

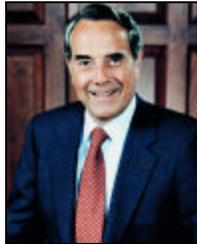
# ★ ★ NATIONAL ★ ★ WWII MEMORIAL

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## MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL CHAIRMAN



*Senator Bob Dole*

**S**ince last Veterans Day, we have lost 360,000 more WWII vets. How many more of my fellow veterans will pass before we can honor their service, and those who supported them, with a WWII memorial?

While I am optimistic that we will break ground on Veterans Day 2000, I want to remind all Americans of the importance of this mission. The country has responded with incredible generosity, but we still have a few more hills to climb to raise the money necessary for design and construction.

Happily, every day brings us closer to that target. Here are some of the reasons why:

- In November, Wal-Mart, ValueAmerica, and Super 8 Motels kick off promotions with great fund raising potential. We hope you will take advantage of these programs.
- Ohio, North Dakota, and Tennessee pledged funds this summer, bringing the total number of states to 21.
- We received a \$2 million gift from Lilly Endowment Inc., and the American Legion reached \$2 million in their campaign.
- Programs of The History Channel and National History Day will encourage our youth to learn more about WWII.

This surge of activity is heartwarming. However, as our campaign gets closer to the finish line, we must renew our resolve to build a memorial to those who kept the torch of liberty burning brightly during some of the darkest hours in the history of our planet.

As always, thanks for your letters and support! Have a wonderful holiday season, and keep up the great work!

## WAL-MART TO AID CAMPAIGN

**W**al-Mart Stores, Inc. will rally its Wal-Mart and SAM'S Club stores to help us raise the \$100 million needed for the design, construction, and maintenance of the memorial. In upcoming months, the company will host a variety of in-store activities and promotions to raise funds and increase awareness of the campaign.

The Arkansas-based retailer has historically directed the vast majority of its charitable contributions to support issues that are important to its associates and the communities they serve, and the company feels that the memorial is an excellent example of this tradition.

"We have a unique opportunity to mobilize our people about an issue they are passionate about," said Tom Coughlin, executive vice-president and CEO of Wal-Mart stores. "In our experience, Wal-Mart's support of issues and causes that are important to our customers and associates have had the greatest success."

For more information about how you can help Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. in its fund-raising efforts, contact your local store manager, or visit the nearest store!

## "ELKS REMEMBER"



**T**he Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America has accepted the challenge of supporting the National World War II Memorial Campaign. In a letter to national campaign chairman Senator Bob Dole, BPO Elks National President Mr. James C. Varenhorst announced that the Elks would conduct a nationwide fund-raising campaign to raise more than \$1.1 million.

President Varenhorst stated, "We must begin today to help build this memorial...a memorial that will not let us forget the high price that freedom exacts. This memorial will forever remind us that we must be ever vigilant to learn the lessons of the past and pass them on to our children...the very future of America."

At their 135th Grand Lodge Session in Kansas City, Mo., this summer, the membership passed a resolution that pledged one dollar for each member of the BPO Elks, amounting to \$1,140,523 toward the construction of the National World War II Memorial. The response has been tremendous — contributions began pouring in to the campaign headquarters immediately after the convention and continue to mount.

The national chairman of the Elks Americanism Committee, Mr. D. Steve Gunter of Sanford, N.C., is running the "Elks Remember" campaign and is confident that they will remember well — by exceeding their already generous pledge!

## SUPER 8 MOTELS ONBOARD

**Super 8 Motels, Inc. is teaming with the campaign to raise funds for the memorial! See story on back page.**

# THE WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS

The United States faced serious manpower issues during World War II. Leaders had to balance the needs of industry, which supplied the tools of war, with those of the military services. The military, however, faced an additional problem — although able-bodied men were desperately needed for fighting units, it also needed skilled workers for noncombatant support jobs. Faced with this situation, America turned to its women for help.

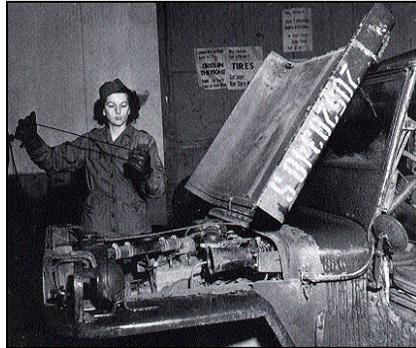
Although the idea of women in the military was extremely controversial in the 1940s, Congress nonetheless passed a law creating the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC).

The WAAC enjoyed the strong support of General George C. Marshall. Marshall foresaw that the global war would cause an eventual manpower shortage and that the Army should not use men as typists and switchboard operators when highly skilled women were already available for these essential military jobs.

