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1. Editorial

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Feedback from the Christmas 2007 Newsletter has been fantastic. One of the best pieces of news was about "Shanks Booties" by Col. David Hughes, 7th Cavalry Regiment.

Dave wrote that the annual posting of the story resulted in direct contact with the family. Lt. Shanks is still alive as is the baby boy according to the granddaughter.

Dave also sends his thanks for the email, photos and letters he has received over the years.

Our Bookstore features three prominent and respected authors who have been listed here for years, Uzal Ent, Brigadier General USA (Ret.), Robert Dorr, and Warren Thompson. Each of these men has special requests.

This Book Review list is heavy on US Marine Corps submissions. If you have Air Force, Navy and Coast Guard books on Korea, let us know.

Hal has a special message for all of you who have ever

expressed interest in mapping.

A final note, Hello out there to all our current duty servicemen and women who write to us from around the world

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2. KWP New Map Department 353 Maps online

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From Hal Barker

New Map Department - 353 Maps Online For Free Unlimited Use and Full Size Printing!

We announce our new map section comprised of 353 maps, including 230 L751 topographic maps.

[www.koreanwar.org/html/maps.html](http://www.koreanwar.org/html/maps.html)

[www.koreanwar.org/html/korean\\_war\\_google\\_earth.html](http://www.koreanwar.org/html/korean_war_google_earth.html)

[www.koreanwar.org/html/korean\\_war\\_topo\\_maps.html](http://www.koreanwar.org/html/korean_war_topo_maps.html)

The topographic maps are Army Map Service 1:50,000 maps prepared for free download for full size large format printing. These maps were obtained from veterans, DOD, National Archives, Library of Congress, Corps of Engineers, and the Edwin J. Foscue Map Library at Southern Methodist University here in Dallas.

We also have 1:250,000, 1:500,000, and 1:1,000,000 maps, including aeronautical maps of China and North and South Korea. (Already on our Google section)

Special thanks to Dr. Dawn Youngblood and Bob Foxworth (son-in-law of Major General Andrew Lolli, USA) of the Foscue Map Library for their special help in our scanning 153 topographic maps from the 1947 Army map series in the SMU collection.

All topo maps with few exceptions are 1947 to 1959 Army Map Service 1:50,000 maps. We also have a number of 1:25,000 maps ready for online shortly.

All 353 maps are also on Google Earth as map overlays. If you do not now use Google Earth, you should go to your local library to view these maps in 3-D.

Areas now covered are:

1. Entire DMZ from Kaesong to the East Sea, including the Western Front, Munsan-ni, Nevada Cities, Bunker Hill, Old Baldy, Pork Chop Hill, Boomerang, Triangle Hill, Outpost Harry, Heartbreak Ridge, Bloody Ridge, Luke's Castle, Punchbowl, J-Ridge.
2. Chosin Campaign including Wonson and Hungnam.

3. Unsan, Chongchon River, Kujang, Chinaman's Hat, Kunu-ri, Kunu-ri Gauntlet.
4. Pyongyang corridor.
5. Entire Pusan Perimeter including Hadong, Chindong, Pongam-ni, Naktong Bulge, Waegwan, Taegu, Pohang.
6. Wonju, Hoengsong, Chipyong-ni, Yaju, Hongchon, Hill 1051, Inje (missing, Chaun-ni)
7. Horseshoe Ridge, Hwachon Reservoir.

In addition to the maps themselves, we now have identified over 800 physical locations, many down to Company level. These locations are all overlaid on Google Earth with exact latitude and longitude. If you have specific points you would like identified, just let us know.

We need maps from the Kum River, Taejon North, Chochiwon, Kapyong, Chaun-ni, Suncheon, and several other areas.

We are in need of any maps you have that you can copy or scan to send to us so we can have additional versions of maps. We are also seeking any map overlays you may have obtained or created that we can post online.

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### 3. Bookstore | Films

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=====a.=====

From Robert Dorr

I still have some--mint-condition copies of my book about great bomber crews in World War II.

For a copy of "B-24 LIBERATOR UNITS OF THE PACIFIC WAR" by Robert F. Dorr, send a check for \$20, which includes postage and shipping.

If you'd have questions, send me an e-mail with "B-24" in the title.

Please note: if you contact me by postal mail, please include your phone number and e-mail address in your correspondence.

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Ed Note: Google Robert F. Dorr for many links to include his Wikipedia section.

=====b.=====

FIGHTING ON THE BRINK; DEFENSE OF THE PUSAN PERIMETER IS STILL AVAILABLE!

This is the MOST ACCURATE and MOST COMPLETE account of the first three months of the Korean War that has ever been published. It "tells it like it was." Battle narratives include the experiences of men who were there. Hundreds of Army and Marine veterans contributed their experiences.

The book has undergone many reviews - all of them very complimentary. It is a vital contribution to any Korean War library, containing over 500,000 words, with many maps and photos, many never before published.

