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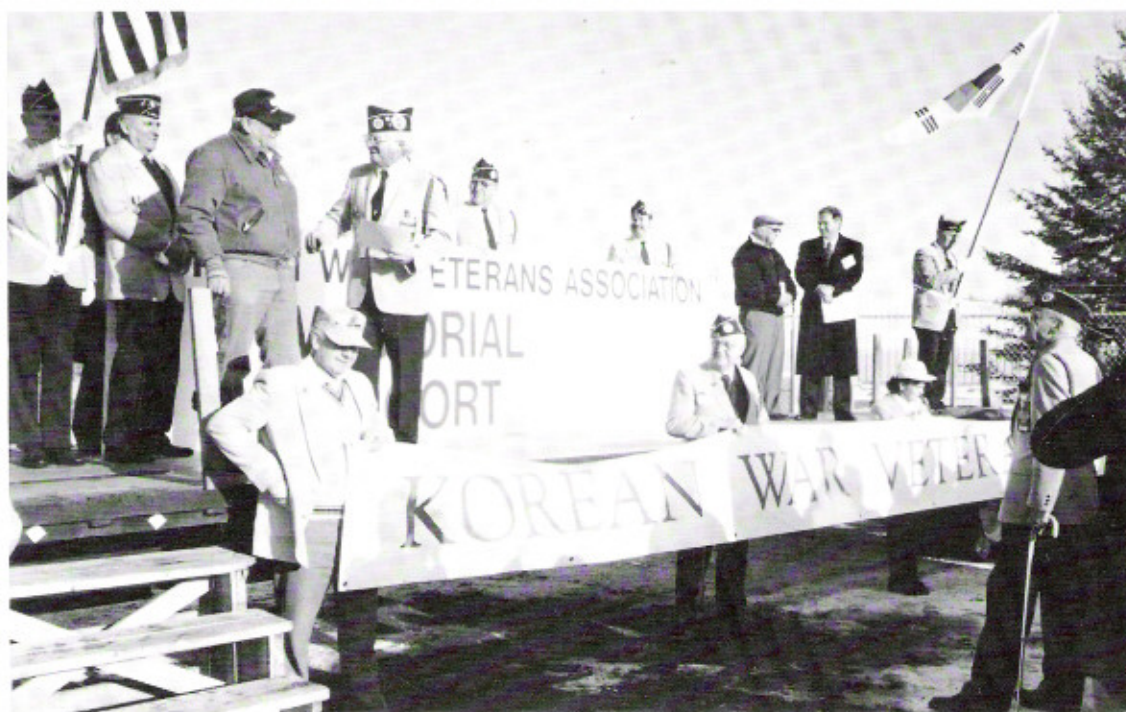
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## President's Message

I HAVE NO MORE IMPORTANT MESSAGE THAN GETTING OUT THE FACTS TO YOU ABOUT OUR JULY REUNION. HERE IS THE LATEST REPORT FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND ACTION. THIS WILL BE THE GREATEST DAY FOR VETERANS OF THE KOREAN WAR SINCE THE WAR ITSELF.

NICK PAPPAS

### REUNION DEDICATION UPDATE

This report will serve to give the members a brief status on the reunion plans to date. A more in depth and detailed report will be presented in the next issue of *Graybeards*. Remember, full payment for reunion events, rooms, etc., are due by April 15, 1995.

### HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS – ROOMS REMAIN AVAILABLE

While many veterans have made room reservations with or through their respective units, KWVA's agent, Richard J. Green & Associates (RGA) continues to be of assistance to the members and chapters. They have recently finalized negotiations with George Washington University for rooms at their residence hall in a convenient Washington, D.C. location, across from the World Bank and 2 blocks from the White House Complex. Although not hotel rooms, the University rooms will provide necessary accommodations including private baths in each room. The rooms are available for individuals, families and large groups at daily rates of \$35.00 per person for double occupancy and \$55 per person for single occupancy. For reservations at GWU call RGA at 1-800-495-KWVA (5982) FAX 301-656-8595.

New lower rates for July, 1995 have been negotiated with the elegant Vista Hotel in Washington, DC of \$99.00 (plus Tax) per room, single or double occupancy. This rate includes breakfast for two, val-

ued at \$30. After considering the breakfast for two, the effective cost including tax will be a very attractive rate of \$41.00 per person, per night based on double occupancy. Contact RGA for arrangements for these rooms. These will go fast.

Many Korean veterans are registered for rooms and related planned activities and are now joining The KWVA for the first time. We urge current members and chapters to escalate their communication with the local news media (newspaper, radio, etc.) to ensure that Korean veterans in your area are well informed about KWVA and the opportunity to attend the Memorial Dedication and Reunion in July. If chapters or individual members need specific communication material and/or additional rooms, contact Dan Smith or Richard Greene at the office of Richard Greene & Associates at 1-800-495-KWVA (5982) for reservations, especially while these inexpensively priced rooms are still available.

### KWVA PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION (CASH BAR) AND REUNION BANQUET

The Reception and Banquet are scheduled for 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. respectively on 26 July 1995. President Pappas has extended formal invitations to be guests of KWVA. The invitations were sent to President Clinton, President Kim Young Sam of the Republic of Korea, President Fidel V. Ramos of the Republic of the Philippines and former U.S. Presidents Bush, Reagan, Carter and Ford.

Other invited guests are the Presidents of the 21 United Nations members of the International Federation of Korean War Veterans Associations and their respective countries' Ambassadors to the United States. Invitations have also been extended to Bob Hope, Rosemary Clooney, Dr. Donald Chung, Dear Abby and General Ray Davis, all contributors to the success of the Memorial.

President Pappas is requesting KWVA Chapters extend invitations to their respective Senators and

Congressmen to the July 26 President's Reception and Reunion Banquet. Selection as to whom to invite is left to the discretion of the Chapters. Costs for the invitations (\$40 per person) to be borne by the participating Chapters. Checks should be made out to KWVA Banquet and sent to President Pappas, *only after attendance of member is confirmed with their Congressional office*. Upon receipt of a check, President Pappas will send the formal invitation to each Senator and Congressman. The invitations will give credit to the participating chapters, not National. Credit Director Eddie Grygier and the Staten Island N.Y. Chapter for this idea.

We urge members to complete the package form found elsewhere in this issue of *Graybeards* and reserve your place at the Banquet. The Keynote Speaker and Master of Ceremonies will be announced in the next issue of *Graybeards*.

### TRANSPORTATION FOR KWVA MEMBERS AND FAMILIES

Jim Martin continues to work to firm up plans for buses to the major events during the Reunion Dedic-

ation week. Those members and guests who have made bus reservations and have paid for their use (\$48),

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will be given bus tickets and a special registration name tag. The name tag and tickets will admit the individual on the bus. A more complete schedule will be provided once all related issues are finalized.

Please contact Jim Martin (410) 285-0707 for transportation questions concerning the mass muster, parade and other Reunion/Dedication events.

### WREATH LAYING CEREMONY/MEMORIAL DEDICATION

The Wreath Laying /Memorial Service will take place at Arlington National Cemetery. The Amphitheater (usual location) adjacent the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is under renovation and can't be used. A site adjacent the Visitors Center has been planned for a seating of 5,000 with two giant screen televisions set up for those further back in the crowd. Seating will open at 8 A.M. for the 10 AM event.

The Dedication will take place at 2:00 p.m. at the Korean War Veterans Memorial adjacent to the Lincoln Memorial and the Reflecting Pool. Again, large screen televisions will be set up for those further back in the expected large crowd. The President of the United States, all former Presidents of the United States, and the President of the Republic of Korea are invited to this ceremony.

### MASS MUSTER

On Friday, July 28, 1995, a Mass Muster will be held on the grounds of the Washington Monument. All veterans will be encouraged to "fall in" by their respective services and assemble with their fellows one more time. The vets will then be addressed by the Chief of Staff, Army; Commandant, Marine Corps; Chief of Naval Operations; and Chief of Staff of the Air Force. The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs will address the allied troops. The speakers will then join

the assembled vets as active duty units from the services, "pass in review," as a salute to the veteran. After the "pass in review," participants will be asked to stand fast for a photograph, taken from a raised platform truck or "cherry picker," in order that this spectacular event is recorded properly. The photographer will distribute information that day as to how prints can be obtained.

### PARADE

The Parade will take place on Saturday, July 29, at 10:00 a.m. The Parade route is tentatively Constitution Avenue from 7th Street to 14th Street. This will have the parade ending adjacent the Washington Monument. the parade will step off at 10:00 a.m.

Details, march order, staging, etc, will follow in another issue of *Graybeards*. A free concert on the grounds of the Washington Monument (there is an open air theater called the Sylvan Theater) may be scheduled immediately after the parade.

### THE NATIONAL CATHEDRAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

The KWVA Commemorative Memorial Service is scheduled for 3 PM, July 28. Specific details of this

event will be published in the next issue of *Graybeards*.

### MEMORABILIA

V.P. Clawson is negotiating with Cool Springs Granite Co., creators of the Memorial Wall, for the actual remnants of the Wall to use in designing paperweights, pen sets, etc for sale during the Dedication Week. Funds raised will be used for the "Wall of Honor" and other KWVA projects. We plan to have a tent on the Mall for recruiting new members and disseminating information about the KWVA and other items of interest.

All the above depends upon the Department of the Interior approval, which we are seeking.

Volunteers will be needed to help during the Reunion. Areas are bus captains, manning the tent, etc. Please contact Dan Smith at Richard Greene & Associates, if available. Let's make this a Reunion that will be long remembered.

**DAN SMITH**  
*Reunion Coordinator*

**HARRY WALLACE**  
*Reunion Chairman*

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# Campfire



AMOS T. CAMP, EDITOR

## Take My Word for It

While on active duty during the Korean War, the language I used was quite different from now. It had an unmistakable, no nonsense bite and directness to it. In fact, just about every other word was salted with the four letter kind. Not so now. In those days I just went along with the way one did business.

In the way of background, I must confess, my growing up years did not include four letter words. In high school and college the language used on the football and baseball field was tame compared to the army kind. Therefore, the Korean War became my first experience with military language. The then and now in the use of language has forced me to ask myself at least two questions — Why the difference? More important, what is in a word?

We use language every day. It is the primary means for communicating with others. In the military, most of us got the job done by using "direct action style words." Unfortunately, getting our point across in this way is no longer that easy. We have found it necessary

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to choose our words carefully. Consciously or unconsciously, whenever I am around ethnic, racial, or mixed company, I find it best to "watch my language." To do less could be dangerous to my health or pocketbook. Today, using code words is common and for some a prudent course of action. You know the kind — my interview is on background or off the record. Such usage risks double interpretation or misinterpretation without responsibility for what is said.

Consequently, this business of the use of words raises a fundamental problem and creates a dilemma. How are we to give emphasis and meaning to our communication? When responding to a request do you say, "stick it up your @@@?" Or more simply "@@@@ you!" Without admitting to which I prefer, it is enough to say, I want anything said or written to be clear and unambiguous. In short, I like and appreciate "straight talk."

Unfortunately, many wars have started because of misunderstanding in the use of language. This is why the way we use words is so important. I may reminisce about how simple it was to express myself in the words I used on active duty. But, reality hits you between the eyes. Never again. It just doesn't work anymore!

I believe the lessons we learn in life come hard. The Korean War was such a time. I am sure every veteran of that war considers it a defining experience. Nations compelled to commit its young to war

is a terrible thing. But, it gets down right personal for those who do the suffering and dying. At the very least it has profoundly influenced everything that has happened to us since. It also explains why so many of us get uptight when dealing with issues pertaining to our remembrance or how we want to be remembered by others. It is emotional. But I would like to think of our remembrance from a different angle. For me, it has given my life meaning and purpose. The truth is, almost everything I do is somehow related to what happened then. I see that understanding and comparing the experience *then* with *now* is the beginning of wisdom. The Korean War was for me a defining moment. I am sure it has been the same for you.

An example, though insignificant compared to the rugged cold weather in Korea, is remembering how cold it was during January, 1952 at then Camp Irwin, California just north of Barstow in the Mojave Desert. We were reasonably comfortable during the day with a field jacket. However, when the sun went down, it all changed. Those squad tents we lived in with the space heater as our source of heat just didn't hack it. Sleeping with all our clothes on, three mattresses and a pile of blankets between us and the cold just made it barely tolerable. Forget going to the latrine during the night. I have never been so cold as being desert cold. For me, it became a defining moment. I resolved to never again complain about cold weather. This is what happens when an individual is faced with obstacles and forces greater than he or she can understand. But, we learn to overcome them and ultimately survive. These defining moments help us create new opportunities for a rewarding life.

At the time of the Korean War, I was young, too inexperienced to know the dangers ahead. Most believed, as I did, should my country call for men and women to serve, why not send me? Yes, we were naive about so many things. Now we look forward to seeing our service memorialized for eternity this coming July on the Mall in Washington, D.C. How blessed I am to have been chosen to serve. Do you realize how few of us can say we are veterans of the Korean War? Do you feel a special pride in having had a part in what we did in Korea — and to now witness our sacrifice and service being formally recognized in such a magnificent way to the right of the Lincoln Memorial looking toward the Capitol? At this prideful moment in history, say, "I had my defining moment, I survived the war. Now I want to pass on to others how this war affected my life. I want to tell others of the successes and rewards that service provided me over the years. Use my wartime experiences in positive ways benefiting my family, myself, community, state and nation. Support KWVA as my time and talents will permit."

There are many success stories out there among KWVA members. Through actions of individuals and at chapter level activities, resolve to spread the word about the meaning of this war. Of how this first significant action by the United Nations literally halted the spread of Communism in that area of the world leading to its ultimate defeat. It made possible the creation of a modern, democratic South Korea. By 1988 the country was capable of hosting the Olympic Games because of our sacrifice. We who have known war will continue to work, by all honorable means, to avoid another.

So, in *Graybeards* I will attempt to express myself clearly, and hopefully in acceptable language on subjects important to the membership and trust letters to the editor will be of similar character. In recent years I discovered the old way was not so good after all. Speaking and writing clearly and unambiguously is a worthy goal. But, we must work at it. Therefore, join with me on these pages to enlighten each other with our well chosen words. ATC

# Operation Escort

by James K. (Jim) Martin, Maryland Chapter

Saturday, 17 December, 1994 started out reminiscent of December, 1950, particularly in Coldspring, Minnesota. Very cold, blustery, and snow showers greeted us as we left the terminal of Anderson Truck Lines with the first 16 crates of California black Arcadia granite, all etched and polished of the total of 41 to become the wall portion of the Korean War Memorial. The time, 0500 hours. Destination, Washington, D.C.

Ray Donnelly, who has labored for many, many months as an unpaid volunteer with the Korean War Memorial Advisory Board (and incidentally, as a by-product of this trip is now an Associate Member of this Chapter, was riding in the lead truck with Norrn (one of ATL's top drivers). Larry (Judge Roy) Bean and I followed in the second. Our first checkpoint was the Minnesota/Wisconsin state line.

Let me back up for a moment. We arrived in Minneapolis shortly after 1100 hours on the 16th to be greeted by National 1st Vice President Tom Clausen and another Tom whose last name escapes me. After spending almost an hour installing a car-top carrier on Tom Clausen's Bronco(?), then loading and lashing down two 4 X 8 plywood sheets with the KWVA convoy message painted thereon we headed for Clearspring, MN, home of the Clearspring Granite Company who rendered the huge blocks of granite into the wall panels. It was sunny and cold at 1400 hours when we arrived at the plant. Quite a large crowd was on hand to greet us. Members of KWVA, the American Legion, VFW, the company, press, etc. gathered to hear short remarks from Tom Clausen, Ray Donnelly speakers from ATL and Coldspring Granite, the commander of the Minnesota National Guard, and a very lovely lady who had recently won election as Minnesota's Lt. Governor. Ray and I were still dressed for Maryland weather and quickly realized just how cold it really was.

Back to the convoy. Shortly before 0700 we turned onto the entry ramp to eastbound I-90. Who was standing there rendering a very smart salute but, you guessed it, Tom Clausen. The man was everywhere and did a bang-up job of putting together the entire program here. Wasn't long before we crossed into Wisconsin where we were met by the first of three Highway Patrol cars. After a quick stop for breakfast, we continued on, arriving at a truck stop in Madison, WI shortly after noon.

Col. Cliff Borden led a contingent of Wisconsin Korean Veterans in greeting us. Cliff and his associates did a great job in getting out the local media, print & TV. President Nick Pappas was interviewed by one TV station via phone, while Ray and I spoke to both stations that were there. Their stories on what we were doing were first class, and I take this time to thank them for the copies of what they aired.

Leaving Madison around 1400 hours, we crossed into Illinois. Illinois State Police were on hand, and immediately put a lead and trail car into operation with the convoy. Running primarily southward during this phase, we quickly were into the Chicago area. The troopers really earned their money here. Not only did they keep the way ahead of us open, but the trail car was very busy getting people who would slide in between the two trucks OUT!! One lady was told to move at least 3 times.



Illinois KWVA President George Pempek and Jim Martin

Running a bit late, we arrived at the ABRAHAM LINCOLN Service Area south of Chicago around 1715 hours. Needless to say, it was quite dark. George Pempek and many members of KWVA from Illinois, together with their lovely ladies, made this another memorable stop. Shortly after leaving, we crossed into Indiana, arriving in South Bend at about 2000.

After speaking with the Indiana Vets, it was a quick dinner and bed for four very tired individuals. Up at 0500 Sunday, we had a picture taking session with many of the same Indiana Vets, plus others. Some of the new arrivals on this morning had left at 0200 hours to drive to South Bend to see the convoy. By 0600 we were again on the road.

As we crossed into Ohio from Indiana, we were met by about 5 car loads of Ohio Vets who joined in with several cars from Indiana. Stopping at the first rest area, we were greeted by Director Harley Coon and his contingent of Ohioans. Again, pictures were taken, a quick breakfast, and rolling. Slightly behind schedule in leaving, we were almost exactly on time by arriving at the Topath Service Area below Cleveland at noon. The Ohio State police, not to be outdone by their predecessors from Wisconsin, Illinois, and Indiana played an important part in keeping the convoy moving at its optimum speed. Lunch, and on the road again. The Indiana contingent left us here, but we were not alone with five to seven (I think) carloads of the Ohioans escorting us all the way to the Pennsylvania line.

Without a police escort in Pennsylvania, we thought we may have some problems in keeping the trucks together. Not so. Seems word had spread via CB radio from truckers and others we had spoken to about what the convoy was for. As a result, we maintained our time schedule, arriving in Breezewood pretty much on time. Due to Breezewood's location, and a change in the scheduled layover point, there was no one to greet us. Which was fine by us, for it had been another busy, emotional, tiring day.

Monday, 17 December, 0700 hours, goodbye to Breezewood. Shortly after 8 we arrived at our scheduled stop in Hagerstown, MD. Seven car loads (about 20 members and wives) from primarily the Baltimore area were on hand to greet us. President Bud Wahlhaupt greeted the convoy team and conducted a small, mean-

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ingful ceremony to mark the occasion. Due to our proximity to Washington, we lingered until 1015 hours before moving out.

Now we were escorted by two Maryland State Police motorcycle officers leading the convoy, and a cruiser trailing it, along with the entire Maryland contingent. The motorcycle officers did a super job in closing off access ramps as the convoy passed them. A special thanks to these two guys. It was darned cold, too cold to be riding motorcycles to my way of thinking. Down I-70 to I-270 and finally to I-495 to Rt. 50. Getting close. Washington, D.C. metropolitan police meet us as the District Line. On New York Avenue and around we go, arriving at the Memorial site around 1230 hours. Two and one-half days, 1,212 miles. We are here.

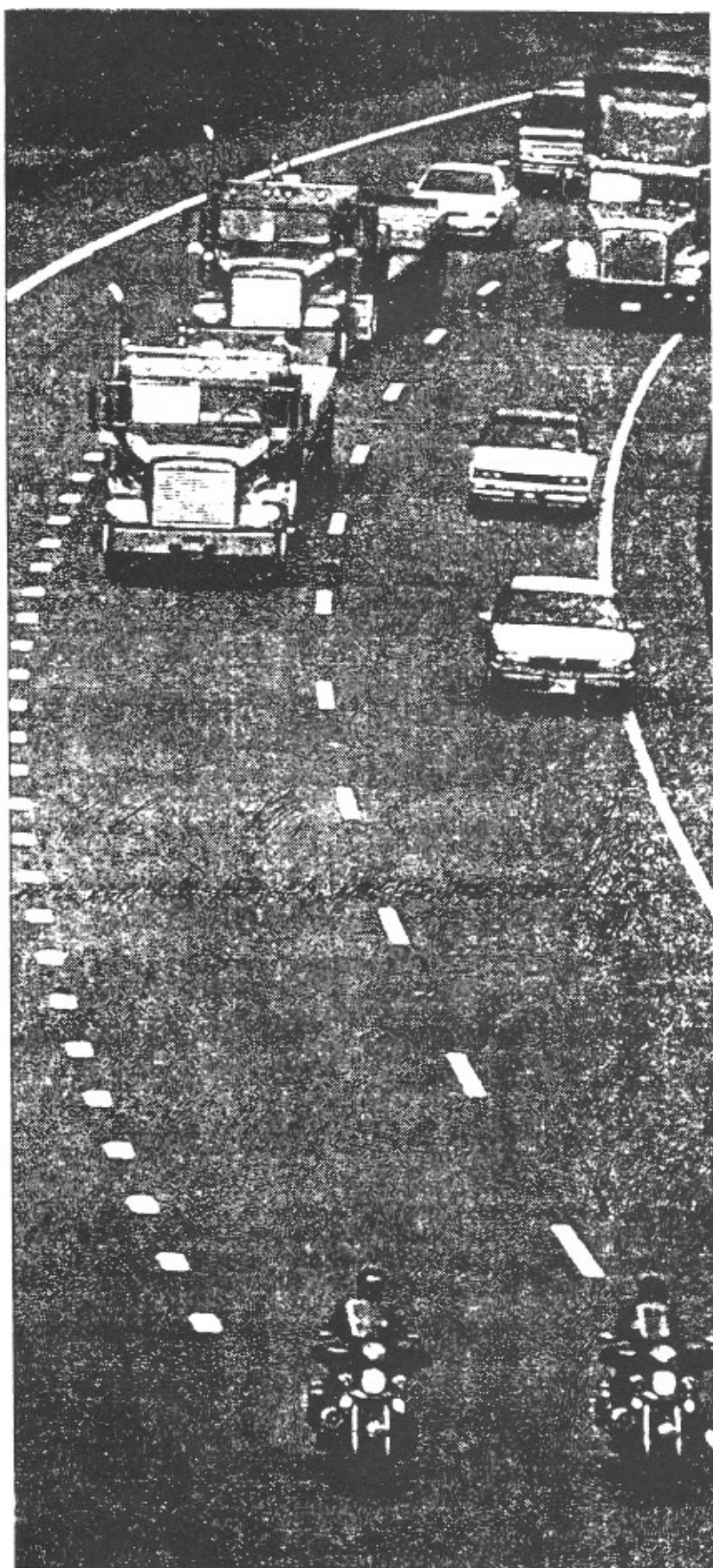
Greeted by President Pappas, additional members of the Maryland Chapter, and members from D.C., northern Virginia, etc., we once again were caught up in picture taking, news media interviews, and ceremonies. Our Chapter Color Guard presented the colors during the ceremonies, eliciting many favorable comments from all in attendance for their sharp performance. From me to all who participated, but especially to the Color Guard, a heart felt THANK YOU.

The memories gained from the privilege of serving as Convoy Commander for this event are without doubt some of the finest. I cannot thank enough all of the new friends we made during the trip, nor will I ever forget them. To all who participated, I salute you.

The Staff photo by Timothy Jacobsen on the right was taken from *The Frederick Post*, Frederick, MD., Thursday, December 22, 1994, page B-5. The caption reads as follows:

### **Moving Memorial**

A convoy of flatbed trucks, complete with a police escort, drives through Frederick County on I-70 Monday, bound for Washington, D.C., where their cargo will be unloaded to become the Korean War Veterans Memorial. The trucks started out in Minnesota, hauling the first 15 of 41 granite panels that will make up the monument, which is planned for 2.2 acres on the National Mall and dedicated to the 1.5 million persons who served in the conflict.



# Arrival of the Granite Slabs at the Memorial Site







Maryland Chapter  
Color Guard



# Official Announcements

## ***Last Call*** **for 1995-1996** **College Educa-** **tional Grants**



The last day for submitting applications for the 1995-1996 School Term is 21 April 1995. If you have not yet applied for a College Grant Form, please send your request to:

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c/o 1101 Parkwood Lane  
Stillwater, MN 55082-5456-16

"Applicants applying for the educational grant must be a K.W.V.A., Inc. member, member's spouse, son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, great-grandson or great-granddaughter of said veteran, either a direct descendant or by marriage or adoption. (Sorry, Honorary or Associate members are not included in the program at the present time).

"The response from the membership so far, has been, terrific. The committee is currently awarding ten (10) \$2,000.00 grants for the 1995-1996 school term. The total award will be \$20,000.00.

"We are already looking ahead for the 1996-1997 term, and hope to award additional grants. One dollar (\$1) of your national dues goes to help fund these grants. Donations to the college Educational Committee are now being accepted from individuals, Chapters and Corporate sponsors. The donation is tax deductible. You may send checks to the Treasurer, K.W.V.A., Inc. to be deposited for the Grant Program.

"Successful applicants for the 1995-1996 school term will be announced at the Annual Reunion held in Washington, D.C. this coming July."

## **Moving?**



Please notify  
*Graybeards*  
of your change of address.

## **Resolutions**

*Resolutions may be proposed to the Resolutions Committee no later than thirty days prior to the Mid-Winter and Annual Meetings of the Executive Council. The Resolutions Committee must present all resolutions in whatever order it desires and may comment favorably or unfavorably upon each. Rather than read the entire resolution, the Resolutions Committee may submit the gist of the proposal to the body. The majority of the members voting shall constitute approval and a directive for subsequent action upon the resolution. — ARTICLE VII, SECTION 3. KWVA BY-LAWS.*

The Chairman of the Resolutions Committee is Director Andrew Lynch, 2404 Oriole Dr., South Bensalem, PA 19020 - Phone 215-638-8810. Resolutions requiring printing in *Graybeards* must meet production deadline of May 15 for the June-July issue.

## **Notice to Members**

Please check the date on the mailing label of this issue of *Graybeards*. It tells you the anniversary date of your membership. If your dues are current the date shown will be in the future. If it shows a current or past date, your dues are payable now. Thank you for keeping your membership in a current status. The election ballot for the Board of Directors will be published in the June-July issue of *Graybeards*, and your dues should be up-to-date.



## **1995 REVISIT TRIPS TO KOREA**

The Korean Veteran's Association (KVA), Headquarters, Seoul has scheduled the following trips:

April 3rd-8th; June 21st-26th; September 27th-October 2nd. The April Trip is "Sold Out", and both the June, September/October Trips have only limited spaces still available.

