



ATOMIC VETERAN'S NEWSLETTER

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Commander's Corner

My congratulations to our new editor Richard U. Conant and his number one assistant Dale Howard for doing an outstanding job with their first newsletter for NAAV. Good job guys, keep up the good work. I was also pleased with the response to my request for the members to send in their dues according to the date after their names which represents the date that they are currently paid to. The current date is 7/1/99. If this is not after your name then you owe dues. Again, I thank all the members that responded and paid up 2 and 3 years dues owed. Our treasury is again looking respectable and without it we cannot help you. Nuff Said.

In our last issue, Vol.20-1, our editor was lucky enough to get in a "Late Scoop" telling of the passage of lung cancer, brain cancer and colon cancer along with nasopharyngeal cancer that was passed last Sep. The other three were passed in Feb. 1999. As you all well know, progress has been slow but all of us keep working to attain our justice. We will now turn our efforts on two remaining bill. HR 2401 refers to genetically affected children of Atomic Veterans and the other is HR 432 which is the Atomic Veterans Service Medal (Editor: This bill was originally introduced by Bill Richardson, NM, over two years ago. Mr. Richardson is now Secretary of Energy. Our best information is that this bill has gone to the "wastebasket" and was denied by the Department of Defense. We need to find another Representative to reintroduce this as a new bill. So far, we have not had any success with our current representatives in New Mexico relative to this). My staff, the state commanders and area commanders have all done a great job in getting their state legislators in Washington to endorse the bills that were passed. I want to thank all the members, state and area commanders for their great effort when asked by me to help, which brings me to an example of how we all worked together and accomplished getting legislation passed. There are members out there that find fault with me and their state commanders. I say to channel your anger to the government. They are the enemy, not me or your state commanders. We are working for your benefits so please try to help us, not hinder us in our work. Nuff said.

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Commander's Corner (Cont'd):

To our state commanders, I would like each and every one of you to write a brief resume about your self and what you are doing in your state along with a small picture. The reason, we would like to feature you in our newsletters so the membership can get to know you and what you are doing for the Atomic Veterans. Mail them to National Headquarters in Ventnor, NJ.

The general Accounting Office of the US Government was in touch with yours truly and requested a telephone meeting to determine what our needs are, for the Veteran Affairs Committee major point of dissention is, and has been, dose reconstruction. I made our feelings known that we do not want dose reconstruction in any form or fashion. Whether our wishes will be acted on I cannot say for sure. Only time will tell if they are sincere or just jacking us up as they have done so many times in the past. As my old Indian friend "Chief Running

Bowels" used to say "white eyes chief speak with forked tongue." Enough levity

Respectfully,
Rudy Florentine
National Commander

[Editor: For those who are interested in HR 2401, on 5/16 the TV Education Channel repeated an airing of a documentary by "Southwest Research & Information, Albuquerque, NM " of the effects of Radiation to some of the population of the Navajo Indians due to groundwater contamination and leakage into the Puerco River, and other tributaries, from uranium mining tailing piles as a result of uranium mining on the Reservation in the 1950's and early 60's. Of particular interest is the "higher than normal" numbers of "genetically affected" children who are being cared for in a "developed home" for these children on the Navajo Reservation. Some of the research was carried out by professionals at the Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ. Researchers have definite results that "radiation from drinking water and eating meat from animals contaminated from the same sources along with the breathing of contaminated dust by the elders" is responsible for the genetic problems. We will obtain more info on this subject for inclusion in future editions.]

Letter to Rudy Florentine, National Commander, NAAV 4/6/99 from U.S. Representative Frank A. LoBiondo NJ in part - "The VA deserves the resources necessary to serve the needs of our naation's veeterans. As the House works on the VA budget, please know that I will be doing all that I can to ensure that veterans will have the best quality care."

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Excerpts: Two New Gulf War Illness Studies:

About 1,800 sick Gulf War veterans will participate in one of two studies so the Veterans Affairs and Defense departments can determine what kings of treatments are effective.

The studies cost \$20 million and are aimed at helping Gulf War veterans suffering with undiagnosed or unexplainable illnesses. Some groups estimate as many as 100,000 Gulf War veterans could be sick.

The National Gulf War Resource Center hopes the trial studies will be expanded to look at illnesses that may be associated with depleted uranium.

Please take a moment to remember our fallen comrades on Memorial Day, May 31st.

It is unfortunate that the majority of our population just treats this as "another day off".



Foregoing from Albuquerque Journal: (Editor) The four recommendations are worth while for our Troops in view of their handling of ammuniton containing depleted uranium. Our fight over radiation exposure problems may assist some one after all, in the future.