General Ent is a combat veteran of the Perimeter, serving as a rifle platoon leader.

The book is not a personal history!.

Price: \$35.00, plus \$5.00 shipping and handling. Pennsylvania residents add \$2.40 state sales tax.

Order by sending a check to:  
Uzal W. Ent  
37 Golfview Road  
Camp Hill, PA 17011.

(Cannot accept credit cards.)

Ed Note: General Ent interviewed 4000 soldiers and 1000 Marines for the book. 320 soldiers and 90 Marines are featured in the resultant work.

=====c.=====

From Warren Thompson;

Comments: I have been a military aviation historian / writer for over 40 years. This has resulted in my having numerous books and articles published.

You can get on line and go to either [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) or [www.google.com](http://www.google.com) and where they ask for "search", type in Warren Thompson. It'll show you some of the things I have written in the past few years.

Currently, I am writing a book on F4U Corsair operations in the Korean War. I would like to hear from anyone that served in any of the detachments during this period.

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Germantown TN 38138  
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=====d.=====

"WE CLAIM THE TITLE, Korean War Marines,"

This book is about my experiences in enlisting in the Marine Corps and then experiencing combat from Mar 7, 1951 to Sept. 13, 1951 when I was wounded. Additionally, many of the experiences of my "bootcamp buddies," including those of Jim Forrest, are recounted.

Link at : [www.koreanwarmarines.com](http://www.koreanwarmarines.com)

Burton F. Anderson  
2160 Bayo Claros Circle  
Morgan Hill, CA 95037

=====e.=====

On Hallowed Ground  
The Last Battle for Pork Chop Hill  
by Bill McWilliams

Hal and I read the review in Naval Institute Press and spent the end of November 2007 reading the book. We found many of our pen pals featured in this powerful treatise of the battles of 1953.

This is a powerful book, to say the least.

Reviews by Joe Galloway and Hal Moore, Lt. General, USA (Ret), co-authors of "We Were Soldiers Once – And Young".

Ron Freedman put us in touch with Bill and we are grateful for that.

Excerpt from email: "...On Hallowed Ground, which tells the story of the July 1953 battle for Pork Chop Hill - while summarizing the first 36 months of the Korean War, and the two previous battles for the outpost, in March and April. As David Davino wrote in his article in Military History magazine, the battles for Pork Chop in essence became a single metaphor for the entire Korean War.

Pricing: Check US Naval Institute, Amazon.com and Google.com  
ISBN: 0-425-19926-6  
Published by: Berkley Caliber Books, NYC  
An Association of the US Army Book

Bill has authored quite a bit so check this link at:  
[members.authorsguild.net/wmcwilliams](http://members.authorsguild.net/wmcwilliams)

Of Note: A Return to Glory: The Untold Story of Honor, Dishonor, and Triumph at the United States Military Academy, 1950-53;  
by Bill McWilliams

=====f.=====

Panthers Over Korea  
by George C Schnitzer

I was a Navy Fighter/Bomber pilot during this conflict. I had two

tours with Air Group 15, first flying off of the USS Antietam and second from the USS Princeton. I have attached a copy of the Front and Back cover for your interest.

"Join the author, fresh from earning his wings, as he begins his short operational training, learning all about flying the Grumman F9F-2 jet fighter. There is little time for training before deployment aboard the USS Antietam. Carrier Air Group 15 soon will meet the enemy. The grind of combat flying becomes quickly apparent.

The enemy gunners try to destroy the fighter-bombers with multiple anti-aircraft artillery installations while trying to stop the flow of supplies. For the jet pilots, it is not only the enemy flak that is faced day after day, but also the additional difficulty of operating jets off the World War II carrier.

The flights are either boring as hell or suddenly hellish as the enemy's guns' tracer shells chase airplanes. No matter what, every flight ends with the split-second timing required to land aboard the carrier's short flight deck.

George Schnitzer was awarded his Navy wings on January 31, 1951, and joined a recalled reserve squadron VF-831 flying the Grumman F9F-2.

In October 1951 he flew his first combat mission in the Korean War from the USS Antietam. Deployed in January 1953 with VF-153, he flew on 161 missions, ending in July 1953 from the USS Princeton."

The book is available from either the author or can be order from the publisher web site [www.publishamerica.com](http://www.publishamerica.com)

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=====g.=====

Joanne Patton sends the following review:

The Korean War: An Exhaustive Chronology  
by Bud Hannings.

Publisher: McFarland & Company, Incorporated  
Date: November 2007  
ISBN-13: 9780786428144  
Edition Description: 3 Volume Set

It is 3 volumes, with maps and index and covers every day from January, 1950 to September, 1953. At \$245 for the set, it won't be for everyone, but libraries and colleges should seek it out. Two reviewers have called it "definitive".

I have Hannings' works on other wars so I know he leaves nothing out!

