.

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Someone said we are "too small to be politically effective".

Please remember that the longest journey begins with the first step. And it will take the first voice lifted in protest and disagreement with the Kingdom of Congress to encourage other American veterans of all wars and their families to join in.

If the ongoing rubber checks incidents and the five years of bureaucratic foot-dragging on the Memorial are not enough to convince you to speak out — what will it take?

"DANGER SIGN"

"The following is for publication in the Graybeards: When an organization cannot follow the directions of its members, it is in trouble. During the business meeting of the 1988 Reunion/Convention in Washington DC, the members in attendance voted to keep the Reunion/Convention in the Washington area until the memorial is dedicated. There was discussion on the matter before any vote was taken and the majority voted to continue meeting in the Washington area. At that time, the leadership of our organization should have noted the direction its members wanted to take. In fact, I can remember filling out questionnaires on the subject of moving the reunion to a different area. There has never been an indication that the majority of members wanted the reunion moved to a different location. In Graybeards, Vol. 4, No. 2, January 1989, page 6, the organization policy is clearly stated as staying in Washington until the memorial is dedicated and then move the reunion to a different state each year. I think a full explanation on this matter, by our leadership, is in order."

—RICHIE ALEXANDER; 14 Wisteria Dr., Apt 1A; Fords, NJ 08863.
January 26, 1992.

Editor's Note: Richie, I have been either chairman or co-chairman of every reunion starting with 1986. I have worked hard and tirelessly at high personal cost in time and money just to help make each reunion a success. I have been on the very front of all incoming information and outgoing work for seven years. I can tell you with authority the D.C. hotels have been severely criticized by many many members, for room cost, for meals cost, for poor location, etc. In 1991 our written questionnaire showed a lot of members would not come back to the D.C. area. Letters and phone calls poured in from across the country asking 'why don't you give the rest of the country a chance to attend?' instead of 'always making it so convenient for ONLY those living in the Northeast?'

Membership continues to climb and now stands at more than 10,000 — a far cry from the 39 who started in 1985. A lot of vets in the South, the mid-West, the Far West, the Northwest, had not heard of us until recently when active chapters in those areas started beating the drums for publicity. And more vets joined.

The foot-dragging by those in charge of building the Memorial is discouraging and darkened the plans for the 1992 meeting. The Board of Directors voted on question of holding the 1992 reunion elsewhere — by telephone poll starting in September 1991; repeated in December; and re-confirmed by recorded vote at the Miami Board meeting in February.

The 1993 reunion site is in the hands of a committee formed from the Board of Directors. Their first goal is to have it in the Washington, D.C. area for the DEDICATION that now is said to be DEFINITELY Planned for July 27, 1993 — "even if the actual Memorial construction is not finished."

On January 16, 1992, the Fine Arts Commission agreed to accept the design concept of the Korean War Veterans Memorial by a vote of 4 to 1. The lone negative vote came from Commissioner Joan Abramson of Beverly Hills, CA. Her remarks included the following:

"I believe that we should have a Korean War memorial that is strong and meaningful, and not settle for a haphazard distortion of the originally-approved design. The Commission clearly asked for a fresh look at the memorial after turning down this design. Since then we have

not seen a fresh look, only an endless tinkering with an unsuccessful approach."

When the editor of Graybeards identified himself, Ms. Abramson said: "I hope you boys can make this into a truly better memorial."



Commissioner
Joan Abramson
Fine Arts Commission

"AT 74, I DON'T EXPECT TO SEE A KOREAN MEMORIAL..."

"As a veteran of WWII and Korea, I'm not surprised at the bureaucratic boondoggling over the Korean Memorial. I returned from Korea in 1953 as a casual and arrived at Indiantown Gap, Pa for separation at the same time the 28th Div (PA N.G.) got back from a year in Germany. We men who wore the windmill patch (8th Army) were orphans. They hardly wanted us to have barracks space.

"After discharge, I heard such remarks as 'you veterans come back and take all the jobs' and 'we need another war to make more jobs'.

"If some of us had not come back, there would have been no jobs to take. Everyone would have been goosestepping to 'Der Fuehrer's cadence.

"At 74, I don't expect to see a Korean Memorial. I have not contributed yet for three reasons: (1) low income, S.S.; (2) medical bills, and (3) I see too much of it going down the drain. I've shared my Graybeards with several other Korean War vets who did not know of the organization. I hope some of them joined." —BEN SMITH; Box 128, RD 1; Roulette, PA 16746. Jan. 15, 1992.

