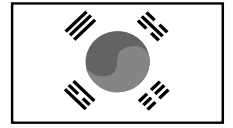


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President's Message

from Franklin "Jack" Chapman

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will have less than 2 months until our 31st annual reunion in Nashville, Tennessee. We are looking forward to seeing all of our family and friends. If you have not made your reservations, the cut off date is June 22, 2006. Reservations received after this date will be processed on space and rate availability. If you plan to attend and have been told that the rooms have been booked, you can contact me and we will see about getting you a room.

We use Armed Forces Reunions to organize our reunions. They take care of all the details including registration, banquet, tours and contracts. The \$5.00 per person **Reunion Planner's Fee** handles everything. Please don't forget to include it with your payment.

Korean War POW/MIA Report (JPAC)

Our friend, Phillip A. O'Brien OSD-DOMO submitted the following update on recovery and identification work.

Last time, we talked about numbers, this time I'd like to focus on methods. I'll concentrate on one area, the holding camps at Suan that were used throughout 1951 and, for small numbers, afterwards. The Chinese and North Koreans did not return any remains from these camps during Operation Glory in 1954, and, in recent years, we have not been allowed to work in the area. But something very important happened when the North Koreans returned additional remains in 1990 through 1994. Of the 208 caskets, we believe that 97 of them came from at or near the Suan camps.

Men captured in January and February 1951 went to the Suan Bean Camp. It was hit by an air raid late in April 1951, and the Chinese evacuated it quickly. But some men were not able to march out. They stayed at Bean Camp until overtaken by April 1951 POWs, who arrived in May, and helped to move them up to the Suan Mining Camp, about seven miles away. Some of these men left the Mining Camp in June. Like the men who left the Bean Camp in April, they were headed north for Camp I. Then in July 1951, more POWs arrived at the Mining Camp, these were mainly men who had been captured in May. The big movement north from Suan was in September, again to Camp I. And others, still arriving or left behind, were trucked to Camp 5 in December.

Oh, by the way, don't worry about camp names. There were other Bean Camps and Mining Camps, and at Suan, some men knew one as the other. After the war, we tried to set things down as clearly as we could.

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Sick Call

Please notify me if you know someone that is sick, it is the only way we can let our membership know.

George Bingham
Carl Bishop
Walter "Bo" Bolinsky
Jack Browning
Harley Coon
Patrick Cress
William Crews
Floyd Espinoza
Charles Fronappel
Harry Hedlund
Johnny Johnson, long illness
Charles Larue
Tom Lyke
Everett McNabb
Elizabeth Norwood
George Rogers
Red Sitler
Elliott Sortillo

Taps

SIR GENERAL ANTHONY

FARRAR-HOCKLEY, died 3/10/06, he provided inspiring leadership in Korea at the battle of the Imjin River. Gen Farrar-Hockley went to Korea in 1950 as adjutant of the 1st Battalion Gloucestershire Regiment. When the battalion's position was eventually overrun by the Chinese, he was taken prisoner. He was 81.

DOBBS, Byron A. "Barney", Lt. Col. USAF Ret. died peacefully in his sleep on 2/14/06 at age 86. He served with the 8BS, 3BW, MIA 52/2/19, Rel'd 53/09/05, Camp 2b. He is survived by a sister, Mary Ellen Creveling, daughters Sandy Welsh, & Kathy Griffiths and son, Bob Dobbs. He is also survived by 8 grandchildren.

BRIERE, Esther died 3/11/06. Surviving spouse of former Association President, Randy Briere. She is survived by daughter Lisa, 2 sons, and her grandchildren.

Chaplain's Corner

Norman Hale, Chaplain

*I will lift up my eyes to the hills—from whence comes my help?
My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Psalm 12:1-2*

When troubles come, Satan wants us to look downward and inward. He wants us to keep our eyes on our problems, our worries, our sorrows. He wants us to try to climb out of the slippery pit of despair using our own feeble resources.

True help, however, comes only from above. When we need strength, we should seek out someone who is stronger than we are. The answer, then, is to look upward and outward—to look beyond our feeble selves to the Almighty Creator of heaven and earth He has put His power at our disposal!

And when you lift up your eyes, you'll find your heart lifted up as well—with the hope and comfort that comes from knowing that no crisis is too great for God to Handle.

I pray that when troubles come your way, that you remember, you have a God who you can depend on to hear and answer your prayers. I wish the best for each of you and hope to see you in Nashville. May God Bless You!