Best, Joanne Patton

=====h.=====

Marine Corps Tank Battles In Korea  
by Oscar Gilbert

From the Flyleaf: Oscar "Ed" Gilbert was a Marine Artilleryman and NCO instructor in the Marine Corps Reserve, and is the author of Marine Corps Tank Battles in the Pacific..."

Oscar began the research for this book by choosing Able Company of the 1st Tank Bn of the 1st Marine Division. The book features interviews with many men who served in Korea.

Read it!  
ISBN: 1-932033-13-0  
Price: \$34.95  
Published by Casemate  
2114 Darby Rd  
Haverstown, PA 19083  
email: [casemate@casematepublishing.com](mailto:casemate@casematepublishing.com)

=====i.=====

The Secrets of Inchon  
The Untold Story of the Most Daring Covert Mission of the Korean War  
by Commander Eugene Franklin Clark, USN

I had heard of this daring episode as a lead up to the Inchon Invasion. The book came about by opening a safe deposit box where the manuscript had lain for a long time.

Riveting is the word!

Published by Berkley Books, Division of Penguin  
Available on Amazon.com

ISBN: 0-399-14871-x

=====j.=====

Lewis Carlson sent us this recently published book notice:

When Hell Froze Over: The Memoir of a Korean War Combat Physician Who Spent 1010 Days in a Communist Prison Camp  
by William Shadish, M.D., with Lewis H. Carlson

Published by: New York iUniverse Press, 2007  
[www.iuniverse.com/bookstore](http://www.iuniverse.com/bookstore)

Korean War combat physician and POW William Shadish

administered heroic and extraordinary care to his fellow soldiers on the battlefields and in the temporary and permanent North Korean prison camps, where conditions were so horrific that more than half of the American captives died that first winter of 1950-1.

Dr. Shadish continued to support his men after liberation, when he and his fellow survivors had to endure the very real effects of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, as well as unwarranted, and eventually unsubstantiated, accusations of mass collaboration and brainwashing.

Submitted by Lewis H. Carlson, author of Remembered Prisoners of a Forgotten War: An Oral History of Korean War POWs

=====k.=====

Invisible Hero  
by Roger K. Miller

Published by iUniverse Publishing  
[www.iuniverse.com/bookstore](http://www.iuniverse.com/bookstore)

From Roger; Invisible Hero, a novel inspired by the life of a 2nd Division rifleman who died in the Changsong POW camp, has just been released by iUniverse Publishing.

The author, Roger K. Miller, is a longtime newspaperman. He was inspired to write the novel, which took years of research and interviewing, by the life and death of his wife's cousin, James E. Williams, originally of Bedford County, Pa., but who entered the Army in Albany, N.Y., in August 1950. The hero of the novel is called Tim Davis.

Besides being a novel about the "Forgotten War," it is also a coming-of-age tale in postwar America in the 1940s and '50s, when work was plentiful, cars were shiny and the magic of television had just lit up the living room.

Price: \$28.95 hardcover, \$18.95 paperback

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Courage and Fear: A Primer  
by Col. Wes Fox (MOH)

"For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty . . .' That's how the Medal of Honor citation for Wesley L. Fox begins. Thankfully, the story doesn't end there. In the pages of this primer, a legendary hero acknowledges the fears he has felt and how he overcame them.

His inspiring discourse on courage-and why this quality is so crucial to character- it makes this book a 'must read' for every American."

-Oliver L. North, LtCol USMC (Ret.), Host, War Stories, FOX News Channel

"There are few people who qualify as 'experts' on courage and fear. Colonel Wes Fox, the ultimate Marine's Marine, is one of them. He knows of what he writes and he writes beautifully and bluntly about it. Nobody has ever done it better-or likely ever will."

-Jim Lehrer, Executive Editor and Anchor, The News Hour with Jim Lehrer and  
Author of The Phony Marine: A Novel  
Published by Potomac Books  
22841 Quicksilver Dr  
Dulles, VA 20166-2012

[www.potomacbooks.com](http://www.potomacbooks.com)

ISBN: 987-1-59797-119-5 Hardcover  
Price: \$19.95

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Recollections of a Boy Marine  
by Gene Ciliberti - former USMC Sergeant

Hi guys,: Here's a story for you. It has to do with the beach landing at Wonsan by the 5th Marines October 1950, after their successful landing at Inchon September 1950

"Hit the Beach Again"

The drive to free Seoul had been a swift success. It was late October and we were ordered to withdraw back to Inchon, where we had landed earlier. There we once again, boarded ship and reassembled as a division. Our next objective was to hit the beach at Wonsan. This would require us to sail South down the peninsula, around to the Eastern side of Korea, then up to the northern city of Wonsan. We were told to brace ourselves for a very difficult and dangerous beach landing. The beach at Wonsan was fortified with gun turrets that housed naval guns, all aiming at the sea. It would make a typical Marine landing a bloody "turkey-shoot" unless we could get some of those guns destroyed before we landed. Once aboard ship, all we thought about was how to survive our second combat landing.