For further information, applications, etc., please contact the designated Travel Agent who is arranging ticketing for KWVA Members:

Tom Jin, President  
Dearborn Travel, Inc., 3 First National Plaza  
Chicago, Illinois 60602  
Phone: 800-621-5724 (Illinois Residents: 312-332-1107)  
Fax: 312-332-6305



# **BALANCE SHEET AND PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT**

**KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION**  
Period Ending February 28, 1995

## **BALANCE SHEET**

### **CURRENT ASSETS**

CASH & CHECKING	28913
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS	229924
OTHER RECEIVABLES	1761
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>260598</b>

### **FIXED ASSETS**

COMPUTERS	2519
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	3783
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	1704
<b>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS</b>	<b>8006</b>

### **OTHER ASSETS**

MEMORIAL COIN	9800
PREPAID EXPENSES	14376
PREPAID INSURANCE	6770
WEAPONS	14776
ADVANCE 95 REUNION	11600
OTHER ASSETS	8950
<b>TOTAL OTHER ASSETS</b>	<b>66272</b>

**TOTAL ASSETS** **334876**

### **LIABILITIES & EQUITY**

#### **CURRENT LIABILITIES**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	4713
RETAINED EARNINGS	317466
CURRENT PERIOD PROFIT	12697

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** **334876**

## **PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT** **YEAR-TO-DATE**

### **REVENUES**

MEMBERSHIP	37929
MERCHANDISE SALES	6237
OTHER	2064
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>46230</b>

**COST OF SALES** **1909**  
**GROSS PROFIT** **44321**

### **OPERATING EXPENSES (Year-to-Date)**

ADMINISTRATIVE	31110
TELL AMERICA	351
QUARTERMASTER	88
OTHER	75
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>31624</b>

**NET PROFIT/LOSS** **12697**

## **BUDGET FOR 1995** **APPROVED BY THE EXEC. COUNCIL.**

### **MEMBERSHIP**

REGULAR DUES	125,880
ASSOCIATE DUES	1,500
REINSTATEMENTS	245
LIFE MEMBERS	24,000
<b>TOTAL DUES</b>	<b>151,625</b>

### **OTHER INCOME**

GREYBEARD ADS	15,000
INTEREST	12,348
SHIPPING	600
ROYALTIES	5,760
REFUND	1,752
TELL AMERICA	564
DONATIONS	3,444
OTHER INCOME	21,924
EDUCATION GRANTS	20,000
<b>TOTAL OTHER</b>	<b>81,392</b>

### **REUNION INCOME (NOT BUDGETED)**

### **MERCHANDISE**

HATS	2,400
DECALS	120
KWVA COINS	540
QUARTERMASTER	8,796
PATCHES	720
JACKETS	600
WAR TAPES	2,532
WAR STAMPS	756
OTHER	2,388
<b>TOTAL SALES</b>	<b>18,852</b>

**TOTAL REVENUES** **251,869**

### **COST OF SALES**

HATS	480
DECALS	120
KWVA COINS	1068
QUARTERMASTER	2,800
PATCHES	120
JACKETS	300
WAR TAPES	1,320
WAR STAMPS	600
OTHER	0
KWVA FLOWER	0
WREATHS	300

**TOTAL COST/SALES** **4,308**

**GROSS PROFIT** **247,561**

### **OPERATING EXPENSES**

ADMINISTRATION	
OFFICE EQUIPMENT	516
UNITED NATIONS	10,000
ELECTION EXPENSE	2,000
PRINTING & STATIONARY	14,000
STATE TAXES	144
CANADIAN EXCHANGE	10
NSF CHECKS	84
CREDIT CARD FEES	660
BOARD MEETINGS	22,000
BOOKS/MANUALS	600
SPECIAL MEETINGS	2,400
COMPUTER EXPENSE	2,400
COPY SERVICE	600
GREYBEARD	60,000
GREYBEARD POSTAGE	15,000
LEGAL FEES	768
ACCOUNTING/AUDIT	3,000
OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,400
POSTAGE	17,280
U.P.S. FEES	600
FAX LINES	2,700
800 NUMBER	3,600
TELEPHONE	3,000
CALLING CARDS	3,000
P.O. BOX RENTALS	360
METER RENTALS	360
SECRETARIAL SERVICES	3,600
DATA PROCESSING	6,000
PUBLIC RELATIONS	24,200
MAILING SERVICES	600
NEWSLETTERS	300
REFUNDS	84
BANK CHARGES	240
TAXES/LICENCES	120
MISC. EXPENSE	3,600
AWARDS	60
REBATE PROGRAM	9,600
EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES	2,400
EDUCATION GRANTS	20,000
DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	420
INSURANCE	7,295
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</b>	<b>246,001</b>

### **TELL AMERICA BUDGET FOR 1995**

OFFICE SUPPLIES	60
COPY SERVICES	84
POSTAGE	996
TELE/FAX	300
TAXES/LICENCES	60
MISC.	60
<b>TOTAL TELL AMERICA</b>	<b>1,560</b>

**TOTAL OPERATING** **247,561**

# EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING

Omni Shoreham Hotel

Washington, DC

February 11-12, 1995

February 11, 1995

The following persons were present:

## Executive Council:

President Nicholas J. Pappas  
1st Vice President Tom Clawson  
Treasurer John Maison  
Secretary Oreste (Rusty) Tramonte  
Past President Dick Adams  
Past President William Norris

## Directors:

Emmett Benjamin  
Hansel C. Hall  
Kenneth B. Cook  
Harley J. Coon  
Maurice Wainwright (Dick)  
Andrew Lynch  
Ed Grygier  
Bill VanOrt

## Others

Richard Alexander  
John L. Moore  
George F. Krauss  
James K. Martin  
Robert J. Wacker  
J. Norbert Reiner  
Ira A. Jett  
Leroy E. Thornton  
F. Fallows  
Ed Rincón  
Bob Morga  
Wm. K. Wahlhauser  
Joe Donlon  
Thomas Chilcott  
J. Norbert Reiner

Karl Sharples  
David DePew  
Blaine P. Friedlander  
Sherman Pratt  
Amos Camp  
Richard Greene  
Nancy Monson

## Not Present:

2nd Vice President Harry Wallace  
Directors:  
Kathleen Wyosnick  
Billy Smith  
L. "Scooter" Burke  
Jerry Bey

## Abbreviated Report of major reports and actions taken by the Council

### Legislative Program:

Blaine Friedlander presented the legislative program which will encompass the items requested by the members. He stated that the program was designed as a perpendicular organization where all will try to work together for the attainment of the goals set forth. Not all items will be done at the same time.

The goals in the order of importance:

1. Names on the Wall: Two years ago this organization voted to have names on the wall—this isn't going to be done by July but should be well on the way. Another wall will be sought which will have the names of all who gave their lives, who are missing in action and those who were prisoners of war. Legislation will be required to cut red tape to get done as quickly as possible.

2. Federal Charter. Some years ago this board agreed to follow a certain procedure and following the discussions with Sonny Montgomery, Barney Frank and the Secretary of the Veterans Administration, we agreed to follow their suggestions and withdrew the federal charter application. Frank has assured us there should be no problem in receiving a Federal Charter for KWVA.

3. Medals, Equivalency Awards, Bronze Stars: I have been told that certain combat members were not given the award and not recognized for their effort. We have had others state they too should be recognized. With respect to an equivalency award for those who did not receive any such recognition, including navy and marines, I don't think will be much difficulty with that. The equivalency awards and medals will be done as a package.

4. Copyright: This matter has been won. The Army has backed up on claim that they have copyright. The copyright is claimed by the designers of the work. The problem seems to be that someone previously submitted the design as it is now. We are trying to find out more about that. He claims that it is his design. The copyright matter is perhaps the most difficult we have to resolve.

5. Commemorative Legislation Bill: Congress, during the last few years, has spent approximately one-quarter of its time commemorating one item or another. They would like to get rid of this.

6. The Elementary School Joint Resolution (ESJR): This matter puts us in a position where we can solicit other groups to back our efforts. The ESJR came about when Blaine presented a flag to the elementary school. It was the most popular thing they have ever had. The little kids want to know all about the flag and the Korean War.

### Financial Report:

Treasurer Maison presented financial report. He stated the cost of \$7,295 for Officer and *Graybeards* liability insurance up to \$1M. He stated that the Judge Advocate had approved the policy. Maison will mail binder to each member of the Board.

Maison presented the 1994 financial report, stating that the report had prepared on fiscal records available. He felt that the statement was as accurate as far as possible. He called attention to the fact that some expenses, particularly reunion expenses, were posted in 1994 which

Schools today are having problems with discipline. The problem is the home is not disciplining the children. They would like some help. They think this would be a very useful thing for us to offer assistance with. This could also bring us in touch with NEA and additional supporters. If feasible we will go forward and if not we won't.

7. Debt to Veterans: President Clinton earlier stated we owed debt to veterans. We prepared letter to the President and each Congressman regarding this matter. Pappas received favorable response from Congress.

8. MIA/POW Situation: With respect to Congressman Richardson's recent involvement in the crash of the U.S. helicopter in Korea: he was on a trade meeting in Korea. The hottest item in town at this time is North Korean trade. All businessmen want to get into North Korea. The Japanese are trading with them now. American businessmen also want to be there. Richardson is a Democrat from New Mexico and was sent as a congressional liaison to talk with the North Koreans. Richardson was asked to check into the helicopter crash. He was there by accident and stated us he was surprised at the effect it has had on his life. He was particularly happy that Korean War veterans has had contact with his office.

Blaine reported that the KWVA was the only veterans group allowed to talk with the Russians on the MIA/POW joint conference. The purpose of which was to learn more about Americans in Russian. Col Orlov told how he was interrogated in Korea and felt that a visit would be worthwhile in order to start a project of exchange. The American Legion has started project of their own with Viet veterans. This deals with setting up a permanent commission on POWs and MIAs. The Pentagon has changed its method of dealing with POWs and MIAs—separated veterans from the families.

9. Legislative Program: Meetings have been held with the VFW regarding the legislative program.

10. Korean War stamp: There was a stamp in 1985. The issuance of such a stamp is a long, involved process. A committee of civilians determines what stamps will issued. We will have to take this route. The stamp approved by committee and this process has been started.

Blaine stated his intent to issue weekly reports to Pappas and for use in *The Graybeards*.

were in fact for 1993—the 1994 reunion came out in the hole. This resulted in moving moneys from one account to another. It was felt that this report was the best that could be prepared with the records available. Maison recommended that the report be accepted and move on. As there was not sufficient information to substantiate all disbursements, he nevertheless recommended accepting 1994 audit with a view toward putting the matter in the past. Maison stated that the financial records would be in the hands of the CPA the following week.

### Board Appointments:

Appointments included Blaine Friedlander, Legislative Affairs Officer; Amos Camp, as Editor of *The Graybeards*; David DePew, as Publicity Chairman; Donald Cofsky (TELL AMERICA), Dr. Paul Edwards for the position of Historian. (He is associated with the Truman Library. He has been asked to write a history of KWVA. He agreed to write a small book by March for KWVA copyright publication for board review). Pappas

advised that the Quartermaster has resigned and attempts are being made to secure a new one. The contract for the Quartermaster will be passed around for review. Pappas reviewed the appointment of Tom Clawson as Budget and Finance Committee Chairman. This committee will be responsible for planning, changes to the budget, etc.

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## Report of Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee for the 1995 election has the pleasure of notifying you that the following members have been certified to seek one of the four positions of Director:

### FOR DIRECTOR - THREE YEAR TERM - 1995-1998

Emmett Benjamin, KWVA LR02781, 108 5th St NE, Havana, FL 32333  
 Richard W Danielson, KWVA LR04729, 4575 Westview Drive, North Olmsted, OH 44070-3461  
 Paul G. Martin, KWVA R03589, 434 Marine Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11209  
 P. G. "Bob" Morgia, KWVA LR04026, %KWVA, Central LI Chapter, PO Box 835, Bayport, NY 11705  
 Dorothy "Dot" Schilling, KWVA LR07713, 6205 Hwy V, Caledonia, WI 53108  
 Daniel R Smith, KWVA LR08504, 6421 Earham Drive, Bethesda, MD 20817  
 Gilbert E Turner, KWVA LR10779, 3103A San Rafael, Tampa, FL 33629

Respectfully Submitted,  
 M R "Dick" Wainwright, Director - 1993-96  
 KWVA, Inc.

**Editors Note:** In accordance with the KWVA By-Laws, the official ballot to elect Board Members above will be published in the June-July issue of *Graybeards*. No other ballots will be honored or accepted.

### Emmett Benjamin Havana, Florida

#### Military Service:

Korean War-Active duty from 1 May 1951 to 11 October, 1953. Served as Platoon Leader, Battery Exec, Battery Commander, Assistant S-3. For year in Korea served as Battalion Intelligence Office in AAA Gun Battalion. Occupation duty in Japan after training as Battery Officer-Antiaircraft artillery. During year of 1949, WWII - Army Air Corps Aviation Cadet program, B-29 gunnery training. From 17 March 1944-17 March 1946.

#### Education:

Three years under GI Bill at the University of Miami. Graduate with Bachelor of Arts Degree from Florida International University, 1976.

Retired from Dade County Public Schools Maintenance Department in 1993.

#### Organizations

Life Member KWVA, Life Member Veterans of Foreign Wars, Member, American Legion, Amvets, Canadian Korean War Veterans, Associate Member VVA 121. Member Elks, Knights of Columbus. Served as Chaplain VFW Post 10068 for two years. Korean War Advisor to Florida VFW. Past Member of United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, held several offices in that organization. Past Member of Moose and British Korean War Veterans Association.

#### Service to KWVA:

Two terms as Director. Joined in 1988 and have been active from first day. Formed several chapters in Florida and instrumental in bringing in members from the Colorado Springs chapter. Assisted in formation of chapters in Arizona. I have raised at least \$20,000 for the KWVA's various activities and am currently spearheading the drive for a state KWVA Memorial in Tallahassee, Florida. Since 1988 my life has been devoted to helping America remembering the sacrifices of those who served their country in "The Forgotten War" I feel we must continue to assist those who come after us that our comrades will never again be "forgotten."



### Richard W. Danielson North Olmsted, Ohio

My qualifications for KWVA Director is experience associated with the following:

#### Present

1. Department of Ohio Korean War Veterans Association, current Secretary
2. Century Federal Credit Union, Director Marketing, former treasurer
3. Greater Cleveland Veterans Memorials, Vice President, former President
4. Greater Cleveland Veterans Business Resource Council, Trustee Planning
5. Greater Cleveland Chapter KWVA, MIA/POW Chairman, former Vice President
6. Greater Cleveland Boy Scout Council, Religious Chairman, Post Advisor

#### Prior

1. Ohio Chapter, The Chosen Few, Past President, founding member organizer
  2. IFPTE Federal Labor Union, Past Trustee, Local Delegate, former Treasurer
  3. Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, Past Vice Chairman, former Secretary
  4. NASA Lewis Research Center, Retired Contracting Officer for Space Vehicles
- Military World War II - U.S. Marine Corps Reserve recalled for Korean Conflict

#### Education

Ohio University, B.S. Degree, Case Western Reserve University, Graduate Study.

My spouse of 45 years and I have four children and currently five grandchildren.

I work with local, county, state and Federal officials on laws for Veteran benefits. I process much organizational, operational and procedural experience that would be beneficial in accomplishing the Purpose of the Korean War Veterans Association.

Let us not be forgotten any longer so we may have our missing return to us now.

I will furnish any details related to my past and present experiences upon request.





## OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Paul G. Martin Brooklyn, New York

Would like to seek office of Board of Directors for the following purposes:

1. To keep members interested in the KWVA after the 1995 Memorial Services and explain to the public the important part the KWVA played in bringing a favorable ending to the 40 year COLD WAR (World War three in disguise) especially early 1951 when the new enemy was retaking all North Korea and part of the south and the UN members were making appeasement offer to the communist for peace talks and was ignored. The Korean War Veterans of 1950 and new replacements turned the war around forcing the enemy back north and beat off two major Chinese Counterattacks (APRIL-MAY 1951) and never again was the south invaded. The next one to ask for peace talks was not the free nations but the Soviet Union UN delegate Jacob Malik, June 5. Yes, it was the KWVA who turned the tide during Korean War part of the COLD WAR.

2. Paul G. Martin would try to have the 12 man board represent six geographical parts of the country (two each). In the future each area will elect their own director.

Paul G. Martin has organized an organization of his own Recon Company, First Marine Division in Korea nationwide and took part in a committee to have the VA recognize COLD INJURY to Korean War Vets with frostbite in Korea. Paul G. Martin got overdue publicity for the little Recon Company and at Hot Springs, AR received a proclamation from the City Mayor. Martin plans to do same for the KWVA.

Paul G. Martin service in Korea was from Inchon Sept. 1950 thru Chosin and Hwachon Reservoir Campaigns 1950 and 51 respectively and last Inchon Chosin veteran to be rotated Nov. 6, 1951.



### P.G. "Bob" Morga Bayport, New York

I am sending you my resume' for the Office of Director of the Korean War Veterans Association. All other information that you requested is enclosed.

I have been a business and community leader in the Bayport/Blue Point area for over thirty years. I was introduced to community service in 1941 when I became a Boy Scout.

When I was 18 years old I began a career as a professional boxer (middleweight division). My career ended in 1951 when I went into the Army (drafted). I trained at Indiantown Gap, PA. and was sent to Korea where I was assigned to the 772 M.P. Bn.

I was awarded the Soldiers Medal for Valor June 29, 1952; the N.Y. State Conspicuous Service Cross; the Military Merit Medal; the R.O.K. Presidential Unit Citation; the Japanese Occupation Medal, and the U.N. Service Medal.

When I left the military in 1953, I went to work for the New York City Department of Sanitation. In 1958 I formed my own refuse removal company, and since that time, I have dedicated much of my time working on many committees and serving as a Treasurer and Board Member on the Chamber of Commerce. In 1991 I was chosen as The Man of the Year by the Bayport/Blue Point Chamber of Commerce.

I am one of the founders of the Central Long Island Chapter and have been its president since its inception in 1989.

I am also past president of the New York Department K.W.V.A., and I am a life time member of the V.F.W. and the International Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association.

If I am elected, I will work to make the K.W.V.A. a strong National Organization, and to put the Korean War in its proper place in the annals of American History.



## KWVA Memorial Advisory Board Needs Help in Documenting KIA/MIA/POW's

Photos of all KIA/MIA/POW's are needed now by the Advisory Board. The Korean War Veterans Memorial in the Nation's Capital will have a computerized data base honor role listing all KIA/MIA/POW's, their name, rank and serial number, home of record, unit served in, date of casualty, circumstances causing casualty AND a picture if one is available. Please send all photos to Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board, Office of the Executive Director, U.S. Department of the Interior, Main Bldg, 18th & C Streets, NW, Room 7424, Washington, DC 20240-9997.

BUT we need help obtaining reproducible photos. Any one knowing of next of kin of KIA/MIA/POW from the Korean War who is willing to furnish photos to the Advisory Board would be most appreciated. Or perhaps you have a photo of a buddy who was killed in Korea that you would be willing to donate to this data base, it too would be most appreciated. Due the volume of photos expected, the Advisory Board will not be able to send out verification of receipt and it will not be able to return the photos.

This memorial will express the Nation's gratitude for those who came home as well as those who did not come home. It is a grand and glorious salute to all who served. It is no longer a forgotten war but in fact a forgotten victory which this Memorial will document for all time to come.

**Dorothy "Dot" Schilling**  
Caledonia, Wisconsin

At the present time I am President of KWVA-Badger Chapter State Wisconsin. Also I am President of Korean War Veterans Memorial Assn. of Wisconsin, Inc. I hold a life membership in Disabled American Veterans. My service connected injury was due to a Army Bus accident while on duty. In the Disabled American Veterans organization I have held all chapter offices and all Department level offices and attained the Department Commander for the State of Wisconsin. Presently I am serving the DAV for the National 12th District ( Wisconsin and Illinois) on the National Executive Committee 1994-1996.

I am a life member of VFW, Currently Adjutant for the 4th Dist. in the State of Wisconsin, member of Military Order of the Cooties, Women's Army Corps Veterans Assn., am also a delegate to Milwaukee County Allied Veterans Council and hold the office of Judge Advocate.

I was appointed as a member of Wisconsin's State Senator H. Kohl's Veterans Advisory Committee. I hold memberships in other veterans organizations, but my priority is working at Zablocki VAMC with all veterans, particularly disabled veterans and their families. On November 11, 1994 I was awarded Milwaukee County Veteran of the Year.

Since the VA cut travel benefits for veterans with appointments at the VA hospitals, that has been one of big concerns. I work at Milwaukee Zablocki VAMC coordinating volunteer drivers and veterans with appointments. We bring them from home and return them back home after visits. Without this service many veterans would not be able to have medical care. We have four vans and over 60 volunteer drivers. Many of the volunteer drivers use their vehicles. I have in this capacity and also as a Representative Deputy of the VAVS program - accumulated over 6,000 hours in the last five and a half years. I try to help veterans with their claims, hospitalization, housing, answering question about benefits and any thing else that the veterans and their families need help with. There are times, that I don't have the answer but I always try to find out who does have the answer. Hopefully in doing these services for my fellow veterans and their families, I am fulfilling a need for myself in memory of all those who never came back.

I served in the Army from 1950-1952 and had communication training at Camp Gordon, GA. Most of tour of duty was served at EUCOM Hdqs. in Germany. I will continue my time to helping all veterans and their families. I also will hold up the ideals of the KWVA by promoting the Korean War Memorial in D.C. and also the memorial in my State of Wisconsin and wherever else a memorial is needed for all Korean Veterans to heal. I promise to keep alive the history of the Korean Veterans for future generations, both mine and yours. Praying that we will never have another Korean War. I would appreciate your ballot for my election.



**Daniel R. Smith**  
Bethesda, Maryland

**Korean War Service:**

121st Evacuation Hospital. 1952-54 Young Dong Po, served as operating room nurse technician, assisted in operation and administered blood transfusions and IV's during period of exceptionally high casualties in the final days of hostilities. Served as lifeguard and swimming instructor at hospital swimming pool.

**Education:**

B.S. Springfield College, New England. Student government president, post graduate work at University of Hartford, University of Southern Connecticut, Tuskegee Institute. Independent study at National Institute of Health and Georgetown University School of Medicine.

**Employment:**

Recently retired from the U.S. Government after over 20 years, served as National Director and Chief HEW Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) program; designed and managed a \$165 million national program for training and education of primary care, family practice physicians and health professionals that became the largest social contract program in the nation. I received a distinguished AHEC Award. At the request of the White House, I assisted the Republic of South Africa in the 1980's.

**Current employment:**

Retired.

**Family and community Involvement:**

I reside in Bethesda, Maryland, with my son and daughter. I am active in religious, political, social, educational and athletic affairs. I have served as a member of the Board of Trustees, Springfield College, Montgomery County Foster Care Review Board, Senior Warden at St. Lukes Episcopal Church and I am active in church and at work on behalf of the homeless.

**My involvement in KWVA:**

I assisted at the 1992 Memorial Ground Breaking Ceremony, Washington, D.C. and at the 1993 wreath laying ceremony at Arlington Cemetery by the "Gathering;" assisted in efforts to start a UN, DC KWVA Chapter and assisted with the Korean Olympic Baseball Team exhibition in Virginia. I am currently working with Harry Wallace on all aspects of the planning and implementing the 1995 Reunion/Dedication which includes coordination with the KWVA Advisory Board, the other veterans organizations and including developing a commemorative service at the National Cathedral as KWVA's special events coordinator.

I will work to help make KWVA a respected National and International organization.

I will work to insure that KWVA members are well represented and cared for at the July 1995 Reunion/Dedication.

I will work to strengthen the Executive Council.

I will work with Harry Wallace to increase the KWVA membership.



## OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Gilbert E. Turner Tampa, Florida

I believe, as a business man who was owner and President of a corporation employing at times over five hundred people and as a board member of several not for profit corporations, my knowledge will put me in an excellent position to serve the Korean War Veterans Association. I have also worked on boards of several banks and civic and service organizations. I have been honored for my services by many of these groups.

My current mailing address, home phone number and KWVA membership number are: KWVA # LR10779; Address: 3103 A San Rafael, Tampa, FL 33629; Phone: 706-746-5953 or 813-251-8844.

I will attend all called meetings of the Executive Council and I understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be used to remove me from office.

Since I am a Life member of KWVA, my dues will be current for the duration of the office I seek.



### Action by the Board of Directors

To: KWVA Members

We the Executive Council have reviewed Mr. Friedlander's back documents and KWVA financial records concerning the accounting of the 1992 Memorial Groundbreaking funds.

We find the financial records and associated information published in the January 95 Graybeards President's Message factual and accurate, not as presented by the recent Graybeards editorial comments.

Based upon the above review, we the undersigned herewith approve/disapprove Mr. Friedlander's appointment as KWVA Legislative Affairs Officer.

	Approve	Disapprove
VP Clawson	✓	
VP Wallace	✓	
Mr. Benjamin	✓	
Mr. Bay	✓	
Mr. Burke	✓	
Mr. Cook	✓	
Mr. Coon	✓	
Mr. Grogler	✓	
Mr. Hall	✓	
Mr. Lynch	✓	
Mr. Smith	✓	
Mr. Van Or	✓	
Mr. Wainwright	✓	
Mr. Wysocki	✓	

Be it resolved, by these actions, we the Executive Council consider the above a closed issue and instruct Editor Camp to publish this letter in the next Graybeards.

Oreste Tramonta  
National Secretary KWVA  
Date 2/11/95

## The Saga of POW 1573

"He is my hero," Kimberly Roach Saavedra wrote of her father in the First Annual POW-MIA Postage Stamp Design Contest. Over five decades ago her father, Lieutenant William E. Roach, U.S. Army Air Force, was being held as a prisoner of war at Stalag Luft I in Germany. He was a P-47 fighter pilot in World War II and was shot down on his sixth mission.

Saavedra's submission was selected as the best entry in the contest. She is from Land O'Lakes, Florida and as a freelance illustrator she took her father's 1943 photo from his German POW records and turned it into a postage stamp and she even added a bit of barbed wire.

Saavedra and her father will be honored at a meeting of the Greater Tampa Bay Chapter of the American Ex-Prisoners of War. The three other lucky contestants are Philip Melnik, Monterey, California Curtis J. Lenz, Nashua, New Hampshire and J.R. Williamson, Lawton, Oklahoma.

The organizers of the contest are Lieutenant Colonel Robert F. Sawallesh, U.S. Army, Retired of Valrico, Florida who as a contract military advisor inspected two major Desert Storm POW camps in Saudi Arabia and Lieutenant Colonel Donald A. Durant, U.S. Air Force, Retired of Sun City Center, Florida who is an Ex-POW from World War II.