This and That

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE, WASHINGTON D.C.: The Korean War Ex-POW Association was invited to participate in the parade of Flags and placing a Wreath at Arlington National Cemetery. Fred Liddell and James Ball volunteered to carry our Colors in the Procession of Colors and assisted me in placing a wreath. *Thanks, Fred and James, for a job well done.*

RAFFLE: We will be having the raffle as usual and would appreciate new items for the raffle. This is a great fundraiser for our reunion. Please call Audrey DeLong to let her know what you are donating for the raffle or you can email me and I will forward the message to her.

PURPLE HEART HR2369: It is a great pleasure to announce that HR2369 was passed by the House and is now in the Senate.

TIGER NEWS: Tiger Chop Chop will be held Friday, July 28, 2006 at 5:30 PM in the host hotel. Cost will be \$35.00 per adult and \$17.00 for children 12 and under. *Contact Shorty for more information.*

Contributions

- Lois Carter, Paul C. Petredis for Operating funds
- Lloyd Pate in memory of Milton Peters
- Sharon McCardle in memory of her husband, Lilburn McCardle
- William & Joyce Child and Lester & Laura Underhile, in memory of Lilburn McCardle.

Korean War POW/MIA Report (JPAC)

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The reason for telling this story about the Suan Camps is that we probably have remains in hand, right now, from the Bean Camp and Mining Camp, as well as the Peacefully Valley site where men stayed before reaching Suan. Within the 97 boxes, we probably have 200 men present, and that is about half of the men who died at the Suan Camps. Every day, anthropologists at the lab at Hickam AFB, Hawaii, are working to piece together these skeletal remains. The quality of the work done by the North Koreans was not very good and we sometimes find portions of the same man in several different boxes. We know this because we can work with DNA samples as well as with the bones themselves. It just takes a great deal of time, man by man as we go.

Last newsletter, I mentioned that 16 men have now been identified from the 208 caskets. Five of these are POWs from the Suan Camps; Cpl Leslie Ray Heath, SFC Walter Leroy Hood, PFC Ross William Katzman, Cpl Arthur Leo Seaton and PFC John Morrise Washington. The effort continues.

This is one reason I've asked so many questions at the reunions about this site. Several other men are being worked right now... I can't say who until the families are notified and "release" the names. But I can tell you this: even with difficult burials, like those of the men who were killed in the air raid at the Bean Camp and those who washed down the hillside in the storm at the Mining Camp, we are able to "build" the remains for identification. I'll have a different story next time.

Please just remember this, we haven't written off any of the sites. If we can go, we will go. If the North Koreans have already worked there, we will do everything we can to press ahead with IDs. And until we can go "boots on ground," we'll keep on preparing.

Best to all! Phil O'Brien

POW Activities

MINI REUNION IN HAWAII: Attending Nick Nishimoto's Mini Reunion, MIA/POW week, April 2 to 10, 2006, were Fred and Frances Liddell, Wilbert R. (Shorty) and Marti Estabrook, Susumu and Betty Shinagawa, Oscar and Yolanda Cortez, Connie Ramsey (NOK), Ken and Myrna Viles, Carl and Betty Weatherman, Blackie and Margie Yonamine, Joe and Maria Ramirez, Charles and Gladys Davis, Chester and Mary Gorski, Clarence and Ann Young, Eli and Imelda Culbertson, Lewis Patterson, Goichi Tamaye, and Frank Velligas.

WREATH LAYING, ALAMO, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS: Shorty and Marti Estabrook, Oscar and Yolanda Cortez and Joe Hinojosa, participated in a wreath laying ceremony at the Alamo, San Antonio, TX on the 24th of April 2006. They were the only POWs to do so. Shorty was honored Saturday, April 29, 2006, and rode in a place of honor in the annual Fiesta Parade. *Congratulations, Shorty.*

Taps, cont.

CAPURRO, Umberto, died 2/2006. *1 Co, 14 Inf, 25 Div. MIA 10/6/51, Rel'd 8/10/53. Cp5. No family info.*

CUNNINGHAM, Leo E., died 2/19/03. *1 Co, 23 Inf, 2 Div. Camp 3, MIA 9/19/51. Rel'd 8/28/53. No family info.*

HINKLE, William R., died 4/4/06. *He served with M Co. 8 Cav, 1 Cav Div. MIA 11/02/50, Rel'd 4/20/53, Camp 5. He is survived by his wife Delta, 2 sons and 2 daughters, 7 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.*

LANE, Fred L. Jr., died 2/6/06. *He served with 1 Co. 31 Inf. 7 Div Camp 1. He is survived by his wife, Blanche, 5 sons and 2 daughters.*

