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Our Mission as Editors of the Warrior, is to Enlighten the Minds and Hearts of its Members!



EIGHTEEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY



It was 18 years ago that two men, Nat Young and Joe Coyle wanted to find other Korean Veterans, and bring them together. They worked hard and succeeded in finding other Korean Veterans and together, they formed a chapter and named it the Kor-Vet. The name was later changed to the Texas Lone Star Chapter/Korean War Veterans Association.. The *Petition* for a Chapter Charter was filed January 31, 1991. The TLSC/KWVA was Incorporated by the State of Texas on February 13, 1991. There were 15 members listed on the petition. Those original members were: **Joe Coyle, Joe de Benedetto, Charles Dean, Don Foisie, Jim Griffin, John Jackson, Bill Hare, Ted Maloy, Johnny Mathis, Leland R. Sikkellee, Hiram "Lee" Stegell, Gerald Weber, Fred Ortiz, Nat Young and Harry Caldwell.**

The Original officers were: **Nat Young—President; Fred Ortiz—Vice President and Gerald Weber—Secretary/Treasurer.**

The Lone Star Chapter is a Non-Profit Texas Corporation, incorporated by the State of Texas on February 11, 1991. The Lone Star Chapter is exempt from federal taxes by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501 ©(19) organization, August 17, 1992.

The purpose of the Chapter is to remind the people of the sacrifices made by men and women who served in the armed services during the Korean War. To find the truth about the MIA'S and POW's still listed as not returned or missing in action. To help and support the wounded and disabled American Veterans of the Korean War. To motivate patriotism amongst the American People and to raise their awareness of the Korean War and those who served in it.

Part of this information comes from early newsletters—The Korean Warrior
Volume 5 - Number 2 . . . [February 1996]

We have grown from the original 15 to over 360 members, and still counting.

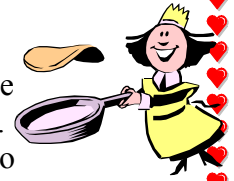
As the saying goes "We've come a long way baby".

Researched by former editor: Sal Gambino



VALENTINE PARTY

The Valentine Party will be different this year. We are planning a Pancake/Waffle Supper at Tracy Gee, the night of our regular meeting, Thursday, February 19th. We will gather at 4:30 and begin eating by 5 pm. The meeting has a full agenda, so the meal begins early so as not to run over on the meeting time.



There will be Pancakes, Waffles, Bacon, Sausage, and various toppings. IHop will have plenty of competition that night. Please come and come hungry



Also, there will be No Charge



ELECTION

March is election month. You will find an attachment to this newsletter, with a ballot. Please mark your choice and return as soon as possible.

THANK YOU !!!!!

SECURITY - YOUR CAR KEYS

Your car keys may be your best security. Put your car keys beside your bed at night. If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies.

This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this:

It's a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. Test it. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob chain. It works if you park in our driveway or garage. If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break into your house, odds are the burglar/rapist won't stick around... After a few seconds all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there and sure enough the criminal won't want that. And remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there....This is something that should really be shared with everyone. Maybe it could save a life or a sexual abuse crime.

Remember, this might save a life - yours or your family!

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm. It overcomes discouragement and gets things done. It is the magic quality. And the remarkable thing is - it's contagious!

KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL FLOATING MUSEUM PROJECT IN BUSAN, KOREA
REMEMBERING the KOREAN WAR IS OUR OBLIGATION, DUTY & MISSION
PROPOSAL SUMMARY

It is of importance and great urgency for all Korean War veterans to participate voluntarily on the proposed Korean War Memorial Floating Museum to be established in Busan, Korea. The purpose of the project is to honor and remember the Legacy of the United States and Korean war veterans, present and past, and the noble selfless sacrifices they made for this “Forgotten War and Victory”.

The Project committee currently has sufficient funds, over ten million dollars, to secure the majority of this memorial floating Museum. We are not asking any financial contributions. The Korean War Memorial Floating Museum Project Committee and City of Busan, Korea Tourism Bureau agreed to maintain this Korean War Memorial Floating Museum.

A decommissioned U. C. Navy Aircraft carrier is most needed for this Korean War Memorial Floating Museum. The hanger deck of the aircraft carrier is ideal to house the museum Artifacts and Exhibits.

