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### Presidents Corner

*Another reunion is behind us and the first thing I want to do is apologize to Chuck and Linn Whiteley for not recognizing their fine work in putting the reunion together for us at the banquet. It was certainly a success due their hard work and effort. I thank you both.*

*I'm sorry to report the loss of two more of our shipmates, (see taps) and the bells were rung for them at the reunion.*

*One of our newest members volunteered to be our new Vice President and Dan Scadlock was unanimously elected as well as two new directors, Mike Stein and Dick Dickenson.*

*Thanks to all who brought in the raffle prizes, they were outstanding and we made \$1,500.00 to add to our Scholarship fund. A special thanks to Willis Anson's who only came for a few days and then left Friday after the crew meeting to fly back to the east coast to attend a wedding. During the time with us he helped with the raffle.*

*Next reunion to be hosted by Tom and Mary Paul Haglage in Lexington, KY in April-May, 2003. Details in future newsletters as things are firmed up.*

*Sam Rubin*

### September 11, 2001

As we all did that Tuesday morning, riveted to the tv and watching the horror of the loss of over 5000 people to the terrorists, what could we possibly do to retaliate against an unknown mob of killers? Our President came up with a solution and we are carrying out his orders at present. I want to post an Email from one of our members who says it all.

Dated September 19, 2001

Dear friends,

It is my opinion that the conflict that we as Americans are facing is unlike any other that we have ever faced. This is not a war that we can win with military might or industrial capability. This is a war that can only be won if all Americans are prepared and willing to make fundamental changes to their lives.

In every war that we have fought in the past, except for the conflict in Viet Nam and to some extent in Korea, the American public has been willing to support the government for the duration. This war will test that resolve.

This will be a war that will cost a great deal. It will mean long delays in transportation, crossing borders, and getting in to any place where there are a lot of people. We will all have to begin to carry ID cards to enter buildings and offices. We will have to be willing to have our cars searched, phones tapped, and our email read. We aren't going to be able to visit our memorials, museums and government building without security checks. We are going to become paranoid and suspicious of our neighbors. We will have to learn to be more tolerant while trying to be more vigilant.

Right now it is easy to fly the flag, go to church, send some money to the Red Cross and shed a tear. Will you be willing to do the same a month from now, a year, for the rest of your life? That is what it is going to take.

Right now, no one wants to get on an airplane or go to the theater or go on vacation. This has to stop! If we don't get back to being "normal", our economy will crumble and the bastards will have won. People are selling stock right and left because they don't believe our economy will survive. If this is the way of thinking that there will be some type of military action but it won't be an invasion.

Anything that involves the military will be secret and we won't even know about it until it's over. Most of these actions will be quiet and secret and stealthy. Dark people in dark places doing dark things This won't make for great television but it will get the job done.

If you want to be a patriot? Do the following. Get back to work. Buy some stock. Keep your eyes open but respect all Ameri

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cans, no matter what their race, creed or color. Tell your family and friends that you love them. Go to visit someone in another place. Be Patient. Support your president and the congress. Go to a ball game. Write a letter to a serviceman or woman. Do be foolish. Fly your flag. Be prepared to live a different life – not necessarily bad - just different.

I, for one am more than willing to stay the course and I hope you are too. In order to win we all have to be willing to endure whatever it requires to beat these bastards, not just Bin Ladin but anyone, anywhere, who thinks that a bomb or a hijacking is solution to anything.

The song says “Freedom’s just another word for nothing left to lose.” That is no longer true. What we have lost is some freedom and the only way that can be regained is to fight the long fight.

GOD BLESS AMERICA.  
Terrence J. Little-62-63

### Reunion 2001

The reunion is now past by almost two months and I still think fondly back towards the fellowship and good times we had there. All the activities selected by Chuck Whiteley worked out very nicely. I particularly enjoyed seeing the oldest church in Idaho, the mine tour and visit to the bordellos. Farragut was okay as well and in particular, they had a display of a sailor in dress blues sitting on a bunk and he was wearing Signalman third class stripes on his right arm, the same as I did for my first three years in the navy until they changed us to left arm quartermasters. They also had a 12 inch signal light which I enjoyed sending flashing light again for a few minutes. The chocolate making company was a treat as well.