All stamp contest submissions will be sent to the U.S. Postmaster General in Washington, D.C.

Roach is from Land O'Lakes, Florida and is a member of the Greater Tampa Bay Chapter of American Ex-Prisoners of War.



Saavedra used her father's POW record photo and turned it into a prize winning postage stamp design.



# WAS IT A POLICE ACTION, CONFLICT OR WAR? OR ALL THREE?

Some of the boys in Michigan were having a spirited debate. Someone had taken exception to the concept that little set-to in Korea in the early 1950's was in reality a war, with real ammunition resulting in lots of casualties.

If it was a real war why did President Harry Truman and Senator Tom Connelly (D-TX) call it a police action? To those of us who went through Uncle Sam's basic training, and even those adventurous lads who jumped out of airplanes and landed on their heads knew a police action was getting into a line and picking up any debris not moving or painted. This was elementary, that is until Uncle Harry Truman gave the term "police action" a bad name.

Seems as though our Commander-in-Chief did not want people to know the United States was getting into a real war so he said to a reporter that the unpleasantness in Korea was not a real war; it was a "police action"!

Well sir! Nearly fifty years later in 1995, to hear them tell it some of the boys in upper Michigan were sitting around deciding which of them really won the Korean war, when one of the more brilliant, said it "warn't really a police action nor a war. What it was, was a conflict!"

"No it wasn't! It was a conflict early in the game, but the Congress needed to give the GIs a GI Bill and they couldn't give the GIs a GI Bill if all it was was a police action or a conflict. It had to be a genuine war, so the Congress upgraded Korea from a conflict to a real Korean War. Besides the KWVA is the Korean WAR Veterans Association. It isn't the Korean Conflict Veterans Association nor is it the Korean Police Action Veterans Association. The shooting in Korea is thus a war, nothing less.

Time was getting short, for the Michigans had a TELL AMERICA program at a school and need the straight facts, beside these red-blooded veterans had made it interesting with some greenbacks standing at attention in a pile.

They decided the only person who had the right answer was the KWVA leader, Nick (I am the smartest person in the universe) Pappas. He is the President and he would know!

The Michigans called Nick on his 800 number. "Nick, SIR!, answer us this. Is the Korean War officially the Korean War, or the Korean Conflict, or the Korean Police Call? We think it was the Korean Conflict at first, but we think the Congress officially changed it to a real war, the Korean War, in the late 50s, to give us some benefits. Which of the above is correct?"

If there is one thing one can say about Nick he thinks fast and replied, "Huh?"

This is the answer to the question of the century. Did we fight the Korean War, the Korean Conflict, or the Korean Police Call? The answer is none of the above!

1. The Congress never did enact legislation calling the Korean War the Korean War. In 1958, Congress enacted the Veterans' Benefits Act designed to pull all the veterans' benefits law into one bill. Title 38, Section 1601, dealing with Education of Korean Veterans defines what we did in Korea from June 25, 1950 until January 31, 1955 as "the Korean conflict." And that is the way it is called today.

2. Title 8, Section 1101, a law dealing with Aliens and Nationality, sets forth the naturalizing of aliens in the service as being eligible from June 25, 1950 until, and get this, July 1, 1955. This code section does not use war, conflict or police action; it calls the period "Korean hostilities."

3. Why "conflict" or "hostilities"? Why not "War"? The answer is found in the history of the day. Congress never declared a war. The north Koreans attacked over the weekend, and decisions had to be made fast. This was the United Nations show and their resolutions counted. The United States was operating under a brand new theory of law known as the United Nations Charter.

4. The relationship between the United Nations and the United States was Congressional legislation known as the United Nations Participation Act.

5. The United States Constitution requires that only Congress can declare war. Harry Truman referred the Korean matter to Congress where it was debated. While Congress fussed about not being first informed, only one Congressman (Vito Marcantonio ALP, NY) openly objected to the United States' position.

6. You got the GI Bill, the law has not been changed and now you know that it isn't officially a war because it never happened.

So what do Korean War Veterans call the "conflict" or "hostilities"? Korean War Veterans call it the Korean War, just like everyone else! ■

*Blaine Friedlander, Legislative Affairs*

## Looking Back on My Trip to Korea

For the past number of years I have been working as a private teacher, doing tutoring for client's of the Texas Rehabilitation Commission, in the East Houston and Pasadena areas. I instruct in literacy, English, History, basic math, and all the G.E.D. courses for test preparation.

I joined the California National Guard (Co. L, 223rd. Inf. Regt., 40th Inf. Div.) in the Spring of 1949. I was then staying with my mother and stepfather in Rosemead, California. My MOS was rifleman and my rank was Corporal. I was still in high school (Rosemead), graduating just 18 days before going on active duty.

Our unit was fairly complete, up to strength, and the NCO's had been to at least one, or more, summer encampments. The officers were mainly WWII veterans. However, upon being called into active duty, about two thirds of our ranks had to be let go seeing that they had enlisted underage. Then, one by one, our officers either got transferred out of the company, got hardship discharges, etc. leaving us by Christmas of 1950 with just a handful of National Guardsmen in the ranks, and new officers called back from the Reserves. Our new Company Commander Capt. Birch openly expressed disdain if not loathing of the NG's, of whom he talked about "getting rid of" as soon as possible. He soon did, filling the weekly drafts of replacements to be sent to Korea to fill ranks there due to heavy losses. (I discovered later that I had missed the last draft by one line on the roster; the Captain had just gone down the duty roster and picked all the NG's for the drafts, but the last draft stopped just one line short of my name).

Being one of the few remaining NG's with rank, I was assigned as cadre for the rear detachment, i.e. draft-ees arriving too late to complete the mandatory basic training in the U.S. before being shipped overseas. This was almost a farce, putting a "wet-behind-the-ears" 18 year old in charge of training a bunch of "old men" (26 to 30 year olds), but it turned out to be another way the Captain had of getting rid of the NG's. We eventually finished our training (I say "ours" because it had been a case of the blind leading the blind) and caught up with the Company in Japan, at Yamagata in the central part of northern Honshu, west of Sendai. After two months or so, we moved to Camp Schemmelpfenig, just outside of Sendai. Apparently this was done to consolidate the Regt. to take advantage of a large area available for training about "an hour and a half truck ride" north of Sendai, called Ojo Ji Hara (sic.?) where we spent most of our time bivouacked and conducting maneuvers. We learned to live in the open and put up our pup tents in such a manner that we didn't drown when it rained. I personally found it to be fun, still being a teenager, but the "old men" (26-30) hated it and thought that I was crazy! (Maybe I was, but it helped me get through it).

For about a month I was assigned to the Mess Tent as K.P. Pusher. I discovered that our Company had gotten our Nisei sergeant (a vet of the famous 442nd in WWII) to go out and hire ten Japanese farmers to do our

KP. That was fine, but one slight problem — they spoke absolutely no English and I was about as bad off in Japanese. So, I quickly decided that if I were to get any work out of them, I jolly-well had better learn Japanese! I got them lined up like a squad and then I started playing charades; first with a bar of yellow G.I. soap. I went up the line playing my charades in front of each man, but no results. I started over again at the end of the line and man #3 suddenly lit up like a light bulb and said, "Ah so, siking-wa!" I repeated it several times and then picked up something else. When they realized what I was trying to do, they were most helpful. I had acquired ten Japanese tutors. Later I found out that they were competing with each other to see which one could teach me the most words/expressions per day. The CO came by the Mess tent for a cup of coffee towards the end of the month and heard me talking with our KP's in Japanese. He almost dropped his coffee! He said that he had had soldiers under him in Japan for almost two years who could barely say "yes" and "no" and he wanted to know where I had learned it. I merely pointed to my KPs and told him how I started. It's always nice to impress the Captain!

Later that year, about mid-December, 1951, I was in downtown Sendai and stopped to buy some apples and exchange pleasantries with the fruit vendor and his wife, when an old "pappa-san" came up to me and touched my 40th Div. patch and said, "Anata-wa Chosen-ni ikimasu!" (You are going to Korea). Of course the current scuttlebutt was that we were going to return to California (how naive could we be)? I replied, Eeya, California-ni ikimasu." He just smiled and walked away. Soon, everyone else was telling me the same thing. Our move to Korea had to have been the worst kept secret in the Korean War!. Everybody knew it several weeks before we got the first "hush-hush" briefings. So much for security.

We boarded ship (in either Yokahama or Sasebo, I don't remember which) and were put ashore at Inchon which had been secured for some months and had a railroad. We were put on passenger cars in the wee hours of the morning in the latter part of January. The train looked as if it were the original "Toonerville Trolly" and was built for "small, oriental-type people," not G.I.s. It was overcrowded, uncomfortable, and with many windows missing, it was colder than a lone-sharks heart. We rode and froze all the way to (I believe) Chungchon, where the R.R. ended. It was dawn by then and we were told to get out our canteen cups and get in line in front of a bunch of newsreel photographers filming us being served a hot cup of coffee and one donut by several Red Cross Grey Ladies who looked like they had served donuts to Pershing in France, and were obviously even more unhappy to be there than we were. We clutched our "breakfast" as we "columned left" around the back of the mess tent, where we saw about 12 G.I. Cooks busy making the coffee and donuts and passing them through a flap to the Red Cross ladies so they could be filmed providing for the troops! It was an eye opener.

We were trucked up to the Kumsong valley. When we got down out of the trucks we heard the command: "Lock and load!" We knew that this time it was for real! We relieved the 24th Inf. that night and took our place on line. It was beautifully snowy and so quiet, but we knew our situation.

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It didn't take us long to fit in. I dare say that after all that time in California and then Japan, we were probably the best trained infantry division to get off the boat in Korea.

After a couple of weeks our CO took most of the Company out on patrol, a "reconnaissance in force." By this time I was carrying the Captain's radio and was set to go out at 5 the next morning. But I was not the only one who was gung ho for action. A buddy talked to our platoon leader and switched places with me, much to my chagrin.

So, I sat atop our hill manning my radio and watching through some very strong binoculars as our Captain misread his map and ended up attacking an outpost of the Chinese MLR (main line of resistance). Only two of our men made it to the top of the hill; a stolid Texan German (from Schulenburg, Texas) known to all simply as "Ottien." The other was a wild ass of a kid who somehow found a home in the Army at age 14. That was "MacNutt," too young to be afraid and too wild to care. He actually made it to the top twice—went down for more grenades and went back up! Like the man grabbing a buzz saw, we pulled back the bloody stump and got out of there with our dead and wounded, leaving behind a trail of abandoned arms and equipment (rumored to be in excess of \$700,000 worth). I was told that the CO took a round through the scrotum, and my "substitute" got badly shotup, recovered and was discharged. I learned not to be so Gung ho from then on.

We soldiered on the rest of the winter and, came Spring, we were transferred down line, to a position that was an island of small hills, separated from the Chinese MLR by a narrow valley. During that day we were connected by road to our MLR, but at night we buttoned up and the surrounding land belonged to the Chinese. But due to someone's criminal over-sight, about 300 yards of perimeter on our backside, where the road came along the small river to the point where our supply trucks unloaded, was left completely open; there wasn't even a single strand of barbed wire, and no one on watch except the single man in a pup tent manning a telephone switch board. So, not too

surprisingly, about 3am on a warm night in April the Chinese Commandos came. One decapitated the lone man on the switchboard and the rest then strolled through the area of neatly aligned pup tents raking them with their submachine guns. The few bunkers got grenades tossed into them. This was the area where the 81mm mortars were set up. They had a huge pile of ammo, neatly stacked out in the open, like the troops were. The Chinese had brought with them a 5 gallon can filled with explosive (I was told the next day that it was nitroglycerin, but can't be sure) but fortunately, the "potato masher" grenade the Chinese tied to it turned out to be a dud.

I happened to be on duty manning our Company's switchboard and had just stepped out of our bunker to get a breath air and shake off the sleep that was sneaking up on me, when down at the base of our hill, where the 81's were, all hell broke loose. Our 30 cal. machinegun that was just above the 81's (protecting our back door) was just going wild! Tracers everywhere! Seems like they were the only ones able to respond to the Commandos. I had to get back in to my switchboard, which by now was beginning to light up, but the next morning I had a chance to go down to the area, followed the bloody foot prints in the soft mud under the bridge. One of the Chinese had tried to put on a wound dressing, but it was so blood soaked that it came off under the bridge, where I found it. They came in fast, inflicted a lot of casualties, almost blew up our ammo dump, and most of them (4 out of the 5) got away scot-free. The next day it looked like the entire Army Corps of Engineers was out there, laying Concertina barbed wire, digging emplacements, trenches, etc. Which was good, seeing that about 4 months later, thankfully after I had rotated out, the Chinese dropped in an estimated 10,000 shells and spent all night in a "human sea" assault from all sides of the outpost. This fight I read about back home while in Texas A&M College in Texas; but the first debacle with the Commandos never made the news.

I had one more encounter with the Red Cross while in Korea. They moved up back into a rest area and decided that it was time to pay the troops (what we would do with all that G.I. Scrip on the front lines was anyone's guess) but we duly lined up for Pay Call. But when I went to sign and accept my pay, the Lieutenant grabbed back \$5.00 saying "and this is for the Red Cross." I immediately stopped signing my name and got in to a tug o'war with him for my \$5.00. I told him that no way under the sun were they getting my money! He said that it was the Captain's orders and I would have to go to him. I did. I got my \$5.00 back, but put myself at the top of the Captain's little list. He had me pulling combat patrols right up to and including the night before I rotated out. That last night's patrol is the one I'll always remember. We went out at sunset, got missed by a Chinese sniper in the poor light, then went up the Chinese slope to set up an ambush position to protect our men down in the narrow valley who were laying more barbed wire. It was almost uneventful. We got into position, about arms length from each other, and sat there in complete silence (the Chinese were only about 50 yards above us) not daring to make a sound. But a big, black ant, the ubiquitous insect of Korea, got into my fatigue pants through a small rip. The ant posed no threat, I thought, until I realized suddenly that this one had come to dine! There I was, trying to remain silent all the while grappling madly with this roving ant who was taking large nips out of my behind! I eventually got him, but I am sure that it was a pro-Chinese ant. I had had a lot of ants crawl over me while on my "hill," but let me get on a Chinese "hill" for just one night and WHAMO! I am attacked! The next morning I took the truck to the rear, Sasebo, then San Francisco, and home.



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# Legislative Agenda

Members of the KWVA will influence legislation this year — the old fashioned way, they will stay at home. Instead of Legislative Days Korean War veterans will approach their Senators and Representatives in their home district office.

There are 100 United States Senators 435 Congressional Districts and Five Delegates from non-states (American Samoa, District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands).

Each Senator and representative has an office on Capitol Hill, as well as one or more in his or her state or congressional district. This is to make it easier for the voter who can deal with the elected official close to home.

This year, the Korean War Veterans Association agreed upon a legislative program featuring legislation that would seek a "Wall of Honor" listing the names of all those who were killed in action, missing in action, and were prisoners of war during the Korean Conflict.

In addition, KWVA will seek to obtain recognition similar to the CIB for combat personnel such as sailors, Marines, tankers and so on. The plans, agreed to in February, are being finished now. The KWVA is not moving forward now because we do not wish to interfere with the plans for the dedication of the KWV Memorial.

How can you help? Easy! Write to the Legislative Officer, KWVA, PO Box 10806, Arlington, VA 22210.

State that you are interested in working with our legislative effort. If you know your Congressman or Senator, write their name and local address. If you do not know the name of your Congressman or Senator, but would like to take part, make sure we have your ZIP Code, and we will supply the name of the Senator or Congressman. We will need your name, address, and telephone number. It is estimated that we will need 1,500 members to assist in this effort.

We have over 10,000 members of KWVA with nearly 100 Chapters. Our nation is predicated upon citizen participation. Ideally, we should have all 10,000 members of KWVA participating. Get even with the Post Office, send in your letter today.

**Note:** There seems to be a lot of confusion about the name of the Korean war, and the legislation concerning the war. In order to answer all questions, please write to Korean Conflict Question, KWVA, PO Box 10806, Arlington, VA 22210. (See discussion of this question on page 17).

*Blaine Friedlander*  
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## Seeks Booklet 7th Infantry Division

A note to Richard Adams and forwarded to Nick Pappas for reply comes from a woman living in Winfield, KS seeking a booklet entitled "Bayonet: A History of the 7th Infantry Division." Her husband at time was in the 7th at the landing of Inchon in 1950.

If anyone out there knows about or has a copy of this booklet, please contact the *Graybeards* Editor and we will put you in touch with the writer.

# Chapter Affairs

## Honor Escort Through Northern Indiana

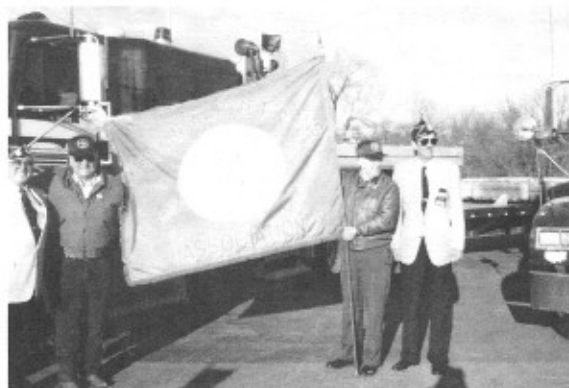
Our Chapter President John Settle received a call from our National President Nick Pappas giving short notice to our organization that he would appreciate our chapter providing an Honor Escort for two trucks carrying the first 15 of 41 granite panels of our National Memorial.

The trucks would pass through Indiana after being shipped from the factory in Cold Springs, Minnesota. The route would pass through Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Maryland while traveling to Washington, D.C. All state and county police units of each state as well as KWVA organizations in each state were to arrange a convoy for the memorial when it passed through the respective states. A departure ceremony conducted by the National KWVA officers was held at the shipping site Friday December 16, and the trucks began the journey the next day. The KWVA Windrich Chapter III from Whiting, Indiana, met the group at the Illinois-Indiana border to escort the trailers to South Bend where the drivers spent the night.

Indiana Chapter #1 January Newsletter

Following is an observation of the dark night with the full moon hidden when at 3:00 a.m. a group from Indiana Chapter #1 assembled at Key Lanes to select four cars and one van to form the escort of ten men and five women. We passed the golden dome of Notre Dame in South Bend and arrived at the Holiday Inn located about 1/2 mile north of an Indiana Toll Road entrance. Refreshed

by coffee and donuts, we waited at 6 a.m. for word to proceed to the Toll Road entrance for our escort of two Indiana State Police cars. Curious truck drivers were told the purpose (via a CB radio) of the nine cars, trucks, and van wending their way east through the cloudy night now filled with wet snow flurries. We maintained the allowable 60 mph truck speed limit except when we would pass an occasional truck or car - all who politely allowed the caravan to pass as one would a funeral procession. Just after the 8 a.m. sunrise



we reached the Ohio Toll Gate and were replaced by Ohio veterans and police who would continue the escort.

Our group continued on into Bryan, Ohio, for breakfast. We did not talk about it, but somehow something deep inside healed a bit. Our trip was a tribute to long-ago memories. Members, associates, wives, companion who made the trip: the Wisniewskis, the Landises, the DeLucenays, the Torres, the Rentschlers, Marcus Botas, Dick Renbarger, Dick Norton, Art Flotow, and John Settle.

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4. OUR MAIN OBJECTIVE IS TO REMEMBER THOSE WHO DIED BY HELPING THE LIVING VETERANS, WIDOWS AND CHILDREN.
5. PLEASE BE ADVISED, THE FLOWERS MAY BE USED AT ANYTIME YOUR GROUP DESIRES. A SUGGESTED PERIOD IS TO START AT THE END OF JUNE AND CONTINUE TO THE END OF JULY. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, WE WILL NOT BE CREATING ANY PROBLEMS WITH OTHER VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS WITH SIMILAR PROGRAMS. AT THAT TIME, IT ALSO HAS A DEFINITE SIGNIFICANCE WITH THE DATES.

### Correction

#### Author of Battle For Korea

Vol. 9, No. 2 January issue, 1995, erroneously states (p. 50) that I am the author of "Battle For Korea." As Memorial Team Leader for the Maine Korean War Memorial, we are merely selling the Associated Press book to raise money for our memorial. Thanks to the generosity of the *Bangor Daily News* we are able to offer this book at substantial savings from the jacket price of \$34.95. We are only asking \$25.00, plus \$2.70 P&H.

If you can set this little glitch correct, we'd all be very happy in Bangor, Maine. By the way — thanks for all the publicity.

Ken Buckley  
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# One Chapter Helping Another



From L to R, Gene Slavin, Treasurer Adirondack Chapter, Paul Cloutier, President, Northeast Chapter, Bill Bradley, co-chairman Rensselaer County Korean War Memorial and Tom Shape, Treasurer Rensselaer County Korean War Memorial.

## Northeast and Adirondack Chapters Join to Build Memorial

At a recent meeting of the Northeast Chapter of Korean War Veterans, Gene Slavin, Treasurer of the Adirondack Chapter, presented a check, on behalf of the Adirondack Chapter, for five hundred dollars to Paul Cloutier, President of the Northeast Chapter to help build their Korean War Memorial in Troy, New York. The Adirondack Chapter has already built a Korean War Memorial in Glens Falls, New York. The two chapters are close in distance being only 50 miles apart.

The Adirondack Chapter is busy now selecting two schools to give their scholarship awards. The Chapter encompasses seven counties in upstate New York. To qualify for a scholarship, a student must fill out an application and write a 250-500 word essay on the Korean War, why it was fought and the lasting consequences of the war. The judging will be done by a committee from the chapter.

## Veterans Appreciation Week

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The KWVA Co-ordinator for this special program is Joe Durso of Reston, Virginia. He is experienced with travel in that as President and Founder of the International Academy of the Ancient Game he is busy promoting Golf in Scotland. He can be reached at 703-222-2422 or call 1-800-837-5999 for reservations mentioning his name as co-ordinator for KWVA.



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## Greater Cleveland Chapter Swears in New Officers

Fred Lick, Jr. is shown swearing in the new 1995 officers. Left to right in the picture is Fred Lick, Jr. Bob Johnson, new Treasurer, Ed Weigand, new Secretary, Al Harrington, new President, George Adamcik, new 2nd Vice President and Bob Lahman, new 1st Vice President. This meeting was well attended by members, wives and guests. Drinks and hors d'oeuvres were served after the meeting with a lot of camaraderie to fill out the evening.



Pictured is the presentation of a plaque to Fred Lick Jr. offering our appreciation for his work and generosity to the Greater Cleveland Chapter of the Korean War Veterans at the January 27th meeting held at the Cleveland Yacht Club. Presenting the plaque is Harley Coons, President of the Ohio Korean War Veterans Association. Bob Haas, our President Emeritus, is seated at the left. Bob Haas and Fred Lick Jr. are both Two Star Generals in the Ohio Military Reserve.



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Greater Cleveland Chapter participated in the Four Chaplains Ceremony and Mass at Holy Family Church, Parma, OH on February 5, 1995. This ceremony is sponsored by Post 703 of the American Legion in Parma Hts, OH. For the past three years our Color Guard has participated in this ceremony and Mass. This year it was extra symbolic being the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Sacrifice these Four Chaplains offered to save the lives of the four other servicemen.

Pictured to the left is our Color Guard participants Joe Faris, Art Becks, Bob O'Hara, Bob Lahman and Richard Danielson. Heading our ten man color guard is Bob O'Hara assisted by Art Becks. We participate in about 12 parades and ceremonies a year — each one being very fulfilling.

## **K.W.V.A. WELL REPRESENTED IN N.Y.C.—**



PHOTOS: ROK Ret. Lt Col. Sung Ho Kim

# VETERANS DAY—STATEN ISLAND CHAPTER

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On this cold, blustery sunny day in November, 1994, members of the Cpl. Allan F. Kivlehan Chapter of the K.W.V.A. divided their forces and participated in two veterans functions in the New York area. One contingent went to Oceanview Cemetery on Staten Island and participated in the annual ceremony at the Veterans section of the cemetery. Many veteran groups from Staten Island were represented and were acknowledged. With the veterans memorial in the background, tribute upon tribute was rendered to veterans of all wars. The ceremony concluded with one of our local politicians giving the main address. In his address he laid out a chronological series of events revolving around WW I, WW II, and Vietnam, but he neglected to mention anything about the Korean War era. After the ceremony, he was reminded by one of our members about his omission and he acknowledged our concern on the omission but he explained that it didn't fit into his time frame, the "Forgotten War." Again we had to refresh their recollection.



Our Color Guard and a contingent of the Cpl. Allan F. Kivlehan Chapter also were represented in New York City. We joined many other veteran groups for this Veterans Day parade sanctioned by the City of New York. We were led by our officers: Director Ed Grygier, Jim Jahns, Joe Calabria, Arty Gaughran and Peter Dodd. Joining with us in our march were ROK Ret. Lt. Col. Sung Ho Kim and Dr. Sung Ho Paik. We assembled on Broadway and 38th Street and at approximately 0900 began to march down Fifth Avenue to our destination point at Madison Square Park at 23rd Street where the ceremony was held. While marching down Fifth Avenue with our banner and Colors we were greeted by many cheers and applause. The ceremony was held at Madison Square Park because of a very prominent Veterans Monument being there and it was in the hub of mid-Manhattan.

Mayor Giuliani and Public Advocate Mark Greene were among the speakers who expressed acknowledgements to all veterans for the debt that all owe and are due them. Wreaths were placed at the monument and taps were played marking this occasion. Paul Bucha, a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient from Boston, also gave an inspiring speech in recognition of all veterans making their impact on history and later came over to our group discussing veterans affairs and was very interested in learning about our Chapter and the dedication of our Memorial in Washington in July.

Near the conclusion of the ceremony, our 1st VP Joe Calabria was recognized and went to the podium and expressed his feeling about the lack of recognition for Korean War Veterans and also gave information about our Memorial dedication in Washington. We all look forward to our return and to a larger turnout next year.

This Chapter has been planning to be well represented at the July dedication of our Memorial in Washington, DC. We already have one bus-load of veterans committed to attending for the four days. Another bus-load has been half subscribed to, which we intend to fill and an extra bus has been chartered for the veterans who can only attend for one day. We all worked very hard for this special recognition which has been long overdue and well deserved.

*Submitted by B. Hoganson, 159 FA BN, APO 301*



**A Suggested Funeral Service for Departed KWVA Members**

**KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION  
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**KOREAN WAR VETERANS FUNERAL SERVICE  
DESIGNED BY N.J. - STATE PRESIDENT ROBERT J. WACKER**

**PRIOR TO THE CEREMONIES : -**

1. TWO (2) CHARTER MEMBERS WILL STAND AT EASE AT BOTH ENDS OF THE CASKET IN PROPER ATTIRE (TO BE RELIEVED EVERY 1/2 HOUR BY NEW MEMBERS).
2. PROPER ATTIRE - SUITS OR BLAZERS (LIGHT BLUE), BLACK PANTS, WHITE SHIRT, BLACK TIE AND CAP OR HELMET.
3. WEAPONS MAY BE USED ACCORDING TO MILITARY PROTOCOL BLACK BOWS OR BANDS MAY ALSO BE USED.

