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

MEMORIAL DAY MAY 28, 2012 V. A. CEMETERY

On Monday, May 28, 2012, under a clear blue sky, hundreds gathered at the Houston National Cemetery to honor our deceased veterans. The ceremony started with the booming of four cannons by the Sons of the Confederate Veterans and Sons of the Union Veterans. Presentation and Posting of the colors was done by the Alief Hastings JROTC, accompanied by the Riderless Horse from the Houston Police Mounted Patrol. The Parade of Colors was wonderful, with all organizations participating, including our own

Color Guard. The POW/MIA ceremony was presented by Stoney Stone, President of NCCGH, and a member of the Lone Star Chapter.

The guest speaker was Capt. Richard L. Halferty, USNR (Ret.) Dick is a board member of the TLSC/KWV and also the Chairman of the Board. His credits are lengthy and impressive.

<u>CREEKWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL</u> <u>VETERAN'S HONOR GARDEN</u>

On Saturday morning, May 26, 2012, there was an impressive ceremony to the lives that were lost and the few that survived on Hill 303. There are memory benches and bricks with the names of those that were on Hill 303. The benches surround the large star that contains the bricks with the American Flag pole in the center. Creekwood Middle School is located in Kingwood, Tx.

There were many dignitaries present, including the Korean Consul General Suk-Bum Park, U. S. Representative, Ted Poe, and Tx. State Representative, Dan Huberty A special tribute to Donald Foisie was read by Liz LeDuc and Megan Letsos of Creekwood Middle School. The names on the bricks were read by Annie Velasco, Allison Weldon, Lia Cox and Kristein Newman, also from Creekwood school.

The students all did an impressive job, along with their teachers and principal.

If you get a chance to visit this impressive site, please do. It is located at 3603 Lake Houston Parkway, Kingwood, Tx.

KOREAN WAR'S 60th ANNIVERSARY





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Can it be that the 60th Anniversary of the Korean War will be memorialized in what the Department to Defense is calling the "Year of the Korean War Veteran?" It will begin in June.

The DoD is asking and encouraging Korean War veterans to share stories about their service. Interested Korean War veterans are asked to call 703-545-0522 or to visit the Korean War 60th Anniversary website at www.koreanwar.defense.gov for more information.

For the record, the Department of Defense 60th Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Committee authorized in the 2011 Defense Authorization Bill, is dedicated to thanking and horning all the veterans of the Korean War, their families and especially those who lost loved ones in that war. Over the next three years, the committee will honor the service and sacrifice of Korean War veterans, commemorate the key events of the war, and educate Americans of all ages about the historical significance of the Korean War.

The Korean Was war the first test of the United Nations' resolve to stand against tyranny in all its forms. Twenty=one nations banded together with the United States and Republic of Korea in a remarkable display of solidarity to turn back naked aggression and stem the idea of communism.

★ The Armistice signed in 1953 that remains in effect today reminds us that we must remain vigilant against the forces of tyranny and oppression.

The Korean War also saw the advent of aeronautical, medical and societal change. Helicopters were introduced to transport casualties to field hospitals, jets became the new "standard" for aircraft; leading-edge radio technology allowed better coordination of troop movements; and Mobile Army Surgical Hospitals units placed experienced medical personnel closer to the front, improving a wounded soldier's chance for survival. Perhaps the most lasting impact of the Korean Was the change that was manifested to American society. In 1948, President Harry S. Truman had signed Executive Order 9981, securing the full integration of America's Armed Services. Thus, America went to war in Korea for the first time in her history with a military that reflected her diversity.

We must never forget the selfless sacrifices of the veterans who fought in Korea to ensure the freedom and prosperity we enjoy today. The veterans who shivered in the trenches, tracked through knee-deep mud, flew combat missions over rugged mountainous terrain, and stood watch over hostile seas set aside their own comfort and aspirations to answer the call to arms at a time when our nation was still exhausted from the horrors of World War II. These patriots halted the tide of communism that threatened to sweep over the Korean peninsula. Today, the Republic of Korea stands as a modern, prosperous, vibrant democracy because of their courage and selfless sacrifice.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Plans are being made for our annual and Christmas Party. The date has been set: December 22nd, a Saturday. The location has also been selected: Brady's Landing, 8505 Cypress St., Houston, Tx. 77012.