The plan was to arrive in the Wonsan area after about 2-3 days. As we approached the area, the ships came to a dead stop in the water. The sea was filled with floating mines, any one of which could destroy a ship and the 2,000 troops on board. The convoy began to back away. We were ordered to wear life jackets and stay aft of the bridge at all times. It made living conditions very difficult. Going to the bathroom or to the galley for food could happen only once a day. A call went out to the Navy to send us a minesweeper.....

Visit: [www.geocities.com/gciliberti](http://www.geocities.com/gciliberti)  
or Amazon.com

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Still A Marine  
by Donald F. McKenna (B/1/7 51-52)

The book is fiction based upon composites of Marines pulled from a unit roster. Often times fiction puts things together that non-fiction cannot do.

The author asks this question: "What ist it abut the adventure of becoming and being a Marine that makes it a lifetime experience?"

We encourage you to find out for yourself – Ted

Self-Published [www.StillAMarine.com](http://www.StillAMarine.com)

ISBN: 978-0-9799990-0-0

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4. Reunions

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The following comprise a sampling of reunions posted on the site.

Army:

The Engineer Officer Candidate School Association (TEOCSA) EN OCS alumni have held reunions / meetings annually since 1999.  
Annual Meeting / Reunion '08 to be in Nashville, Tenn.

Contact point. TEOCSA, PO Box 14847, Atlanta, GA 30324-4847,  
Email: [TEOCSA@comcast.net](mailto:TEOCSA@comcast.net)  
PH: (404) 231-3402.

E. T. Mealing  
Pres., TEOCSA  
404.231.3402

JSA Reunion  
April 11-13 2008  
Location: Nashville, TN  
Contact: Bill Buntin

Email: [billbuntin007@yahoo.com](mailto:billbuntin007@yahoo.com)

PH: 615 664-1185

Society of the 3rd Infantry Division  
September 18-21 2008  
Location: Sheraton Hotel Columbus GA  
Reservations: 706-327-6868

Website: [www.warfoto.com/3rddiv.htm](http://www.warfoto.com/3rddiv.htm)

PR Chairman: Carl Q. Topie  
PH: 513-831-2636

Second Infantry Division Korean War Veterans Alliance  
May 1-4 2008  
Location: Covington, KY  
PH: 817-251-3551

Air Force:

3rd Bomb Group Final Reunion  
sponsored by the 89<sup>th</sup> Attack Squadron  
Location: Austin, TX  
Dates: April 23-27 2008  
Contact: Bill Robinson  
4302 Horseshoe Bay Dr.  
Needville, TX 77461

Ph: 281-342-0599  
Email: [wdrobinson55@airmail.net](mailto:wdrobinson55@airmail.net)

67<sup>th</sup> Tactical Reconnaissance Wing  
May 18-21 2008  
Location: South Dakota  
Contact: DeWayne Hayes  
1513 Jackson St  
Sturgis, SD 57785-1244  
PH: 605-347-3007  
email: [dyayes@rushmore.com](mailto:dyayes@rushmore.com)

All-SCARWAF Engineer Reunion #16  
September 23-28 2008  
Location: Pittsburgh, PA  
Co-coordinator: James Duane Brannon  
email: [j.d.brannon@verizon.net](mailto:j.d.brannon@verizon.net)

Marine Corps:

G/3/1 Korea Reunion  
September 28 – October 3, 2008  
Location, Dana Point Marina Inn, CA

Contact: J. R. "Bob" Camarillo  
email: [retired2x@sbcglobal.net](mailto:retired2x@sbcglobal.net)  
Ph: 805-647-9319

US Navy:

LST 1073

Four of us who served on the LST 1073 in Korea are starting to plan a reunion in June 2008 in Evansville, IN. We are interested in contacting as many former members of the crew as possible. Please contact me by e-mail.

Bob Dunwell, LT, USN, LST 1073, 1953-1955

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VP-47/VPB-27 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion  
September 10-14  
Location: Reno, Nevada  
Atlantis Casino & Resort Hotel  
3800 South Virginia St.  
Reno, Nevada 89502

Reservations: (800)+723-6500  
Contact: Maurice Sherman (775) 624-0982  
[www.geocities.com/lazymho@sbcglobal.net/2008-VP47-Reunion.html](http://www.geocities.com/lazymho@sbcglobal.net/2008-VP47-Reunion.html)

USS Hobson Memorial Society Annual Reunion  
May 2-4 2008  
Location: Ramada Inn Charleston, SC  
7401 Northwoods Boulevard  
Reservations: 1-843-414-2210 or 1-843-572-2200

The Memorial Service will be held at White Point Gardens, Battery Park, on Sunday, May 4, 2008, commencing at 1:30 pm. The keynote speaker this year is Lawrence J. (Larry) Boudreaux, National President, Fleet Reserve Association.

