

THE ROCKY

NEWSLETTER FOR KVA UNIT 27

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LEST WE FORGET

UPCOMING EVENTS

7 September - Korean Picnic
(See details on p. 3)
December - KVA Bingo

UPCOMING MEETINGS

1300 HRS IN THE WARDROOM

17 Sep 2019

15 Oct 2019

19 Nov 2019

This Issue: August 2019

President's Report

I hope all our KVA Comrades and Their families have had a warm and restful summer. If not, start on it now.

We have received a report from the Secretary of the Heritage Unit. Following the agenda and minutes thereof, it looks like the parent body will be closing down in 2021 due mainly to lack of finances and the number of members registered. Too bad but our old age is a fact of life and we are all subject to "Old Father Time".

For those of you who continue to attend meetings and functions you are to be commended. Thank you. There is still a short time to go?

With deep appreciation I would like to thank Ted Adye who has taken on another job in addition to the two that he already has. Thanks Ted.

If anyone knows of a Comrade who may be in distress please inform Comrade Gabel. Also, to those of you who can still drive, perhaps you can give a ride to those who can't anymore. Give them a call.

I have had a hectic summer visiting doctors and dentists and have managed to keep the Grim Reaper off my back. I look forward to seeing my Comrades in September.

Take care and enjoy what is left in our time on Planet Earth.

Cheers

Ken Kelbough

Heritage Unit

The following is a partial report by Al Martel, Secretary Treasurer of the Heritage Unit. The meeting was held at the Branch 609 Legion in Bramton, Ontario on 26 July 2019. It is important that we are all aware of this. A copy of the complete report will be available at our September meeting.

10. THE FUTUR OF KVAC-HERITAGE UNIT

Since the foundation of our Association in 1974 many activities and projects have been realized for the best of our Veterans. Today, most of the Units are trying to accomplish as much as they can even do we are not getting younger...Consequently, we must plan for the futur...The veterans are aged between 85 to 90 years old. Many members are disabled and/or are not motivated to regularly assist at some activities. Many others, for personal

reasons, prefer to live quietly in peace. Comes a time where enough is enough...
It is a fact of life.

For the last few years, the Executive Officers and the members are seriously exchanging on a sensitive subject concerning « the futur of our Association ».

The following points have been considered and it will help you to better understand the reasoning of why a « dissolution » must be considered :

- Active participation is very low in all Units;
- Very difficult (if not impossible) to replace a member who is responsible to administer an activity in a Unit;
- The finance of KVAC will not be able to support expenses for more than 2 years because No Revenues since 2010 from the Units;
- The Commercial Insurance will not cover our Association if the premium insurance is not paid...1,607\$ per year; ,
- The actual President is 88 years old and he will terminate his presidency in August 31st 2021 at 90 years old...Who will take over the presidency?
- The Executive Officers will be 88-90 years old in 2021.
- Many associations do not take action regarding the closing of an association. The reasoning is...will see...By doing nothing we are only retarding the day where we will have to close down. It is too bad, too sad, but it will happen one day.

As you can see, it is a serious matter and the Executive Officers are **recommending the closing of our Association at the latest on August 31st 2021**. To take that decision, it was very difficult but we must be honest and frank with you. The major factor is the age...we cannot stop this reality...Most of us will be 88 to 92 years old by 2021 in **2 YEARS...**

Summer Happenings

This has been a fairly busy summer. Our Unit Comrades were invited to several functions by the Korean community. Eight attended the Korean Consul General's Luncheon in Vancouver on the 25th of June, Eight were at the Victoria Korean Community Association supper and entertainment evening on the 27th of July and six Comrades went to their Independance Day function on the 10th of August.

We graced the Canada Day parade in Sidney on 1 July with eight Comrades and had a successful picnic at the Horseshoe Club on the 6th of July. Thirty of our membership, wives and guests and our Ladies Auxiliary attended. Although there wasn't a horseshoe competition the Bocci players were out in force. The day was won by the team of Bob Theriault and Steve Hlasny

Then came August when we were invited to and attended two more events by the Indigenous First Nations, both at Workpoint Barracks. One was the RAVEN Basic Military Qualifications and Graduations Parade. These young people from across the country that worked hard in the training were quite impressive in their marching off parade.

Now comes September. The Victoria Korean Community Association picnic is being held on Saturday, 7 September from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It is located this year at Horner Park at Iona Drive. Iona is a short street that runs north off Cedar Hill Crossroad just East of Richmond Road. Our first General Meeting of the Fall season will be held at the Wardroom on Tuesday 17 September, starting at 1300 hrs. Come on out, have some lunch and engage in spirited conversation.

Maibox

We have received three editions of the Sequim Gazette from Gerry Rettela (this is the VFW Paper from Port Angelus) and the Broadmead Annual Report. These will be available for reading at the September meeting.

Membership

We have lost another member. Bill Buchan passed away on the 5th of August. We now have 59 Regular, 14 Supporting Ladies, one Supporting Gentleman and one Honourary Gentleman on the Nominal Roll.

We hope that all of us still on the right side of the grass are enjoying this gorgeous summer weather. I know I am.

Your Rocky Editor: Ted Adye