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YOU'RE ON THE "SOAPBOX"

Dale Howard & I wish to thank all of you who took the time to send letters, faxes, e-mail, etc. telling us of your appreciation of the last newsletter, some ideas, comments and general support [Claude Burpee, Robert Duran, William A. Harper]. In order to get this edition out in time copies will not be included. However, I will be publishing these in subsequent newsletters. Dick Conant

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I have received a request from Ms. Maya Asai, Associate Producer, NHK in which they are requesting information from Atomic Test participants in Nevada during the Desert Rock Operations. NHK is in the process of producing "Beyond Centuries". Series No. 12: Nuclear Development, The Record of a Half-Century. As I understand, participants will conduct "round table" commentary which will be filmed and shown on Public TV. Interested parties should contact Maya at Tel/Fax: (323)464-7455 or e-mail: stella_ma@yahoo.com.

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Letters:

Just finished reading the last Atomic Veteran's Newsletter and after reading the "Commander's Corner I realized that I owe two years dues, which I have enclosed herewith. I had lost track of the due dates.

Regarding the many pieces of legislation in the works, I believe it would be helpful to update the membership on the status of each piece of legislation in each future newsletter. It would be helpful to know whether the outlook appears favorable or unfavorable. If unfavorable, we need to know why, so we can contact our Representatives for their support. [Editor: Please refer to Page 7 of this edition and our new Topic "Progressive Profile of Legislative Votes" which we ask the membership to follow up and contribute to]. It is hard for me to understand why the Atomic Veterans Medal Act HR 432 is on the back burner because it would not cost that much money. [Editor: see note in Commander's Corner]. I was one of fifty one Marines that participated in Operation Sandstone in 1948.

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E-mail: Congrats on the new publication, and your position as Editor for the NAAV Newsletter. I wish you fellows the very best. I have been a NAAV member

for several years now, and at one time, I had trusted ** . I hope you guys can succeed in bringing back the NAAV from the brink.

To tell you the truth, I had just about lost all faith in NAAV after the Rosen Fiasco, and that is the reason I started an Atomic Veteran Website a couple of years ago, of course, I'm behind the 8-ball too, trying to run this d----- site single-handed, with no help from anyone, down here in Texas, kind of like an island unto myself, so to speak.

You might pull up my pages, and let me know what you think, it may not be worth a d---, but rreaders get what they pay for, the URL is:
<http://www.angelfire.com/tx/atomicveteran/index.html>.

If there is anything I can do for you guys, let me know...OK?

Best to you fellows... John DeBusk, Dallas, TX

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Reunions:

For some of those that served on the U.S.S. Comatock LSD-19 in the Atomic Test at Bikini Atoll in 1948 for a potential reunion. Contact: Rene Beauregard. 259 Weld St., New Bedford, MA 02740. 508-999-1284

LST-1146 (aka USS Summit County) ships fifth reunion, August 26 - 28, 1999 in conjunction with Nation LST reunion in San Diego, CA. Contact: H.A. (Woody) Walker, 4467 Orchard ave, San Diego, CA 92107, 619-222-3640. walkbosn@juno.com

USS Wichita (CA45)/USS Tuscaloosa (CA37, Augusst 22 - 28, 1999 at Sheraton Hotel, 180 Water St., Plymouth, MA 02360. Contact: Carroll Johnson, P.O. Box 1378, Brewster, MA 02631, 508-896-3920 [Sent in by: Kenneth H. Halstrom, YN1 USNR Ret.]

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"I always wanted to be somebody, but I should have been more specific."

"I'm not into working out. My philosophy: No pain, no pain."

"BEEN THERE"**My Country Cheated Me - Of Thee I Sing**

I joined the service as a strong young man
They said "give of your blood and all else you can"
Because if you should ever get hurt, then
We will see that you get a nice pension plan.

When the tumors came, all I got was a boot
And they sent me back home in a \$5 suit.
We see that your face is scared, don't give a hoot
So here is your discharge and none of the loot.

It was 13 years later when told to file a claim
When the tumors were so bad I couldn't stand the pain
Then 26 more years they played their game
Filing forms and testifying, the money never came.

Now 50 years late a court for my rights
Filed another suit and hired a lawyer, Mr. Nice
But the judge said "Boy, now that ain't nice
I will make sure you get s----- twice.

Author: Any Atomic Veteran

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Justice for Atomic Veterans Act of 1999, 106th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1286, March 25, 1999 - To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the list of diseases presumed to be service connected with respect to radiation-exposed veterans.