The crews meeting (will be described in the secretary minutes elsewhere in the newsletter) went well and we voted in three new officials.

The banquet meal was delicious and our entertainment by one of our own, “the Cajon Comedian of the Bayou”, Harlan Truxillo was the highlight of the evening.

We held our Scholarship Fund raffle that Bill Berglin, Willis Anson and Dick Dickenson worked so hard on and we were able to add another \$1,500.00 to our fund as well as receiving a \$500.00 donation from the estate of Gordon Nass who also contributed a John Deere Tractor.

#### Donated to the raffle.

	Provider	Winner
1.	Afghan———Wilmer Phares	Karl Tellefsen
2.	Afghan———Carol Bellin	Betty Betz
3.	John Deere——Gordon Nass	Karl Tellefsen
4.	Bridgeview Wine——Richard Phares	Virgie Christie
5.	Sausages (4)——Tom Tessar	Wilma Schanzenbach Bill Stutzman Bill Berglin Bill Betz Jr.
6.	Boat & goodies——Bill Betz Jr.	Angela Miihlbach
7.	Magoffin Picture——John Johnson	Virgie Christie
8.	Sailor Clock——John Masters	Wallace Shropshire
9.	Honey———Jack Heiken	Harold Skow
10.	Wine & Canoe——Bill Berglin	Harold Reece
11.	Barometer———Harold Reece	Jack Johnson
12.	Lantern———John Masters	Elaine Wilhelm
13.	Vase———John Masters	Gracie Dickenson
14.	Miss Mudd Beer——John Masters	Gracie Dickenson Ellis Roth

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A 50/50 Ladies raffle was held for the scholarship fund and the \$295.00 won by Barbara Skow was donated to the fund. Thanks Barbara.

We also received two gift certificates from the hotel to pay for one day’s lodging. The winners were Howard Wood and Merble Bellin.

The table centerpieces provided by The Rubin’s were won by Chuck Whiteley, Madeline Peterson, Doris Wood , Helen Heiken, Glenda Maroney, Macky Reece, Wilma Schanzenbach, Bill Betz Jr. and Mary Olson.

Sam Rubin

### Secretary Tom Haglage Banquet Account.

President Sam Rubin rang 1900 on the ships bell and welcomed the crew and their guests. Table centerpieces were given away by tilting the chairs at each table. There was one winner at each table. He introduced the several guests that were brought by our members. Les Wilson said grace.

An excellent dinner was provided by the hotel and after our desert, all officers were sworn in by Les Wilson. Sam Rubin took the podium and recognized the WW II veterans of the Association. He then introduced Harlan Truxillo to tell a few of his favorite Cajon jokes.....as only Harlan can tell them. Then the raffles were held.

After all that activity, Les Wilson said the final benediction. Bos’n Karl Tellefsen piped an end to our banquet and 2001 reunion.

### Crews Meeting Minutes September 7, 2001

President Sam Rubin called the meeting to order at 0900. Bos’n Karl Tellefsen piped the crew to quarters and Master at Arms Willis Anson called the roll and 44 members were present. The officers present were; President Sam Rubin, Secretary Tom Haglage and Director Les Wilson. The Secretary led the crew in the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation was offered by Les Wilson.

#### Old Business

The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting held 7 April 2000 in Tucson, AZ. The were voted approved as read.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the president reported on the financial condition of the Association. The general fund contained approximately \$15,500.00 from which the reunion expenses are to be paid leaving an approximate balance of \$3,000.00. The Scholarship fund contained \$1,572.00 plus a gift from the estate of Gordon Nass in his memory for \$500.00 brought the total in the fund to

\$2,072.00. A discussion was held concerning the condition of the Scholarship Fund. It was generally agreed that it was healthy and thanks were expressed to all who have worked to make it that way. A discussion was held in regards to making the fund a trust but our Treasurer passed information on, that banks would not look at it unless it was in the \$30,000.00 range or higher and the idea was dropped.

