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NORTH KOREA DEMANDS MONEY FOR M.I.A.s, U.S. PAYS

A RECENT NEWS STORY, buried in the back pages, disclosed that North Korea required the United States to pay "the cost of recovering" the remains of 162 American servicemen from the Korean War...\$ 2 MILLION!!! The Clinton administration agreed to pay this outrageous RANSOM. Enclosed with this issue of **INCOMING MAIL** is a copy of a letter which is self explanatory. Please copy and distribute to other veteran groups and your legislators.

RETURN CAR RAFFLE TICKETS TO NATIONAL

ALL SOLD AND UNSOLD car raffle tickets should have been returned to the Reunion Treasurer by 1 June. The address is on the stubs.

DEPARTMENT CONVENTION SET FOR NOVEMBER

PRESIDENT JACK EDWARDS has called for a State convention to be held the second weekend of November at Kissimmee. The site committee has made arrangements with Shoneys Inn for November 8-9-10. **ALL DEPARTMENT OFFICERS are requested to be at a special executive meeting Friday morning at 9 AM.** Officers who must travel long distances may check in Thursday P.M. Rooms will be available. The site committee has negotiated a reasonable room rate for the convention. the hotel is within easy travel distance to Disney World and Paramount Studios. **MORE DETAILS INCLUDING BANQUET COSTS AND RESERVATION INFO WILL BE PROVIDED IN FUTURE ISSUES.**

DEPT. OF FLA. PATCH AVAILABLE

THE SUNCOAST CHAPTER has obtained a source for the newly revised Department patch which was adopted at the February meeting. Call Pres. Edwards on the 800 number to order them. They are \$5 each, plus shipping, available on consignment.

(OVER PLEASE)

"In war there is no second prize for the runner-up."

General Omar N. Bradley

UNIFORM STANDARDS SUGGESTED

AS CHAPTERS BECOME ACTIVE more members are wearing uniforms to establish a KWVA identity. UNIFORM means just that, but no official criteria have been established. Pres. Edwards **suggests** that the Department fix their own guidelines: White shirt, black or navy blue trousers, black shoes and socks, black tie, and black or white belt. The blue blazer is worn on formal occasions. "Fort Knox" hat preferred. EMBLEMS WORN ON THE SHIRT. Right sleeve: American Flag $\frac{1}{2}$ inch below seam, former unit patch under that. Left sleeve: 3" KWVA round patch $\frac{1}{2}$ in. below seam, Department patch under that. Other emblems as desired. Red KWVA shield worn on blazer pocket. Chapters may adopt their own regulations.

UPDATE AND LODGINGS FOR 22 AND 25 JUNE

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT JACK EDWARDS advises that Mr. Boo-Yul Park, Consul General of the Republic of Korea in Miami, has been invited to attend the Korean War Veterans Appreciation Day at the Bay Pines Veterans Hospital and is expected to attend.

ACCOMMODATIONS ARE AVAILABLE NEARBY for any who wish to stay overnight. Motels are located in **MADEIRA BEACH** across the causeway from the hospital. Off season rates are in effect:

HOLIDAY INN	(813) 392-2275
SEA DAWN MOTEL (Budget)	(813) 391-7500
SHORELINE ISLAND RESORT MOTEL	(813) 397-6641
WITS END MOTEL	(813) 391-6739

The above establishments (with the exception of the Holiday Inn) are taken from the AAA TourBook, pages A378-9. In addition, there are numerous unaffiliated motels in the area. **ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED.**

BE SURE TO MAKE RESERVATIONS TO ATTEND THE ACTIVITIES

SATURDAY, 22 JUNE, 6:00 PM. Call Pres. Edwards on the 800 number or (813) 397-8209.

TUESDAY, 25 JUNE, 11:00 AM and/or 6:00 PM. Call Mr. Eddie Koh, Quail Hollow Golf Club at (813) 973-1771. (Golf Tournament tees off at 1:00. Hot dogs, burgers and soft drinks served starting at 11:00 AM).

ACCOMMODATIONS IN WESLEY CHAPEL are deluxe, starting at \$100 a night at the only AAA lodging listed.

SADDLEBROOK RESORT (813) 973-1111

At ZEPHYRHILLS (Approx. 11 miles east of the golf club) there is one listing, starting at \$45 a night.

BEST WESTERN OF ZEPHYRHILLS (813) 782-5527

Unaffiliated motels may be available.