

AMERICA SALUTES ITS HEROES

Remembering The “Forgotten War”

(NAPSA)—From June 25, 1950 to July 27, 1953, the United States joined with the United Nations forces in Korea to take a stand against what was deemed a threat to free nations worldwide. By war's end a million and a half American veterans had returned to families, homes, and jobs—and to a country long reluctant to view the Korean War as something to memorialize.

The passing of five decades, as well as recent international developments, have brought a new perspective to the war and its aftermath. The Korean War Veterans Memorial honors those Americans who answered the call, those who worked and fought under trying conditions of terrain and climate, and those who gave their lives for freedom.

Now, the veterans of the Korean War are invited to the Nation's Capital to a weekend of special events and activities to commemorate National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, Sunday, July 27, 2003.

Starting Friday, July 25, veterans can renew old acquaintances, visit embassies of nations which sent troops to the Korean War, see a USO-type stage show with music



(Photo: Lt. Col. John Alii, USMC)

The Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC, will be the scene of a ceremony to commemorate National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day on the 50th anniversary of the end of that conflict.

from the era, attend a wreath-laying and memorial ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery, go to a star-studded gala at the MCI Center, join a victory march along Constitution Avenue and attend a closing ceremony at the Korean War Veterans Memorial.

Veterans and their families planning to attend may make hotel reservations by calling 1-800-554-2220, ext. 102 and using code KWV50.