It is our understanding, approval of the United States Congress is required in accordance with United States Code Title 10, Section 7306, before a former Navy vessel can be transferred overseas, in compliance with the U.S. Navy ship donations program without any additional cost to the U. S. Government.

The establishment of the Korean War Memorial Floating Museum, is to promote world peace and the education of future generations. We want to provide our youth an opportunity to learn the true symbolism of sacrifice and hardship to protect freedom and democracy that was endured by so many Korean War veterans.

We believe the decommissioned U. S. Aircraft Carrier will serve as a symbol of Peace and a crucial cornerstone for this historical memorial. The intent for this museum is to provide a historic learning environment for our country’s men and women and all visitors from around the world and to provide an opportunity for them all to experience firsthand our “Forgotten War and Heroes”.

To accomplish this project, we would like to mobilize all the resources available to engage in discussions with Congressional representatives. This plan is proposed with the confidence that our remaining large number of devoted Korean War Veterans will overcome the obstacles in the same way the accomplished their mission to defend the freedom and democracy in the Republic of Korea





Sincerely yours,
Won Pae Pak
President
Project Committee and
Korean American Friendship Association



“WARRIOR DONATIONS” Honor Roll for “July 2007 to July 2008”

The editors would like to acknowledge and thank the following members and patrons of the *Warrior* who have contributed in helping to defray some of the cost of printing and mailing. As you know, we now have the *Warrior* on line for those with computers, but the Post Office has informed us that the cost of mailing has gone up, so we still need your help. We thank you for your generous support and contributions. **We will be using the funds received to defray the costs of the newsletter. The following names will be published monthly through the July 2009 issue. Be sure and have your name included. Fill in the sponsor card, seen below, or included in your July, 2008 newsletter, (those that are mailed) and return with your contribution. Thanks: Your editors: Lee & Charlotte Henderson**

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WASHING CLOTHES

Years ago an Alabama grandmother gave the new bride the following recipe: This is an exact copy as written and found in an old scrapbook-with spelling errors and all.

Build fire in backyard to heat kettle of rain water. Set tubs so smoke won't blow in eyes if wind is pert. Shave one whole cake of lie soap in boiling water.

Sort things, make 3 piles
 1 pile white,
 1 pile colored.
 1 pile work britches and rags

To make starch, stir flour in cool water to smooth, then thin down with boiling water.

Take white things, rub dirty spots on board, scrub hard, and boil, then rub colored don't boil just wrench and starch.

Take things out of kettle with broom stick handle, then wrench, and starch.

Hang old rags on fence. Spread tea towels on grass.

Pore wrench water in flower bed. Scrub porch with hot soapy water.

Turn tubs upside down.

Go put on clean dress, smooth hair with hair combs. Brew cup of tea, sit and rock a spell and count your blessings.

(Paste this over your washer and dryer next time when you think things are bleak, read it again, kiss that washing machine and dryer, and give thanks, and ALSO your commode ..those two-holers were mighty cold in winter and smelly year 'round!

In Memory of —
 All Korean Vets...
 All who Died & MIA's
 All that didn't come back
 All Service People—
 Deceased

Cortez, Al
 Craigmill, Ross WWII
 Cunningham, Charlie
 Finks, Clark
 Fuhrman, Juanita
 Illanne, Ed
 Jones, Robert
 Kraniak, Lou
 McManners, Arthur
 Montgomery, John

O'Flynn, John J.
Rhatigan, Bill
Russell, Roy
Shepherd, brothers -
Floyd, Bob & Doyle
Sloane, Story
Williams, John
Wray, Ewing

In Honor of—
Nathan, Howard
 (Speedy Recovery)
Lebaron, Eddie

This Space is for you to Remember someone you Care for.

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Membership Chapter & Other Events

TIME TO RENEW

Dues are \$20.00 - Life Membership \$200.00 – Send renewal to KWVA – P O Box 802541 – Houston TX 77280-2541.