DIRECTOR NEEDED

The KWV/TLSC is in need of a director. Al Habinak had to resign, so we are in **real** need of someone to fill his remaining term till 3/2013.

ALOE VERA PLANTS

Every garden should have an Aloe Vera Plant. It's a first aid kit in your garden. If you don't have a yard, the plant does very well in a pot. This plant needs little care and is one of the easiest plants to grow.

The sticky gel from the inside of the leaves is an excellent ointment for sunburn, cuts, abrasions, insect bites and rashes. It can even treat poison ivy rashes. A leaf can be wrapped and kept in the refrigerator for later use.

Aloe does not like standing water and can fall prey to bacterial problems from prolonged wet conditions. It can grow to around three feet tall and two feet wide, so get a decent sized pot if you plan to go that route.

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KOREAN WAR DISPLAY

Member, Bill Hare, was recently honored to have his Korean War Memorabilia on display at the Jones Public Library in the Dayton Community Center, in Dayton, Tx.

"VOICES FROM THE FRONT"

A 15 yr old Boy Scout, Kyle Miller, is trying to compile 1,000 interviews with WWII and Korean War veterans for his Eagle Scout project. Kyle plans to collect the stories and post them on his website he designed with his father. He calls the project 'Voices from the Front'.

The site, <u>www.voicesfromtefront.org</u> is up. Kyle has interviewed 20 people so far and posted 5 of their stories. If interested. Contact Kyle at his website.

FLIES ON A LOG

Beth Vorhees of public TV fame said her daughter Diana, a third-grader, was to give a demonstration speech at school. She planned to demonstrate how to make "Flies on a Log" which consists of peanut butter spread on a stalk of celery with raisins on it.

The morning of her speech, Diana took out everything she needed and put it on the kitchen counter, ready to take it to school. Unfortunately, when the girl and her mother left for school, they forgot to take the items

Diana's mother dropped her off and went home to get the stuff The celery was gone, The raisins were gone, the peanut butter had been put away.

"Oh," said Diana's father, "I had that stuff for breakfast."

.Diana's faithful mother rushed to gather up more ingredients and rush them to school with an explanation of what happened. "Gee" said Diana's teacher, "that's a first-"My dad ate my homework."

TOM CAMPION SCHOLARSHIP

On Monday, May 30th, eight members of the Lone Star Chapter of the Korean War Veterans, gathered in the ROTC room at Milby High School, to present the first ever **Tom Campion Scholarship.**

The JROTC students were encouraged to write why they deserved the scholarship and tell about themselves. They also explained where they plan to go to school and what their goals were.



Tom Campion

The winner of the \$1,000 scholarship was **Cadet Sgt. 1st Class, Michelle Carrillo**, a senior. The Scholarship was presented by Lee Henderson, an alumni of Milby High, class of '49. Michelle is active in the band, JROTC, carpe diem, la raza, History Honor Society, English Honor Society, Science Honor Society and what she considers her personal very high honor: National Honor Society. Her G.P.A. is currently 3.8. She has been accepted to Texas A & M and plans to major in Forensic Science. She stated that she learned a long time ago that she wanted to better herself and achieve a higher task than anyone in her family, and attend college. She learned that anything was possible with hard work and determination.



Scholarship Winner - MICHELLE CARILLO

The men in attendances were: Dick Halferty, Johnney Lee, Lee Henderson, Carlos Ballard, Henry Martinez, Bob Bighouse, John Jackson, Rod Ramsey and Hank Daumann, also present was Ben Schrader, a friend of Carlos Ballard. Attending on behalf of Milby High School were Commandant of Cadets, LTC Charles Benson and Sgt. 1st Class Eric Hopkins, Instructor, plus Asst. Principal Daniel Sheppard.