KOREA AND VIET NAM... MUSEUM PLANNED IN PENNSYLVANIA

BETHLEHEM, PA., March 9, 1992 — The following is excerpted from a story written by Don Cunningham for the *The Express-Times* newspaper.

It came to Graybeards from FRED ROTH; 3056 Cornwall Road; Bethlehem, PA 18017, who said: "Keep up the good work. I look forward to Graybeards to keep me informed as to what is going on..."

For four years, Randy Biggs and many other Lehigh Valley veterans have been working very hard so future generations of Americans won't forget the Korea and Viet-nam wars.

Biggs, a commander in the Navy Reserves who served in Southeast Asia in 1973-74, is president of Korea/Vietnam Memorial Inc.

His non-profit group, which consists of community, veterans and business leaders from the Lehigh Valley, is planning to build a \$2 million Korea/Vietnam Memorial Museum on 5 acres in Bethlehem near Route 22 and Airport Road.

"It's a memorial to honor those who died, but in honoring them we felt the greatest thing we could do is educate the public about the wars," said John M. Cappellano an Easton general contractor who is first vice president of the museum effort.

"Our thrust is educational," Cappellano, who owns the Lafayette Inn in Easton, said. "We want to have a program to teach the teachers and professors about the wars and to have them move that teaching into school curriculums."

With the end of the Cold War, disintegration of the Soviet Union, and virtual extinction of a communist threat to the United States, much education will be necessary for the history student of tomorrow to understand the context of the two wars.

In the last four years, the group has made great strides. It has obtained a long term \$1-a-year lease from the Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton International Airport Authority for the property, which is nestled between the state police barracks and Unclaimed Salvage and Freight on Industrial Drive.

Local fund-raising efforts have been successful and architectural plans have been drawn. The plans have received both planning and zoning approval.

"We've made enough money with nickels and dimes to pay for the architectural work," Cappellano said. "But you need the publicity and the money. These things don't get done overnight."

Editor's Note: Those officials appointed by Pres. Bush acted legally when they decided against reconsidering the matter of KIA/MIA names; the authority is theirs to exercise.

Kinda reminds one of Congress setting up its own banking and postoffice rules and paying no attention to what the folks back home keep talking about.

HERE IS HOW KOREA'S NATIONAL TREASURES WERE RETURNED

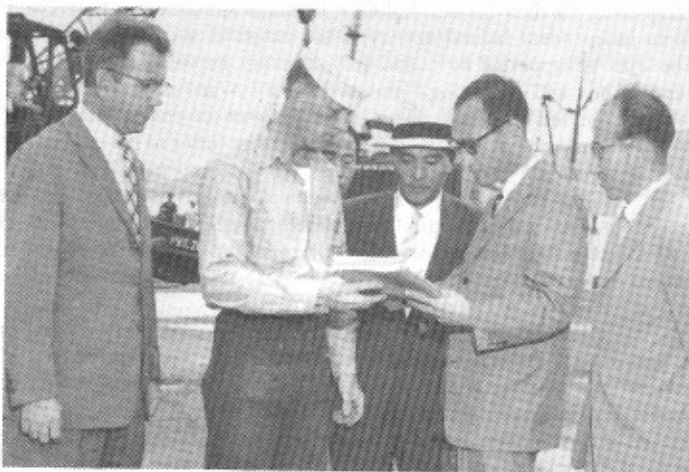
Last June 1991 when KWVA President Dick Adams was in Seoul for the June 25 observance, he idly asked some Korean officials "what happened to the national treasures of Korea when the war started?"

No one seemed able to tell him the answer. But in response to the subsequent story printed in Graybeards, Dick received these photographs in the mail from ALEXANDER P. HEBERLEIN (CWO 3 USN Ret); 2702 Elwood Dr. West; Tacoma, WA 98466-2209. With them was this caption:

The date is sometime between 1955-1960. "A metal crate containing part of the priceless Korean art treasures is shown returning to its homeland as a loading boom swings it off the U. S. Navy vessel U.S.S. Rainier onto a waiting barge in Pusan harbor. The collection, documenting more than 1,000 years of Korean culture, had just completed a triumphant tour of the United States. Secured in five large metal crates were works of sculpture, painting, bronze, gold, and ceramics. The metal work objects included three gold crowns of the Silla Dynasty, the best of which had been preserved in San Francisco during and after the Korean war. The five metal crates are shown being loaded onto a train preparatory

to delivery in Seoul. (USIS-Photo)."