There was a discussion of how to pay dues at this reunion but without the Treasurer present, it was suggested that members pay their dues via mail.

The president requested volunteers for the Vice President position as the current VP was no longer interested. Dan Scadlock volunteered and was quickly approved by the members.

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The President then requested volunteers for his position. No one responded. Sam said he would extend his term thru to the next reunion when he would absolutely retire from that position. Much interest was shown from the floor and a motion was made to express the Association gratitude for the years of service provided by President Sam Rubin. Three cheers and a hoorah was extended to Sam for his tireless years of faithful service to the Association.

A discussion was held in regards to our next days visit to Farragut State Park. Sam read an article from the local newspaper that said a reunion of all navy personnel who served at the base would also take place the next day.

A bell ceremony led by Les Wilson was held for members who passed away since the last reunion. They were:

Duane Barnes	55-58
Dave Brown	62-63
Charles Jardine	50-52
Gordon Nass	52-55
John Petruzzi	67-68
Wilton Schanzenbach	44-46

The president then read a letter from the family of Gordon Nass.

A 15 minute break then took place.

#### New Business

Tom Haglage spoke on the highlights of a possible reunion in Lexington, KY as the site of the next reunion He fielded questions from the floor about the central Kentucky area. Sam also asked if anyone had another location to recommend. None was brought up and Chuck Whiteley made a motion that Lexington be chosen as the site of our tenth reunion in April or May of 2003. It was seconded and overwhelmingly approved by the membership.

Sam was contacted by the Menifee APA 202 president and since it was also named after a Kentucky County, he mentioned that they had provided a brass plaque that was given in a ceremony attended by the Governor to the Menifee County Court House. Since we already have provided a flagpole, the plaque idea was dropped however the task was given to contact the governors office and see what could be developed for our reunion.

There was a discussion of the Scholarship fund and how the students are chosen. The school selects the individual based on their merits.

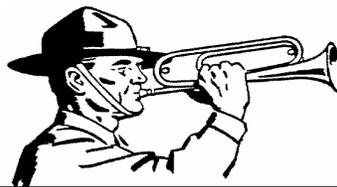
The president presented Jerry Lopez's suggestion that a time capsule be placed somewhere in Magoffin County. Jerry was authorized to put together the material to be opened either in 2044 (100 years from commissioning ) or 2068 (100 years from decommissioning) whichever was felt suitable. Sam will assist with materials from his files as necessary.

There was a general discussion of how to get the word out to various military publications about our reunions.

The president announced the expiration of some Directors positions and asked for volunteers to replace them Mike Stein and Dick Dickenson agreed to fill those positions.

There being no further business, the crew meeting was adjourned at 1040.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tom Haglage, Secretary



## TAPS

Gordon Nass	52-55	July 2001
Joseph Petruzzi	67-68	2001

### Comfort

*There is a tower of strength  
For you and me-  
'Tis that which we call faith  
And as the sea  
Off dashes on the rocks  
To no avail  
So storms may come to us  
But in the gale  
We lean upon that faith  
And soon once more  
We see a beacon of light-  
It is the shore.*

Franklin Lee Stevenson

### Financial Statement

October 10, 2001

Year to Date

Beginning Cash Balance 1/1/01	\$ 5,145.10
Cash Receipts	13,557.20
Check Disbursements	(10,438.71)
Deposits in Transit	
Ending Bank Balance	<u>\$8,263.59</u>
Checking Account Balance 10/10/01	8,263.59
Deposits in Transit	
Less outstanding Checks	
Total Ending Checkbook Balance	8,263.59
(Broken down as follows)	
Education Fund Beginning Balance	\$1,572.11
Disbursement	
Receipts	<u>2,000.00</u>
Education Ending Balance YTD	<u>3,572.11</u>
Net Operating Account Balance 10/10/01	<u>\$4,691.48</u>