Women joined the WAACs for a variety of reasons, but nearly all professed the desire to aid their country by "releasing a man for combat duty."

WAACs were soon working as file clerks, typists, stenographers, and drivers, but the Army quickly found that they were capable of performing other tasks as well.

For example, the Army Air Force used WAACs as weather observers and forecasters, cryptographers, radio operators and repairmen, sheet metal workers, parachute riggers, aerial



WAC mechanic works on a jeep in the European theater.

photograph analysts, and control tower operators. A few were assigned flying duties as radiomen, mechanics, and photographers.

By 1943, the WAACs had proven to be a great success, and service leaders wanted to make the organization a formal part of the Army. In July 1943, Congress approved the conversion of the WAAC into the Women's Army Corps (WAC) and seventy-five percent of the existing



Members of the 5222 WAC detachment work in the base finance department in Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea

WAACs elected to join the new military organization. That same month, the first battalion of WACs reached the European theater.

In general, WACs in the European and Mediterranean theaters held a limited range of assignments. The majority performed clerical and communications duties, while only eight percent held jobs considered unusual for women, such as mechanics, draftsmen, interpreters, and weather observers.

The more remote Southwest Pacific Area (SWPA) was one of the last theaters to receive WACs. Consequently, it was experiencing a tremendous need for skilled office workers. Many WACs who were sent to be drivers and mechanics were immediately retrained as typists and clerks.

Despite some problems, the Army's experience with the WACs was a positive one. In early 1946, the service asked Congress for the authority to establish the WAC as a permanent part of the Army. In 1948, Congress agreed, and the WAC remained a separate corps until 1978, when it was abolished and women were fully assimilated into all but the combat branches of the Army.

*This article was adapted from the Army's Center of Military History publication, *The Women's Army Corps*, by Judith A. Bellafaire. It is available online at [www.army.mil/cmh-pg/brochures/wac/wac.htm](http://www.army.mil/cmh-pg/brochures/wac/wac.htm)*

## NOTE ON MEMORIAL CORPORATE PROMOTIONS

This edition of the newsletter describes a few of the corporate partnerships the campaign is developing to enhance our ability to raise funds through promotional activities. Charter members have no obligation to participate in these programs. However, we believe that you will find many of these promotional offers and benefits of interest, and we hope you will take advantage of them!

# VALUEAMERICA.COM LAUNCHES MEMORIAL STORE ON THE INTERNET

The National World War II Memorial campaign increased its presence in cyberspace when Internet superstore ValueAmerica unveiled a special Web site to raise funds for the memorial.

The site, [www.valueamerica.com/wwii](http://www.valueamerica.com/wwii), is a gateway into ValueAmerica's vast warehouse of discounted merchandise, including computers, electronics, apparel, housewares, and more. The memorial will receive five percent of each purchase made through the storefront, and even more from the licensed World War II Memorial merchandise that will appear in the near future.

"We jumped at the chance to assist the World War II Memorial campaign," said ValueAmerica chairman and founder Craig Winn. "We're proud to support a memorial honoring the generation that changed our world so profoundly. We hope this partnership spurs a new trend in

corporate philanthropy combining e-commerce with charitable giving."

ValueAmerica will advertise the site through national print publications and will provide special offers and discounts to memorial society members.

The company is kicking off the new storefront with a sweepstakes offering a grand prize all-expense paid trip to Europe, including a stop in Normandy. Also, in honor of Veterans Day, the memorial campaign will receive 10 percent from all purchases made from Nov. 8-14, 1999.

ValueAmerica is the Internet's leading online superstore. Through partnerships with 2,000 of the world's most trusted brands in 25 industries, ValueAmerica offers customers superior value on quality products.

**[www.valueamerica.com/wwii](http://www.valueamerica.com/wwii)**



*This recently completed computer rendering of the approved preliminary design depicts the view visitors will admire from the Washington Monument. The Lincoln Memorial is visible in the distance. (Rendering by Joowan Lee)*

## BEETLE BAILEY ENLISTS IN MEMORIAL CAMPAIGN!



Mr. Mort Walker, creator of the famous *Beetle Bailey* comic strip, is lending his support to the National World War II Memorial Campaign. With the permission and enthusiastic support of King Features Syndicate, a Hearst Enterprise, Mr. Walker is contributing his personal time and considerable talent to help raise funds for the long overdue tribute to the World War II generation to be constructed on the National Mall.

Mr. Walker served as both an enlisted man and an officer in the U.S. Army during World War II and, in fact, based many of his hilarious characters on the people he met and served with during the war.