F. Donald Mucheck, Hobson Executive Secretary

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Be sure to always check your unit page on our Looking For section as well as our Reunions section. You may also post directly from that page at: [www.koreanwar.org/html/reunions.html](http://www.koreanwar.org/html/reunions.html)

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5. Maui veteran provides details of a family's wartime loss

In January 2008 Hal and I received an email of a pending article in the Maui News. One of our 1999 visitors, Chris Chruma had posted a Remembrance for his grandfather, Sgt First Class Robert C. Bennett, B Co 27th Infantry Regiment who was killed in action September 20, 1950.

The story link to follow relates an amazing story, one that goes from Japan to the Internet via the Korean War Project and back to Hawaii.

[www.mauinews.com/page/content.detail/id/500169.html?nav=10](http://www.mauinews.com/page/content.detail/id/500169.html?nav=10)

6. KIA/MIA/POW/Non-Battle Casualty Book Update

From Hal Barker;

We announced in October 2006 that we were preparing to publish a book containing the first comprehensive listing of Korean War losses. We assumed this would take at least two years.

After a complete upgrade of our computer systems in March 2007, we began a line item edit of all approximately 37,000 known casualties, including non-battle casualties.

With the help of thousands of family and friends leaving Remembrance entries on the Korean War Project, we made well over 22,000 corrections/additions of hometowns, states, names, ranks, and locations of loss.

We compared possible errors in names by a line item compare to Ancestry.com census data. Apparent errors in town spellings and county spellings were compared with the National Association of Counties database as well as the official government location database.

We programmed a central editing page comparing six databases obtained from the National Archives, DIOR, JPAC, Defense Prisoner of War Missing Persons Office, American Battle Monuments Commission, and our own Remembrance section. Any variations in these data sets appeared flagged in red on one editing page. When issues arose, we checked the census data, location data, official histories, and our Remembrance entries.

Years ago, we discovered issues with Hispanic names, especially from Puerto Rico. Hundreds of hyphenated names were changed in official databases often with first name as last name and middle name as first name with all sorts of variations. We also found that many casualties officially listed from the Virgin Islands were actually Filipino soldiers.

With the wonderful help from families and friends of Hawaiian, Filipino, Puerto Rican, Irish, and Japanese descent we have corrected hundreds of errors uncorrected for decades.

However, we have found that a number of Air Force casualties do not appear on any databases and this is an ongoing project to correct. There is also no official database for casualties subsequent to the Truce.

We are now looking for a sponsor for the book to donate the original cost of production of 2000 library quality hardback books. The sponsor will have cover credit in the original publication and all subsequent editions. When we obtain a sponsor, this will guarantee the Korean War Project can continue this complex and satisfying work in the years to come. The book will also contain a list of all contributors and donors to the Korean War Project since 1995.

Through your donations of hardware and special software, we now have everything at the Korean War Project to produce a press ready book without outside expenses other than the actual cost of printing.

7. Membership, Bumper Stickers

Consider supporting the mission of the Korean War Project by donations in the form of Membership/Sponsorship and our "I Remember Korea" Bumper Sticker campaign.

Membership: [www.koreanwar.org/html/membership.html](http://www.koreanwar.org/html/membership.html)

Bumper Sticker: [www.koreanwar.org/html/bumper\\_sticker.html](http://www.koreanwar.org/html/bumper_sticker.html)

Our Pledge Drive is an ongoing process. Many of our previous donors no longer can assist. We are recruiting from those who have not participated, so if you can, jump on in, it will be appreciated.

The site is free for all to use and those who participate help to ensure that we remain online whether the donation is \$1.00 or more!

For those persons or groups who cannot participate, we certainly understand.

Donations/Memberships are tax deductible, if you use long form IRS reports. Our EIN: 75-2695041 501(c) (3)

Postal Address  
Korean War Project  
PO Box 180190  
Dallas, TX 75218

## 8. This Mailing List (going to 40,000 + persons)

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We began this newsletter mailing in December of 1998. The first issue went to just over 2000 persons.

This list is a private list for our visitors and members. A person may join or leave the list at will. It is compiled from our Guest Book and comprises public service messages of general interest to veterans and families.

To join or leave the list: email to: Ted Barker [tbarker@kwp.org](mailto:tbarker@kwp.org)  
Place: Subscribe or Unsubscribe in the subject line.

Consider forwarding the Newsletter to your friends by email or print. Word of mouth is how we grow.

Thanks for being part of the Korean War Project family!

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## 9. Korean War Pilots Return to Korea

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Left To Right: Carl Schneider, Buzz Aldrin, Pete Carpenter, "Hoot" Gibson, "Chick" Cleveland, Hal Fischer, Bob Moxley, Sam Shealy.

A group of distinguished former fighter pilots returned to Korea last September. These men were met by dignitaries, the Korean Veterans Association and US Forces Korea staff. Retired Major

General Carl Schneider sent Hal and I a large packet of information about this trip down memory lane.