The following memberships are due January 1, 2009:

Harry Bruce M651 | Alex Castillo M816

RENEWALS

Josh Flynn | Albert Hollan
 Jimmy Richardson | Henry Martinez
 Sam Naomi | Marvin Talghader

NEW MEMBER:

J. C. ASHBY M-831

2009

FEBRUARY

2nd - Ground Hog Day
5th - Board Meeting 5 pm
 14th - St. Valentine's Day
16th - PRESIDENTS DAY
19th - General Meeting 4:30 pm
25th - Ash Wednesday

MARCH

5th - Board Meeting 5pm
 8th - Daylight Saving Time begins
 17th - St. Patrick's Day
 19th - General Meeting 6:00 pm
 20th - First Day of Spring

TRACY GEE 2009 MEETING SCHEDULE

Note: There are two changes in 2009

1. The Board has gone back to the former schedule of meeting on the 1st Thursday of the month, instead of meeting on the same day as the General Meeting.
2. Meeting times have changed. The Board Meetings will now begin at **5 PM**. The General Meetings will now begin at **6 PM**.

MONTH	BOARD	GENERAL
FEBRUARY	5	19
MARCH	5	19
APRIL	2	16
MAY	7	21
JUNE	4	18
JULY	2	16
AUGUST	6	20
SEPTEMBER	3	17
OCTOBER	1	15
NOVEMBER	5	19
DECEMBER	3	17

MEETING TIME CHANGED



Beginning in January, the meeting times will change. The board members voted to change the meetings. The board meeting will now be on the first Thursday of the month, at **5 pm**. The general meeting will be on the 3rd Thursday at **6 pm**, instead of 7 pm. Come early and visit with friends, and meet new ones. **The February meeting will begin with the pancake/waffle supper at 4:30pm**

DON'T FORGET !!!

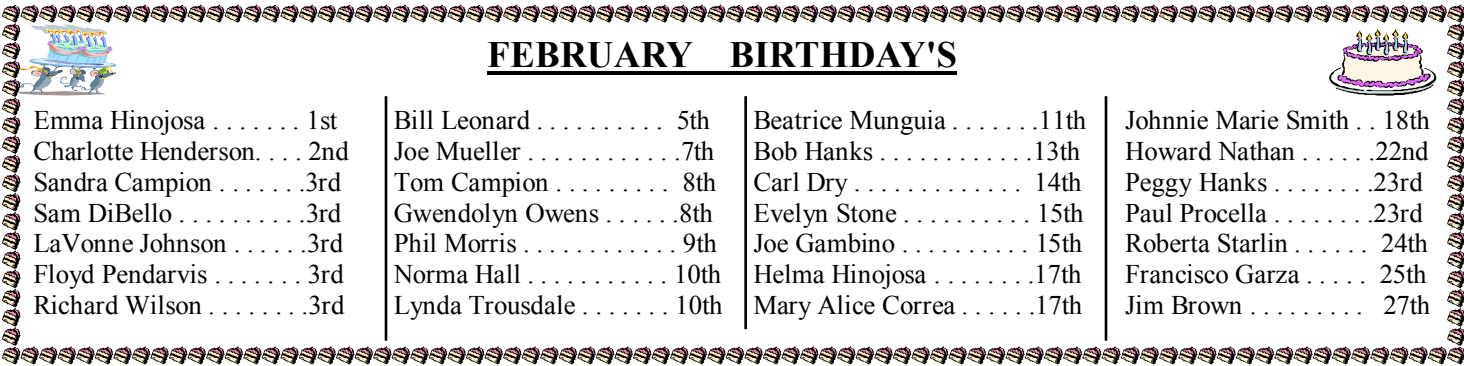
VIDEO TAPING OF KOREA STORIES

These talks are videotaped. The tapes will go to the Korean War Museum, to become part of their archives. Since time at our meetings is limited, we will have to follow some simple rules:

Members will have **10 minutes max.** to speak. The time limit will be controlled. To be able to tell your story in that time frame, you should plan your talk in advance. List the things you want to cover, and try it out at home first and watch the time it takes. If it is way over the time, trim out some things to make it fit.