Mr. Evans (for himself, Ms. Berkley, Mr. Filner, Mr. Gutierrez, Ms. Brown of Florida, Mr. Peterson of Minnesota, Ms. Carson, Mr. Reyes, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Shows, Mr. Oliver, Mr. Hinchey, Ms. McKinney, Mr. Frank of Massachusetts, Ms. Millender-McDonald, Mr. Underwood, Mr. Kleczka, and Mr. Frost) introduced this bill, which was referred to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

(Editor) The following were added as cosponsors in April: Ms Clayton, Mr. Waxman, Mr. Hall, Mr. Ackerman, Ms. Roybal-Allard, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. Abercrombie, and Mr. Strickland. If your Representative is not listed here then contact same to be a cosponsor. Let us know how they responded in order that we may publish the results of Representative and Senator support, or non-support, of Veteran Bills.

Sec.2. Expansion of List of Diseases Presumed to be Service Connected for Radiation-Exposed Veterans.

Section 1112(c)(2) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

(P) Lung Cancer, (Q) Bone Cancer, (R) Skin Cancer, (S) Colon Cancer, (T) Posterior Subcapsular Cataract, (U) Non-malignant Thyroid Nodular Disease, (V) Ovarian Cancer, ((W) Parathyroid Adenoma. (X) Tumors of the Brain & Central Nervous System, (Y) Rectal Cancer.

Additional from 4/12/99 "Stars & Stripes"

Existing law entitles veterans who engaged in "radiation risk" activities during military service to a presumption of service-connection for some illnesses, said Evans, the ranking member of the House Veterans Affairs Committee.

But for other illnesses the veterans must prove causation by "dose reconstruction estimates," which, Evans said, "many reputable scientists have found fatally flawed."

Last year, Kenneth Kizer, VA Under Secretary for Health, wrote that he personally recommended strong support for a similar bill introduced by Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., as a "matter of equity and fairness."

"It is not the fault of these veterans that accurate records of their exposure were not kept and maintained," said Evans. "Many veterans have been unable to obtain even medical records relating to their exposure during military service. Files have been lost. Radiation-related activities were classified, and information was not made available to the veterans seeking compensation."

According to Kizer, "the scientific methodology that is the basis for adjudicating radiation exposure cases may be sound, [but] the problem is that the exposure cannot be reliably determined for many individuals, and it never will be able to be determined, in my judgment. Thus, no matter how good the method is, if the input is not valid then the determination will be suspect."

"Our atomic veterans were put in harm's way in the service of our government," Evans said. "But our government failed to collect the data and provide the follow-up that would enable our atomic veterans to effectively pursue claims for the harms which resulted."

Evans said he agrees with this statement in the 1995 final report of the Advisory Committee on Human

Radiation Experiments: "When the nation exposes servicemen and women to hazardous substances, there is an obligation to keep appropriate records of both the exposures and the long-term medical outcomes."

"Our nation failed to keep the records of the exposures of our atomic veterans," Evans said. "They should not suffer for that neglect. We must right the injustices visited on our atomic veterans since the

From Stars & Stripes (cont'd

final days of World War II. Congress should enact a simple, straight forward presumption of service-connection for illnesses which are likely to be due to radiation risk activity."

Editor's Platform:

Contact! Contact! Contact! Contact!

Now is the time to contact your Representatives & Senators expressing your desires for more funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs to be designated for Compensation & Medical Treatment and the support of HB 1286. Also, inform them of your wish that they enact legislation, and or support same, which would **eliminate the Dose Reconstruction Activity and take that funding and give it to the VA for compensation and medical treatment.** We should not be using taxpayer funds to keep this part of the bureaucracy in business any longer. Let us know how your Representatives & Senators reacted to Veterans legislation in order that we may include the results in our "New Progressive Profile of Legislative Votes" which we intend to publish the results of in forthcoming editions.

Editor: It is definitely a sad state of affairs when the U.S. Government (Administration, Congress, Defense Department, etc.) can easily find the funds for "pet" projects, Shooting off our waning stockpile of missels all over the place without forethought of reproducing the replacements for same, cutting the budget over several years for defense spending (with a military that is thrown into every backyard fiasco without the inventory and backup personnel to keep the fighting machines adequately functional [recent reports are bringing this to light] placing our military "in harms way" at several locations in the world arena without the necessary backup, worry about the humanitarian situation of refugees from these events, even spending funds to bring some of them to this country - bragging about how good our economy is, and has been, which has created a "surplus" - yet, the Administration and the majority of or Congressional

Delegation continually reduce funds for Veterans Affairs (compensation & medical treatment, in particular) causing the VA to lay off approximately 8,000 persons currently working in VA Medical Facilities. The United States is not taking care of the promises to veterans who made this country what it is today and, in my view, nor will the veterans of the current fiasco's be taken care of either. Compared to the 'bragged about surplus', funds taken from this surplus to adequately fund compensation and medical treatment in VA Medical Programs would be just "a drop in the bucket" and would go a long way towards reestablishing the "faith in our government" for years of promises neglected. ***It is very apparent that the Politicians can easily find funding for all but the promises previously made to veterans - those Hero's and their survivors - whose efforts gave these Politicians the lucrative luxury they enjoy rather than the alternative that might have been for Them - as Slave Laborers for some Foreign Power.***