The Sgt. Thomas Campion Scholarship was made possible by the family of Tom Campion with a donation of \$5,000. The chapter will award on a yearly basis, a \$1,000 scholarship, to a deserving JROTC cadet, who intend to attend a college of their choice and continuing in the Senior ROTC program.

CONGRATULATIONS MICHELLE!!



"WARRIOR DONATIONS" Honor Roll for "July 2011 to July 2012"

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 2012 issue. Be sure and have your name included. Fill in the sponsor card, seen below, or included in your newsletter, (those that are mailed) and return with your contribution. Thanks: Your editors: Lee & Charlotte Henderson

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A 72 YEAR OLD FISHERMAN

A guy is 72 years old and loves to fish. He was sitting in his boat the other day, when he heard a voice say, "Pick me up." He looked around and couldn't see any one. He thought he was dreaming, when he heard the voice say again, "Pick me up."

He looked in the water and there floating on the top, was a frog. The man said, "Are you talking to me?"

The frog said, "Yes, I'm talking to you. Pick me up, then kiss me, and I'll turn into the most beautiful woman you have ever seen." "I'll make sure that all your friends are envious and jealous, because I will be your bride!"

The man looked at the frog for a short time, reached over, picked it up carefully, and placed it in his front pocket.

The frog said, "What, are you nuts? Didn't you hear what I said??? I said kiss me and I will be your beautiful bride."

He opened his picket, looked at the frog and said, "Nah, at my age, I'd rather have a talking frog."

With age comes wisdom.

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MARRIAGE

"They say that marriage is made in Heaven, but so is thunder and lightning!"

In Memory of —

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

All Korea POW/MIA's Don C. Faith (TC) Charles W. Laird Arthur McManners For All Who GAVE Pat Canny John J. O'Flynn Roy Russell John Christensen Bill Cockyell Al Bradshaw

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TIME TO RENEW

Dues are \$25.00 - Life Membership \$200.00 - Send renewal to TLSC/KWV - P O Box 802541 - Houston TX 77280-2541.

The following memberships are due June 1, 2012

Cleve Arnwine M535 | Hank Daumann M834 William Maillet M451 Walter Thome M845

Antonio Munguia M588

RENEWALS

Ray Cipriano

Richard Goody

DRAWING 5/17/2012

Marlene Telling
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Johnney Lee Book

The 50/50 drawing was won by Maggie Bazan. She donated her half of the winnings—\$27.00 to the *Warrior*.

The donations for the nights drawings were from: Bob Mitchell, Maggie Bazan, Marlene Telling and several anonyms donors. Thank you everyone.

Class B Uniform:

- White or Navy Blue Golf shirt with Texas Lone Star Chapter on left breast. *
- Black Web Belt with gold military buckle *
- Navy Blue or Black trousers or Khaki pants with blue shirt.
- Blue TLSC (baseball type) cap with KOREA - (Korean Ribbon) 50-53 * Black shoes and socks
- Blue Satin Jackets when appropriate (Can be ordered from the Quartermaster or Bob Bighouse) *
- * "The items marked with an asterisk are available through our TLSC Quartermaster - Don Napp.

Chapter & Other Even

JUNE

6th - D-Day

7th - Board Meeting 4 pm

14th - FLAG DAY

14th - U.S. ARMY Established 1775

17th - Father's Day

21st - General Meeting 6 pm

22nd - SOCKS-V.A. HOSPITAL 10 AM

25th - START OF KOREAN WAR

25th - Korean Senior Citizen Center 7 pm

JULY

4th - INDEPENDENCE DAY

5th - Board Meeting 4 pm

19th - General Meeting 6 pm

28th - BEAR CREEK PARK

SOCKS

The distribution of socks to the patients at the Houston V.A. Hospital, will begin at 10:00 am on June 22nd. Please arrive by 9:30 so that Buddy Blair can assign the carts and volunteers to visit the patients on all 4 floors...