McCARDLE, Lilburn L. Jr. "Corkey" died 04/08/06. *He served with A Btry. 15 FA BN, 2 Div. Camp 1. MIA 5/10/2/13. Rel'd 08/18/53. He is survived by his wife Sharon and 2 sons. Attending his service, was Gordon Madson.*

PETERS, Milton H. died 4/10/06. *He served with M Co. 38 Inf. 2 Div. MIA 12/2/50, Rel'd 8/29/53. Camps 5, 3, 2, & 1. He is survived by his wife Shirley, 2 sons, and a daughter. Attending the wake on Tuesday, 4/12/06, were, Sandy and Elliott Sortillo, Ray and Elise Unger, Pat Quinn, Andy Channell and Glen (Jake) & Pat Stoffs.*

ROGERS, Mrs. Clayton, died 5/18/06. *Survived by her husband, (Clayton Rogers) of fifty years, two daughters and four grandchildren.*

ROOKSTOOL, Melvin D., died 2/16/06. *B Co. 29 RCT, 24 Div. MIA 7/27/50, escaped 10/21/50. He is survived by his wife Vivian.*

Taps, cont.

TALBERT, James A., died 4/13/06. He served with D Co. 31 Inf. 7th Div. MIA 11/30/50, rel'd. 8/21/53. Camp I. He is survived by his wife.

Korean POW deceased not previously listed:

ALT, James, A., 06/11/98,
BOHLMANN, Edward L, 1996
BOZARTH, Howard R, 2000
BRASWELL, Thomas D., 1982
BROWN, Robert A., 1979
BUTTER, Byron J., 1987
CAMPBELL, Walter E. Jr., 1977
CARPENTER, Everett H., 1998
CLARK, Ellis P., 1976
COOK, Waldo F., 1990
DOWNEY, Earl D., 1991
ENGRAM, Raymond Jr., 1988
FERRANTO, Felix, 10/20/02
GEYER, William N., 01/05/02
GOFORTH, Alfred A., 1999
GRIMM, Frank A., 1990
GRUBB, Roy O., 1969
HAWKINS, John W., 1979
HILL, Johnnie C., 1967
HODGES, Wesley L., 1967
HOPKINS, Grover D., 1983
HUMPHREY, Edwin L., 1969
HUSSEY, Donald D., 2003
HUTCHINSON, Howard M., 1968
JACKSON, Noble W., 1984
JACKSON, Theodore, 12/28/02
JOHNSON, Jesse, 2000
JONES, Douglas G., 1981
JONES, Rudolph E., 1979
KENNEDY, Donald R., 1983
KEYS, Monroe, 1975
KLINGER, Thomas R., 1994
LANGFITT, Ray C., 1966
LEGUE, Charles W., 1997
LESLIE, Lawrence J., 1987
LEWIS, James F., 1983
LIVLEY, Thompson, 1979
LONG, Willie, 1982
LUKSAN, Edward E., 1992
LUNA, Eugene, 1984
MADDOX, Horace, 1993
MADDOX, Robert L., 1985
MADISON, Charles C., 1970

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Good News

ONE OF L COMPANY, 8TH CAV COMES HOME: the remains of PFC Henry D. Connell, MIA 2 November 1950, were returned to Hawaii for ID in 1993. He was recently ID'd by using family DNA and his remains were buried the weekend of May 14, 2006 in Springfield, Mass. He was in L Co, 8th Cav. MIA at Usan. Purple Heart w/OLC.

24TH DIVISION POW: Friday 31 March 2006. Roger Dumas was a machine gunner in the 19th Reg. Charlie Company. He was captured on November 4, 1950. During Operation Big Switch, Dumas, like so many others were not released from Camp # 5. The Pentagon never told Dumas' family that he was ever a POW. His brother, Bob, sued the Secretary of the Army in Federal Court in 1982 and presented evidence that Dumas was a POW and abandoned in N. Korea after the War. The Federal Judge ruled in Bob's favor and ordered the Secretary of the Army to reclassify Roger Dumas as a POW.

MISSING POWS: In the past two years, Assistant Secretary of Defense Jerry Jennings reported that he has viewed over a thousand recent live sighting reports of American POWs in North Korea. This astounding story is told in the documentary film, "Missing, Presumed Dead: The Search for America's POW's," winner of the Best Documentary Award, Fort Myers Beach Film Festival. The film was also screened in Congress and a DVD has been distributed to every member of Congress and the Senate by Congressman Ron Paul of Texas. Congressman Paul is hopeful the film will inspire his colleagues to become co-sponsors of HR 123, which will allow a House Select Committee to investigate abandoned POW/MIA's.