**OFFICERS TAKING PART: -**

- A. COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT OF CHAPTER OR STATE
- B. CHAPLAIN
- C. 1ST VICE COMMANDER OR 1ST VICE - PRESIDENT
- D. SARGEANT-AT-ARMS
- E. HONOR GUARD (2) ONE (1) AT EACH END OF CASKET
- F. MATERIALS OR EQUIPMENT SUGGESTED:

(2) M1 RIFLES

(1) BUGLER OR TAPE OF TAPS (CAN HAVE ECHO) AND ARI - RI - RANG

(1) RED, (1) WHITE, (1) BLUE CARNATION — OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE HAVE WHITE CARNATIONS (SUGGEST 10 TO 12 OR AS NEEDED, PLUS KWVA LAPEL PIN AND MEMORIAL CERTIFICATE)

1. **SERGEANT-AT-ARMS** - (THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS GOES FORWARD FIRST TO INFORM THOSE IN ATTENDANCE THAT THE SERVICE IS ABOUT TO BEGIN)

**SERGEANT-AT-ARMS** - "THE MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BROTHER (SISTER) \_\_\_\_\_ IS ABOUT TO BEGIN".

AFTER HIS ANNOUNCEMENT, HE TURNS FROM THE AUDIENCE, STEPS TO THE FOOT OF THE CASKET, SALUTES, TURNS AND FACES THE AUDIENCE — STANDING AT EASE.

THE REMAINING OFFICERS COME FORWARD (COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT, 1ST VICE - COMMANDER OR 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT AND CHAPLAIN FACE AUDIENCE FROM HEAD OF CASKET).

ALL OTHER MEMBERS AND ATTENDING VETERANS FORM A LINE FROM LEFT TO RIGHT ON EACH END OF THE CASKET, LEAVING THE CENTER OPEN FOR THE AUDIENCE AND FAMILY TO SEE OUR SERVICE.

**COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT:-**

"THE FAMILY, FRIENDS, ALL VETERANS AND KOREAN WAR VETERANS WHO ARE GATHERED HERE THIS EVENING (DAY) MUST TAKE ONE MOMENT TO REALIZE THAT BROTHER (SISTER) \_\_\_\_\_ WAS BROUGHT HERE ON EARTH WITH A HOLY DEDICATED PURPOSE. WE, AS FELLOW VETERANS, UNDERSTAND HOW IMPORTANT A PART HE (SHE) HAS SERVED TO HIS (HER) FAMILY, FRIENDS, FELLOW VETERANS AND GOD AND COUNTRY. THE PACT HAS NOW FOREVER BEEN SEALED. THE MEMORIES OF BOTH FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL FOREVER BE A COMFORT TO ALL. MAY OUR CEREMONY TODAY BE AN EXPRESSION OF TRUE FAITH TO EVERYONE."

"THE CHAPLAIN WILL NOW OFFER A PRAYER."

**CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER: "UNCOVER"**

"FATHER EVERLASTING, BE NEAR TO US IN THIS HOUR OF SOLEMN MEDITATION. MAY OUR HEARTS BE OPEN TO EVERY HOLY AFFECTION, AND

**Recognition for Devoted Service to God and Country**

READY TO RECEIVE AND CHERISH EVERY SACRED MEMORY AND SACRED IMPRESSION. GIVE US TO KNOW THE POWER OF THAT DEATH WHICH THIS DAY COMMEMORATES. LET A PORTION OF THY SPIRIT DESCEND UPON US AND FILL OUR HEARTS WITH THE LOVE OF THEE AND MAN. HERE AND NOW MAY EVERY SELFISH PASSION AND DESIRE BE QUIETED, AND MAY THAT PEACE WHICH PASSETH ALL UNDERSTANDING EVER BE PRESENT IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS. MAY HIS SOUL REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

**COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT - "COVER"**

**1ST VICE - COMMANDER OR 1ST VICE - PRESIDENT SPEAKS:**

"THE MERE WORDS OF CONSOLATION TO YOU CAN NEVER BE FULLY EXPRESSED BY THOSE LEFT BEHIND. TO YOU WITH TRUE UNDERSTANDING, BROTHER (SISTER) \_\_\_\_\_ SERVED HIS (HER) COUNTRY WELL AND FOUGHT FOR A COUNTRY WE NEVER HEARD OF, PEOPLE WE NEVER KNEW, AND THE TURNING POINT IN DESTROYING COMMUNISM THROUGHOUT THE FREE WORLD. MAY HIS (HER) FAMILY AND FRIENDS HAVE THIS COMFORTING THOUGHT TO REMEMBER HIM (HER) BY.

**COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT: "UNCOVER"**

**CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER:**

"BEFORE WE GO TO REST WE COMMIT OURSELVES TO THY CARE, O GOD, BESEECHING THEE TO KEEP ALIVE THY GRACE IN OUR HEARTS. WATCH OVER THOSE WHO WAKE, OR WATCH, OR WEEP TONIGHT, AND GIVE THY ETERNAL PEACE AND COMFORT TO THOSE WHO SLEEP. TEND THOSE WHO ARE SICK; REST THOSE WHO ARE WEARY; SOOTHE THOSE WHO SUFFER; PITY THOSE IN AFFLICTION; BE NEAR AND BLESS THOSE WHO ARE DYING; AND KEEP UNDER THY HOLY CARE THOSE WHO ARE DEAR TO US. AMEN."

**COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT: "COVER"**

*COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT STEPS FORWARD, PLACES RED FLOWER (RIGHT ARM), PIN ON LEFT LAPEL.*

*1ST VICE - COMMANDER OR 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT - PLACES WHITE CARNATION UNDER RED ONE.*

*CHAPLAIN PLACES BLUE CARNATION UNDER WHITE ONE.*

**ONE MOMENT OF SILENCE —**

**COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT - "RIGHT HAND SALUTE" —**

*TAPS ARE PLAYED (BUGLER OR BY TAPE)*

**COMMANDER OR PRESIDENT - "PLEASE COME FORWARD AND PAY YOUR LAST RESPECTS".**

*AS ALL MEMBERS AND VETERANS RETIRE, THEY GIVE A HAND SALUTE TO THE FLAG, THEN TO THE DECEASED AS THE SONG "ARI-RI-RANG" IS PLAYED IN THE BACKGROUND.*

*AS EACH MEMBER FILES OUT, THE WHITE CARNATIONS ARE HANDED TO THE WIFE OR NEXT-OF-KIN. AN EXPRESSION OF GRIEF IS IN ORDER.*

THE END.

## Wisconsin Chapter Scores Big

Outstanding publicity & media coverage



## Illinois Chapters Takes Over





# Burton-Goode-Sargent Chapter 1

## Maine Korean War Veterans

### One More Hill

#### A Brief History

Eight founding members met casually during the July Fourth parade in 1991. But it wasn't until April, 1993, that Burton-Goode-Sargent Chapter 1, Maine Korean War Veterans was incorporated under a national charter granted by the Korean War Veterans Association, Inc.

The chapter started after a request was made to build a Maine Korean War memorial in the Maine Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Augusta. Sadly, after a full year of hard fund-raising the state reluctantly withdrew its offer when some veterans claimed that original cemetery plans prohibited construction of more than one memorial.

Fund-raising was crippled. Few people wanted to donate to a memorial that had no site. But the small group of volunteers persistently plugged for funds by raffling off a variety of goods and seeking donations from businesses and major corporations. In slightly more than 12 months, more than half of the total amount of \$54,925 needed to build the memorial had been paid off. Although several alternate sites were suggested in Bangor, Belfast, and Augusta, various rules and lack of financial backing prohibited acquisition.

Finally after months of heartache and concern, Mt. Hope Cemetery was contacted and Superintendent Stephen Burrill agreed to look into the possibilities. That was in late August, 1994. The board didn't meet until October 4, but when they did they gave approval to the memorial.

Korean veterans were ecstatic. The news reawakened the public about the mission and rekindled an all-out drive by members to get the job done. We hope to complete our task in 1995.

All members and other Korean War Veterans, the mothers, wives and relatives of those who lost a loved one in that Forgotten War can thank Superintendent Stephen Burrill and the generosity of the Mt. Hope Cemetery Corporation for this wonderful gift. We can build a beautiful memorial in memory of 233 Maine servicemen including 50 whose bodies were never recovered. At last, after 41 years, those who sacrificed their lives to rebuild a nation, and, the families of the missing 50 will be able to see the names of their loved ones indelibly etched in black granite for posterity.

*The memorial will consist primarily of two pieces of granite. The main sec-*



Model of Maine  
Korean War Memorial  
Bangor, Maine

*tion with a Freedom Gate arch was adapted from the reverse side of the Korean Service Medal. Black granite was imported from Africa for this section. The base will measure 15 by 4 feet. The monument will stand about 16 feet high. The two black plates carrying names and verse will be separated by 14-foot columns. In front will be a lectern, a slanted black granite block, 4 by 4 feet, resting on a slab of concrete. A map of Korea showing highlights of the war will be etched into the slab with corresponding explanation boxes. Because the Korean War is often called the forgotten war, said Ken Buckley of the Korean War Veterans, the lectern will serve as an education tool.*

*In addition to the names of the dead and missing veterans, the memorial will carry the insignias of the five American services, Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard. The colors of each branch will be flown at the front of the memorial during special observances.*

*Because the Korean War was the first of what would be many United Nations engagements, the group also will display the 21 flags of the nations that participated.* —From the Bangor Daily News



Site of New Maine  
Korean War Memorial  
Mt. Hope Cemetery

## Oregon Trail Chapter reveals new Korean War Memorial to be built in Oregon



Oregon's Korean War Memorial

JOHN LAPE, ARCHITECT

Preliminary concept sketches for a new Korean War Memorial to be built by Oregon's Korean War veterans were recently completed.

Design of the Memorial incorporates as a centerpiece a replica of the East Gate of Seoul, South Korea which still stands amid skyscrapers in the modern capital city.

In 1950 the U.S. Army, Institute of Heraldry, created the Korean Service Medal for award to United States Armed Forces personnel for service in the Korean Theater.

The medal created used the symbols associated with Korea to reflect service in that country. A Korean Gateway was one of the symbols selected and is depicted on the obverse (face) of the medal.

Common use of the symbolic Korean Gateway in the design of both the Korean Service Medal and a Korean War Memorial continues to symbolize service and the sacrifices made by those memorialized.

This memorial will be privately funded through contributions and gifts to the Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA) Memorial Fund.

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## Groundbreaking on site for Illinois Korean War Memorial

Oakridge Cemetery • Springfield, Illinois



# KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL

## STATUS REPORT

from COOPER•LECKY ARCHITECTS  
EARLY 1995

As the new year begins, construction, fabrication and preparation for events surrounding the dedication of this great memorial are in high gear. Activity is literally occurring across the country. The veterans of the Korean War will finally be honored.

Cooper•Lecky Architects, who developed the memorial design, has been directing a large team of consultants, artists, and artisans for several years now. Kent Cooper, William Lecky and Robert Smedley have been leading that effort. They have made multiple trips across the United States, overseeing construction as well as the development of the sculpture, the mural, and granite fabrication, at a variety of locations. Construction has been directed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Washington.

Frank Gaylord, the sculptor for the 19 ground troopers, prepared models in his studio in Vermont. He now frequently travels to the foundry in New York, where they are being produced, to further refine his work.

Louis Nelson and Jennifer Stoller, his chief designer, developed the powerful design for the mural wall in their office in New York City; they frequently fly to Minnesota where the mural design is being etched into the dark granite panels.

The granite for the wall was quarried in northern California; the paving stones were fabricated in Texas. The photographic stencils used in the etching process for the mural were created in North Carolina. The veterans' Honor Roll is being developed in Maryland. When the memorial is dedicated in July 1995, veterans will come from every state to our nation's capital to view the fascinating results.

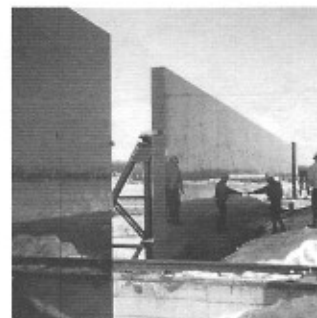


ABOVE: Close-up of a full-size clay model at Tallix Art Foundry, NY - April 1994

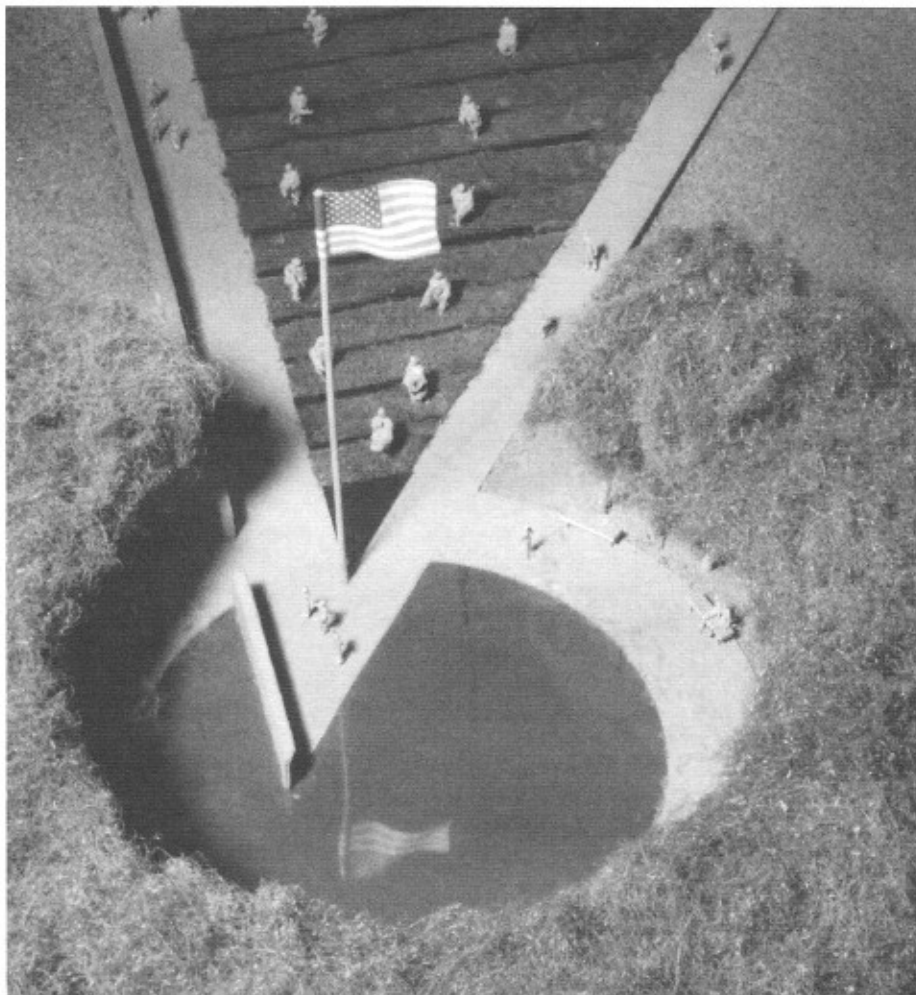


ABOVE: The construction site in Washington, DC - Early December 1994

BELOW Mock-up of mural wall at Cold Spring Granite Company, MN - Fall 1994







## The Pool

A dark, circular reflecting pool lies at the apex of the triangular field. While the triangular field has a kinetic quality which draws the visitors to this apex, the circular Pool of Remembrance diffuses this energy into a place for quiet reflection on the sacrifice made in Korea. The pool lies at the center surrounded by a circular bosque of clipped Linden trees. A triangular peninsula, formed by the main walkways which bound the field, extends into the quiet water. A low wall forms the edge to this peninsula on the south, upon which a reminder of the sacrifices has been carved:

FREEDOM IS NOT FREE

## The Field

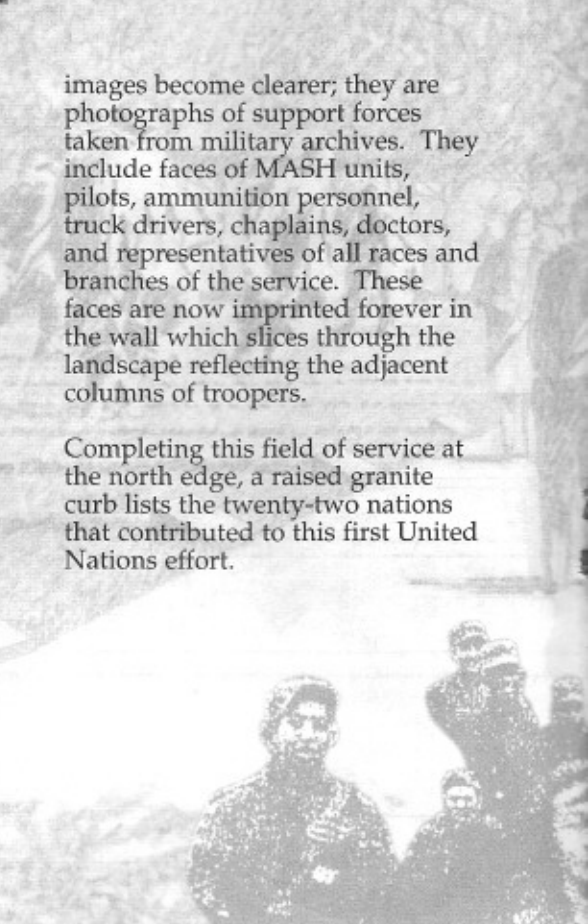
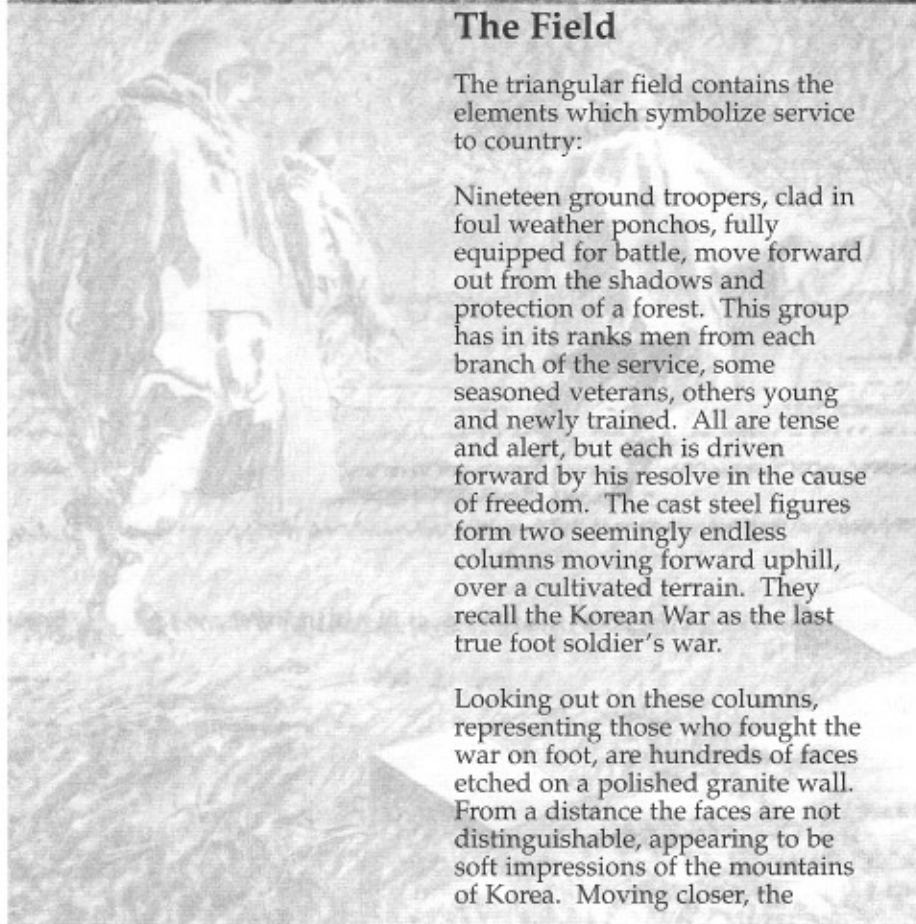
The triangular field contains the elements which symbolize service to country:

Nineteen ground troopers, clad in foul weather ponchos, fully equipped for battle, move forward out from the shadows and protection of a forest. This group has in its ranks men from each branch of the service, some seasoned veterans, others young and newly trained. All are tense and alert, but each is driven forward by his resolve in the cause of freedom. The cast steel figures form two seemingly endless columns moving forward uphill, over a cultivated terrain. They recall the Korean War as the last true foot soldier's war.

Looking out on these columns, representing those who fought the war on foot, are hundreds of faces etched on a polished granite wall. From a distance the faces are not distinguishable, appearing to be soft impressions of the mountains of Korea. Moving closer, the

images become clearer; they are photographs of support forces taken from military archives. They include faces of MASH units, pilots, ammunition personnel, truck drivers, chaplains, doctors, and representatives of all races and branches of the service. These faces are now imprinted forever in the wall which slices through the landscape reflecting the adjacent columns of troopers.

Completing this field of service at the north edge, a raised granite curb lists the twenty-two nations that contributed to this first United Nations effort.

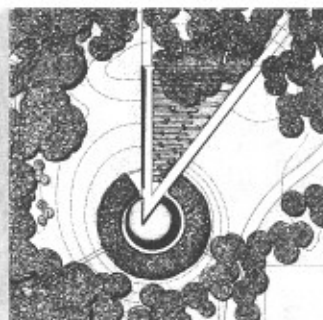


## The Message

Charles Moore, an early chairman of the Commission on the Fine Arts, observed that in the monuments of the Capital one can read the country's history. The National Mall, at the heart of the Monumental Core, is where much of that "reading" happens. To be worthy of a place on the Mall, a memorial must embody a message of such significance that it often surpasses the event or the person commemorated. This is so with the Korean War Veterans Memorial.

The nearby Vietnam Veterans Memorial not only remembers those who died in that conflict, but is a memorable symbolic statement about the enormous human loss of war. Similarly, the Korean War

Veterans Memorial expresses both the enduring gratitude of the nation to those who served and fell in Korea, and also proclaims a broader message about the willingness to serve in a citizens' army which lies at the heart of our democracy. The Korean War Veterans Memorial thus reminds us of the critical importance of Patriotism and Duty in defense of freedom. It is a message for all time and for all people.

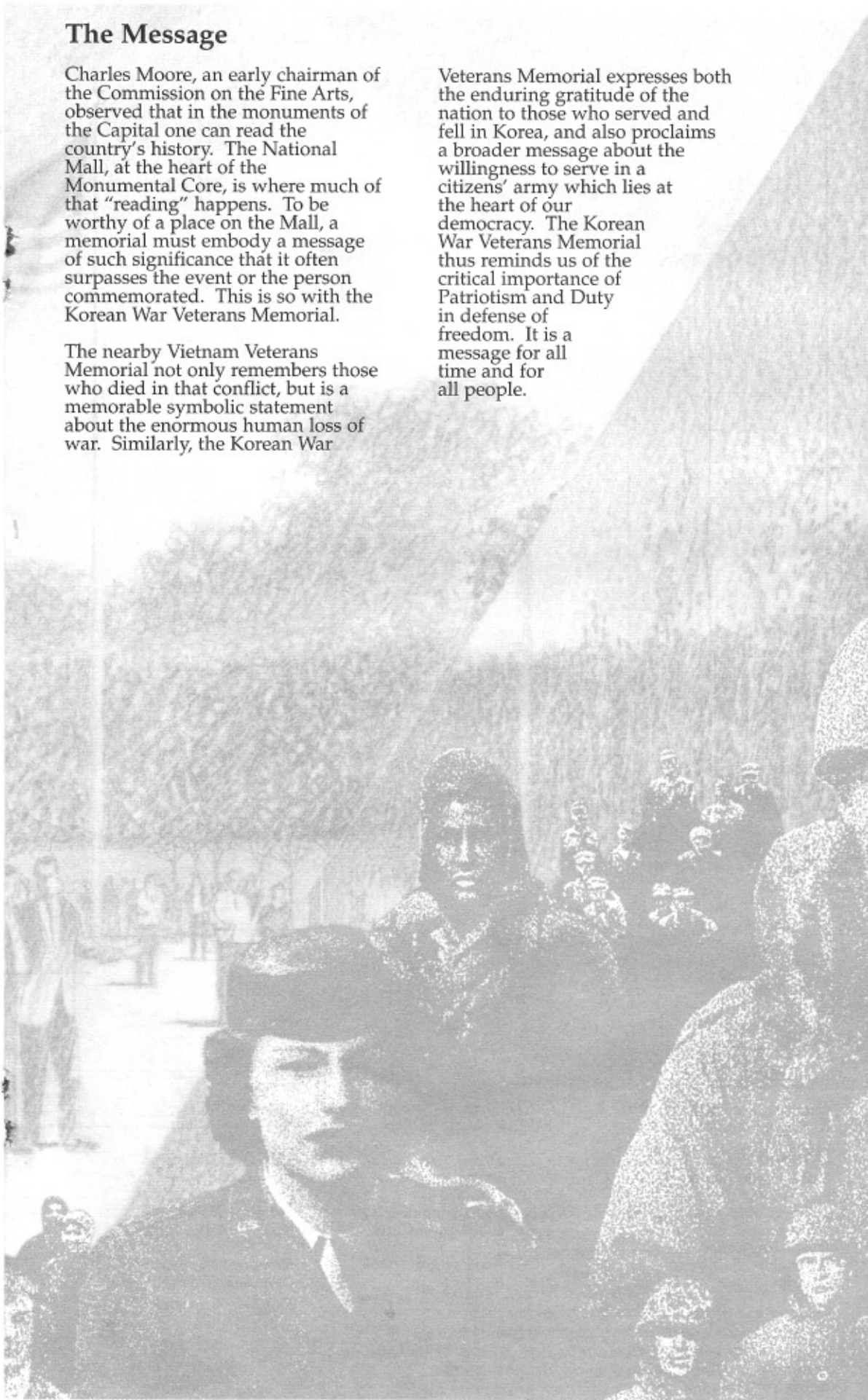
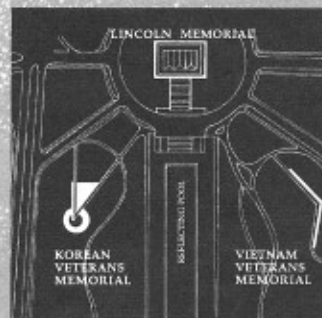


## Geometry

The Memorial is formed in two major geometric components: a triangular "Field of Service" and a circular "Pool of Remembrance." They are overlapped and are joined together by the Memorial's focal element, an American Flag.