Class A Uniform:

- Khaki Shirt
- Epilates *
- American Flag on left shoulder *
- KWV patch on left pocket * Appropriate ribbons over left pocket
- Light Blue Scarf *

Black Trouser belt *

Navy Blue or Black Trousers

White cotton gloves

Black Shoes

- Fore & Aft Cap *
- White Ceremonial Web Belt w/ Chrome Grommets *
- Blue Satin Jackets when appropriate *
- "The items marked with an asterisk are available through our TLSC Quartermaster

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JUNE BIRTHDAY'S

Bridget Williams 1st
Harvey Roe 2nd
Dorothy Arnold 3rd
Carl Singleton4th
Dorothy Johnson 6th

Lawrence Heard	. 7th
Joyce Parker	.11th
Louise Brunelle	.12th
Flor Craigmill	. 12th
Katy Ballard	.15th

Herbert Odell	15th
John Pedraza	17th
Gilberto Trejo	. 18th
Cleve Arnwine	20th
Helen Cortez	23rd

Buddy Blair 26th
Patty Gambino 26th
Carlos Henley \dots 27th
Roberto Hinojosa 28th
$Junelle\ Nittsche\ \dots\ .28th$

DATE

JUNE ANNIVERSARY'S

Ö	MEMBER & SPOUSE	DATE	MEMBER & SPOUSE
	Woody & Charlotte Thomas	6/1/1969	Joseph & Mary Alice Corre
	Edwin & Joye Moore 59 yrs	6/2/1953	Charles & Johnnie Smith
			Bobby & Gwendolyn Owe
0	Marvin & Fay Talghader 58 yrs Jessie & Billie Harper 62 yrs	6/6/1950	David & Frances Velasco
Ø	Bill & Flor Craigmill	6/9/1990	James & Anita Belcher
	Cleve & Sue Arnwine 55yrs	6/11/1957	Tom & Janice Levine
Ø	W.E.B. & Frances Gaye Blackmon	6/21	Al & Sarah Habinak
	Vito & Marlene Susco	6/23	James & Neathal Kirk
õ	Joe & Pam Gambino	6/25	Bob & Dixie Hanks

THE THE COLUMN	2.112
Joseph & Mary Alice Correa	. 6/2/1987
Charles & Johnnie Smith 63 yrs	. 6/3/1949
Bobby & Gwendolyn Owens 53 yrs	. 6/6/1959
David & Frances Velasco	6/8/1968
James & Anita Belcher	6/11
Tom & Janice Levine 66 yrs	6/16/1946
Al & Sarah Habinak 55 yrs	
James & Neathal Kirk	6/23/1974
Bob & Dixie Hanks 59 yrs	6/26/1953
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Congratulations to our members celebrating their 50th + Anniversary's'!!

"HONOR ALL VETERANS" BALLGAME

On Saturday, June 2nd, members of the Lone Star Chapter and their family and friends, gathered at Minute Maid Park to watch the Astro's play the Cincinnati Reds. (The game was televised on Fox Sports.)

This year's theme was "Prisoners Of War". The Astro's honored a POW from WW II, and Korea. Bob Mitchell presented a Proclamation from the City of Houston to Hank Wunderlich, Sgt, U.S. Army Air



Force, 459th Bomber Group, WWII, Tail Gunner on a B24, Shot down over Germany, captured by the German SS, and Joe Ramirez, Master Sgt. U.S. Army, 1st Cavalry Division, Korea. Captured by the Chinese & North Korean Forces.

Our Color Guard was represented by Hank Daumann, Bob Bighouse, John Jackson and Wayne Telling, under the leadership of Don Napp and Henry Martinez.

The game was exciting and it seems that runs were on the schedule for the reds, with several home runs to their credit. The Astro's also got a home run to help their score. The Astro's were behind 8-4 at one point, and it didn't look good. Then the bats came alive and they tied the game 8-8,

and then, went ahead. The only problem was that the Red's were not to be outdone, and they came back to win the game. It was still a good game.