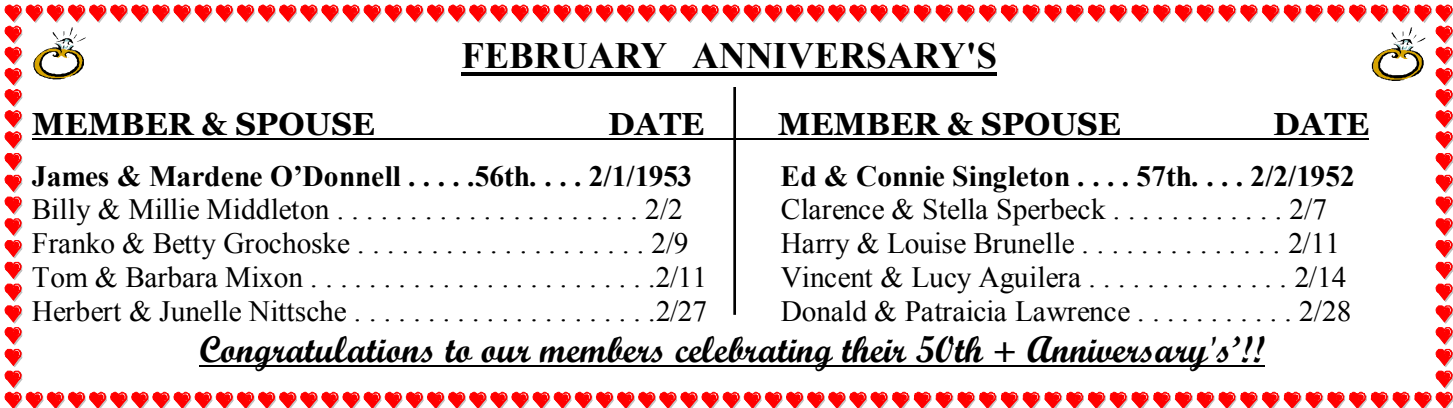
Remember you're being taped and the Museum won't know who you are. Start with your name, rank, branch of service, time you were there and what your specialty was. Then tell your story

Be sure and attend and hear the latest memory. The next veteran to tell his story will be **Roland English** at the February meeting



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY'S

Emma Hinojosa 1st	Bill Leonard 5th	Beatrice Munguia 11th	Johnnie Marie Smith . . 18th
Charlotte Henderson . . . 2nd	Joe Mueller 7th	Bob Hanks 13th	Howard Nathan 22nd
Sandra Campion 3rd	Tom Campion 8th	Carl Dry 14th	Peggy Hanks 23rd
Sam DiBello 3rd	Gwendolyn Owens 8th	Evelyn Stone 15th	Paul Procella 23rd
LaVonne Johnson 3rd	Phil Morris 9th	Joe Gambino 15th	Roberta Starlin 24th
Floyd Pendarvis 3rd	Norma Hall 10th	Helma Hinojosa 17th	Francisco Garza 25th
Richard Wilson 3rd	Lynda Trousdale 10th	Mary Alice Correa 17th	Jim Brown 27th



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARY'S

<u>MEMBER & SPOUSE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEMBER & SPOUSE</u>	<u>DATE</u>
James & Mardene O'Donnell	56th 2/1/1953	Ed & Connie Singleton	57th 2/2/1952
Billy & Millie Middleton	2/2	Clarence & Stella Sperbeck	2/7
Franko & Betty Grochoske	2/9	Harry & Louise Brunelle	2/11
Tom & Barbara Mixon	2/11	Vincent & Lucy Aguilera	2/14
Herbert & Junelle Nittsche	2/27	Donald & Patraicia Lawrence	2/28

Congratulations to our members celebrating their 50th + Anniversary's'!!

VETERANS ON PATROL

Stoney Stone & Jim Duncan

We need four or five more volunteers to patrol The Houston National Cemetery on Saturdays and Sundays. This will be for about four hours each day. This is a worthy cause to help protect those who come to pay their respects to their loved one's buried there.

Once you have patrolled, you will get a great feeling of satisfaction in knowing you have performed real meaningful support for those who visit the cemetery. Our patrolling members remind the women visitors to take their purses with them, lock it in the trunk or hide under the seat. Visitors are also reminded to lock their unattended vehicles. There has not been any instances when our patrol is on duty. There has been a few problems on the days we aren't there. The patrol's do make a difference.

Contact Jim Duncan at jsduncan1@comcast.net or #281-384-8853, or Stoney Stone at 281-375-7675, or email at elstone@consolidated.net, and we will inform you of the sign up process.

REVISIT KOREA TOURS

Won Pae Pak, tour Coordinator and Tour Guide, is again offering tour packages for the return trip to Korea. This will be 13 days and 11 nights, beginning April 9 to April 21, 2009.

For more information, please contact Mr. Pak at 5815 Creekway St., San Antonio, Texas 78247, Tel: (210) 257-6082, or e-mail: kafa6251950@yahoo.com.