In attendance, Col. Edwin 'Buzz' Aldrin, (Ret.); Col. Ralph 'Hoot' Gibson, (Ret.); Lt. Col. Harold 'Hal' Fischer (Ret.); Major Gen. Carl Schneider, (Ret.); Robert 'Bob' Moxley, then Lt.; Col. Wilbur 'Pete' Carpenter, (Ret.); Col. Ken Shealy, (Ret.); Lt.Gen. Chuck 'Chick' Cleveland, (Ret.).

From all the material MG Schneider sent, the red carpet was definitely rolled out! Quote: 'Our overall impression was the respect and thanks for the efforts of all United Nations Forces who contributed to their (South Korea) current prosperity and freedom'. – MG Carl Schneider, USAF (Ret.)

There have been many articles printed on this trip. Be sure to use Google to find many of them. Photos of these men are posted in many of the articles to include these links:

Washington Times (US)

[washingtontimes.com/article/20070921/FOREIGN/109210054/1003](http://washingtontimes.com/article/20070921/FOREIGN/109210054/1003)

Joongang Daily (S Korea)

[joongangdaily.joins.com/article/view.asp?aid=2880584](http://joongangdaily.joins.com/article/view.asp?aid=2880584)

Related:

[www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123086161](http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123086161)

[www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123068206](http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123068206)

[www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123067963](http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123067963)

[www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123067902](http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123067902)

[www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123067616](http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123067616)

Photo Link: (Hal)

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## 10. Military Brats Registry

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For those of us who grew up with parents in the military, this website helps to re-connect us to our past.

"The Military Brats Registry will soon celebrate 11 years online! 80,000 Military Brats have joined so far, and every day new members find us by word of mouth, advertising, or just plain luck while performing a search.

Marc Curtis

Website: [www.militarybrat.com](http://www.militarybrat.com)

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## 11. The War Memorial of Korea

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There is a stunning website for the Memorial. Neither Hal or I had surfed the Internet to see it. Be sure to view both the Hangul version and the English version, well worth the time spent.

Link: [www.warmemo.or.kr](http://www.warmemo.or.kr)

Ed Note: Thanks to Gen Schneider for the printed material on this excellent Memorial and website. – Ted

## 12. . US Naval Operations, Korea

Our May 2007 newsletter featured two CD's, 'Marines in the Korean War, Commemorative Series', and 'The Sea Services in the Korean War 1950-53'. The second one of them allowed an online download for Naval Ops, US Marine Corps Ops and the US Coast Guard in Korea. This CD could not be downloaded by most of our viewers for technical reasons.

The Naval Historical Center website has all the contents of the US Navy section from that CD online. What a wealth of naval history, photograph and one of my most treasured online resources, the DANFS – Dictionary of American Naval Fighting Ships!

For any student of Marine Corps and US Navy history the visit to this site is well worth many viewing hours.

Tip: Use the link directory in deep blue along the left side of each section for navigation. Sections for children and teachers and museum features are included.

Publications: [www.history.navy.mil/publications.html](http://www.history.navy.mil/publications.html)

Main Intro Page: [www.history.navy.mil/index.html](http://www.history.navy.mil/index.html)

## 13. US Marine Operations in Korea

The CD mentioned in the US Navy section, 12, 'The Sea Service in Korea' contains the volumes by Montross and Canzona, Kuokka, Hicks and Yingling. The entire 5 volumes are included. Again, that CD was almost impossible to download for our viewing audience. (The CD is out of publication.)

The USMC Historical Publications section of the USMC website has some of the contents of that CD in Adobe PDF file format. Downloading can take a long time but the documents are well worth the time. There is a wealth of USMC history and many of the Korean War historical publications at this location.

Tip: visiting the site late at night is the best bet!

Publications:

[www.usmc.mil/news/publications/Pages/order\\_type\\_historical.aspx](http://www.usmc.mil/news/publications/Pages/order_type_historical.aspx)

Marines in the Korean War, Commemorative Series

[www.koreanwar.org/usmckorea/Main.htm](http://www.koreanwar.org/usmckorea/Main.htm)

## 14. The Gray Before the Dawn, a poem

### THE GRAY BEFORE THE DAWN

The mist hangs like a dirty drape -  
Formless shapes struggle to escape -  
Lying on my back - stands of water on three sides.  
Swirls - like tidal pools when I was a kid -  
Life teeming in a little world - star fish -squid -  
Sand all over my weapon - none to play with.  
My boots are wet - my feet are cold -  
What am I doing here - am I to grow old?  
Thunder in the sky - planes flying by -  
Can't see them - clouds hung out to dry.  
Don't sleep much - we're in for a big one -  
Waiting for the dawn - waiting for the Sun.  
This is an odd place -  
Everyone with the same face -  
Can't drink the water - rations are poor -  
Bed down at night - the earth for a floor.  
Complain? - can't do that - my choice - I enlisted  
Could have listened to the old folks - as they insisted.  
Mortar rounds screaming overhead -  
Sickening thud! - giant craters - filled with the dead.  
Had a girl back home -she's waiting -  
Last moments - gave her a gentle kiss - parting.  
I thought that I would be forever young -  
But within a week my hair turned - I've been stung.  
The Sun is up - parting the Gray  
We are sons and daughters of prey -  
Our minds buried in this mire -  
Here they come! - HELL IS ON FIRE!!!