Respectfully submitted by;  
Joe Beninato, Treasurer

### Reunion Attendees

2001

Anson, Bellin, Berglin, Betz, Carey, Carper, Christy, Church, Dickenson, Drugan, Gehrlich, Guido, Haglage, Hancock, Heiken, Hummel, Guy Johnson, Jack Johnson, John Johnson, Macioce, Marcus, Maroney, Masters, Miihlbach, Oliveria, Olson, Peterson, Phares, Raich, Reece, Roth, Rubin, Scadlock, Wilma Schanzenbach, Shropshire, Skow, Stein, Stutzman, Tellefsen, Tessar, Truxillo, Whiteley, Wilhelm, Wilson and Wood

P.O Box 412  
Salyersville, KY 41465  
June 16, 2001

Dear Mr. Haglage,

I am very thankful for being chosen as the recipient of the 2001 USS Magoffin Scholarship. This is very special to me because both my grandfathers are veterans. My paternal grandfather, Carl Montgomery served his country in WWII. He has told me many stories of how he was on the front lines in Germany. Also my maternal grandfather, Walter Adams served in the Korean War.

It is a great honor to receive this award and I have the highest admiration for veterans for their courage, bravery, and loyalty to this country.

I plan on attending Morehead State University this fall. The money I have been given will be very useful in helping me achieve my goals. Again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,

*Ryan Montgomery*

## Active Membership

As of Oct 1, 2001 the following members have paid their dues for 2001:

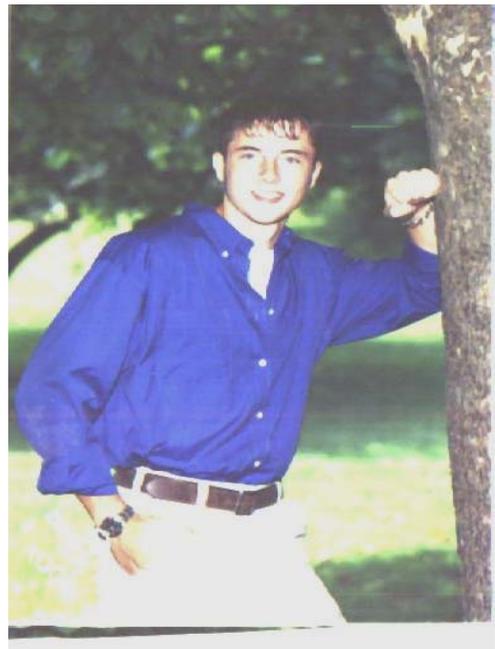
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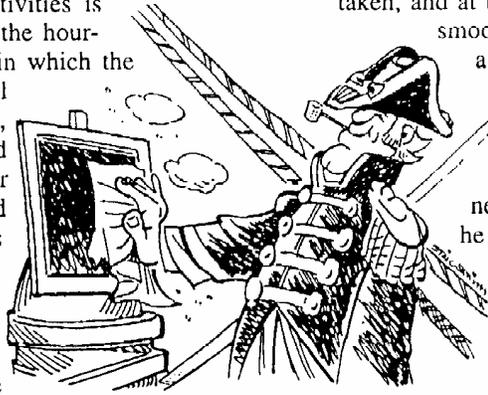
Ryan Montgomery

# Salty Talk

By COMMANDER TY MARTIN, US NAVY (RETIRED)

The record of a ship's activities is called the "log." In it are recorded the hour-by-hour notations of the direction in which the ship is going and her speed, all changes of direction and speed, employment of the crew, weather and sea conditions, sightings of land or unusual or unexpected objects, and anything else the captain decides is worthy of an entry.

The captain himself does not "keep" the log, but rather it is the duty of each officer standing the "deck" watch to ensure that notes are



taken, and at the end of his "watch" or duty period, he writes a smooth report based on them, to be diurnally reviewed and approved by the captain.

