

Korean War Project Newsletter July 27, 2016 Volume 18, 2

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Today, all over the world, veterans, family, friends all pause to Remember the sacrifices made in Korea to defend a small nation from aggression by its communist neighbor to the north.

June 25th 1950 – July 27th 1953 are the two dates of special significance to those who answered the call or faced the terrible machinery of war.

The week of July 23rd to the 29th of 1995 found Hal and Ted on the road to and from Washington, DC to attend the dedication of the Korean War Veterans Memorial.

That was a very hot week for visitors to the Memorial. The visitors represented many nations and thousands of families. What a special week that was, indeed.

1. Editorial July 27 2016

Our last newsletter edition was for Memorial Day 2016. We reported on our work on the casualties from the war. Hal has since entered over 500 during the time the news reached you. He has also discovered 30 more since that time.

During the month of June, a serious upgrade in communications software began. Replacement of our 15 year old mail server software. At the same time, Hal started the much needed redesign of the website to reflect the use of mobile phones and tablets.

At the end of May, letters went out to hundreds of former donors for whom we have not had a working email address for an extended period of time.

Our effort to find ways to attract new donors/sponsors, which will allow us to continue the website as a non-profit online, continues.

Remember, the site is free for anyone to visit and browse. Our donors make all this possible!

This edition is also available in Adobe Acrobat format (.pdf). Acrobat allows the end reader to increase or decrease the size of the

font for easier reading.

See: www.koreanwar.org/html/news/2016/News-07-27-2016.pdf

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2. KCCF Casualty File Review

Recap from May 2016:

This work is a key element of the Korean War Project and our donors and sponsors are responsible for keeping this work ongoing.

We have mentioned in past editions that the original NARA casualty files have been the basis for building our message areas like Looking For. Many of the unit listings created from those legacy files have had to be revised.

The Remembrance section of the website is also constructed from the casualty listings.

3. Membership | Sponsors

Consider supporting the mission of the Korean War Project by donations in the form of Membership/Sponsorship.

Membership: www.koreanwar.org/html/membership.html

Our Pledge Drive is an ongoing process. 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 \$5.00 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)

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4. Message areas

Our Looking For, Guestbook, Remembrance, and BBS message groups continue to foster networking and information sharing.

Each entry on these sections is followed by an automated

response to the sender to show them what they posted.

We continue to send periodic messages to new visitors in order to ensure that each person is welcomed to the KWP.

Messages sent out from visitors to persons who have posted are followed up by Ted Barker if any are returned as undeliverable.

Always send direct email to us if you require assistance.

5. KWP Mail Server

Our last newsletter featured a notice about reaching Verizon customers. A solution has been found.

Upgrading to a brand new email server program has been in the testing stage since June. Many of the lingering problems with delivering mass mail, like our newsletter, should be on the way to resolution.

Planned delivery of separate mass mail to our Post-Truce veterans has been delayed while the system proves itself as ready.

We apologize for any missed attempts to communicate with either Hal or Ted.

6. KWP Website redesign

More of our visitors are using mobile devices on the internet. The older visual presentation of the Korean War Project online is not suited for the new generation of devices.

We have been researching software tools that will make the site friendly to all users. Tests during 2015 using a variety of tools proved to be cumbersome and lacking. Hal is now creating test pages on a variety of software. The total redesign will take a few months with rollout of pieces to ensure our end users satisfaction.

Note: we use our Android smart phones to preview test results.

7. Thank You to our Sponsors | Donors/Members

Thanks to all who have made this newsletter and the website possible!

The average annual number of donors is about 750. We would love to see an increase in this number which has continued to decline since 2004.

8. This Mailing List

Required Notice for Bulk Mail:

We began sending 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
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 to all who have made this newsletter and the website possible!

9. Bookstore | Film

Be sure to visit the main index on the web site. The links to each book allow viewers to learn more about each book.

See: www.koreanwar.org/html/bookstore.html

Many of the books are self-published. | Included are DVD and film products.