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Formerly 1st Lt. USAF  
339th/319th Fighter Squadrons All Weather-Korea  
"The Forgotten War"

Dedicated to the men and women who fought the ground war.

## 15. Korean War Ex-POW Newsletter

Jack Chapman has begun to deliver the newsletter by email as

well as in print format.

He asks that any person who can use email for delivery of the news to contact him so that costs for USPS delivery and printing can be reduced.

To take delivery by email, send to:  
[newsletter@koreanwarexpov.org](mailto:newsletter@koreanwarexpov.org)

Any questions may be directed to Jack at: [jackkpw@yahoo.com](mailto:jackkpw@yahoo.com)

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16. Veteran Health Alert and Resources

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Veterans continue to be diagnosed with health problems from asbestos exposure. The following resource website was brought to our attention in Feb 2008.

[www.mesotheliomatreatmentcenters.org](http://www.mesotheliomatreatmentcenters.org)

Excerpt: . 'In recent years, tens of thousands of former Army, Air Force, Marine, Navy, and Coast Guard personnel and their spouses have begun to develop mesothelioma . Decades after their military service in World War II, Korea, and other conflicts.....'

Gibran Garcia  
Webmaster  
760-274-2350

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17. Memorials

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1.) Chuck Payne sent this link for the Philadelphia Korean War Memorial located at Penns Landing. General Uzal Ent was the keynote speaker at the Oct 2006 dedication.

[www.philakoreanmemorial.org](http://www.philakoreanmemorial.org)

2.) Bill Stegall of the KWVA Chapter 265, North Carolina recently wrote that a model of the planned Korean War Veterans Memorial of North Carolina has been unveiled just outside of Charlotte, NC, in Mint Hill. The dedication was September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

The KWP had announced the fund-raising initiative some time ago thanks to input from Don Putnam and Bill Stegall. Both those gents have been long-term pen pals.

From Bill: 'The memorial is designed to resemble the South Korean Flag when seen from the air. It will have an open design through which people can see. The circle of the memorial will be 60 feet in diameter with a 45 foot walkway from the parking area up to the circle. It will be located 15 feet from the Fairview Road

right-of-way. The material will be granite with four black pillars (4 feet wide and 8 feet tall) in the center with the 784 names of North Carolinians either killed or missing in action. At each end of the memorial will be two statues of American soldiers wearing ponchos.'

'The veterans are working to have the memorial completed by June of 2009. They want to dedicate it during the month of June because that is the month the war started in 1950. When the memorial is completed, it will be turned over to the town of Mint Hill and it will be maintained by the town for future generations to enjoy.

The memorial was designed by R. Kent Goolsby and it will be made of granite which should last for hundreds of years. The veterans are selling pavers which will be used to line the walkways leading to the memorial and will also offer benches and plaques for trees to be planted around the site.'

Kudos to these dedicated North Carolinians!

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Veterans Park – Hampton Bays, NY

Nick Lombardi wrote in late October 2007 about dedication ceremonies on Veterans Day 2007

"We are dedicating a Veterans Park in Hampton Bays this Veterans Day Sunday Nov.11. We have received a donation, for a lease on the property we own, for the building of this park. Local families are buying nameplates, benches and bricks in remembrance of family or friends.

Hand Aldrich Post 924, The American Legion  
Nick Lombardi, Adjutant  
PH: 631-728-4340.

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18. Help needed B/1/1 1st Marines Sept. 1950

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From: Don Dalton  
Sent: Saturday, January 12, 2008

Subject: Immediate Assistance Requested

I have been requested by Colonel Len Hayes, USMC (Ret) to assist in locating any Marine or Corpsman who served with B/1/1

in Korea on Sep 21, 1950.

On that date the 1stBn, 1st Marines were involved in the attack on Yongdong-po B Company attacked over a series of dikes outside the town and the western part of Yongdong-po and suffered heavy casualties.

One Plt Ldr, Lt Connor Hollingsworth, from B/1/1 was severely wounded and many have stated previously that he should be awarded an award for his heroic conduct during this engagement with the enemy.

After the Seoul engagement the Company Commander, Captain Bland was transferred to Wpns Co. Capt Bland (LtCol Bland, USMC-Ret recently passed away) but prior to his passing sent an E-Mail to Lt Col Marvin D. Gardner, USMC (Ret) highly recommending 1stLt Hollingsworth for an award.