Another caption read: "Custody receipt acknowledging transfer of the art collection from the USS Rainer to the Korean National Museum is signed by Dr. Kim Won-yong, chief curator of research department of the museum. Representing the USS Rainier is Boatswain's Mate 2/C Alexander P. Heberlein, U. S. Naval Advisory Group Pusan Detachment. Standing between the two signees is Pyun Simin, chief, Bureau of Culture, Ministry of Education. At far left: James Boyle, director of USIS Pusan. Extreme right: Limb Suk-Tee, chief, Cultural Section, Ministry of Foreign Affairs."



HOTEL PROBLEMS have made it necessary to make minor changes in the Reno schedule of events. Please see page 15 listing daily happenings. Please send your reservation now because your vote and your opinions are vital to all.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

UNITED STATES SOLDIERS' & AIRMEN'S HOME

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20317

Dear Editor:

Enclosed is information concerning a new law that places U.S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home and the Naval Home under the same administrative umbrella -- The Armed Forces Retirement Home. The new law takes effect in November, and we would appreciate any assistance in getting the word out to members of your organization who may also be prospective members of Soldiers' Home..

We are particularly concerned that retirees interested in coming to the Home and who are under the age of 60, be made aware of the new age limit.

Any help you can give us would be greatly appreciated. If I can be of further assistance to you, or answer any questions, feel free to call me at (202) 722-3556.

KERRI CHILDRESS,
Public Affairs Officer.

U.S. SOLDIERS' AND AIRMEN'S HOME UNDERGOES LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

Nestled in the heart of our Nation's Capital, is 300-acres of park-like setting, in which 2,000 enlisted Army and Air Force veterans have found a home.

No longer called "The Old Soldiers' Home," the U. S. Soldiers' and Airmen's Home (USSAH) is a thriving community that offers 20-year retirees and disabled veterans a haven of retreat, but veterans should know that Congress has mandated some major changes.

The changes result from the new Defense Authorization Act (P.L. 101-510) that took effect this November. The act establishes the Armed Forces Retirement Home, combining the Naval Home in Gulfport, Miss., under the same administrative umbrella as USSAH. Although each home will have its own advisory board; the law standardizes regulations, and the local boards will be administered by a single policy board appointed by the Secretary of Defense.

Financed by enlisted soldiers and airmen, and operated exclusively for their benefit, Soldiers' Home is a unique institution set up as an independent federal agency in the nature of a congressional trust. The trust is supported by active-duty, monthly payroll deductions of 50 cents; fines and forfeitures imposed on wayward military members; interest from the trust fund; and a 25 percent user fee paid by the residents on all federal annuities, including social security (prior to November, they paid 25 percent on only their retired pay and VA compensations).

The recent Congressional action not only raises resident "user fees," but also changes eligibility requirements. Membership of both the USSAH and the Naval Home will be made up of veterans from the Armed Services whose active-duty service was at least 50 percent enlisted or warrant officer and who are:

*Retirees at least 60 years of age (previously there was no age requirement). *Female veterans who were volunteers prior to 1948 (before they were not eligible because they were not Regular). * Veterans unable to earn a livelihood due to service-connected disability. * Veterans unable to earn a livelihood due to non-service disability and who served in a war theater (previously they only had to serve during wartime.)

In accordance with the numerous legislative changes throughout USSAH's 140-year history, the Home has nonetheless evolved from an "asylum for the old and disabled," to a retirement community that offers a secure and comfortable lifestyle filled with activity.

Whereas "inmates" once lived in 8-man squad rooms, most of today's members have private rooms, and many have private baths and walk-in closets. Ongoing renovation will enable all members to have private baths and amenities such as cable TV, airconditioning and elevators.

Three meals a day are served in a modern cafeteria that seats 1,400 people. The facility offers a wide variety of food, including short-order and special diet lines and salad bar.

Health care services range from community nursing and

assisted living, to primary, immediate and skilled care at the King Health Center. This 385-bed, well equipped, long term care facility is dedicated to the members at no additional cost.

A city within a city, the Home has its own laundry, banking facilities and post office, as well as three chapels, a large gymnasium and six-lane bowling alley. Residents can get their shirts cleaned, their pants pressed and then hop the Homes' private bus for a day at a near-by race track or museum.