5/5/99: At a meeting at the VA Medical Facility (Albuquerque, NM) we were informed of a changing of the name of the Medical Facility to a new name. This is happening to ***all*** VA Medical Facilities. The cost for the paper, printing, new signs, and other alone - might go a long way towards replacing the funds that have been taken away from compensation and medical treatment. And to "add insult to injury" the new names will end with "***System***". For those of us who are "fed up with the System of the past - now that irritating word is forever in our faces. As you can readily see (again), the "***great thinkers in*** Washington, D.C.", whose pay comes from our taxes, still do not consider us in their actions and changes. Just reading, and absorbing, this paragraph alone (in this edition) should get the "dander up" enough for most to really harass their Congressional Delegation and assist you in how you will vote in future elections.

With all of the *hoopla* of the *Kosovo* endeavor, I (Editor) have not heard mention of any additional funding for compensation and medical treatment for the "participants" after the end (which we all hope is more positive than the *conflicts* we have been involved in since 1945.

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"The reason most people play golf is to wear clothes they would not be caught dead in otherwise"

"The statistics on sanity are that one out of every four Americans is suffering from some form of mental illness. Think of your three best friends. If they are OK, then it's you [Ed: time to apply for "PTSD"]."

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Editor: We elect, then send people to Washington, DC as: President, Representatives and Senators to do the work for the Country in a Bi-partisan manner. To me, the 105th Congress was a **"High Point in the Comedy of Errors"** which currently, and in the future, the constituents can do without. Apparently, very few have ever been connected with the "Business World" as that type of action would have been the demise of their business venture(s). Perhaps this is the reason why most of them became politicians - they couldn't make it on the outside. Fortunately, there are a "dedicated few" attempting to perform for the well being of the Country and Veterans. To Senator Wellstone & Representative Evans and their cosponsors for their efforts on behalf of Atomic Veteran Legislation we "salute and support you". Please send "thank you's" to these folks for their support of Atomic Veterans

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Attention State Commanders
 Dale Howard, and myself, in New Mexico are writing our Representatives & Senators advising them

that we are going to be contacting them in regards to pending Legislation for Veterans, advising them of our thoughts and desires, and requesting their written voting preferences for and against same. We are advising them that we are searching the WEB for impending Legislation and the voting records for and against same. We are advising them that we are constructing a "tally sheet" to monitor the Legislative Process and that we intend to publish the Vote (for and against) and the results of communications directed to them with their response or no response. We will be publishing same in this Newsletter as well as that of the New Mexico Atomic Veteran Newsletter. In order that we may produce this information on a National Scale we are asking the State Commanders to assist us with this information from their Representatives and Senators activities and pass same on to us for inclusion. We intend to distribute this information to all of the National Service Organizations. Our hopes are that this will be a means to notify the Administration and Congress that the "veterans mean business" and that those who are not in our favor are going to be cited for same. We will also

praise those whose efforts are on our side.
 Please send information to the NAAV Editor.

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Make an effort to contact your Congressional Delegation explaining your desires that "they introduce or sponsor legislation" to "close down that part of the beauracracy that establishes and maintains dose reconstruction because of it's known erroneous information and divert those funds to the VA earmarked "for compensation and medical treatment of Atomic Veterans.
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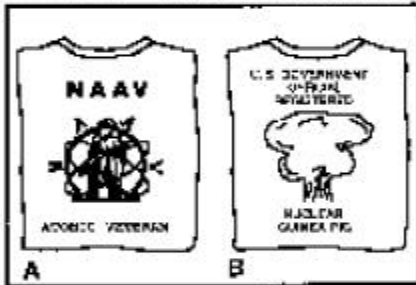
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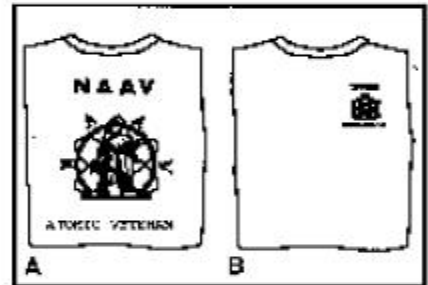


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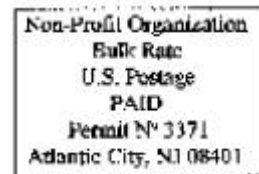
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