The Awards Board at HQMC refused to accept this unsigned Personal Award Recommendation submitted by the former Co Cdr, now deceased. LtCol Gardner's recommendation was considered acceptable to the Awards Board, but we need one additional, signed & notarized statement from another Marine or Corpsman who witnessed 1stLt Hollingsworth's heroic actions during that engagement.

Captain Hollingsworth was medically separated from the USMC on Nov 1, 1950. He is being recommended for the Bronze Star Medal w/v and we have been informed that he is not expected to live. Those that knew him would like to see him receive this award before he passes away.

1stLt Hollingsworth was the Plt Ldr of the 3rd Plt of B/1/1.

Anyone having witnessed the heroic actions by the Lt are asked to contact Colonel Len Hayes, USMC (Ret). Business Mgr of the 1st Marine Division Assn. LtGen Dick Carey, USMC (Ret) is also working on this award.

Colonel Hayes may be reached by calling (760) 967 - 8561/62 (Office) or (760) 712 - 7088(Cell). Time is of the essence.  
S/F,  
Don Greenlaw  
Captain, USMC(Ret)  
Marine Mustang

19. Medal of Honor, MSG Woodrow Keeble, 19th IR

Merry Helm has been working for a very long time on all things related to the 19th Infantry Rgt in Korea. Her pet project has been to obtain a lost Medal of Honor for MSG Keeble. Her efforts have been rewarded. Many of our pen pals and former unit members have been working diligently with Merry.

Her only regret is that "Woody" passed away prior to the award ceremonies at the White House. His Sioux family and friends are no doubt very proud. Russell Keeble accepted the award on behalf of the family.

Video:  
[www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2008/03/20080303-3.wm.v.html](http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/releases/2008/03/20080303-3.wm.v.html)

Contact: Merry Helm [loonybook@cablone.net](mailto:loonybook@cablone.net)

20. Air Force Korean War Effort

Mr. Barker Sir:

I believe I have written before and this email is very similar to my last one, I'm sure. I fully realize that there were many more ground troops than Air Force troops during the war but the Air Force played a very significant part in the war, specially the Air Force units based in Korea rather than Japan.

I refer to the fighters, fighter bombers and light bombers such as the Douglas A/B-26 "Invaders" specifically. This type of aircraft was flown by the 17th Bomb Wing (Light), the 3rd Bomb Wing (Light) and the 67th Tac Recon Wing.

I was a proud member of the 17th Bomb Wing, stationed at Pusan Korea, (K-9) during 1952 and 1953. I was not a pilot but an aircraft mechanic.

This job kept me and my fellow mechanics busy year around through summer heat and VERY cold winter weather. Our maintenance equipment was very limited in quantity and type.

For instance, we used a crane and a group of empty fuel or oil drums well padded, on which we perched the aircraft due to our lack of proper jacking equipment.

We also developed and built some of our own equipment such as landing gear strut dollies used when changing a landing gear strut.

We, as mechanics did not see much combat except for aircraft coming back with battle damage and an occasional dead or injured crew member. And sometimes an aircraft just failed to return.

I always look forward to reading your newsletter.

Thank you,

Slim Larby. [Slimilarby@aol.com](mailto:Slimilarby@aol.com)

21. 8204AU in "On Point" magazine

Helen Cheek writes:

This website has an article on the 8204th which I wrote. It was published in On Point, the magazine of the Museum of Army history. The website has no byline. Thought you might be interested.

[www.armyhistory.org/armyhistorical.aspx?pgID=868&id=217&exCompID](http://www.armyhistory.org/armyhistorical.aspx?pgID=868&id=217&exCompID)

22. 607th AC&W Yearbook

Rick Munroe

Hello to all at KWP. I have finally finished scanning my father's old 607 AC&W Unit Book from his time in Korea. If you want a copy it's in 4 zipped sections of about 9 Mb each. Send me your email address and make sure your mailbox can accept an attachment this large.

Rick [barking\\_barnacles@yahoo.com](mailto:barking_barnacles@yahoo.com)

23. The Divided Koreas – CBS News

<http://www.cbsnews.com/htdocs/koreas/framesource.html>

24. PFC Curtis E. Carrere – Purple Heart found–New Orleans

Posted to Remembrance

We have found a Purple Heart that was engraved for Curtis E. Carrere from New Orleans. We have found last name to be spelled Carrere, Carrare, and Carrara. Also middle name may be spelled Ucklet pronounced as Euclid. From our research we believe that the parents names were Ucklet and Gladys, both deceased. We are looking for relatives to give the medal to. Also have his Korean service medal. These were found by our church while cleaning up from Hurricane Katrina in the Holly Grove area of New Orleans.

by James Savage  
NYC, NY on March 27 2008

Contact Hal Barker at [hbarker@kwp.org](mailto:hbarker@kwp.org)

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Donors: [www.koreanwar.org/html/membership.html](http://www.koreanwar.org/html/membership.html)

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