## Setting

The Korean War Veterans Memorial completes the triad of memorials on the west end of the National Mall's reflecting pool in Washington, DC. Standing on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, the Korean War Veterans Memorial will be located to the right and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial to the left.



OUR NATION HONORS

HER SONS AND DAUGHTERS

WHO ANSWERED THE CALL

TO DEFEND A COUNTRY

THEY NEVER KNEW

AND A PEOPLE

THEY NEVER MET

1950 • KOREA • 1953

At the apex of the field of troopers and the threshold of the pool, the American flag, focal point of the memorial, stands tall. At the base of the flagpole a huge triangular slab of polished granite has an inscription which sums up the memorial's message.



## CREDITS

*Memorial Established By:*  
American Battle  
Monuments Commission &  
Korean War Veterans  
Memorial Advisory Board

*Architects and Art  
Coordinators*  
Cooper•Lecky Architects

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Frank C. Gaylord, II

*Muralist*  
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*General Contractors - Phase 1*  
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*Contract and Construction  
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*Sculpture Casting*  
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# KOREAN WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL

## Sculpture Already Stopping Traffic

In front of the Tallix Art Foundry in Beacon, New York, a quiet town nestled in the Hudson Valley, a remarkable sight is causing traffic delays. As you round a bend in the road in front of the foundry, seven huge soldiers appear to be climbing a low hill, their faces focused with determination. Cars driving by invariably slow down to stare at the larger-than-life statues that stand silently in the early spring sunlight, oblivious to the curiosity and excitement that surrounds them.

The Tallix property contains many other sculptures, including monumental works by noted contemporary artists, but the uncommon emotional force of these soldiers sets them apart. Although they form only part of what will be a much larger group of statues, the impact of the soldiers is already so strong that they are causing a sensation in this small town and are becoming something of a local tourist attraction.

What is it about these soldiers that touches people so deeply? The size of each individual figure, standing 7-1/2 feet tall and weighing between 800 and 1000 pounds, is awe-inspiring in itself, but it is also the expressiveness of each face that captures the imagination. This emotional impact is magnified by seeing several of the statues grouped together, as they are here—it is literally enough to stop traffic!

These impressive statues are destined for the Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., and have been temporarily installed outside the foundry where they are being cast. The innovative design of the Memorial incorporates several "firsts" in the history of military sculpture. To begin with, it will feature more sculpture than any other national military monument—a total of nineteen foot soldiers, each larger than life. It will also be the first national memorial where the sculptures are cast in stainless steel rather than the traditional bronze. Although steel is much more difficult to work with in the casting process, it offers superior durability, low maintenance and a unique color and finish.

The Tallix Art Foundry was selected to cast the sculptures in late 1993 after winning a competition with several other art foundries. The size and scope of the Korean War Veterans Memorial sculptures make this project unique in U.S. history, and Tallix has been able to draw upon its 25 years of experience in casting important sculptures by leading artists to accomplish the work.

Since its founding in 1970, Tallix has grown to be one of the largest full-service art foundries in the U.S. The foundry has cast dozens of military and other memorial monuments in every style and size, from small plaques and life-size busts to figures standing over twelve feet tall. Works cast by Tallix have been installed in all types of locations around the country, from the New York subway system to outside of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Terminal in Valdez, Alaska.

Over time, Tallix has developed a tradition of working with artists and groups who fund the creation of memorials to help solve the issues unique to each monument. For example, they worked with artist Marisol Escobar to create a special weather-resistant patina for

her "Memorial to American Seamen" installed on a breakwater off the Battery in New York City. One of the Memorial's statues is being "rescued" from the water and is partially submerged, which created the unusual finishing requirements.

Tallix has also helped to customize memorial sculptures by incorporating extraordinary elements into the statues themselves. For example, they melted bronze artifacts from naval ships into the casting of "The Lone Sailor" for the U.S. Navy Memorial and welded shrapnel that wounded a veteran of World War II into the hand of a memorial sculpture dedicated to enlisted men at West Point. Because it maintains extensive contacts in the sculpture world, Tallix has even worked directly with veterans groups to create local memorials, helping them to find sculptors with the experience and style appropriate to their needs and budgets.

Tallix has attacked the unprecedented challenge of casting the Korean War Veterans Memorial sculptures with characteristic enthusiasm. The foundry has been working on these statues for over a year, and expects to ship them to Washington, D.C. in April. Tallix's expert installation crew has recreated the shape and slope of the memorial site in the foundry's own backyard, so that the artist, the architects, the Army Corps of Engineers and other groups involved in the project can inspect the statues in a simulation of their final location. It is here that the seven completed statues that are stopping traffic have been temporarily installed.

The casting of monumental-size sculpture presents singular artistic and engineering challenges. Current technology limits the quantity of metal that can be poured at one time, so any large statue must be cast in pieces and then welded together. One of Tallix's jobs is to make sure that the surface of the final work appears seamless, so that no one can tell where the pouring gates were or where the welds are. The skilled Tallix staff, many of whom are artists and sculptors themselves, use a combination of both state-of-the-art technology and plain, old-fashioned judgment in working closely with artists to create sculptures of the very highest quality.

The events leading to the creation of these statues for the Korean War Veterans Memorial began with an act of Congress authorizing the Memorial in 1986. Frank Gaylord, a noted stone sculptor and a member of the prestigious National Sculpture Society, was selected as the artist for the project, in part because of his renowned sculptures of public figures such as Ella Grasso, former governor of Connecticut. A veteran of World War II's Battle of the Bulge, Gaylord also brought an exceptional empathy for the soldier's experience to his work on the Korean War Veterans Memorial.

Gaylord's passion for his subject and his first-hand knowledge of combat show in the painstaking care he took to incorporate both emotional and physical detail into every statue. As part of his innovative design, the soldiers wear realistic combat dress, including foul-weather pon-

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chos, which break traditional military sculpture conventions by draping and billowing over the soldiers' uniforms and gear. Although the ponchos cover much of the soldiers' bodies, Gaylord uses them to achieve a stunning visual "unveiling;" the drapery isolates and emphasizes the expressions on the statues' faces and accentuates the underlying forms of the men carrying heavy equipment.

Underneath the ponchos, every piece of clothing was carefully and accurately recreated. To achieve this accuracy, Gaylord obtained actual clothing and equipment used in the Korean War to use for modelling uniforms and gear such as helmets, weapons, walkie-talkies and backpacks.

When sculpting the faces, Gaylord used photographs of different people for inspiration, so that each figure presents a portrait of an individual soldier while still blending in with the overall group. Each branch of the service and soldiers of different ages are depicted, and their faces reflect the ethnic diversity of America. Gaylord also drew upon his stone carving experience to give each sculpture bold lines and a chiselled, "rugged" look appropriate to portraying the challenges of the combat experience.

The result is a group of "statue portraits" of astonishing beauty and expressiveness. Stainless steel was chosen for the casting in part because its distinctive white-gray color evoked the misty, overcast climate in which much of the Korean War was fought. And, in fact, the "cool" gray color and matte finish of the steel do enhance the overall feeling of the sculptures, imbuing them with a solemnity and haunting dignity altogether different from the more traditional effect achieved by the typical warm, golden finish seen in bronze castings.

Indeed, at its dedication in Washington, D.C. in July, it is certain that the Korean War Veterans Memorial will continue to stop traffic and draw admiring visitors just as it has here in Beacon.

Article by Elizabeth A. Barrett  
Tallix Art Foundry

## ABOUT TALLIX

Since its founding in 1970, Tallix has grown to be among the world's largest and most respected full service foundries for art casting and fabrication.

Located 90 minutes north of New York City, Tallix is equipped with the technology, space and expertise needed to meet the casting and fabrication requirements of sculptors, architects and designers. Its unique five-acre facility and compound offers 85,000 square feet of work space. Tallix can cast monumental sculpture up to 46 feet high indoors, and virtually any size outdoors. The foundry can cast in virtually any metal, including aluminum, bronze, brass, iron, pewter, silver, and stainless steel as well as resin.

Tallix has cast and installed works of all sizes and styles in diverse locations, from the New York City subway to the Alaskan coastline. The company works with a variety of sculptors, and can facilitate the creation of any kind of monument or sculpture by connecting artists with prospective clients.

**Editor's Note:** *The dramatic statues in the accompanying story can not be described in words. Tallix has furnished the Editor and Ray Donnelly of the Korean War Veterans Memorial Advisory Board with pictures of the statues in the casting process. Unfortunately these pictures have yet to be released for publication. They will be featured in "Graybeards" when released.*

## Alert! Alert!

### Delivery of Statues to Memorial Site Update

The Korean Veterans Association Memorial Escort Committee (KWVAMEC) was successful in planning the delivery of the first 16 Memorial Wall panels from Cold Spring Granite Co. in Minnesota, ceremonies along the route, and the event at the Memorial Site. Members covered expenses associated with the event.

Cold Spring Granite and Anderson Trucking gave superb cooperation with the delivery of the Wall panels. State Police in all States were terrific. Media coverage was out-

standing. Hope we are all taking advantage of this exposure for recruiting. Incidentally, information of moving the Statues will be made available to all TV stations and newspapers. Call your local stations and papers and tell them you would like to see something on the Statues Convoy. Then, if they can't pick up information on their wires, call 1-800-KORVETS and have them send you a press kit and you can deliver the information to them.

Once again the KWVAMEC is actively involved in the transporta-

tion of the Statues from Tallix Art Foundry in Beacon, New York to the Memorial Site. Shipment is now scheduled for Monday, April 17.

A trucking company will be chosen by Tallix in the near future. At that time we will be able to find out what route the trucks will travel. The company will choose the best route in accord with their guidelines. We can only request certain deviations for our benefit. At present, we are asking consideration for stops in West Point, Delaware, and Baltimore.

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## **Delivery of Statues**

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Time constraints will not allow making more stops. Wish we could stop in twenty places but we have to be realistic. Final decision will be made by the trucking company. There are federal laws regarding the number of hours a driver can be on the road. Also, large trucks are restricted to specific roads by law. Sorry, but a specific day, tour route are unavailable at this time. I will notify Chapter Presidents as soon as I get the word.

Our Escort Committee has completed plans to handle several options. Everything is in place and ready to fully mobilize. Interest is extremely heavy in the Northeast corridor. An estimate of 100 cars are expected to be in the escort. If you participate, please follow standards of State and Local police.

Please invite other Veterans organizations to participate. Remember, KWVA is the Host and all Press Releases should come from you with our letterhead. If you read or hear that others have taken credit for our efforts, it is because you haven't notified the media of our efforts.

*President Nick Pappas*

Call Ray Donnelly (202-208-3561) for latest information about participation in the Memorial Escort of Statues from Beacon, N.Y. to Memorial Site in Washington, D.C. Or, President Nick Pappas (1-800-888-0819). Shipping date is April 17.



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# LETTERS

## Update on Casualty Figures

In the January 1995 issue of our magazine, Page 11, William Hothan, New Hyde Park, NY, is correct in pointing out that many of our members are using Korean Conflict casualty numbers which may be outdated. Digging out the data is hard work as anyone who's tried to wrestle with the numbers can attest. Recently, I completed a study of the casualty numbers, based on the sources listed below. The following is a summary of my findings:

### Deaths Attributed To The Korean Conflict Era

A. According to the Department of Defense, there was a total of 54,246 deaths worldwide, reported between 1950-55:

1. a. The number includes 33,652 men who died in battle or by hostile means, or who officially were presumed dead, during the period of the Korean Conflict (1950-1953) and continuing several years after the Armistice was declared on July 27, 1953: [23,836 KIA (Killed In Action); 4,846 DWM (Died While Missing); 2,435 DWC (Died While Captured); and 2,535 DOW (Died of Wounds).] A total of 641 deaths, mostly Air Force, bear post-Armistice casualty dates.

b. According to Dr. Paul M. Cole, who conducted a study for the Rand Corporation for the DOD, there remained in 1994 some 8,140 cases, in all of the casualty categories (KIA, DWM, DWC, DOW), of bodies not recovered (BNR). [Included in the 8,140 figure are 859 cases where remains were recovered and buried but were not identified, so they remain included in the list.] The number is down from 8,177 in 1991 because, since then, 37 cases have been resolved. As additional remains are recovered and identified, this number will decrease; it may already have changed.

2. The worldwide total of 54,269 deaths also includes 3,262 non-battle deaths in the Korean Theater from injury, disease and other causes: [USA: 2,452; USN 173; USAF 298; USMC 339.]

3. a. In addition, the worldwide total includes 17,355 deaths outside of the Korean Theater (worldwide) from: injury, disease and other causes: [USA 6,977; USN 3,870; USAF 5,586; USMC 922.] [Total of 2 & 3 = 20,617.]

b. According to the Office of The Surgeon General, no medical records exist for the worldwide non-battle deaths.

c. According to the Department of Defense, the DOD is not aware of any consolidated, detailed record set or listing of the total worldwide deaths during the Korean Conflict era, including Korean Theater non-battle deaths.

d. During the period of the war (1950-53), active duty strength was 3,480,117 (based on the average of June 1951, 1952 and 1953 force levels); statistically, non-battle deaths were 192 per 100,000 per annum, according to the DOD.

B. In addition to deaths, there was a total of 105,819 hospitalized WIA (Wounded In Action) cases, of which 2,535 died; 103,284 survived: [USA 77,596; USN 1,576; USAF 368; USMC 23,744]. No record was kept by the Surgeon General for non-hospitalized

wounded; nor does the DOD data base contain any information on personnel wounded in action, according to those sources.

To recap, there were 36,914 battle and non-battle deaths attributed to the Korean Theater; 17,355 other deaths occurred in locations other than the Korean Theater; for a total of 54,269 deaths (dead or presumed dead) worldwide during the Korean Conflict era. [Included in the total are 8,140 BNR cases; 105,819 hospitalized WIA, of which 2,535 died of wounds.]

### Sources:

(1) The Department of Defense Korean Conflict casualty data base, updated as of October 1994, which contains 34,462 [33,652 data records for battle deaths; and 810 data records for USN, USAF, USMC non-battle deaths.] The DOD data base does not include 2,452 records for Army non-battle deaths in Korea.

(2) Battle Casualties and Medical Statistics: U.S. Army Experience in the Korean War, by Frank Reister, published by the Surgeon General, Department of the Army, 1973, which includes detailed information pertaining to the 2,452 in-theater Army casualties by medical category: [1943 deaths from non-battle injuries; and 509 deaths from diseases.] According to The Office of The Surgeon General, no medical records currently exist concerning the 2,452 Army non-battle deaths.

(3) Dr. Paul M. Cole's book POW/MIA Issues: Volume 1, The Korean War, RAND, 1994, which contains detailed information about the 8,140 BNR cases.

I would like to hear from anyone who has any additional (or different) information or lists, etc. to include source(s).

Sincerely,

Martin J. O'Brien  
11 Meadow Rd., #202  
Augusta, Maine 04330

## Public Affairs Office - Fort Devens, MA

TO: Harley Coon

Dear Mr. Coon:

As you know, Fort Devens is closing in March of 1996 and I am in charge of a committee that is assembling a final Closure Ceremony video tape.

We have collected memorabilia and first-person accounts from all over the country to use as visuals and reference material in producing the Closure Ceremony video. One area where we have been unable to collect much information or memorabilia is the Korean War era.

Presently, we are looking for anyone who might have been stationed here or who has pictures of soldiers training at Fort Devens during the Korean War. Anything you could do to help us in this search would be appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Phillip E. Morris, Jr.  
Public Affairs Officer

## LETTERS

### Plans to Attend Dedication

Dear Sir:

As a member of KWVA, I was very much moved by what you wrote in the special edition of Graybeards.

... I intend visiting the Korean War Memorial to at least HONOR the guys who were unfortunately killed or wounded in what I feel was "THE TWILIGHT WAR" between World War II and Vietnam. Korea was the conflict that began the decline of Communism in the Post War World and, as usual, the United States bore the brunt of the killing fields from the upper reaches of North Korea to the Pusan Perimeter. I salute all veterans of the Korean Conflict. ...

Jules Kirtz

16 Cherokee Ave., Rockway, NJ 07866-1114

An Open Letter to Nicholas J. Pappas, President, K.W.V.A. Editor,

In the January, 1995, issue of Graybeards my letter "Bodies For Sale! Who Will Buy?" was printed in which I called upon you and/or the directors to refute the payment of \$897,000 (\$19,500 per remain) your government to the North Koreans.

I called upon you to "show your true mettle." In the same issue you did just that and I thank you. While not addressing this particular issue directly you came out strongly in opposition to any negotiations for liaison offices that did not include the return of remains and the presentation/clarification of other POW/MIA issues. This was further buttressed by our MIA/POW Chairman, Harley J. Coon's following article. I totally agree that our government should be addressing the wants and needs of all Korean War Veterans, especially the ex-P.O.W.'s and the families of M.I.A./K.I.A.'s which they do not appear to be doing now by making these agreements without the aforementioned considerations. Sir, once again I thank you and Harley J. Coon, may you both keep on top of this situation and may our government see the justice in this cause. Always Faithful,

John C. Everts

70 Ardsley St., Staten Island, NY 10306

*"The important thing is this: to be able at any moment to sacrifice what we are for what we could become."*

—Chalres du Bos

### Don't know whether you and The Korean Veterans Association can help me or not, but I'm hoping so.

I am a former Air Force servicewoman- 1949 to 1952 - who worked as an air traffic controller at Maxwell AFB, ALA, and Tokyo International Airport in Japan. Now, all these many years later I am trying to organize a reunion of former ATC/GCA/Radio Operator people who were around and went thru school at either Scott AFB, Ill or Keesler AFB, Miss. during the years I served. Beginning plans are for Oct or Nov of this year, or Jan thru March sometime next.

I'm hoping you and your organization can help by giving me write-up in your newsletter if you have one, and perhaps a mailing list, or even just a membership list and I can do the address research myself on anyone I find there. It's just in the beginning stage right now. I only retired from active employment last month and am getting started on some serious plans. Any help you can give will be sincerely appreciated.

I'll be looking for your reply, or you can call me collect if you like at 601-875-2854. Thanks Again.

Sincerely,

Doris Payne

### Windrich KWVA Report on Fundraising Raffle

I am writing this letter to inform all of the KWVA Chapters that we had the raffle drawing for the TV/VCR combination last night and would like for you to let it be known to all the ticket buyers.

The winner was:  
Edward Kowalski  
5618 Baring Ave.  
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### 1st Marine Brigade Survivors

Five thousand marines "volunteered" to go to Korea when the war started. We arrived in Pusan August 2nd 1950. Small arms fire was heard in the city as the North Koreans were very close to victory. My assistant drivers name was Ernie Pyle. Are there any survivors who are willing to communicate? Thanks.

Joe Belanger  
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# Joseph Poggi - Unsung Hero

by Richard Coate

## RECOMMENDATION FOR COMMENDATION: SILVER STAR FOR GALLANTRY IN ACTION.

*Had it not  
been for his  
own selfless  
devotion to  
duty, concern  
for his fallen  
commander's  
well-being,  
cool thinking  
under fire,  
and disregard  
for his own  
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ent of the  
Congressional  
Distinguished  
Service Cross  
for extraor-  
dinary hero-  
ism against  
the enemy in  
the vicinity of  
Chorwon,  
Korea on  
October 3,  
1951, would  
not have  
survived to  
recount the  
story to the  
man who  
saved his life.*

On the night of October 3, 1951 Corporal Joseph M. Poggi, "H" Company, 15th Infantry, 3rd Infantry Division was temporarily assigned to "F" Company Commander Captain Donald J. Arthur as his radio operator. 2nd Battalion, 15th Infantry having taken the ridgeline between Hills 487 and 477 withstood heavy enemy counter attack. Dislodging the enemy from the heavily fortified Hill 477 would not be easy. Two companies having been hurled back in the face of overwhelming hostile fire, it was "F" Company's objective to sustain the assault on the hill, finally wresting it from enemy hands.

Corporal Poggi, close at Captain Arthur's heels, would witness Captain Arthur's heroic action in leading his company up the precipitous slope against intense enemy small arms and heavy automatic weapons fire, grenade burst and mortar barrage. Having instructed his men to fix bayonets, Captain Arthur rallied them forward, himself in the lead of the frontal assault against intensifying enemy fire. Despite their fortification in five-foot deep trenches between strategically placed bunkers, Captain Arthur managed to reach the crest, Poggi close behind. The men, inspired by their commander's display of courage, followed him in the charge. "F" Company men would engage in hand-to-hand combat in their attempt to wrest the hill from overwhelming numbers of enemy forces. Moving over the ridgeline Captain Arthur spotted three enemy in a trench not far from a bunker. With total disregard for his own safety, the Captain jumped into the trench, killing two of the enemy before the third hurled a concussion grenade. The impact of the grenade not only pinned the captain back against a wall of the trench but left his face and head a mass of torn flesh and gushing blood. Despite the severity of his wounds, the captain attempted to regain footing.

Corporal Poggi shot the enemy soldier, killing him before he could hurl yet another grenade. Realizing that the valiant commanding officer would die lest he receive immediate attention, Poggi radioed his "H" Company commander, requesting medical assistance. The cool thinking radio man hastily unfurled a G.I. towel he had wrapped around his own neck and applied it to the Captain's bloodied head and face. His quick response to the Captain's condition at this point undoubtedly saved the officer's life, for he slowed the effusive flow of blood from his open wounds. In the pitch of the battle Poggi thrust his hands under the captain's arm pits, hoisting the officer from the trench where they were both exposed to cross fire, hand-to-hand fighting, and mortar fire. However incoherent, Poggi was encouraged by the Captain's attempt to speak; but he knew he had to work fast before the officer lost much more blood and lapsed into a coma. Once he had gained his own footing, Corporal Poggi proceeded to drag the semiconscious Captain Arthur seventy-five yards down the muddy and slippery reverse side of the hill out of harm's way to the waiting medics at the base of the hill. Corporal Poggi stood by while the medics administered aid, then watched them load the heroic officer onto the waiting helicopter where he was ferried to a rear Mash unit. Mission accomplished, Corporal Poggi radioed his "H" Company Commander, giving him a report on Captain Arthur's condition and evacuation, followed by a request for reassignment.

Not until 1986 did the two heroes have a chance en-

counter at a Society of The Third Division reunion. Since Joseph Poggi was newly assigned to the officer on the night of October 3 they had no time to get acquainted. Bonded by fate, they were still relative strangers when they met again. During the ensuing conversation the former "F" Company Commander, unaware that he was deeply indebted to the man to whom he was talking, began recounting the story of the brave radio operator from the 81mm Mortar platoon, "H" Company, 15th Infantry who saved his life at a crucial point in the battle on Hill 477 the night of October 3, 1951. When both realized that the unidentified hero was actually listening to a recap of a story with which he was all too familiar, they stared at one another in wonder before collapsing into one another's arms, weeping.

As the witnessing statements will attest, Joseph M. Poggi, however deserving of commendation, was to remain one of the many unsung heroes of the Korean war. Joseph M. Poggi, answering the call to arms at a time of grave national crisis, was honorably discharged from active duty on September 13, 1952 after his tour of duty in Korea. Promoted to Sergeant during his tour of duty in Korea, he was subject to recall as a Reservist for five years. Though forty-three years have lapsed since the action, it is not too late that the civilian, formerly Corporal Poggi, radio operator from the 82mm Mortar platoon, "H" Company, 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, be recommended for a Silver Star for gallantry in action on the night of October 3, 1951. Had it not been for his own selfless devotion to duty, concern for his fallen commander's well-being, cool thinking under fire, and disregard for his own life, Captain Donald J. Arthur, recipient of the Congressional Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism against the enemy in the vicinity of Chorwon, Korea on October 3, 1951, would not have survived to recount the story to the man who saved his life.

Joseph Poggi is now President of The Society of The Third Infantry Division.

**Note:** This recommendation for a Silver Star for gallantry in action is substantiated by seven witnessing statements.

# My Turn — Members Soundoff

## Vet Likes The Graybeards—Not Much Else

To start out with the Korean War Vets Memorial in Wash., D.C. is not my Memorial nor is it the Memorial of a lot of K Vets I have talked to with no names on it. We have no thoughts to ever see it. But, we'll do everything to finish it and to go see the International Korean War Memorial in San Pedro, California, only one like it in the world and the best one also. The one in D.C. too much crap and dickering within the ranks. Also not a lot will be at KWVA this year as most can't afford to go as everything is at highest prices there is....

Only reason why I belong to KWVA is for *The Graybeards* for Vets finding Vets. Nothing else of interest. The staff always dickering within ranks — enough of that.

From Orville Dean • Rt. 4, Box 197, Hiawatha, KA 66434



Here's your  
chance to let it  
all out. Be brief.  
The Editor

### Give President a Break

I'm tired. I'm tired of all the moaners and groaners. I passed through a replacement depot in Korea, maybe Pusan, full of fear and apprehension, but when I saw all the people from around the world, here to do the "right thing", it passed and I was proud to be a part of it.

Years later I had that same proud feeling. It was in Washington, D.C. with a 100 thousand other "good" Americans. Members of the Abe Lincoln Brigade (the first to fight fascism), WW II Vets, Korean Vets, and "Nam" Vets - many with missing limbs - there to protest the "Nam" War and we are still good Americans.

I am tired of the complaints against my President and C.-in-C. who did nothing different than I did to protest the "Nam" War. Just as I saluted some officers who were not worth s###, out of respect for the office, I will do for the President.

I have also found that most of the moaners and groaners never made it out of the Supply or Mess tent, and would not know the M.L.R. if they were to trip over it.

So don't mess up MY DAY! with your crap. So many, Doc Z., Kathy, Chuck H. (what poems) have given so much of themselves to make this happen and lets not forget what and who its really for.

Thank you and hope to see you all there that day in July.

Al Orner - KWVA #3876  
200 Winston Drive, Cliffside Pk., N.J.  
07010

### CIB vs Bronze Star

I gave up a lot when I became shanghaied into a first: Forward Observer mid-January 1951; then a Forward Air Controller Feb. 51; 5 months of on-line combat - Air Force Infantry - displaced persons. My teams were overrun 4 times. 1 mine incident. My teams lost 4 jeeps in 5 times up. I was NOT trained to do man to man fighting or lengthy killings as we were compelled to do if we wanted to live!

Out of 15 months in Korea, 13 of them were constant trigger jerking to exterminate the enemy! 13 of the 15 were survival of the fittest and often the enemy were in much better shape than I and my teams! We ate garbage, drank contaminated water; stole clothes off the dead; stole fuel for our jeeps, generators, etc. Ammo and guns also were "borrowed" when ours "burned up" or we ran out of carbine ammo. Vivid are the memories, nightmares, sweats, and fears. Yet, the USAF Infantry were NOT permitted to receive the CIB. In some outfits only officers were granted the juicy awards. Enlisted men were expendable no matter how professional they were at fixing junked comm. gear! The "DOERS" got it done and they also got the raw-end. I do not think it wise to present a Bronze Star just because of one having his CIB citation! The system is leaving a few hundred USAF Infantry away out back once again!