Recently, the notes usually are kept in a ledger-size book known as the quartermaster's notebook. For centuries, however, they were recorded on a slate usually hung on the binnacle (compass stand) near the ship's wheel. At the end of his watch, when he had been succeeded as "officer of the deck," the off-going officer would take the slate below, write his smooth log, and then return the slate to its usual position, having first "wiped the slate clean." This same activity is the source of our use of the word "scrub," meaning "to cancel."

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## This is War

The Cajuns heard that Saddam Hussein was going to help Osama bin Laden and they decided this is WAR!! Saddam Hussein was sitting in his bunker when the telephone rang.

"Hallo! Mr. Hussein," a heavily accented voice said. "This is Boudreaux down at Fred's Lounge in Mamou, Loozian-nah. I'm callin' to told you we be officially declaring' war on you!"

"Well Boudreaux, Saddam replied, "This is indeed important news! How big is your army?"

"Rat now," said Boudreaux, (hesitatingly) "There is me, my cousin Thibedeaux, my next door neighbor Justain, and the whole bunch from the bar. That make us eight!"

Saddam paused. "I must tell you, Boudreaux, that I have one million men in my army waiting to move on my command."

"Woo-eee! said Boudreaux. "I gots to call you back later!" Sure enough, the next day, Boudreaux called again. "Mr. Hussein, the war is still on! We got us some war equipment!"

"And what equipment would that be, Boudreaux?" Saddam asked.

"Well, we got us two combines, a dozer, and a farm tractor,"

Saddam sighed. "I must tell you, Boudreaux, that I have 16,000 tanks and 14,000 armored personnel carriers. Also I've increased my men to 1-1/2 million since we last spoke"

"E-yiee!" said Boudreaux. "I gots to get back to you later." Sure enough, Boudreaux rang again the next day. "Mr. Hussein, da wars still be on! We got ourselves some airborne! We've got Marcel's ultra light glider an we put us a shotgun in the cockpit, and Hebert gots out of jail today and he is gonna join our army too!"

Saddam was silent for a minute then cleared his throat, "I must tell you, Boudreaux, that I have 1000 bombers and 2000 fighter planes. My military complex is surrounded by laser-guided, surface to air missile sites. And since we last spoke, I've increased my army to TWO MILLION!"

"Ah-yie-yie", screams Boudreaux, I gots to call ya back later. Sure enough, Boudreaux calls back the next day. "Bon jour, Sad-dam! I so sorry I gots to toll you that we is callin' off dis war."

"I'm sorry to hear that," said Saddam. "Why the sudden change of heart?"

"Well," said Boudreaux, "We all had a long talk at the bar and Sheriff Brousard he say, no way he's gonna feed no two million prisoners."

(from the internet.)

Another one for your collection, Harlan.

## A ONE DOLLAR BILL

Take out a one dollar bill, and look at it. The one dollar you're looking at first came off the presses in 1957 in it's present design. This so-called paper money is in fact a cotton and linen blend, with red and blue minute silk fibers running through it. It is actually material. We've all washed it without it falling apart. A special blend of ink is used, the contents we will never know. It is overprinted with symbols and then it is starched to make it water resistant and pressed to give it that nice crisp look.

If you look at the front of the bill, you will see the United States Treasury Seal. On the top you will see the scales for a balanced budget. In the center you have a carpenter's square, a tool used for an even cut. Underneath is the Key to the United States Treasury. That's all pretty easy to figure out, but what is on the back of that dollar bill is something we should all know.

If you turn the bill over, you will see two circles. Both circles, together, comprise the Great Seal of the United States. The first Continental Congress requested that Benjamin Franklin and a group of men come up with a Seal. It took them four years to accomplish this task and another two years to get it approved.