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LOYALTY * VALOR * HONOR * FIDELITY

KEEPING IN TOUCH - SICK BAY

<u>Patty Gambino</u> was notified by her doctor that she must have another Shoulder (Rotator-Cuff) operation real soon. This will be her third operation in two years and since she cannot drive, Sal has had to take her to therapy three days a week. *Patty, we are so sorry to hear about this latest problem. You will be in our prayers.*

<u>John Pedraza</u> suffered a serious stroke in January. He is recovering now at home with his lovely wife Emma, looking after him. *John, do what the doctors and your wife tell you to do. We will send prayers your way for a complete recovery.*

<u>George & Maggie Bazan</u> recently took an 18 day River Cruise in Europe to celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary. They had a wonderful experience, with one of the highlights visiting Terezin and Nuremberg and learning so much about World War II. *CONGRATULATIONS!! This was a wonderful Anniversary celebration, and your pictures are amazing.*

Manny & Chris Carnero are finally taking a long awaited trip to Brisbane, Australia to visit their daughter and son-in-law.

Amazing Virtual Tour—Air Force Museum

This might be one of the most advanced sites I have ever been in. If this is a sign of the future, Wow! Click on the word MAP in the upper right hand corner to bring down a visual menu of the different sites within the museum, then click on a dot within that site to view the exhibits from that camera angle and then follow (click on) the arrows. You can run your mouse over the aircraft and it can tell you what it is and in some cases you can click it and find out even more on the plane. Clicking the icon button with 4 arrows puts you into full screen mode. "Esc" will bring you back, or click on the 4 arrow icon again to bring you back. Moving your 'mouse arrow' around the viewing window will rotate the screen to where you want to look / go. The PLUS / MINUS icons at the bottom of the screen will bring you in closer or move you back out. It may takes a few minutes to get the hang of it, but well worth it. WARNING: Time flies when you get immersed in this tour! http://www.nmusafvirtualtour.com/full/tour-pkg.html

* CHAPTER COIN *

Recently, members of the Board, voted to have a Chapter Coin. This coin is available to members only, or spouses of deceased members. Since it contains the image of our Monument in Austin, on one side, it cannot be sold to the general public. (This monument was given to the State of Texas.) The other side of the coin contains the Texas Lone Star Chapter emblem.

The coin sells for \$8.50 each and members can purchase as many as they want, to give to kids or grandchildren, as a momento of your service

SUMMER GATHERING

Betty and Franko Grochoske are planning a Pot Luck Lunch on 19 August (Sunday) from noon till— Everyone is invited and please RSVP—713-941-3845.

FIREWOOD

Because of the sever drought last summer, there is a supply of firewood available. One of the people that has extra firewood is Chuck Henderson, son of Lee Henderson. Chuck lives in Huntsville and has an abundance of Oak firewood. If interested, you can contact him at 713-410-

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KOREAN WAR EXPERIEN1CES PROGRAM

By Bob Mitchell

For the benefit of our newest members, we have a program that has been in operation for a few years now where Chapter members talk about their Korean War experiences at one of our General Meetings. The talks are videotaped, and copies go to the speaker, to our Chapter records, to our webmaster and one copy goes to the National Korean War Museum for their permanent archives. The webmaster posts the video on our Chapter website, where friends and relatives can view it, no matter where they are. If you go to our website at kwvahouston.org you can see those already there. To date, there are over 30 videos posted. You should consider this opportunity to tell your story for the benefit of you families. Four of those posted are of members now deceased and their families were very happy to have this memento of them to enjoy

To sign up for the program, contact Don Napp at 281-443-1809 or at DONALD.NAPP51@gmail.com. Don will sign you up and tell you how the program works and how to prepare for it. For all you other members who have not yet done so, there is plenty of room for you as well. Do it today. You won't regret it.

This program will give your children and grandchildren a visual account and written account, (as most of you will need to write your thoughts down) of your activities during the war. This is something everyone should have to pass on to their family.

The editor requests a copy of your experience to put in the newsletter. Thank You!!!

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