For those interested in hobbies, there are arts and crafts shops that cater to everyone's talents, such as: woodworking, ceramics, photography, oil painting and picture framing. Near the well-groomed, nine-hole golf course and driving range, are garden plots and two tranquil lakes, which offer sportfishing for Crappie, Bass, Bream and Catfish.

The home is, after all, a special place for special people.

For additional information call 1-800-422-9988, or write: Admissions Office, USSAH, Washington, D.C. 20317.

VIET NAM VETS CHAPTER WILL PRESENT MEDALLION TO KOREAN WAR VETS

Dear Mr. Adams: On behalf of the officers and members of Vietnam Veterans of America, Sammy L. Davis CMH, Indianapolis Chapter 295, we wish to invite you and your officers and board of directors and members to attend Firebase Indy III, our all veterans reunion to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana on June 12-14.

At last year's reunion we presented a bronze medallion suspended on a red, white, and blue neck ribbon to all Vietnam veterans. This year we again are going to present the medallion to Vietnam veterans but in addition, we are going to present a similar bronze medallion to all Korean War veterans.

For further information, I can be reached at 617 East 56th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46220. The telephone number is 317-253-9239.

Your organization was brought to our attention by one of our advisory committee members, Mr. Earl Heath, A Korean War Veteran and a member of your association. I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely, Frank J. Duffy, Board Member; VVA Chapter 295; P.O. Box 449004; Indianapolis, IN 46204. Ph. 317-738-6524. 2-19-92.

IS HE ANOTHER MIA?

"To whom it may concern: I had an uncle killed in Korea; could you tell me where to write to find out circumstances of his death? My mother is his sister; she has wanted to know for family records. We have no pictures or records of any kind. His name is WILLIAM FRANKLIN HENRY. He was the first casualty from Ashland County, Ohio. We do know that he ran away from home, went west, came back to enlist. I have always had a great desire to know more about this uncle I never got to meet. Thank you. Mrs. Judith E. Runkle; 4155 Edwards Road; Greenwich, Ohio 44837.

YOUR DONATIONS ARE THE KEYSTONE

The following have contributed in December 1991, and Jan. - Feb 1992 for the MEMORIAL FUND:

A — William L. Anderson, MA. F. H. Aulwurm, CA.
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C — Robert Carlyon, NJ. Charles Charamut, CT. Jose Chargualaf, Guam.

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 George R. Everson, MA.

Grace Mary Fagan, OH. In Memory of KENNETH R. GRIFFIN.

F — Bruce E. Fettel, CA. In Memory of DELMAR (DEL) LEAMER.

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First National Bank of Ohio, In Memory of KENNETH R. GRIFFIN.

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L — Lin R. Lockwood, WY

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Marvin E. Rahy, MD. In Memory of EARL JEROME KENDRICK

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Walter D. Tucker, VA.

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W — Roy I. Wagner, TX. George S. Wall, IL. Arthur Wildeman, MN.

Western New York Chapter K.W.V.A. In Memory of PAT LAPORTA.

William & Myra West, OH. In Memory Of KENNETH GRIFFIN.

Z — Edward T. Zak, PA.

Vila R. Zverina, MD. In Memory of EARL JEROME KENDRICK.

TELL AMERICA FUND

The following have contributed in December, January, and February for the TELL AMERICA FUND. We are appreciative to the following dedicated people who want to help our nation continue to be the Land of the Free:

A — Ben H. Arnold, CA.

B — Max D. Baumbach, NY. Lawrence J. Busini, NY.

C — James H. Carlin, NY. Robert Carlyon, NJ. Charles Charamut, CT.

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Q — Angelo & Shirley Quadarella, PA.

R — Peter P. Russell, MA.

S — Barry R. T. Smith, MI.

CONGRESS AUTHORIZED A NATIONAL MEMORIAL TO WOMEN IN MILITARY

WASHINGTON, D.C. — March 1, 1992 marked one year since Army helicopter pilot, Major Marie Rossi, was killed in the line of duty during Operation Desert Storm when the supply helicopter she was piloting crashed into an unlit microwave tower. Her death helped to spark a nationwide debate about the role of women in the Armed Forces that prompted Congress to vote to repeal a portion of the combat exclusion provisions of the 1948 Armed Services Integration Act.