If you look at the left-hand circle, you will see a Pyramid. Notice the face is lighted and the western side is dark. This country was just beginning. We had not begun to explore the West or decided what we could do for Western Civilization. The Pyramid is un-capped, again signifying that we were not even close to being finished. Inside the capstone you have the all-seeing eye, an ancient symbol for divinity. It was Franklin's belief that one man couldn't do it alone, but a group of men, with the help of God, could do anything. 'IN GOD WE TRUST' is on this currency. The Latin above the pyramid, ANNUIT COEPTIS, means, "God has favored our undertaking." The Latin below the pyramid, NOVUS ORDO SECLORUM, means "a new order has begun." At the base of the pyramid is the Roman Numeral for 1776.

If you look at the right-hand circle, and check it carefully, you will learn that it is on every National Cemetery in the United States. It is also on the Parade of Flags Walkway at the Bushnell, Florida National Cemetery and is the centerpiece of most hero's monuments. Slightly modified, it is the seal of the President of the United states, and it is always visible whenever he speaks, yet very few people know what the symbols mean.

The Bald Eagle was selected as a symbol for victory for two reasons: First, he is not afraid of a storm; he is strong, and he is smart enough to soar above it. Secondly, he wears no material crown. We had just broken from the King of England. Also, notice the shield is unsupported. This country can now stand on its own. At the top of that shield you have a white bar signifying congress, a unifying factor. We were coming together as one nation. In the Eagle's beak you will read "E PLURIBIS UNIUM", meaning, "one nation from many people".

Above the Eagle, you have thirteen stars, representing the thirteen original colonies, and any clouds of misunderstanding rolling away. Again, we were coming together as one. Notice what the Eagle holds in his talons. He holds an olive branch and arrows. This country wants peace, but we will never be afraid to fight to preserve peace. The Eagle always wants to face the olive branch, but in time of war, his gaze turns toward the arrows.

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They say the number 13 is an unlucky number. This is almost a worldwide belief. You will usually never see a room numbered 13, or any hotels or motels with a 13th floor. But think about this: 13 original colonies, 13 signers of the Declaration of Independence, 13 stripes on our flag, 13 steps on the Pyramid, 13 letters in the Latin above, 13 letters in "E Pluribus Unum", 13 stars above the Eagle, 13 bars on that shield, 13 leaves on the olive branch, 13 fruits, and if you look closely, 13 arrows. And, for minorities: the 13th Amendment.

I always ask people, "Why don't you know this?" Your children don't know this, and their history teachers don't know this. Too many veterans have given up too much to ever let the meaning fade. Many veterans remember coming home to an America that didn't care. Too many veterans never came home at all.

Submitted by Mike Stein

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As of May 1, 2001 the following members have paid their dues for 2001:

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rick\*, Beals\*\*, Bellin, Beninato, Berglin, Betz, Bidinger\*\*, Bispo,  
Blomgren\*\*, Brady, Bryant\*, Burnam\*, Calvert, Carey\*\*,  
Carper\*\*, Cassidy\*, Cheely, Christy\*\*, Church, Clayton\*, Coo-  
per, Dejarnette\*\*, Dickenson\*\*, Drugan\*, Eagon\*, Empey,  
Engleman, Flanagan\*\*, Ford\*, B Foster, Frank, French\*\*,  
Furlow, Gehrllich, Gideon\*\*, Gillivan\*\*, Gray, Griffith, Grissom,  
Gronvold, Guido, Hagg\*\*, Haglage, Hancock, Heiken, Hell-  
man\*\*\*, Hogard\*\*, Hornor, Housley\*, Hummel\*\*, Jardine,  
Jennings\*, Guy Johnson, JH Johnson\*, JL Johnson\*\*, King,  
Krebs, Kuklinski\*, Kyle\*\*\*, Latham, Leroy, Little, Lopez,  
Lowther, Lukensow\*\*, Lutz\*\*, Macioce, Marchese, Marcus\*,  
Maroney\*\*\*, Masters\*\*\*, Maxwell\*, McCann\*, McCants, Mel-  
sha\*\*, Miihlbach, Miller, Montgomery, Mozis\*, Munger, Nass\*,  
Noll, Oliveria\*\*, O'Brien\*, Olson\*, Patterson, Pearce\*, Pelkey,  
Peterson\*, Petruzzi, Phares\*, Phipps, Poortvliet, Pope, Raich,  
Reece\*\*, Renfro\*\*, Rich, Ring, Roth\*, Rubin\*, Saeugling\*\*,  
Sakers\*\*, Savage\*\*, Scadlock\* Schaefer\*, Schanzenbach,  
Schirmer, Showler, Shropshire\*, Shultz\*\*, Simpson\*,  
Sluka\*\*\*, Small, Snodgrass, Sons, Spiese\*\*, Stein\*\*\*, Stutz-  
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## Korean War Medals: 750 Go Out Daily