"Nam" troops went out of their way to protect their FAC's but Korea - we were a new commodity and had not yet proven ourselves under fire enough to gain credibility! We had 85% turnover in FAC men! We were all too often abandoned atop a hill when lines shifted! Think carefully!

Walt Hendricks, KWVA #1450  
PO 22, Howe, IN 46746

## The right to be treated with respect.

Amos Camp, the new editor of *Graybeards*, received a letter from one of our members, thanking him for his Campfire article in the January Special Edition.

The writer, had considered dropping out of KWVA because of a comment made during the first chapter meeting he attended. The member, a Marine draftee, spent two years in the Corps trying to get out of the Third Marine Division, and into Korea. Wiser heads kept him in the United States. Because he served honorably and well as ordered, he was unprepared for a comment about his being a "White Sox soldier?", which was taken to mean one who did not go to Korea.

As our writer put it, "I was very insulted (several of his buddies didn't make it home). I never attended a meeting again." His intention had been not to renew his membership in KWVA, but the haunting quality of Amos' first article, restored his faith in the organization and to his fallen comrades. So he paid his dues and wrote Amos.

Amos, too, remained in the United States in a soft job (He was a platoon leader in the 82nd Airborne jumping out of airplanes). It so happened the 82nd was the only combat-ready division in the U.S. prepared for being injected directly into combat with 24 hours notice.

There were over six million members of our armed forces during the Korean War. As I understand the figures somewhere around one-half a million actually served in Korea. Most of the men and women who served during the war were part of the rebuilding of our armed forces. All served for the "good of the service," and only served where ordered by higher authority.

Since Amos did not serve in Korea, he asked that I respond to the Marine's letter, for I did serve in Korea, and did receive the CIB.

Of those serving in Korea, only 1 in 9 actually saw combat. The rest of us kept the combat teams in supplies.

To demean a fellow veteran because he served honorably whenever or wherever the Generals ordered is to demean all veterans.

The policy of KWVA is to honor all who served during this dangerous beginnings of the cold war, and we should resolve, "That the KWVA recognizes service performed by all G.I.s was important whether on the front lines in Korea or elsewhere and resolve not to tolerate any distinction."

Blaine Friedlander

## To the People Who Whine

Today upon a bus. I saw a lovely maid with golden hair.  
I envied her, she seemed so gay, and I wished I were as fair.  
When suddenly she rose to leave, I saw her hobble down the aisle.  
She had one foot, and used a crutch, but as she passed, she had a smile.  
Oh God, forgive me when I whine; I have two feet, the world is mine.  
And when I stopped to buy some sweets,  
the lad who sold them had such charm. I talked with him, he said to me, "It's nice to talk to men like you. You see," he said, "I'm blind."  
Oh God, forgive me when I whine; I have two eyes, the world is mine.  
Then as I passed along the way, I saw a child with eyes of blue.  
He stood and watched the others play. It seemed he knew not what to do.  
I stopped for a moment, then I said, "Why don't you join the others, dear?" He looked ahead without a word, and then I knew he could not hear.  
Oh God, forgive me when I whine; I have two ears, the world is mine.

- Anonymous -

Roy F. Neaman, #1370, 2421 Clay St. SP 17, Sacramento, CA 95815

# Searching For

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Navy Attack Squadron 55 (VA 95), part of Carrier Air Group 9 (CAG 9) aboard U.S.S. Hornet in the Philippine Sea between 1951 and 1955. Send information about members by contacting Jim R. Riesenber, Veterans Service Office, Courthouse, 615 N. 6th St., Sheboygan, WI 53081-4692.



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USMC - Camp Pendleton 1950-51 - Looking for Dave Barholdt from Allegany, N.Y. and Bill Newcomb from Desmoine, IA — Please contact Arlene Rhinehart in Newport Beach, CA at 714-760-9660.

1st Medical BN "A" & "H" & "S". They were combat photographers named Ralph Titlebaum and William "Bill" Landers. Bill was from the San Diego area. Contact Ira Davis, 1717 Laurel St., #H, San Carlos, CA 94070 - 415-592-7095.

Hq Co, 1st BN, 17th Inf Regt, 7th Div. Korea 1953, Commo Platoon - Looking for former members for a Korean War Vets reunion Aug. 25-27, 1995 Columbox, NE. Contact Orville L. Dean, Rt. 4, Box 197, Hiawatha, KA 66434 - Last year at NE Reunion in Grand Island 4 of us came - this year in Columbus 16 expected.

1st MAW, MAG-12, SMS-12, 1951-1952 - Looking for Henry Osterkamp from Georgia, and others who serve in Korea during this time. Contact Ed Knapp, 33 Camelot Dr., Rochester, NY 14623

Third Infantry Division - Looking for present and former members and anyone with an interest in the 'Third Infantry Division.'

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Reunion consists of unit social rooms, banquets, dances, ladies activities, etc. (see details in eight plus page quarterly 45th DIVISION NEWS). Outstanding museum has static display of many tanks, artillery, aircraft, missiles, unit memorials, etc. Several thousand square feet of I/C inside displays including smaller equipment, weapons, uniforms, pictures. Gift shop has 45th memorabilia, unit history books, etc. Membership open to all former members, relatives, and those once attached. One (1) year dues \$5.00. Send dues with name, address, units, month/year served to 45th INFANTRY DIVISION ASSOCIATION, 2145 NE 36th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73111. A short paragraph about your self for the NEWS if you wish. 1000s of members worldwide. Some may live near you. Many THUNDERBIRDS served in DESERT STORM. Refer to ad paid by Life Member Ted L. Maloy, LTC ret. Houston, TX.



# Reunions

## MAY

**2nd BN, 21st Regt., E,F,G,H Co., also 3rd BN, 34th Regt, I,K,L, & M Co, 24th Inf Div May 8-13, 1995**



Ramada Inn Airport, 733 Briley Pkwy, Nashville, TN.  
Contact Harry Wittman, 1385 Terri St., Keyser, WV  
26726 Tel: 304-788-0465

**84th & 62nd Eng. Const Bn's - May 17-20, 1995,**  
Holiday Inn in Morgantown, PA. Veterans serving in  
either units in Korea 1950-55 are eligible. Contact Bob  
Hofsas, 3218 Waterstreet Rd., Collegeville, PA 19426-  
1537, Phone 610-584-5553.

## JULY

**7th Cavalry Regiment — July 25th, 26th and 27th**  
(Korea 1950-1951) reunion in Washington, DC.  
Contact: Walter C. Schrank Jr., 327 Starlite Way,  
Fremont, CA 94539-7642 (510-656-4782)

**Montford Point Marine Assoc., July 25-30, 1995, Bally**  
Casino & Hotel, Las Vegas, NE. Contact Jerome B.  
Milburn, 1822 East Belvedere Ave., Baltimore, MD  
21239, Phone 410-254-8588 or MPMA Nat. Conv.  
Director, Garfield James, 9008 Justine, Chicago, IL  
60620. Phone 312-239-6729.

**Battery A, 26th Antiaircraft Artillery Automatic Weap-**  
**ons Bn, 24th Inf Division, July 26-30,** Washington,  
DC. Contact Beryl (Blinky) Smith, 7961 Falcon St.,  
Jacksonville, FL 32244 Tel: 1-904-771-7585

**U.S.S. Brinkley Bass (DD-887) - 27-30 July,** Pensacola,  
FL - Contact Bob Sshetron, 347 W. Leaside St.,  
Glendora, CA 91741 - Phone 818-335-8040

## AUGUST

**Nebraska Korean War Vets — August 25, 26, 27, 1995**  
Columbus, NE. Contact Orville Dean, Rt. 4, Box 197,  
Hiawatha, KA 66434-1913

**Nebraska Korean Veterans Reunion, Aug. 25-27, 1995,**  
New World Inn, Hwy 30 & 81 South, Columbus, NE.  
Contact John J. Kurtenbach, 4216 Indian Rd., Kearney,  
NE 68847

## SEPTEMBER

**6147th Tactical Group "Mosquito Association —**  
**September 5-10, 1995,** Antlers Doubletree Hotel, 4 S.  
Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, CO, Contact James W.  
(Joe) Merritt, 2440 South Ammons Street, Lakewood,  
CO 80227. Tel: 303-986-2692.

**Combat Infantrymen's Association — September 7-9 —**  
Hickory, NC. Contact Leonard J. Capozziello, Captain,  
CIA, Co Chairman, 1995 CIA Convention, P.O. Box  
23351, Columbus, OH 43223

**97th Fighter Squadron, Wright-Patterson AFB 1950-**  
**1955, Sept. 7-9, 1995,** Hope Hotel (Wright-Pratt) for  
pilots and officers. Contact J.D. Smith, 2408 NW 112th  
Terrace, Oklahoma City, OK 73120. Phone 405-9097.

## SEPTEMBER - CONTINUED

**2nd Bomb Group & 2nd Bomb Wing, Sept. 7-10, 1995,**  
Kansas City, MO. (Reunion is open to all present and  
past members of the Group and the Wing). Contact:  
Kemp F. Martin, 806 Oak Valley Dr., Houston TX  
77024 - Phone 713-467-5435.

**Third Infantry Division, Sept. 7-10, 1995, Reunion/**  
convention, Tacoma, WA. Executive Inn, Royal Coach-  
man and Comfort Inn. Contact: Morris Krepy, 11807  
Larson Rd., Anderson Island, WA 98303. Phone 206-  
884-4023.

**U.S.S. Wilhoite DE397, Sept 12-15, 1995, Waterbury,**  
Conn. Contact Robert R. Long, R.D. 1 Box 200, Pine  
Grove, PA 17963. Phone 717-345-4712

**86th ORD Co. - Sept. 13-16, 1995, Holiday Inn, New**  
Philadelphia, OH. Contact Dale F. Lirgg, 1356 Kelly  
Street, NW, New Philadelphia, OH 44663 - Phone 216-  
364-3603.

**Ordinance Units stationed in Vienna, Austria (1947-**  
**53)-Ft. Devens, MA- and/or Fort Drum, NY (1951--**  
**66). - Sept. 13-16, 1995, Holiday Inn, New Philadel-**  
phia, OH. Contact Richard Schilbach, 101 So. Whiting  
St., Apt. 514, Alexandria, VA 22304. Phone 703-370-  
2707.

**VR 22 — 14-17 Sept., 1995 Charleston, SC - Contact**  
Stanley Hunt, 5944 Glasgow Rd., Sylvania, OH 43560-  
1411 Phone 419-882-1723

**Combat Infantrymen's Association, Convention &**  
**Reunion, Sept. 15-17, 1995.** Contact Assoc. 138 Locust  
Ave., New Rochelle, NY 10805-3510. Phone 914-632-  
5827

**204th Field Art. BN (Li'l Joe), Korea, 1950-1954,**  
**September 17-20, 1995 - Dan Diego, CA.** Contact Nick  
Vanderhave, 1333 Littleton Rd, Morris Plains, NJ  
07950 or call 201-538-7189.

**180th Infantry Regiment, 45th Division (Thunderbirds)**  
**WWII and Korea — September 21-24 — Radison Inn,**  
Oklahoma City, OK. Contact Raul Trevino, 1918  
Leander, San Antonio, TX 78251. Tel. 210-681-9134

**45th Infantry Division (Thunderbirds) WWII and**  
**Korea — September 21-24 — Radison Inn, Oklahoma**  
City, OK. Contact Raul Trevino, 2145 NE 36th St.,  
Oklahoma City, OK 73111. Tel. 210-681-9134

**B Company, 15th Regt, Audie Murphy's Company,**  
**3rd Division - Sept. 21-24, Fort Benning, GA - Contact**  
Len Lassar, 7 Berkshire Ln, Dover, NH 03820-4532,  
Phone 603-742-9195

**First BN, Seventh Marines, 1st Marine DIV, Korea**  
**1950-51, Sept. 22-24, 1995, Ramada Inn Airport, 111**  
N.E. Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78209, Phone 210-  
828-9031

**SEPTEMBER - CONTINUED**

**U.S.S. Poole (DE-151) U.S. CG & U.S.S. Gandy (DE-764) U.S.N. — September 21-24** — Contact Donald Macchia, 256 Spruce St., Bloomfield, NJ 07003-3644. Tel. 201-748-0731

**532 EB & SR, 22-24 Sept. 1995**, Hammond, LA. Contact Avery Brown, 40291 Adams Rd., Hammond, LA 70403. Phone 504-294-5611.

**780th Field Artillery Bn, Sept. 29-30, 1995**, Holiday Inn, Sheffield, AL. Contact George J. Ellis, 1020 Wildwood Park Rd, Florence AL 35680-3352. Phone 205-764-5938.

**OCTOBER**

**USS Helm DD 388, Oct. 8-13, 1995**, Hacienda Hotel, 3950 Las Vegas Blvd S., Las Vegas, NV 89119. Contact Thomas J. Reilly, 412 E. Grand Ave., Rahway, NJ 07065. Phone 908-382-0481.

**USS Lyman K. Swenson DD729 Association — October 12-15, 1995** Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza Ravinia, Atlanta, GA. Contact John Sorrells DD729 Coordinator, 5114 F.M. 1960 West #194, Houston, TX 77069 Tel. 713-355-0101

**OCTOBER - CONTINUED**

**GITMO — 12-15 Oct., 1995** - Jacksonville, FL - Contact Stanley Hunt, 5944 Glasgow Rd., Sylvania, OH 43560-1411 Phone 419-882-1723

**USS ORISKANY (CVA-34) Ships CO/AIR WING/ MARDET, 12-15, Oct., 1995**. Contact Bob Heeley, PO Box 517, Oriskany, NY 13424-0517. Phone 315-736-7529/2751.

**U.S.S. Satyr, ARL 23, October 15-19, 1995**, Golden Nugget Hotel/Casino, Las Vegas, NV. Contact Donna Eichenauer, Sun Kachina Travel, 1987 McCulloch Blvd., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403. Phone 1-800-900-0066.

**351 Comm Recon Co. (ASA) - October 15-19, 1995**, Boomtown, Las Vegas, NV. Contact Bob Rutter, 26 Ware St., West Brookfield, MA 01585. Home 508-867-6097.

**Carrier Air Group Two (CVG-2), all hands who served in CVG-2 with VF-23, VF-24, VF-63, VF-64, VA-65 and VC/VF/HU Dets 1950-53), 19-22 Oct. 95**, San Antonio, TX. Contact R.A. Wallin, 5904 Comanche Place, Lynchburg, VA 24502 - Phone 804-239-0428.

## TV Documentary on the Korean War

An eight-hour TV series on the Korean War is being planned by a group of six Korean War veterans (known as the Korean War Association, non-profit, tax-exempt) who have assembled for the project a team of professionals including producer, script writer, historians, consultants and other experts on the war.

- You need to send in:
  - (1) interesting experiences-your own or others,
  - (2) historical, geo-political, economic aspects you feel should be covered,
  - (3) other pertinent information.
- The most extensive series on the war — *Korea, the Unknown War*, six hours — was given an extremely left- leaning spin, which one historian said, made it too hard on the U.S. and too soft on Russia. It has aired three times since November of 1990.
- Not only must this mis-information be countered but our own veterans need to understand the more positive aspects of the war.
- Example: Col. David Hackworth — a fine soldier and reporter — writes in *Newsweek*, July 18, that the second Chinese offensive (Kunu-ri) caused "...the most decisive defeat of U.S. arms this century."

- It was not the failure of U.S. troops that brought about the defeat, but rather the collapse of the II ROK Corps, who can hardly be blamed, considering their lack of training and equipment. See *Decisive Battles of the Korean War*, by Sherman Pratt.

The proposed program will be an accurate, informative and balanced TV series of which the American people will be both pleased and proud.

To support the TV program the Korean War Veterans Association has established a fund, initially containing \$20,000, to which individuals, chapters and departments are encouraged to contribute. Send your contributions to: John P. Maison, Treas., KWVA, 117 Mark Dr., Fairview Heights, IL 62208-1810.

We need to tell Americans about: The Korean War, 1950-1953, the Forgotten Victory **WHERE COMMUNISTIC MILITARY AGGRESSION WAS DEFEATED!**

Send your suggestions to:

Jack D. Walker  
5353 Cane Ridge #115, Antioch, TN 37012  
615-731-8795

List of participants available on request.



# KOREAN VETS REUNION IN VIRGINIA BEACH IS LEADING TO TWO KWVA DEPARTMENTS

A funny thing happened to new KWVA member MSG Dick Gallmeyer, as he set out to look for 40 of his buddies with whom he served in Korea in the 58th FA, 3rd Inf Div. He found one, and set off a string of events that lead to a reunion in Virginia Beach on October 19-21, 1995 . . . and he joined the KWVA, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign War, Amvets and Purple Hearts.

Even Nick Pappas is looking forward to the Reunion. He plans to attend.

This reunion is for the men and women who served during the Korean War, and anyone else who would like a great party. There will be no speeches, no formal banquets (if you would like one it can be arranged), just a wall-to-wall party. There will be a parade on Saturday, October 21. Any Korean Veteran will have to apply to get in the parade. The City of Virginia Beach will have a fireworks display in the evening, and a "Major Reenactment of the last hour of the last day of the war," according to Dick.

There will be displays of Korean War equipment from the several military services, and Virginia Beach will supply bus service from exhibit to exhibit. Just have a good time.

And the best part is the prices. There are plenty of hotel rooms. Norfolk and Hampton are nearby as cities in waiting. (Listing of hotels & rates opposite page).

As this is being written, negotiations are under way with The Glenn Miller Band of Tex Beneke. Dick Gallmeyer can't wait to meet his 40 buddies, plus the thousands of new buddies he hopes to greet and quaff a mug of brew (known locally as Virginia Beach Tea from the days of prohibition) or more with each of his new buddies.

This party is not just for the half million souls who served in Korea, but the survivors of the six million or so who served during the Korean War all over the globe.

After this is written, Dick and Bill Colona will meet with Korean Vets in the Hampton Roads area, to begin the first of two chapters and a department in Virginia. Chapters are beginning in Richmond and Northern Virginia. As this is being written we are seeking to repeat the process in North Carolina.

It is said that when Dick Gallmeyer throws a party, he throws a party. Sign the application printed below, come to the reunion and watch Dick Gallmeyer drink a brew with each of his buddies all forty or more of them. This will be a party the likes of which has not been seen since the fiftieth anniversary reunion of the Yankee and Rebel veterans.



**MSG Richard R. Gallmeyer  
Retired, 3rd INF DIV. Korea**

## REGISTRATION FORM

**FIRST NATIONAL KOREAN WAR VETERANS REUNION**  
THIS REUNION IS FOR ALL VETERANS FROM ALL SERVICES - MEN & WOMEN WHO  
SERVED THE KOREAN WAR FROM 1950 -1955. IF MORE FORMS NEEDED - MAKE COPIES

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE

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SPECIAL ASSISTANCE NEEDED \_\_\_\_\_ TYPE NEEDED \_\_\_\_\_  
YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RANK \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT \_\_\_\_\_ FOR IDENTIFICATION BADGE

**COST: \$20.00 each for veteran and his or her attendants.**  
**Lodging is to be reserved directly. Your downpayment (1 day) to be sent to lodge.**

Enclose check and registration form - Mail to: Korean War Veterans Reunion  
808 Oldham Rd • Virginia Beach, VA 23464

Call MSG Richard R. Gallmeyer for complete information (phone 804-467-1233)



**RESERVE YOUR LODGING AND NOTIFY THE REUNION ITS NAME & ADDRESS  
THIS WILL ENABLE OUR DATA BASE TO NOTIFY ALL KOREAN WAR VETERANS  
WHERE EVERY VETERAN FROM KOREAN WAR IS STAYING, WITH PHONE#**

**YOUR RESERVATIONS ARE NEEDED EARLY, AS THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. AFTER 3500 VETERANS ARE SIGNED BY THEIR LODGING, WILL DONATE TRANSPORTATION ON THE OCEANFRONT AND MORE SUPPORT AS WE REGISTER.**

BEST WESTERN OCEANFRONT OCEANFRONT AND 11th AVE. VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. 23451 (804) 422-5000 (800) 631-5000	\$48.00
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DAYS INN OCEANFRONT OCEANFRONT AND 32nd ST VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. 23451 (804) 428-7233 (800) 292-3297	\$49.00
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DOUBLETREE CLUB HOTEL 880 NORTH MILITARY HWY NORFOLK, VA. 23502 (804) 461-9192 FAX (804) 461-8290	\$65.00
ECONO LODGE AT THE OCEAN 3108 ATLANTIC AVE VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. 23451 (804) 425-7730 (800) 677-4500	\$30.00
FRIENDSHIP INN OCEANFRONT OCEANFRONT AND 20th ST VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. 23451 (804) 425-0650 (800) 372-4900	\$50.00
FRIENDSHIP ATLANTIC 2802 ATLANTIC AVE VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. 23451 (804) 428-3434 (800) 527-6100	\$37.00

**THERE ARE MANY KOREAN WAR VETERANS IN VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS = HOWEVER OVER 1,000,000 HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR THEIR COMBAT BUDDIES. LETS FIND THEM.**

SEA GULL MOTEL ON THE BEACH - 3 NITES \$147.00  
2613 ATLANTIC AVE.  
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. 23451  
(804) 425-5711 (800) 426-4855

HOWARD JOHNSON HOTEL \$60.00  
700 MONTICELLO AVENUE  
NORFOLK, VA. 23510  
(804) 627-5555

HOLIDAY INN OCEANSIDE	\$44.00
OCEANFRONT AND 21st ST	
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. 23451	REUNION OFFICE
(804) 491-1500	16 - 23 OCTOBER 1995
(800) 88-BEACH	

NORFOLK AIRPORT HILTON \$65.00  
1500 NORTH MILITARY HWY  
AT NORTHAMPTON BLVD  
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**WHEN THIS AREA OF LODGING IS FILLED WE WILL INSTALL NEXT AREA OF LODGING. THIS IS AREA FURTHER AWAY FROM THE OCEAN PARADE & FIREWORKS AT OCEANFRONT**

## Three Returning Korean War MIA Remains Honored at Travis AFB

*Early morning of December 12th, Mike Glazzy received a phone call from Randy Richmond, United Veterans Council, concerning the return of three Korean War Veterans. Their remains were to arrive at Travis AFB on December 13th at 1630 hours. Your chapter scrambled to form an Honor Guard.*

DECEMBER 13, 1994 – Randy Richmond called Mike Glazzy with the following information: Three caskets containing the remains of Air Force Korean War MIA veterans are coming in by plane to Travis AFB at 1630, Tuesday. Location is Building 31 on the flight line.

Within 40 hours the Korean War Veterans Santa Clara County Chapter drove Randy and eight Chapter members with the purpose of providing an Honor Guard at time of touch down.

The group drove with Buzz Dilling and Rod Ramier to Travis leaving Tuesday, 1330 arriving at 1530 and were in place shortly thereafter on the flight line. Skies were clear temperature 40 degrees with a brisk wind.

Mike Glazzy and Buzz Dilling shouldered rifles while John Wulfstange held the American Flag, John Harrop the POW/MIA, Rodney Sohn the United Nations Flag, Frank

Broz the South Korean Flag and Joseph Rodgers the KWV Santa Clara County Chapter Flag.

We positioned on the flight line backs to the crowd of mixed veterans and active duty Air Force personnel. The Air Force fielded an Honor Guard of three flags and two rifles plus a female squad leader. They looked sharp in position for 15 minutes when a C-5A taxied up and stopped forty yards directly in front of us. The roar of the engines was deafening but then were cut. Three hearses were parked awaiting three caskets. From the C-5A marched two rows of four Air Force rifle carriers. The awaiting Air Force Flag Honor Guard marched forward wheeled about facing the crowd. Four Air Force personnel marched single file out to stand opposite the Air Force Flag Honor Guard that included a Bird Colonel, a Major and two civilians, one female, one male. Three caskets exited the plane individually,

each with four Air Force handlers. As each casket passed between the Flag Honor Guard and base Administration, the name and rank of the veteran was called out. All the flag Honor Guards rendered honors and the casket was placed in a hearse. This was repeated two more times. All flags were snapping in the wind with that sound only a toughly held flag can make. It was a solemn moment. A remembrance of lives given for our way of life and the salvation of an Asian country so many years ago was not forgotten this day. The sun was starting to set.

Today we honored two Air Force officers and a master sergeant. See media advisory for proper identification.

For those who wished to go but could not, due to cause, take solace that these three Air Force MIA Korean War veterans were honored this day with dignity.

—Frank Broz

### Letter to Harry Wallace, Membership Chairman

Enclosed is my check for \$15.00 representing renewal of membership in the KWVA. I am also attaching the poem "Old Comrades" which I dedicated in 1986 to the memory of those who gave their lives in Korea. Although the copyright is in my name the poem itself belongs to the KWVA for promotional purposes or for any other usage deemed appropriate by the association. It has already been adopted by several groups as an inscription for veterans cemeteries, etc. and is available without specific request.

I am concerned with the negative statements of several KWVA members who are of the opinion that it is inappropriate for American veterans to refer to themselves as comrades. I am sorry that this word leaves a sour taste in some mouths simply because communists used it to define their fellow countryman. The Germans also referred to each other during World War II as "Kamerad". It is a word that best describes the fellowship that war veterans feel for each other and I would feel honored for an American veteran of any war, whether past or future, to think of me as their comrade in arms. It is exactly what we are, comrades in arms, for we all fought together under our nation's flag and I am not about to let the communists or the Nazis take it away from me.

—Tom Lynn

### Old Comrades

*I walked among my comrades brave,  
Upon that bloody hill  
And saw no movement, none at all,  
For it was deathly still.  
There were no cries from trembling lips,  
No soldier's blasphemy.  
I called their names out, every one,  
But no one answered me.*

*I know each rock, each clump of trees  
That marks this hallowed ground  
For in my mind I see them fall  
And hear that battle sound.  
But now the silence takes my breath  
For all that I can see  
Are rows on rows of crosses  
Where old comrades used to be.*

—Thomas E. Lynn

**BENSALEM**  
**EXPRESS**

Bucks County, Pennsylvania

JULY 7, 1993

## Korea: The forgotten war

by Andrew J. Lynch

*It began during a heavy rainfall early on the morning of June 26, 1950, all along the 38th Parallel - with the thump and crash of mortar shells, whining of bullets and the agonizing cries of dying South Korean soldiers . . .*

My part in the Korean War should have ended in 1952, with my safe return to the United States of America. It should have ended at Fort Lawton in Seattle, Washington, when I saw the sign over the large mess hall that read "Welcome Heroes." It should have ended . . . but it could never be put to rest in my heart, mind and SOUL. I left a lot of my brothers there . . . some dead - some half-dead - some, like me, soul dead with the loss of innocence - the first casu-

*ANDREW J. LYNCH is a resident of Bensalem and was a Democratic candidate for mayor in the recent primary elections. He is a member of the Korean War Veterans' Association, founded in 1985, which has a threefold purpose—to seek out the truth about the 8,179 MIAs and POWs who did not return, to raise the awareness of the American people about the Korean war and those who served in it, and to raise and contribute funds for the establishment of a national memorial in Washington, D.C. Information on the association and details on how to become a member can be obtained by calling Mr. Lynch at 638-8810.*

## REQUIEM

alty in any war - submerged somewhere in the mudflats of Inchon harbor.