Most titles may be found online using your favorite search tool. We also post to our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

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8th Bombardment Squadron (L-NI)
January-July 1952

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Tokyo, Japan

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with permission from 1st Lieutenant John K. Rogers, Editor.

The KWP is making note of this paperback version due to the many photographs of unit members. This copy was found by EL Wells of Kentucky.

Books like this are valuable resources and may be found in used bookstores and online sellers.

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Spy Flights of the Cold War
by Paul Lashmar

Published by Sutton Publishing Ltd. Phoenix Mill Thrupp Stroud
Gloucestershire in 1996.

This copy was a gift to Rand researcher, Paul Cole. Mr. Cole presented this and other books to the KWP several years ago.

Mr. Lashmar created the TV Documentary series; "Spies in the Sky".

This is the story of the Cold War secret flights by US and RAF crews.

ISBN: 0-7509-1183-2 Hardback Edition

Find this book on Amazon and GoodReads

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Korea IX Corps – 212 MP Company
My Time in History 1952-54

By Christian Pipho

The author sent us his ring back booklet which contains excerpts of 125 letters written during a two year stint in the US Army.

His letters to a young woman, stateside, were saved and ultimately back in his hands. In 2011, he began to sort them while being transported back to 1952-54 during reading of the letters.

The author has stated that he has not had any thoughts of printing or selling his 100 page work of love. But, we think many of our readers would find the booklet very valuable.

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Remembering Korea (Korea: 1950-1953)
by Dennis J. Ottley

The author's memoir. This book describes his involvement in Korea during the Korean War and points out the reasoning behind the conflict.

Over the years, the Korean War has been considered "The Forgotten War" by many. At one time, President Harry S. Truman referred to it as a "Police Action," but 5,720,000 Americans who served in Korea have never forgotten what it was about and that it was much more than just a "Police Action." They understand that it was an all-out war, and one of the bloodiest in American history. It involved over 20 countries of the United Nations that joined with the United States to save the South Koreans from annihilation and the tyranny of the communist countries, such as Russia and North Korea.

On July 27, 1953, an armistice was signed and today South Korea remains as a free nation and one of the strongest and wealthiest countries in Asia. This book is to help Americans understand what the war was all about and describe one soldier's experience and opinion of the conflict.

Dennis J Ottley was born on January 28, 1932 in Salt Lake City, Utah. He lived in many different towns throughout his childhood, but his family finally settled in Evanston, Wyoming. He quit high school at the start of his senior year and joined the 141st Tank Battalion of the Wyoming National Guard. About the

same time he met a girl who he became very serious about and married on July 26, 1950.

When the Korean War started, Dennis' guard unit was activated in September of 1950. In July 1951 Dennis was selected for overseas duty and was sent to Korea to help form a new tank company. After serving almost ten months in Korea as a tank gunner and tank commander, he was discharged on May 29, 1952.

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Decorated Texans of the 24th Infantry Regiment

Korea 1950-1951

By Darrel Nash, Historian 24th

Darrel is a veteran of Enduring Freedom and is currently a State Trooper in the state of Washington.

This book is a listing of American servicemen who fought in the Korean War, all from Texas, decorated for their service.

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10. DMZ Veterans (post truce)

The DMZ section of the website continues to be very busy. Many vets who served late in the Korean War later served in Vietnam and often back in Korea or Japan.

When the website went online in February of 1995, some of our first contacts were from veterans who served from 1954 forward. Our message groups for this period have proven to be popular.

Those who served during 1966-69 have read Van Jenerette's article that was first published by the US Army Command and General Staff College in May 1988.

The Forgotten DMZ War. Article by Van Jenerette at:
http://www.koreanwar.org/html/dmz_war.html

The upgrade of our new mail server has caused a delay in creating a DMZ focused newsletter.

See our pages: <http://www.koreanwar.org/html/dmzvets.htm>

Thanks again for following the Korean War Project.

Be sure to visit our Facebook page and Twitter accounts.

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