The Special War Medal Action Team at Randolph Air Force Base in Texas ships an average of 750 Korean War Medals per day to eligible vets of the war. More than 25,000 have been mailed by the end of January

Over the next three years (2001-3), the Air Force Personnel Center (APFC)— the agency in charge of providing the medal to vets of all services—expects to ship 150,000 medals each year. Some 60 volunteers at the Center are making this all possible.

To request a Korean Service Medal Fact Sheet or other information, call 1-800-558-1404 or visit the Center's web site: <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/awards>

*Dick Dickenson showed me the one he received when at the reunion and it is a very handsome medal and ribbon. Sam Rubin*

## ATTENTION

You know where you are.

You know where we are.

We know where we are.

But we don't always know where you are.

Please notify us when you move

## Veterans Day

Now is the time we come to remember

Veteran's Day, the Eleventh of November.

This nation was founded for liberty's cause,

With service and sacrifice worthy of applause.

Memories of the wounded, the fallen, survive.

Eternal gratitude from us who are alive.

Battles were fought, and lives were lost.

Freedom was preserved, no matter the cost.

Countless men and women served with distinction.

Thousands still suffer war's painful affliction.

One day of the year, in the month of November.

Life is precious and freedom is too:

Veterans, humbly, we give thanks to you.

Serving America with dignity and pride,

This holiday is yours, we observed nationwide.

With grateful hearts we will never forget

Our reasons for remembering every Vet!

*Rita Walsh Strong*

## Food for Thought

A water bearer in India had two large pots. Each hung on each end of a pole which he carried across his neck. One of the pots had a crack in it, and while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water at the end of the long walk from the stream to the master's house, the cracked pot arrived only half full.

For two full years this went on daily, with the bearer delivering only one and —a-half pots full of water to his master's house. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments, perfect to the end for which it was made. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection and miserable that it was able to accomplish only half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be a bitter failure, it spoke to the water bearer one day at the stream. "I'm ashamed of myself, and I want to apologize to you". "Why?" asked the bearer. "I have been able for the past two years to deliver only half my load because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your master's house. Because of my flaws you don't get full value from your efforts," The pot said.

The water bearer felt sorry for the old cracked pot, and in his compassion he said, "As we return to the master's house, I want you to notice the beautiful flowers along the path." Indeed, as they went up the hill, the old cracked pot took notice of the sun warming the beautiful wild flowers on the side of the path, and cheered it some. But at the end of the trail, it still felt bad because it had leaked half its load, and so again apologized to the bearer for its failure.

The bearer said to the pot, "Did you notice that there were flowers only on your side of your path, but not on the other pot's side? That's because I have always known about your flaw, and I took advantage of it. I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walk back from the stream, you've watered them. For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate my master's table. Without you being just the way you are, he would not have this beauty to grace his house."

Moral: Each of us has our own unique flaws. We're all cracked pots. But it's the cracks and flaws we each have that make our lives together so very interesting and rewarding. You've just got to take each person for what they are, and look for the good in them. There is a lot of good out there. There is a lot of good in us!

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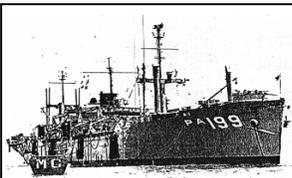
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