I needed someone to tell me that I was going to be all right and not to worry too much about what I had seen and what I was called upon to do in the line of duty.

But after the truce in 1953 - to date, the longest truce in the history of the world - the only word for this call to save democracy has been coined "The Forgotten War."

Then, there was Vietnam, and all the degradation that was heaped on those veterans when they came back from that unpopular war. Thank God that many of these brothers did not take it lying down and got their memorial in Washington, D.C.

Here they could come to pay respect and honor to their brothers and sisters who never made it back and most of all begin the process healing that they needed to regain the self-respect and dignity - that is the right of every veteran who does his duty for the cause of Democracy in a sometimes hostile world.

I never had a place to take my sorrow, grief, sense of loss and especially a place to remember my good comrades who did not make it back from Korea - Land of the Morning Calm, - also known as "Frozen Chosen." The toll: 54,246 dead . . . 103,284 wounded . . . 8,177 missing inaction.

In Washington, D.C., I made the first of several visits to "The Wall," the Vietnam veterans memorial, on a bitterly cold day in January with freezing sleet and blustery winds.

*"Until recently, the Korean War was not formally remembered, and today, we say no more. It's time to remember."*

Here I experienced an emotional release that enabled me to at last shed my tears for all my comrades-in arms, those who fought in Korea and Vietnam, and to realize that "democracy and freedom are precious and worth any price to retain in this imperfect world."

Now, the time has come to ask of the citizens of this Great Nation to stand up and remember what President Bush, in the Rose Garden on Flag Day in 1989, said, "Until recently, the Korean War was not formally remembered, and today, we say no more. It's time to remember." President Bush said that the Korean War exemplified the American policy of containing Communist aggression.

Perhaps yes . . . or perhaps this old ballad is the truth:

"God and Soldiers all People Adore,

In time of War but not before.

When war is over and all things righted God is forgotten and the soldier slighted."

### TAPS

Lawrence Eaton  
Hollywood, FL  
November 6, 1994

Willie C. Culpepper,  
Ft. Wayne, IN  
Dec. 5, 1994



## British Korean Veteran Writes

I am one of approximately 200 British Korea Veterans who will be attending the Washington Dedication Ceremony at the unveiling of the War Memorial to all those of the United Nations Forces who fell in Korea and sleep for ever more in the land of the Morning Calm. I shall be staying at The Hilton Washington Towers Hotel on the 24 July to the 1 August 1995.

The purpose of this letter is the vain hope of tracing and meeting up with one of your helicopter pilots. During 3/4 January 1951 my regiment 1st Battalion Royal Ulster Rifles was engaged in heavy fighting in the battle of Chaegunghyon where I received 11 wounds and due to the nature of the fighting wounded unable to walk had to be left behind. During the early morning of the 4 January a spotter plane flew over and dropped a message wrapped around a spanner on noting that there were survivors of my regiment (7 in all) telling them to make their way south along the dry river bed and helicopters were on their way. Shortly afterwards helicopters did appear and these were heavily engaged by the Chinese on the surrounding hills. Within seconds I think Sabre jets flew over and silenced the Chinese positions with napalm and machine gun fire. Whilst this heavy firing was going on this helicopter pilot landed close to me and put me into the 'copter along with, I think, 2 or 3 others. The pilot of the Sabre jets flew over and silenced the Chinese positions with napalm and machine gun fire. The pilot of the helicopter picked me up at a place called Pulmiji-Ri. I was unable to thank the pilot as one of the wounds which I had received was in the throat which severed a vocal chord. All I could do was tap him on the shoulder and give him the thumbs up sign. He landed at Kimpo Airfield where I received emergency treatment and was rushed out on another aircraft shortly before the airfield fell.

As my trip to the United States will be a one-off event an idea came to me to see if it was possible to trace this pilot through your Chapters by way of your national magazine "Greybeards", or maybe from your Battalion or Regimental war diary notes.

I am pretty certain that helicopters were first used on the 4 January 1951 for the picking up of wounded, pilots shot down or others who for some reason or other were left behind enemy lines, so possibly it may be easy for the pilot concerned, (God willing he is still alive), to recollect this incident. Had it not been for his bravery I know for certain that I would not be around today; as you probably well know prisoners of war who were unable to walk the 400 miles to the prisoner of war camps in North Korea were shot and left.

If any further information is necessary please do not hesitate to contact me and I will do my best to supply. Miracles do happen but sometimes they do take a long time! In any case I would like to meet up with you during our stay.

Yours sincerely,

F R C Johnson

### "Task Force Smith"

I was well dug in with rifle in my hand.  
My hole was deep although it was mostly sand.  
The morning was wet and the sky overcast,  
We were waiting to perform a grim and deadly task.

The tanks were first to break through our lines  
I started to count them but had to stop at  
twenty nine  
For in the distance the enemy started to spread  
out.  
Here they come! here they come!  
each G.I. was heard to shout.

The Sergeant told us not to shoot  
until they reached a 100 meters  
The machine gunner was waiting as  
well as his bullet feeder.  
Then the Sergeant told us to start to kill  
Many enemy soldiers died that day coming up  
that hill.

We shot and shot until nearly over run  
The Sergeant yelled, grab your wounded  
and do not leave a gun.  
We started to retreat keeping down our heads  
It broke our hearts to leave our soldiers who  
were dead.

We grabbed better positions on higher ground  
You couldn't hear verbal orders because  
of the battle sound  
We fought the enemy for another seven hours  
And the only reason some of us got out alive  
was because of a higher power.

I just described a true version of the first ground  
action of the Korean War  
Battles and casualties for my Division  
would be many more.  
But that first battle I am glad I didn't miss  
Because that battle involved the soldiers  
of 'Task Force Smith.'

Joe Langone "B" 21st Inf. 24th Inf. Division  
TFS Member July 1 - July 5, 1950

During October, 1994, members of Task Force Smith had a small reunion that was held in Reno, Nevada. Many members attended including our Commander, General Brad Smith. It was just great to see so many excellent soldiers in one place again.

I am submitting the enclosed poem that I wrote giving a small idea what the battle of Osan was like for the individual soldier who fought there.

JL

# The POW and the Code of Conduct

## Past President of the Korean Ex-Prisoner of War Association takes exception to published article

Dear Col. David Hackworth

This is in reference to your article in the Sunday Telegraph, January 22, 1995.

As a Past President of the Korean Ex-Prisoner of War Association, I take strong issue with your assessments of the Americans held as Prisoners of War in Korea.

Having spent 33 months as a Prisoner of War of the Chinese in Korea, I feel I have full authority to speak on this subject. I have never seen anyone so far off base as to what actually happened in the Prison Camps as you are.

As in any society, there are always a few that will take advantage of the situation, whether it be in a prison camp or any other walk of life.

I want to tell you of the heroics of the Prisoners in Camp #5 during any given week in April and May of 1952. There happened to be a pilot that was shot down and he was being tortured at the Chinese Headquarters.

In order to free this pilot, the NCO's, went on strike for a period of four days. We would not eat. We would not work and we would not move under threats of being shot and intimidated by the guards until this pilot was released and sent to Camp #2 (Officers Camp).

When you say, "during the Korean War, many American POW's ratted on and stole the food of their fellow inmates, or allowed their fellow inmates to be used for propaganda purposes," you are totally out of context when you indicate all. You do not mention the time when some of us were tortured and beaten beyond human comprehension because we helped one another. Maybe you should try standing on a frozen river, holding a shingle over your head, for six to eight hours because

*During the Korean War, many American POWs ratted on and stole the food of their fellow inmates or allowed themselves to be used for propaganda purposes. In 1955, to stop such despicable acts and to teach our warriors - if taken prisoner - to stand together for the common good, the Code of Conduct was created. Since, every member of our armed forces has been trained in the expected standards of conduct governing behavior as a POW.*

-Col. David Hackworth

### *How can you recreate the smell of death and the actually dying of 20-25 men daily?*

you stole this shingle to build a fire to keep our sick and wounded warm.

As you mentioned "the code of conduct and the establishment of the Prisoner of War training schools" was created to stand together for the common good. The military can never duplicate the conditions that exist in any Prisoner of War Camp. How do you duplicate the mental aspect of being shot at any moment by your captives? How can you recreate the smell of death and the actually dying of 20-25 men daily? What about the dysentery, the starvation, the malnutrition, the lice and the unfit water? What about the fact that you do not have a change of clothes and cannot bathe for a period of one year? Try to imagine living in temperatures ranging from 0 to 60 below zero, sleeping on dirt floors in unheated huts. Envision waking up in the morning to find the men on either side of you are both dead. Their body heat long gone.

Well Mr. Hackworth, when you have walked in our shoes and have endured the hardships that the Americans held in the Korean Prisoner of War Camps, then and only then, would you have a right to assess what really happened I would strongly suggest that in the future you write fact not fiction when you make mention of the history of the Prisoners of War.

An apology is due to all Prisoners of War, who have sacrificed their freedom for years.

Harley J. Coon  
Past President

Korean Ex-Prisoner of War Association  
National Director American Ex-Prisoner of War Association  
National Director Korean War Veterans Association  
1994 Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame Inductee

Editor, Graybeards

Am writing in reference to the poem on page 52 of the Jan. issue of the Graybeards. The poem "The Night Before Christmas," submitted by Paul Strietelmeier with author unknown. The poem was penned by Lt. Col. Darrell T. Rathbun of St. Petersburg, FL. It was written the 1st Christmas in Korea 1950. It was called a "Korea Christmas Card."

I was with "Charlie" Co. 38th Inf. 2nd Div. and went to Korea with the Div. I spent Christmas Eve 1950 with 2 other GIs on an outpost ASSHOLE deep in snow in the mountains southeast of Seoul.

-Ret. Sgt. 1st Class Robert Hammersmith  
*Sgt. Hammersmith's feet froze in Korea in February 1951, after being wounded four times and surviving the battle of Kuni-Ri.*

# Reunion – After 43 Years

It took forty-three years, but, finally, three of "the guys" from the 581st Signal Radio Relay Company got together for what was, probably, the largest reunion of the company since its members were discharged in the mid 1950's and went their separate ways. Al Jakubowski, who lives in Jupiter, Florida and Ray Buccl, who hails from Cohoes, New York, and their ladies, Hy and Sue, juggled their schedules and met at the home of Marge and Norm Deptula in Webster, Massachusetts on Tuesday, December 27, 1994.

It was a great reunion. Korea pictures, maps and other memorabilia, vintage 1950-1951, were produced and carefully scrutinized: "Do you remember whatsisname?," "Do you remember that hill that we were on?," "Do you remember how cold it was?" The entire day was one of, "Do you remember...?"

Eventually, the reunion, like all good things, had to come to an end. On Wednesday, Al and Hy and Ray and Sue said their good-byes to Marge and Norm, left for their cars, came back for another round of handshaking and hugging and, finally – left.

The 581st Signal Radio Relay Company was organized at Camp (now Fort) Gordon, Georgia in the summer of 1950, landed at Inchon in September, 1950, and provided vital radio communications in areas as far apart as Inchon, the Chosin Reservoir area, Kangnung and Taegu and points between. The citation accompanying the Meritorious Unit Commendation which General James A. Van Fleet, Eighth Army commander, awarded the 581st, states, in part, "The 581st Signal Radio Relay Company displayed such outstanding devotion and superior performance Or exceptionally difficult tasks as to set it apart and above other units with similar missions."

If there are any 581st veterans out there who served in Korea in 1950-1951 and are interested in having a reunion or would like to plan a reunion in conjunction with the dedication of the Korean War Memorial in Washington, D.C. in July, 1995, please contact – Norman J. Deptula; P.O. Box 922, Webster, MA 01570; Raymond G. Buccl, 35 McDonald Drive, Cohoes, NY 12047 or Al Jakubowski, 182 Cape Pointe Circle, Jupiter, Florida 33477.

Shakespeare's *King Henry the Fifth* said, before the battle of Agincourt, "Old men forget . . ." Shakespeare was wrong; the old men who are veterans of "The Forgotten War" will never forget, even though almost everyone else has!

—Norman J. Deptula  
581st Signal Radio Relay Company



Left to right — three "aging warriors" – Norm Deptula, Al Jakubowski and Ray Buccl

2nd CML. MORTAR BN



Gentleman

The time is fast approaching for us all to honor our fallen comrades of the Korean War. After standing at the Podium, at the Reunion, June 25th, 1994, of the 2nd Chemical Mortar Battalion, I read the names of members of our Unit, that were killed in action, and of those who died in the POW Camps of North Korea. It was a sad and humbling experience for myself, and for the men, and their families. We all had tears in our eyes.

I guess, what I'm trying to say, is for all of us in the KWVA, to put away our egos, political views, etc, and remember why we are Going to Washington, D.C. This I hope, will make our Magazine, the best that there is. Please stop this infighting, political garbage, etc. In other words, as the kids would say, GET A LIFE. Let's make this a great organization. Write your congressman, get out and vote, that's about all you can do.

Lets honor our deceased, and hope our grandchildren never have to go thru what we did. See you in Washington.

Sincerely yours,

Herbert I. Gilbert #11159  
St. Petersburg, FL. 33710



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**Rev. Sang-Mo Kim and Kyu Ho Park make a presentation to C.L.I.  
KWVA Chapter President, Bob Morga and Director William Mach.**

Each year, the members of the Bible Korean United Methodist Church of Dix Hills, Long Island, invite the members and their families of the Central Long Island Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association, to join with them as an expression of thanks and appreciation.

Kyu Ho Park, one of the organizers of the "thanks" and "remembrance picnic" wanted the veterans to know that to Koreans, their sacrifice is not forgotten. Over 200 people attended.

**VETERANS OF THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE  
HONORARY MEMBER OF THE MOHAWK VALLEY CHAPTER**

**ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE MILITARY POLICE REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION  
FORT McCLELLAN, ALABAMA**

Dear Sir,

I write you in the hope you could help me to locate some Veterans who served in Korea.

As a N.C.O. in the Belgium Armed Forces I'm interested in Military History, so I became a collector of U.S. Military items and I discovered a Korea flag. On this flag are inscriptions and names, some of the names are difficult to read and the explanation on the flag is completely gone, so I would like to have contact with one of those Veterans in the hope he would remember what was marked on this flag and I could know the history of the item and perhaps to obtain a picture of the Veterans who wrote on this flag. It's perhaps possible that two of the names have a alphabetic mistake, I have underlined those two names. The names and inscription are:

Melvin V. Ichnoski - Baltimore, MD  
J. Hamlin - Baltimore, MD  
S.E. Whaler - Seattle, Wash.  
Jim or Tom Fagen - Binghamton, N Y  
L. Meade - Baltimore, MD

With the hope receiving a favourable answer,  
Eric Verlinden  
Halensebaan, 8  
3461 Molenbeek - Wersbeek  
Belgium



# Veterans Services



by J. Norbert "Skip" Reiner  
National Service Director

Rather than devote this column to a specific benefits subject. I have chosen the following which in effect is a benefit offering to those who will be attending the Memorial and Dedication Ceremonies in Washington, D.C. during July

of this year. During July and August heat and humidity in the Washington, D.C. area is extreme. "Temperatures approach the 100 degree mark while humidity is a step behind. Pollen and unhealthy air alerts are very frequent during this period. Have I got your attention? I hope so. We, who have been devoting many, many hours towards the Memorial and Dedication ceremonies, want you to have a memorable time when you attend. We wish you to participate in all the activities and experience an extremely enjoyable time. Therefore, please accept and heed the following suggestions sincerely.

Should you suffer from any ailment(s), then please bring



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a synopsis of the ailment(s), treatment(s) being administered, medication(s) prescribed, and name, address and telephone number of your physician(s). prescriptions: please list them and Rx numbers, also the name and telephone of your pharmacist. Please carry these on your person at all times. It should be a one page summary. Include your VA ID number. Advice is given by local medical personnel/community who are aware of this event. I know of the aches and pains you are suffering. It is a common topic among Korean War Vets. Your spouse should also have the same data available.

**Modes of dress:** Ladies bring your parasols or purchase an inexpensive broad brimmed straw hat at your local K-Mart or whatever. Wear loose fitting clothing which allows air to circulate around your body. Fellow veterans find that old fatigue cap or purchase an inexpensive head covering, something very light weight. The best are the type which have a mesh side or back. Air must be able to flow around your head. Needless to say light weight clothing is the best. Your attire should be loose and yet comfortable. Shirts should be left outside of your pants or shorts. [Suggestion - wear cargo slacks or shorts, the ones which resemble multi-pocketed fatigue uniforms.] Short sleeved shirts/blouses are recommended for those who have been exposed to the sun and have a tan. Use clothe belts.

**Shoes:** Wear very comfortable walking shoes. You may wish to carry an extra pair of socks in your purses / belt / fanny packs / cargo pants-shorts. Remember the

"old Man" and "Sarge" preaching this. Change them between the Memorial Service and the Monument Dedication.

**Cooling Device:** Bring several moist wash clothes and a towel. Wrap the wash clothes around some ice cubes or a cooling block and carry them in a small soft pack cooler.

**Medications:** If you take medication which cautions prolonged exposure to the sun be advised there is a very limited amount of shaded area for both the Memorial Service and Dedication Ceremonies. Be sure you bring your medications with you. What good will they be in your hotel room?

**Sunburn:** Regardless if you have a tan use a sunblocker with a high rating. You will be in the direct sun for many hours. Wear your sunglasses.

**Beverages:** ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOLIC beverages are permitted at either ceremony, in fact anywhere on city or federal property. Should you violate this, both the D.C. police and National Capitol police will arrange for you to enjoy the comforts of their coolers. Carbonated sodas must be avoided while attending any ceremony which places you in the heat and humidity of Washington, D.C. Carbonated beverages and alcohol causes dehydration. Bottled water is the best. Negotiations are under way for bottled water to be made available during the Memorial Service and Monument Dedication.

**Food:** If you are accustomed to eating a "big" breakfast, be sure to consume it several hours prior to arriving at the Memorial Service. Those who are arranging for box lunches avoid the typical greasy food items as fried chicken, french fries, etc., also sandwiches made of tuna, egg, chicken or the like salads. Advise your vendor to provide a lunch for elderly which consists of a sandwich of coldcuts (beef, turkey or ham), fruit, jello, vegetables and juice. They will deliver them in coolers or thermal wrap.

**General advice:** Is your camera and video equipment equipped with a telephoto lens? Highly recommend it. Bring your small tape recorders to record the speeches and musical presentations. Also, you can interview your comrades both U.S. and the participating nations. Binoculars or monoculars are also recommended. Bring several roles of film, extra batteries and insure your cameras are equipped with sunshades and UV filters.

**Cautions:** Pickpocket now abound in the Washington, D.C. area. Ladies use shoulder bags or fanny packs. Recommend those cargo pants for the men. Keep wallets in front pockets. Use personal alarms if you wish. Ask your friend to photograph you with your camera-recall the TV commercial!! Limit your cash, use credit cards and travelers checks. If you need cash use the ATMs in your hotel or at a bank. 5000 chairs will be available for the Memorial Service and none are planned for the dedication, no bleachers. Lawn chairs are not permitted at the Memorial Service and are not being considered for the Monument Dedication. Suggest you bring your cane seat or walking stick seat with you. Umbrellas, parasols and the like will not be permitted during the actual Memorial Service and Monument Dedication. Bring a plastic poncho or empty trash bag to the various events, rain showers do occur during latter weeks of July. Bring your calling cards or have some made to

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### **National Service Director**

exchange with your newly made acquaintances or long lost comrades. A small note book and pen are always helpful. Hope you benefit from this advice and enjoy your visit for the dedication of our monument. I believe it will be one of the most visited and outstanding among all in the nations capital.

**Street Vendors:** Beware of these. Quality of merchandise you purchase can be very disappointing. Authorized memorabilia and souvenirs will have a certified marking. Vendors authorized to sell the legitimate souvenirs will have a certificate stipulating such. Notices regarding this and the aforementioned data will be made available at the many hotels in the Washington, D.C. area.

Each of you now are in receipt of benefit data, use it to meet your needs. Future issues in this column will contain widow benefit data, claims procedures, appeal conditions, and the various "How to's." Have a marvelous time at the dedication events. Ushers, guides, and marshals will assist you as needed. You will identify them by their distinct attire.

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### **STATUS OF KWVA, INC. ACCREDITATION**

At the time of this writing we are informed the accreditation request is being processed through various offices within the Department of Veterans Affairs. Secretary Jesse Brown has sent it to the General Counsel and the Veterans Benefit Administration. Of course the document is scrutinized by other offices within those mentioned. A positive aspect is neither additional documentation nor financial data has been either requested or returned for explanation. Hopefully we will have some definite answers in the very near future. Once accreditation is assigned all Veteran Volunteer Service Officers and Veteran Claim Service Officers will be sanctioned. Veterans Claims Service Officers must undergo a certi-

cation process to assure they are aware of the various regulations, forms, appeals processes, etc. for veterans and their spouses.

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### **APPLICANTS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS SERVICE OFFICER POSITIONS**

Thank you for submitting resume's and qualifications. They are on file and action will be taken once we are accredited. Your qualifications will be sent to the appropriate office within the Department of Veterans Affairs. You will be notified accordingly regarding any schooling that may be required. We have not forgotten you, please be patient and bear with us.

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### **CORRECTIONS**

**FOR VETS ONLY:** Please note, a few goofs were made in our effort to have the *GRAYBEARD* in your hands prior to the major snow storms. First, the title of Norb Reiner is "National Service Director". In his column, the last sentence of the third to last paragraph should read "A fee for additional inscriptions will usually apply." There is no charge for the general inscription. YES! Spouses names are placed on the markers at no charge.

### **A Major Goof**

It is Secretary Jesse Brown. We were so overcome with joy that we were able to interview Jesse Brown, SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS we referred to him as the Director of Veteran Affairs. It goes to show, we must curtail our emotions and carefully review our writings. Mr. Secretary (Jesse) please accept our most sincere apologies.

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## **A Worthy Chapter Project**

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Enclosed is a picture of MN Chapter #1 doing something (bingo) for our veterans at the Minnesota Veterans Home. We had about seventy-five from the home and eight of us. There was a veteran of World War I and one from Desert Storm. We had all the wars represented and all had a good time. We also provided treats after the games. Joan Engnell, an honorary member (in clown costume) gave us the money to put this on.

All chapters should get involved with our fellow vets who are on hard times.

Charles B. Quigley  
7664 Newton Ave. N.  
Minneapolis, MN 55444

Visitation Chairman



## OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Executive Council Minutes from Page 12

#### VA Service Organization Report by J. Norbert Reiner:

KWVA is on the President's Committee for Disabled Homeless Committee. There is a surprising number of Korean war veterans who are homeless. Committee will be granted a Homeless Office in Washington DC. The committee will meet with Regional Director regarding space for KWVA. The Vietnam veterans just received their space a few days ago.

It is necessary that a service officer receive accreditation and the committee has been advised that we will be accredited. All VA centers and Regional Offices will be advised that we will be an accredited organization. A service officer does not exist in all areas. Letters were sent to AMVETS who will represent us where we do not have a service officer. The committee has received several letters from people who are interested in becoming a service officer. There are schools for becoming a service officer and a service officer must attend and become a qualified service officer to handle the numerous problems and complaints.

A Service Officer is the person to whom a vet turns when he has a claim or question. The Service Officer will be of assistance to the veteran and will answer such questions as: insurance, medical treatment, "how do I get", "I've been denied claims", etc. Many files have been destroyed and the Service officer must know how to document a veteran's service.

KWVA is on the President's Committee for Disabled and Homeless Veterans and have attended four meetings.

Everyone should wear a pin, a hat or have a bumper sticker advertising the KWVA. It is very important to get this out. All members should be encouraged to do this.

Every Graybeards will advertise the existence of the Service Office when it is officially available. Title 38 requires this.

Pappas: We owe Dick Adams a vote of thanks for getting this started.

#### VA/VS Service Organization Report by Bill Carr:

VA/VS VA means Voluntary Service Volunteers in VA Hospitals. We had no volunteers. We now have 25 hospitals in 15 states.

There are 49 hospitals in the states where we have chapters and we don't have adequate service in these. Veterans homes and nursing homes are also included in this. Certification is the requirement to be a volunteer. The department will send the name to me and I will make the recommendation. The representatives are required to go to meetings, put time in, be involved in some way—escort, volunteering, raising funds. The representative must be someone who has time and an interest to be there.

There is no war on and they tend to ignore veterans and veterans organizations during peace time. Tuesday is National Salute to Veterans Day. If you have never visited a VA hospital you should do it. Pappas: Thanks for a wonderful job. Voted to ward of a plaque to Bill Carr for service to the KWVA for Veterans Affairs.

#### National Coalition for Homeless Veterans:

Reiner introduced Richard Fitzpatrick, Executive Director of the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans.

Fitzpatrick: There a lot of different forms not just those you see on the streets. Most homeless veterans you never see because they are proud people. They hide. There are over 1/4 million veterans who do not have a home of their own (Jesse Brown said this). There is no accurate number of homeless veterans at this time. This fall we will have the results of a better study.

You can see about 150 veterans out in the desert every week. We have 200 programs serving homeless veterans mostly veteran run. Mostly the combat veterans run these programs. These programs are really working. This issue doesn't really have much to do with homeless—it is jobless. We have to get them jobs. We don't take care of homeless veterans we empower them. Work is the single most important thing they can do. It is a part of their therapy. We are not about a handout. We are interested in getting them back into the mainstream of society. It works with fellow veterans. We get them back into structure and discipline.

#### Memorial Escort:

John Kenney expressed his appreciation for the honor of being chosen to participate in bringing a piece of the wall across the country.

The car convoy carrying part of the wall throughout the United States was met by many Korean War veterans who came to wave and observe. The reception was great, it was unbelievable.

Harley Coon felt that the people in his state looked forward to it. Clawson: Hansel, Bill and myself were at Cold Springs had about 250 people there. Chapter 1 had 40 on a bus.

#### Dedication Ceremonies:

Bob Hansen: Some time ago you elected to provide me with an honorary membership. President Pappas presented me with this

medal and I appreciate it very much. I have devoted the last six years of my life to this project and I think I can appreciate what you have been through. The memorial construction is on schedule. If the statues were there today they could be put in place today. The entire wall is in place. The pool is totally ready to receive water. It's wonderful. There is no memorial honoring veterans in the United States as distinctive and unique as the Korean War Veterans Memorial. It is truly a salute to you and a very proud salute. Everything is going to be done to accommodate the Korean War veteran at this ceremony.