LOST

Chuck Ehrlund lost his favorite spatula at our November meeting. It was a narrow metal spatula that he used a lot in the kitchen. Someone must have accidentally picked it up with their plates. If you found it among your kitchen tools, please bring it to the February meeting, so Chuck can have his favorite tool back. Thank You.

KEEPING IN TOUCH — SICK BAY

Bob Mitchell is recovering from throat surgery. Several years ago he had this surgery, but on the opposite vocal cords. This surgery, like the last, was to remove nodules from the vocal cords. His main problem was no talking for a week. The biopsy is back and negative and he's healing up fast. The only problem is his voice is kind of gravelly. The big problem was that during surgery, they hit one of his teeth and loosened it, so he went to the dentist who sent him to periodontist and 3 days after the throat surgery, had to have a hole drilled in an adjoining tooth. They then wired the two teeth together to stabilize the loose one. He was to return to the dentist on 1/29 to see if it reattached to the bone, if not, it'll have to come out. The good news is, he's still here and feeling fine.

Marlene Susca recently had cataract surgery on her left eye. The doctor called it a nuclear cataract, since it developed so quickly, later she will have surgery on her right eye, but it is a normal cataract. *Good luck Marlene!*

Don & Nelda Napp are going on a cruise the 1st part of February. Don's A & M class of '51 are having their class reunion on the cruise. The cruise will tour the eastern Caribbean. *What a wonderful idea for a reunion.*

NEW ADDITIONS

Bennie & Marianne Younger have added two new members to their family during the year 2008. They are both Great Grandsons. The first was born in October in California, the next was born Dec. 23rd, in Houston. The Younger's are happy Great Grand Parents. *CONGRATULATINS BENNIE AND MARIANNE!!*

CHRISTMAS FUN

Martha and Carlos Ballard had all of their children and grandchildren for Christmas, including their one and only Great Granddaughter, Cailynn. Cailynn is now 2 years old and thinks she is much older. Her mom and dad serve in the Air Force and will be deployed to Germany for four years on January 13th....so sometime in the future the Ballard's are planning a trip to Germany.

Even if you weren't in the service, you can appreciate this one.:

A US Air Force C-130 was scheduled to leave Thule Air Base, Greenland, at midnight. During the pilot's preflight check, he discovers that the latrine holding tank is still full from the last flight. So a message is sent to the base and an airman who was off duty is called out to take care of it.

The young man finally gets to the air base and makes his way to the aircraft, only to find that the latrine pump truck has been left outdoors and is frozen solid, so he must find another one in the hangar, which takes even more time. He returns to the aircraft and is less than enthusiastic about what he has to do. Nevertheless, he goes about the pumping job deliberately and carefully (and slowly) so as not to risk criticism later.

As he's leaving the plane, the pilot stops him and says, "Son, your attitude and performance has caused this flight to be late and I'm going to personally see to it that you are not just reprimanded, but punished."

Shivering in the cold, his task finished, he takes a deep breath, stands tall and says, "Sir, with all due respect, I'm not your son; I'm an Airman in the United States Air Force. I've been in Thule, Greenland, for 11 months without any leave,. I have one stripe; it's 2:30 in the morning, the temperature is 40 degrees below zero, and my job here is to pump waste out of an aircraft. Now, just exactly what form of punishment did you have in mind?"

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - 2009 - 2010 BALLOT
TLSC/KWVA

It is that time of year again; election of officers

Nominations are still accepted for any of the positions, simply write in the nominees name in the blank provided under the office, and mark your choice in the box.

PRESIDENT: **Bob Bighouse** _____

1st VICE PRESIDENT: **Lee Henderson** _____

2nd VICE PRESIDENT: **Frando Grochoske** (Returning) _____

SECRETARY: **Buddy Blair** _____

TREASURER: **Rod Ramsey** (Returning) _____

DIRECTORS: TWO NEEDED...

Jim Duncan _____

Henry Martinez _____

Don Napp _____

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03/09	Howard Nathan	281-471-8788
03/10	Z.E. (Stoney) Stone	281-375-7675
03/10	Vito Susca	281-491-1242

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 1998-99 - "Stoney" Stone
 1999-00 - Sal Gambino
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 2001-02 - Bob Mitchell
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 2003-04 - Don Napp
 2004-05 - Charlie Ehrlund
 2005-07 - Buddy Blair
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