For more information on this documentary please go to <http://www.missingpresumeddead.com>.

POW Activities, cont.

FLAGS: May 15, 2006, today was my 11th year to help put American Flags on the graves of almost 1500 men at just one cemetery in my home town. One grave held a man that was in WWII, Korea and Viet Nam, his wife was beside him, she also was in the Service. I say that the two of them served their country well. At two of the graves I remember young men. While I was a Letter Carrier I can remember the Army coming to the family home to tell them that their son's were K.I.A. in Viet Nam. I'm so proud I had the privilege to help HONOR these Heroes. -Lew Villa

Korean POW deceased not previously listed: Tim Casey sent me a list containing 77 names of EX-POWs that have not been previously listed. The list is much too long to run their full information in the newsletter Taps column, so we will be just listing their names and date of death. I apologize for any inconvenience this causes anyone. There are probably a lot more that have passed on that we don't know about, because no one has notified us. If you know of a deceased, please send or call the details to Tim Casey.

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DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

FROM SOUTH: I-65 North to I-440, Memphis/Knoxville, Exit # 80. Follow I-440 East, Knoxville/Chattanooga. I-40 splits take I-40 East. Travel I-40 East to Exit 215B, (Bradley Parkway) go 1/2 mile to Exit # 7 Elm Hill Pike. Turn right at 1st light. Go to 2nd traffic light, turn right onto McGavock Pike. The hotel is 2 blocks on the left at top of hill.

FROM NORTH: I-65 South to Briley Parkway/Opryland, Exit #89. Go past Opryland Hotel/Opry Mills. Turn left at Elm Hill Pike Exit # 7. Turn left at light onto Elm Hill Pike. Go through 3 traffic lights. Turn right onto McGavock Pike. The hotel is 2 blocks on the left at top of the hill.

FROM WEST: Stay on I-40 toward Knoxville. Continue in right lane on I-40 East to Briley Parkway/Opryland, Exit 215B. Go 1/2 mile to Exit # 7, Elm Hill Pike. Turn right, follow to 2nd traffic light. Turn right onto McGavock Pike. Follow McGavock Pike for 2 blocks. the hotel is on the left at the top of the hill.

FROM EAST: Take I-40 West towards Nashville to Briley Parkway North Exit 215B. Go 1/2 mile to Exit # 7, Elm Hill Pike. Turn right at ramp, follow to 2nd traffic light and turn right onto McGavock Pike. The hotel is on the left at the top of the hill.

FROM SOUTHWEST (Chattanooga, Atlanta): Take I-24 West to I-40 East to Briley Parkway North, follow Briley Parkway North to Exit # 7, Elm Hill Pike. Turn right at the 1st light. Go to 2nd traffic light and take right onto McGavock Pike. Follow McGavock Pike 2 blocks, the hotel is on the left at the top of the hill.

FROM NORTHWEST (St. Louis, Clarksville, TN): Take I-24 East to I-40 West towards Knoxville. Take to Briley Parkway North, follow Briley Parkway to Exit # 7, Elm Hill Pike. Turn right, follow to 2nd traffic light and take a right onto McGavock Pike. Follow McGavock Pike 2 blocks, the hotel is on the left at the top of the hill.

Keep us in the Loop

If you move or are going away for a while, **please** notify Tim Casey or me.

We would like to thank those who provided us with their address changes.

Taps, cont.

MANKA, Thomas M., 1986
MANSKE, Raymond W., 1986
MARTIN, Floyd A., 1961
MARTIN, Michard J., 1986
MARTIN, Paul G. Sr., 1970
MARTIN, Roy D., 1978
MITCHELL, Claude R., 1996
MONROE, Franklin J. Jr., 1994
MORRIS, Larry W., 2001
MURPHY, Paul T., 1998
MORRIS, Larry W., 05/29/01
SANDERS, Warren H., 01/29/02
SOBIECH, John, 09/10/2000
WILSON, Charles J., 11/29/05
WORLEY, Paul B., 04/01/05

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Memory Book Photos for the Korean War ExPOW Reunion will be taken at the Sheraton Music City Hotel, Nashville, TN. The time will be announced at the reunion. If you are unable to attend, you may purchase a book for \$20.00. You may also submit a photo of yourself/your family to be included in the book. *Attending:* Fill out the information below and bring it to our camera on the portrait date. *Not Attending:* Fill out the information below to reserve your copy of the Memory Book. Send this notice & full payment for the Memory Book to the following address: Classic Reunion, 2515 7th Avenue, Greeley, CO. 80631. *Your book will be sent to your address about 12 weeks after the reunion.*

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