Computerized data base will be on-line for veterans to locate their buddies. Information from data has to come from National Archives. We will provide for later provision if this information is not there or is incorrect. There will be a form to correct the information. We have asked for photos of the 500 out of 3,800 and we will have them at the dedication.

We have a proposal to have video taping done. Further announcements will be made later.

With respect to the Friday morning muster, there will be opportunity to gather with your service. On the hill behind the Washington Monument will be the muster, representing army, navy, air force, marines and allies. There will be signs for you to line up behind. On the mall will be a cherry picker with a camera. He will take a photo of the muster. In front of the muster will be the Joint Chief of Staffs for each chief to address his branch of service at 10:00 in the morning on Friday. This is all Korean War veterans.

Last a maximum 45 minutes.

There is no commercial activity allowed on the mall. You can have what you are able to work out within your own hotels, etc., but not on the mall.

Fireworks are scheduled for Thursday night. Wreath laying, dedication, fire works, Kennedy Center program all occur on Thursday. This is the big day.

From the Washington Monument down, there will be big screens for you to see the activities. There will be areas for give aways. You can't sell but you can give away. When the stage is not in use, we plan to have entertainment 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. all week.

Starting the 4th of July we can see the memorial. For the local people that was under consideration to make the memorial more available for people coming from out of town. An attempt is being made to allow viewing before dedication, but that decision is still being made.

Passports will be mailed early May just as we described. It will have program in it, etc. You do not have to have one to attend the ceremonies. It was intended to be a fund raising scheme to help support the dedication.

#### Reunion:

Any member who comes will pay the \$48 registration fee. They do not have to pay the registration fee for any of their family group.

#### Transportation

Volunteers will be needed from chapters to check passengers for illness. They are to contact driver and further action will be taken. There will be color-coded bus tickets. The basic logistics will work out. During the muster there is no KWVA participation as a KWVA unit. Every one will stand behind their colors.

The general business meeting will be Wednesday morning. Moved that KWVA pay for presidents of international associations and their spouses as reciprocity for the kind treatment we receive when we are their guests. Ed Grygier seconded. Approved unanimously.

The UN has been asked for special assistance with this meeting.

#### Public Relations:

David DePew: Advertising is space or time bought and paid for in a medium. The advertiser can say anything he wants.

Public relations is contact where people talk to people.

Publicity is material placed in fee newspapers, radio, TV, etc.

The public we want to contact for KWVA purposes is:

1. Eligible veterans to join KWVA
2. Media.
3. Colleges and Universities.
4. Historians

Publicity: It must be kept in mind that when you send information out there needs to be a place to which people can respond: a "news central." I would suggest that we obtain an 800 number which costs about \$35 per month plus some additional—Sprint is about half what AT&T would cost. I would like to suggest that Nancy Monson's office be designated as the permanent place for telephone response. Releases: When we issue press releases, we need somebody to respond on a professional level. Nancy already has a data bank of newspapers throughout the United States.

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#### Graybeards:

The content of the magazine is up to the members. *Graybeards* should be something that will interest anyone who might pick it up. Chang permit status to 2nd class non-profit. It is anticipated that advertising would consume about 20% of the space in the publication. We could go up to 50%, but there is no interest in having this much advertising. Publish six times a year.

#### Membership Program Status:

The KWVA data base is now in working order. There are still a few bugs which need to be worked out, but these do not prohibit us from the major functions needed to process members and record checks. During the period December 15, 1994, through February 8, 1995, there were 442 new members processed. All information received to date has been processed and the records are being edited and put into proper form for information retrieval.

#### Quartermaster:

Pappas reported on efforts to obtain a new Quartermaster. Committee to review the Poole contract and other possibilities for securing a quartermaster. Chairman Harley Coon, Bob Whacker, and Richard Alexander. The Chairman will issue a report on or before April 15th.

#### 1996 Reunion:

Accepted St. Louis as site of the 1996 reunion.

#### POW/MIA:

Board approved the removal of the status of POW for the 41 members who did not prove to be prisoners of war. It was directed that the letter written by Coon be published in *Graybeards*.

#### College Grants:

VanOrt reported that \$20,000 can be issued in 1995. This represents \$10,000 for 1993 and a like amount for 1994. Applications must be received by the 1st of April. These grants are for books and tuition. The Treasurer will write a check for the money which will go directly to the college of the winner's choice. Announcement of grant will be made at the banquet and the committee has been advised of our wish to do this.

After the Memorial is finished, this is our main project.

#### Dedication Banquet:

Schedule for the banquet:

4:00	International guests will meet with our President
5:00-7:00	President's reception and hospitality
6:30	Seating for the banquet
7:00	Banquet will begin

The budget amounts to \$10,000.

#### Nominating Committee:

Dick Wainwright reported on Nominating Committee activities stating that only two nominations had been received as of yesterday. Approved that all ballots from the 1992, 1993, and 1994 elections be destroyed by those that have possession of the ballots and that a certification of such destruction be forwarded to the Secretary. The *Graybeards* which will go out about March 15th will include the nominations.

#### Election Committee:

Wainwright: I will prepare recommended changes for the Bylaws and contact McGill to see if this is legal. Amos Camp will do the procedural part for the *Graybeards*. John Maison will see about getting a CPA. Nick Pappas will check to see if we are in compliance with New York law.

#### Dedication Banquet:

Maison stated that the hospitality room expenses should come out of the reunion funds. The president's banquet is a different matter. A hospitality room is to open Monday, Tuesday and Thursday the cost of which will be paid from the reunion funds. Approved an amount up to \$5,000 for the purpose of inviting 50 or less dignitaries as guests for the banquet meal and incidentals such as gifts the cost of which will come out of the operating funds. The 39 original members are not be invited as guests of the KWVA. They are expected to pay their own way.

A table is to be set aside for the founders

#### Federation Report:

The committee report appears in *Graybeards*.

#### State Funding:

Bob Wacker: The Flowers have become a tremendous thing and we should all be proud of it. We have over 35,000 flowers. I have asked Camp to put information in *Graybeards* for the chapters to order. We have approximately 15,000 more that will be shipped. It has hurt us in the past that these were not mentioned in *Graybeards*. There is a tremendous amount of money to be made for the various activities.

In New Jersey not-for-profit organizations are required to utilize 60% of from such sales for veterans hospitals. The other 40% can go for administrative expenses, etc. I am hopeful that the program will stay as is—veterans hospitals, widows and orphans.

#### Rebate to Chapters:

Wacker: We spent a tremendous amount of time to get the rebate to be feasible to all parties concerned. There will be a computer run, the treasurer will add it up and send them moneys only for paid up dues. The board thanked Bob Wacker thanked for his work on this matter. Coon: In 1870 the State of Ohio passed the Veterans Service Commission. Federal money comes into each state for veterans organizations. Big amounts of money. The State of Ohio grants us \$43,000 because we are department. I suggest that you contact the Veterans Service people in each state to determine if you are eligible for some of this money. Bigger organizations get more. We had to fight for this but we were successful in securing these moneys.

#### Monument:

Gold Star Mothers of America donation to be in the amount of \$2,000 to be paid as income permits. Moved that the Treasurer establish an donation account to receive donations to be given to the Women's Military Memorial Service. Carried.

#### Territorial Programs:

It was reported that Santa Clara County would like territories established for chapter development. Need a policy on the whole matter rather than reacting to one particular situation. Presently any group of 12 Korean war veterans can establish a chapter.

#### Movie:

Pappas: We have an inquiry from Jack Walker regarding whether or not there is \$20,000 in escrow for a moving picture.

Answer: Yes.

Pappas read a letter asking for assistance as there is difficulty in securing the necessary funding for the movie. They would like a letter of support.

Comment: Due to the current commitment for time and money we can't get in this. It must also be determined at what point we must turn over the escrow account moneys.

#### Procedures Manual:

Grygier: I have presented a written "Standard Procedures Manual." If you have anything to add to the procedures manual, we will get it into the computer. We need further input. These are guidelines and I ask that you approve them.

**MOTION:** Hall moved approval of the guidelines. Seconded by Cook. Unanimous.

#### New Business:

Moved that the Treasurer be authorized to establish fund for the purpose of building a Wall of Honor. Approved.

Adjourned

## A Well Deserved Tribute

### *Importance of MASH Hospitals Couldn't Be Overemphasized During The Korean Conflict*

As a former member of a MASH unit in Korea who just wrote a note to *Graybeards* seeking to hear from some of his former unit members, I didn't receive one letter from a fellow serviceman or woman, but I did receive letters from GI's and Marines who had passed through the MASH (44th Mobile Army Surgical Hospital - July '53-Aug. '54) where I was stationed displaying the gratitude for the treatment they received. They were from all over the United States and I answered every letter (I didn't know one of them personally).

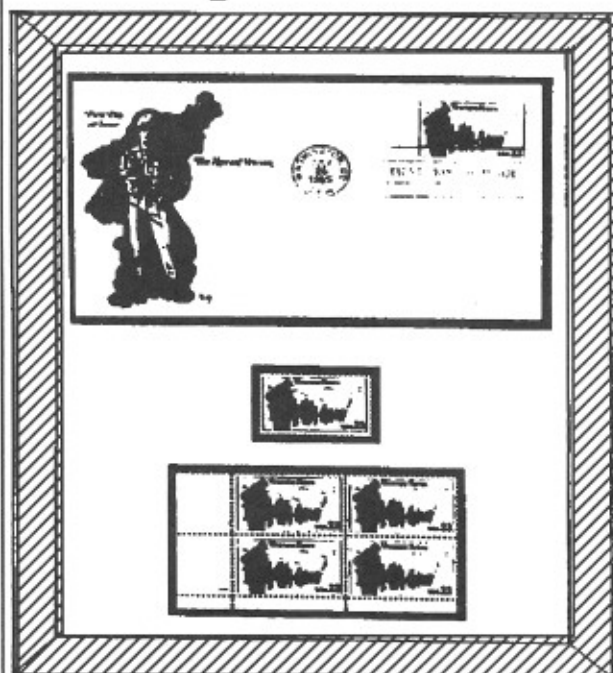
I think of the MASH units in Korea as a link between the aid stations at the front and the Evacuation Hospitals (i.e. 121st Evacuation Hospital in Seoul were a VERY VITAL LINK in saving soldier's lives. The competence shown by the doctors, nurses, orderlies, attendants in these MASH units was exemplary in the main and deserve recognition in this excellent publication.

I was not MEDICAL PERSONNEL, but I saw the wards and the wonders all these medical personnel performed. "Hats off to all of you!"

Jules Kurtz

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# First Day Issue Stamp Offer



Now you can get the special first day issue of Korean War Special Stamp! The Korean War Veterans are pleased to announce the following unique and collectible offering to its members.

On August 26, 1985, the U.S. Postal Service issued a stamp in honor and memory of all those who served their country during the Korean War. Each framed set contains an authentic First Day Cover indicating the date and place of issuance of the stamp and bears an artistically crafted design called a Cachet. Also included therein is a serial number block of four stamps along with a mint singleton to complete the collection.

All materials are handsomely mounted on acid-free matting material and professional framed in a poplar, cherry finish frame.

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MAIL WITH YOUR PAYMENT TO: KWVA Treasurer, John Maison  
P.O. Box 1839  
Fairview Heights, IL 62208

Please indicate by marking the stamp that you want and the size also.

Korean War Veteran _____	Size _____	Vietnam Memorial _____	Size _____
Honorable Discharge _____	_____	Medal of Honor _____	_____
Middle East _____	_____	Navy Stamp _____	_____
Vietnam Veteran _____	_____	Army Stamp _____	_____
POW Stamp _____	_____	Marine Stamp _____	_____
WW II Veteran _____	_____	Air Force Stamp _____	_____

## Another explanation of the Bronze Star Medal and Combat Infantryman's Badge

I have been reading with interest the letters in reference to the awarding of the BSM to holders of the CIB during World War II. The opinions of many readers as to why this was done have been varied, but none have touched on what I recall.

In 1945, the Army Department decided to institute an award for meritorious service in a war zone. Previously, the only such award was of a Certificate of Achievement for the lower ranks, while the Legion of Merit or Distinguished Service Medal were for the higher ranks. The Bronze Star Medal without "V" device was chosen as the award. A prerequisite for the BSM was that a previous award of a Certificate, of Achievement or other medal must have been made. The Combat Infantryman's Badge was considered to be an "other" award. Thus, all holders of Certificates or CIB's were eligible for an award of the BSM. Since that time, the BSM without "V" device is awarded for meritorious service and the BSM with "V" device is awarded for valor. The Combat Infantryman's badge is, of course, still awarded when qualifications are met. In my opinion, this makes both the award of the CIB and BSM more prestigious. The whole dilemma would, of course, been prevented if another award, other than the Bronze Star, been instituted for meritorious service.

For those World War II veterans who were awarded a BSM because they had already received a CIB, remember; the BSM was also awarded to personnel who had previously been awarded a Certificate of Achievement.

—Neil Young, Major, USA Ret.

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## REGISTRATION FORM

\*Please complete and mail this and the Package Plan Form immediately.

**1995 Korean War Veterans Association**  
**11TH ANNUAL REUNION AND NATIONAL MEMORIAL DEDICATION**  
**July 23-30 1995, Washington, D.C.**

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE	NAME WANTED ON ID TAG:
Member Name: First _____ MI _____ Last _____	_____
Address _____ Apt. _____ Phone (____) _____	
City _____ State _____ Zip _____	
KWVA Member # _____ Serve: (Circle) AF Army Marines Navy Other _____	
Major Unit of Assignment in Korea: _____	
Spouse/Guest: First _____ MI _____ Last _____	_____
Child/Grandchild: First _____ MI _____ Last _____ Age _____	_____
Child/Grandchild: First _____ MI _____ Last _____ Age _____	_____

☐ YES, I am enclosing a \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Deposit for \_\_\_\_\_ Rooms (\$100.00 Deposit per Room) To Guarantee my Room(s).

## TENTATIVE Schedule of Events for July 1995

<b>Tuesday 25</b>	KWVA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING	<b>Friday 28</b>	KWVA Group Breakfast
<b>Wednesday 26</b>	KWVA General Meeting KWVA President's Reception KWVA Banquet		Mass Muster with Joint Chiefs National Cathedral Memorial Service Mall Activities
<b>Thursday 27</b>	Wreath Laying at Arlington National Cemetery National Memorial Dedication Mall Activities Entertainment	<b>Saturday 29</b>	Parade Mall Activities

## I plan to: (please circle one for each line)

- ARRIVE on July 22 23 24 25 26 27 other \_\_\_\_\_
- DEPART on July 26 27 28 29 30 Other \_\_\_\_\_
- TRAVEL to Washington, D.C. by:
  - Personal Vehicle
  - Rented Vehicle
  - Regular Bus
  - Chartered Bus
  - Train
  - Airplane
  - Other

## I plan to: (please circle one for each line)

- |  | YES                      | NO                       |
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| 4. STAY at Omni-Shoreham Hotel                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. STAY at Another Hotel (See Package Plan Form) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. ATTEND KWVA Board Meeting                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. ATTEND KWVA General Meeting                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. ATTEND KWVA Banquet                           | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. NEED local transportation in Wash., D.C.      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. ENJOY sightseeing in Wash., D.C.             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. PROVIDE comments on attached page            | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

The \$100 per room deposit will apply to your account for the rooms & activities you choose on your package plan form. As soon as further plans are in place you will be informed.

## Make All Checks Or Money Orders Payable To:

\*Please Mail Both Forms & Check To:  
 Reserve Rooms Now

## 1995 KWVA Reunion

Harry Wallace - KWVA Reunion Chairman  
 Dan Smith - KWVA Special Events Coordinator  
 c/o RGA, 7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 400 East  
 Bethesda, MD 20814



# KWVA-QM

# PRICE/ORDER FORM

Item	Price
1 Warm-up Jacket (Blue) w/10" Patch .....	\$33.35
2 Warm-up Jacket (Blue) without Patch .....	28.00
3 Fort-Knox Hat (Embroidery KWVA) 2" Patch .....	21.85
4 Fort-Knox Hat (Embroidery KWVA) w/out Patch .....	17.70
5 Baseball (golf) Cap with 3" Patch .....	7.50
6 Baseball (golf) Cap without Patch .....	2.90

Item	Price
7 2" Patch .....	3.75
8 3" Patch .....	4.20
9 10" Patch for Warm-up Jacket .....	4.55
10 Eagle Patch 4" (7 color Embroidery) .....	5.00
11 Shield 4" x 4" (5 color Embroidery) .....	3.30
12 Dress Blazer .....	****

\*\*\*\*Purchase locally in Medium Blue 25 (J.C. Penny color)

## ORDER FORM

Item No.	Description	No.	Size	Price	Total Price

ALL PRICES ARE PLUS SHIPPING

Shipping Charges: Add \$4.50 for shipping & handling

ALLOW 2 to 3 weeks for shipping.

**KWVA-QM** (1-800-603-6555 • FAX 618-397-1294)

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Make all checks payable to: The KWVA

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Total

SHIP TO: \_\_\_\_\_ Card No. \_\_\_\_\_

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City & State: \_\_\_\_\_ Please send Check or Money Order **NO CASH**

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## Camp Stewart

*Just below the Georgia line,  
Swamp Stewart is the spot,  
Where we serve our time  
In the land that God forgot.  
Down with the snakes and reptiles,  
Down where a guy gets blue,  
Right in the middle of nowhere,  
A thousand miles from you.  
We sweat, we freeze, and shiver,  
It's more than a guy can stand.  
We're not supposed to be convicts,  
But defenders of our land.  
Nobody knows we're living,  
Nobody gives a damn.  
We're nothing but young soldiers,  
Working for Uncle Sam.  
The time we spend in the army,  
It's the time we have missed,  
So men do not let the draft get you  
And for God's sake don't enlist.  
Now after our lives are over  
And moved to a place known so well,  
St. Peter will say pass on my boys,  
For you've served your hitch in hell.*

The above poem with slight modifications was published in the October 1994 *Graybeards* entitled "A Poem." Your editor has been informed that the original text above was composed by Staff Sgt. John G. DellOrto, Sgt. Thomas Quidone and 5 more while sitting in barracks at Camp Stewart (Fort), Georgia, November 1951.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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## PACKAGE PLAN FORM

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PLEASE COMPLETE AND MAIL THIS FORM AND REGISTRATION IMMEDIATELY  
**1995 Korean War Veterans Association**  
**11TH ANNUAL REUNION AND NATIONAL MEMORIAL DEDICATION**  
**July 23-30 1995, Washington, D.C.**

Member Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ KWVA No. \_\_\_\_\_

## Hotel Selection

1st Choice  
Hotel Code2nd Choice  
Hotel Code3rd Choice  
Hotel Code

(1)

1st Choice  
Hotel CodeSingle/Double  
OccupancyNumber  
of RoomsNumber of  
NightsSub-Total  
Room x NightsRoom Rate  
with TaxTotal Hotel  
Charges

(2)

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X

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Complete 3 to 10 if you do not require hotel rooms.

(3)

KWVA Banquet - July 26, 1995

Number of  
People

X

Cost per  
Person\*Total  
Charge

(4)

KWVA Group Breakfast - July 28, 1995

X

\$ 20

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\$

(5)

KWVA Charter Bus in D.C. to Major Events

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\$ 48

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(6)

KWVA Reunion Registration Fee for KWVA Member

X

\$ 48

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(7)

PACKAGE PLAN TOTAL

\$

☐ Check if Deposit made already. (8)

LESS: \$100 DEPOSIT PER ROOM

\$

(9)

PACKAGE PLAN BALANCE

\$

## Hotel Choices

Enter at (1) &amp; (2) above

## Room Rates Per Night

Single  
Sgle w/ taxDouble  
Dbl w/ tax

Features (See Key)

A Omni Shoreham	DC	\$92	\$104	\$112	\$126	1,2,3,4,5
B Grand Hyatt	DC	*139	156	*139	156	1,2,3,4,5,6
C Hyatt Capital Hill	DC	*129	145	*129	145	1,2,3,4,5
D Hyatt Crystal City	VA	*115	127	*115	127	1,2,3,4,5
E Hyatt Arlington	VA	*105	115	*105	115	1,2,3,4
F Mayflower	DC	125	139	125	139	1,2,3,4,5,6
G Vista	DC	99	112	99	112	1,2,3,4,5
H Dupont Plaza	DC	99	112	119	134	1,2,3,4
I Marriott-Metro Center	DC	109	123	138	155	1,2,3,4,5
J Westpark	VA	75	83	75	83	1,2,3,4,5
K Geo. Wash. U. Res. Hall	DC	\$55		\$35/		

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Card Holders Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Indicate Single or Double  
room.

Enter Occupancy Rate  
with tax.  
Multiply across.

(3). (4). (5). (6)

Enter number of people.  
Multiply across on each  
line.

★Costs are Estimates

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Total the right column.

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Pay \$100 Deposit per Room  
Now.

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Indicate method of payment:

☐ Full Payment Now.

☐ by Check

☐ by Credit Card

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☐ by Check

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1/3 Due Dec. 15, 1994

1/3 Due Feb. 15, 1995

1/3 Due April 15, 1995

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Fill out Method of Payment  
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Registration and Package  
Plan forms are due with  
\$100 per room Deposit  
Immediately to guarantee  
rooms.

## MAIL TO:

Harry Wallace - KWVA  
-Reunion Chairman  
Dan Smith - KWVA  
-Special Events Coordinator  
c/o: RGA  
7315 Wisconsin Ave.  
Suite 400 East  
Bethesda, MD 20814

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P.O. Box 10806, Arlington, VA 22210

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**Assigned Membership Number**

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☐ **New Member**    ☐ **Renewal Member #** \_\_\_\_\_

Life Membership — Up to age 60 \$150; 60-65 \$100; 66-70 \$75; Over age 70 \$50.

**Please Check One:**

☐ **POW**    ☐ **REGULAR MEMBER**    ☐ **LIFE MEMBER**    ☐ **ASSOCIATE MEMBER**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

(Please Print)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

— **All new members, please provide the following information** —

**Unit(s) to which Assigned — Branch of Service —**

Division \_\_\_\_\_

Army ☐

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Regiment \_\_\_\_\_

Air Force ☐

Battalion \_\_\_\_\_

Navy ☐

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Marines ☐

**Dates of service in Korea were**

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Coast Guard ☐

from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: KWVA**

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

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P.O. Box 10806  
Arlington, VA 22210

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ VISA ☐

MASTERCARD ☐

Harry Wallace, Membership Chairman (Phone 410-327-4854) (Baltimore, MD)

Your Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Chapter (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE AS MANY COPIES OF THIS APPLICATION FORM AS YOU WISH!**

**CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**Section 1. Qualification of Members.** Membership in this association shall consist of honorary members, regular members, and associate members.

A. **Honorary Members.** Any person of good character may be elected as an honorary member by the vote of the Executive Council.

B. **Regular Members.**

1. **Service in United States Armed Forces.** Any person who has seen honorable service in any of the Armed Forces of the United States, said service being within or without Korea, but during the Korean war era (September 3, 1945 - January 31, 1955), or who, as a member of the armed forces of the United States as defined by U.S.C. Title 10, served honorably in Korea from February 1, 1955, shall be eligible for membership. No person shall be excluded from membership because of race, color, creed, sex, national or ethnic origin, sexual orientation, or physical or mental disability, so long as the individual meets the service requirements.

2. **Congressional Medal of Honor.** Any Congressional Medal of Honor recipient, so honored for service in Korea during the Korean war era shall be eligible for life membership.

3. **Prisoner of War.** Any person held as a prisoner of war by the North Koreans, Chinese, or Russian forces during and after the period of hostilities from June 25, 1950 forward shall be eligible for life membership.

4. **United Nations Command and Korean Army.** Any person who served honorably in the armed forces of the United Nations command or in the Republic of Korea armed forces during the Korean War era and thereafter shall be eligible for membership. 90% of members must be United States Veterans, 10% can be others.

5. **Gold Star Mothers.** Any woman whose son was killed in action, or was missing in action, or died as a prisoner of war during the Korean War shall be eligible for life membership.

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More than 5.7 million American servicemen were involved directly or indirectly from 1950 to 1953. In 37 months, 54,246 Americans were killed . . . nearly as many Americans as were killed in 10 years in the Vietnam War.

It was the first time the powers of the free world took up arms against Communist forces.

Now, working closely with the Korean War Veterans Association, The American Historical Foundation is proud to announce a lasting, tangible symbol of valor to ensure our nation doesn't forget those unsung heroes—the firing Korean War Commemorative M1911A1 .45.

## World's First

This is the world's first commemorative .45 ever issued to honor the Korean War. As such, it is in the desirable "first ever" category of distinction which has seen many significant increases in collector value.

Firearms, as investments, have withstood the test of time—an important reminder during these days of economic uncertainty.

## Limited Edition: Only 500

This is a firing limited edition of only 500, worldwide. Each .45 is specially serially numbered between 001 and 500, with the prefix "KW" for "Korean War." This number is also inscribed on the accompanying Certificate of Authenticity.

When you hold this 2-1/2 pounds of steel, 24-Karat Gold and Walnut, you will recall the valor of our Korean War veterans. Special inscriptions are etched and gold-gilt inlaid on the slide—including the date the war began, the date of the Armistice and the reason for fighting the war:



To proudly display your Commemorative .45, an optional furniture-grade American Walnut Display Case is also available. The locking-glass lid safely protects it from dust and unauthorized handling.

"In Defense of the Principles of the Free World."

The flats of the receiver and slide are mirror-polished and richly blued to contrast with the matte finished, non-slip curved surfaces.

An abundance of 24-Karat Gold plating clearly identifies this as a special, presentation grade firearm. The hammer, trigger, slide stop, magazine release—even the four grip screws—are 24-Karat Gold plated.

The grips are beautifully-figured American Walnut, hand-finished and fitted with a Gold plated, fired enamel cloisonné medallion on each side.

At the same time, this is a battleworthy, firing handgun which fires the same famous .45 ACP ammo GIs have used since 1911.

Each is custom built by Auto-Ordnance Corporation, the company founded by Brigadier General John Thompson. NRA test firings of the Thompson/Auto-Ordnance .45 report its accuracy to be " . . . significantly better than the as-issued M1911."

## Satisfaction Guaranteed

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If you do not have a Federal Firearms License, the Foundation will coordinate delivery with you through your local firearms dealer, after your reservation is received here. If you do have an FFL, send a signed copy and your .45 will be delivered directly to you.

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☐ My deposit (or credit card authorization) of \$95 per Pistol is enclosed. Please ☐ charge or ☐ invoice the balance due prior to delivery ☐ in eight equal monthly payments of \$125, or ☐ in full.

☐ My payment in full of \$1,095 per Pistol is enclosed.

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☐ Please send the optional furniture-finished Walnut Display Case at \$149.

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