Major Rossi was buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery on March 11, 1991. The Women In Military Service Memorial Foundation (WIMSA), authorized by Congress to build a national memorial to women in the military at the gateway to Arlington National Cemetery, was chosen by the Rossi family to receive donations in Marie's memory. Gertrude Rossi, Marie's mother, commented: "We could think of no more fitting tribute for Marie's bravery and sacrifice than a Memorial that will honor all of the women who came before her and who will follow in her footsteps. We ask that all Americans who sent their wishes of support throughout the year, remember Marie by making a donation that will help this Memorial become a reality," Mrs. Rossi continued.

The Memorial will pay tribute to and highlight the service of the 1.8 million women who have served in the Armed Forces throughout history, from the American Revolution to Operation Desert Storm and into the future. Major Rossi has become the symbol of WIMSA's tribute to military women.

WIMSA is a national, non-profit foundation established to pay tribute to the women who have served the U.S. military throughout history. WIMSA's goal is to construct the memorial in Washington, DC that will tell the story of women's dedication, commitment and sacrifice in the defense of our nation. For information or to make a donation, please call 1-800-4-SALUTE.

A NEW CHAPTER (CHORWON) IS FORMED IN NEW JERSEY

We are pleased to inform you of a brand new chapter that had it's Charter signing on Feb. 24, 1992. It was officiated over by NY State President Robert Wacker. The Chapter has been named the Chorwon Chapter of New Jersey. At the Charter signing it was attended by over 40 people including guests. The total Charter signee's totaled 35 members. The President was sworn in by Bob Wacker and then Bob gave the oath of office to the other officers of the new Chorwon Chapter. Following is a list of the new officers; President - Thomas Wm. Jefferys; 1st Vice Pres. - Donald Feldman; 2nd Vice Pres. - William Huston; Treasurer - John (Jack) O'Neil; Secretary - Daniel A. Ciaramella; Historian - Richard T. Bozzone; Chaplin - Edmund J. Walencikowski; Judge Advocate - Joseph Poggi; POW/MIA Off. - George E. Gaskill; Sgt. At Arms - Carmine Massaro; Director - Robert Herb; Director - Walter Bray.

Following the meeting an air of commradery extended well into the evening with pictures of long ago being shown and stories around.

The Chapter was started by Tom Jefferys and Don Feldman. The excitement and dedication shown by the new members was impressive. One of the highlights of the meeting was the introduction of the "Preamble" it was recited by everyone in attendance and brought very favorable comments, and was made a part of our ceremony for future meetings. The "Preamble" touched everyone in the room—members, wives and guests alike. We have a fair mix in the Chapter mostly Army but, we have good representation for Air Force, Marines, and Navy, so you know with all that talent we have a great Chapter. We'd appreciate it if you would give a little notice to us in the Graybeards. We need to know more about what's happening around the Chapters and what they are involved in.

—THOMAS WM. JEFFERYS; 99 Pascack Road; Hillsdale, NJ 07642.

FACT SHEET

THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION

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

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

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

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

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

In the Spring of 1989, we sponsored a ceremony at the Memorial site and made another \$10,000 donation to the Memorial Fund. On Flag Day, June 14, after conferring an Honorary Membership on Dear Abby in Washington, D.C. more than fifty of our members watched

President Bush unveil the winning design for the Memorial at a ceremony in the Rose Garden at the White House.

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

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

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

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

On July 27, 1990, we held our Annual Memorial Ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery and again we were able to present another \$50,000 check to the Memorial Fund. By July 1991, the Memorial fund is almost at the end goal of \$14,000,000.

Our Association is living up to its promise. It has grown from the original thirty-nine Charter Members to over 9,000 in 1991, and the growth continues at a steady pace. This Association has established a track record that anyone can be proud of, and any qualified veteran of the Korean War, and all who have served in Korea since the end of the active hostilities, can be a part of it by becoming an annual member for only \$15.00, or signing up for the long haul as a life member.

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

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

1. Enrollment for membership in the "Korean War Veterans Association Inc.:" is given to any man or woman who served in any of the Armed Forces from June 25, 1950 to January 31, 1955; or served honorably in Korea from Feb. 1, 1955 to the present day. You need not have served in combat to be eligible.
2. Associate member is offered to surviving spouse, children, parents and other.
3. All Medal of Honor recipients and ex-Prisoner of War of the Korean War are automatic Life Time Members. There is no fee for dues unless the individual freely chooses to pay.

MAIL TO: Korean War Veterans Association Inc.; P. O. Box 12205; Baltimore, MD 21281

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

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

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