We are proud to count Mort Walker as a major supporter of the National World War II Memorial Campaign and salute him for his service to this country during the war!

### GIVING BEFORE DECEMBER 31

Consider making a gift to the National World War II Memorial before December 31st to yield extra tax savings next April.

For example, if you are in the 28% tax bracket, you can save \$28 for each \$100 you donate to the memorial. If you are in a higher tax bracket, you can save even more. If your income in 1999 will be higher than in past years, extra charitable gifts can help prevent you from being taxed in higher brackets.

You can further reduce the after-tax cost of your gift by giving appreciated

assets such as stocks and bonds that you have owned for longer than one year. Giving such assets allows you to bypass the capital gains tax that would otherwise be due on a sale.

Remember that only gifts completed by December 31 will be available to help reduce your tax bill next spring. We would be pleased to provide you and/or your advisors with more information about year-end giving options. Please call Anne Senft at (703) 696-7873 or e-mail at [senfta@wwiimemorial.com](mailto:senfta@wwiimemorial.com).

### THE MAJOR DONOR NEXT DOOR

In the Spring edition of the newsletter, we encouraged our readers to consider becoming a major donor to the National World War II Memorial. Here are just a few of the memorial's generous donors:

★ Esther Bell Owen of Sunnyvale, Calif. donated 100 shares of stock in honor and memory of her brother, Richard L. Bell, Seaman 2nd Class, who is entombed beneath the USS *Arizona* in Pearl Harbor. Ms. Owen was a USO entertainer and is a proud member of the National World War II Memorial's Rose Monroe Home Front Society.

★ Ann Hartman of Depew, N.Y. made a \$58,000 stock donation in honor and memory of her husband, Tracy F. Hartman.

★ Madonna E. Minor of Red Wing, Minn. left a quarter of her sizable estate to the memorial in memory of her husband, Charles R. Minor, Jr., USMC.

If you would like more information on becoming a major donor through stock donations and planned giving, please contact Anne Senft at [senfta@wwiimemorial.com](mailto:senfta@wwiimemorial.com) or (703) 696-7873. Alternatively, visit our web site at [www.WWIIememorial.com](http://www.WWIIememorial.com).

### ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL IN YOUR TOWN!

Would you like to help raise awareness and funds for the National World War II Memorial? Join other volunteers who have already organized Community Action Councils (CACs) in cities and towns across the country!

CACs are an important tool for mobilizing grassroots support, and our objective is to have 100 councils operating nationwide by year's end. We're closing in on this goal, but we still need your help!

For more information about establishing a CAC in your area, contact Tim Taravella, assistant director, grassroots development at (703) 696-8384 or (800) 639-4992 (leave a message with the operator). Or send an e-mail to [taravellat@wwiimemorial.com](mailto:taravellat@wwiimemorial.com).

### FREE WWII SCREENSAVER

The most current renderings of the National WWII Memorial are interspersed with powerful images of WWII in our new FREE screensaver.

To download the screensaver, please visit our web site at [www.WWIIememorial.com](http://www.WWIIememorial.com).

## CALIFORNIA GIVES MORE THAN \$1M

When California State Senator Charles Poochigian's (R-Fresno) father and father-in-law approached him at a recent family reunion to discuss the National World War II Memorial, Senator Poochigian was astounded to hear that no one in the legislature had introduced a bill to honor the 1,032,000 state veterans who served in the war.

The senator resolved to take action, and is now proud to report that the California legislature has overwhelmingly supported a bill he co-introduced with Assemblyman Lou Papan (D-Millbrae) — a World War II veteran — to donate \$1,032,000 to the World War II Memorial. This represents one dollar for every man and woman the state sent to serve in the armed forces during World War II.

Once passed, California's appropriation will make it the twenty-second state to donate funds to the memorial and the second state to donate more than \$1 million.

Last June, New York Governor George Pataki signed legislation donating \$1.7 million to the memorial.

New York, closely followed by Pennsylvania, sent the largest number of residents to serve in the armed forces during World War II.

The memorial's "one dollar per vet" campaign continues to gain support across the nation. Much of the program's success is due to veterans' organizations and concerned individuals stepping forward to ask their state legislators to introduce the campaign's proposed legislation.

These grassroots efforts by memorial supporters pay off! Several lawmakers have commented that, like Senator Poochigian, they became aware of the legislation and the memorial only when a constituent handed them a copy of the memorial's newsletter.

For more information on the memorial's "dollar per vet" state campaign, please leave a message with an operator for Carol Lindamood on the memorial's toll free number, (800) 639-4992. She can also be reached via e-mail at [lindamoodc@wwiimemorial.com](mailto:lindamoodc@wwiimemorial.com).

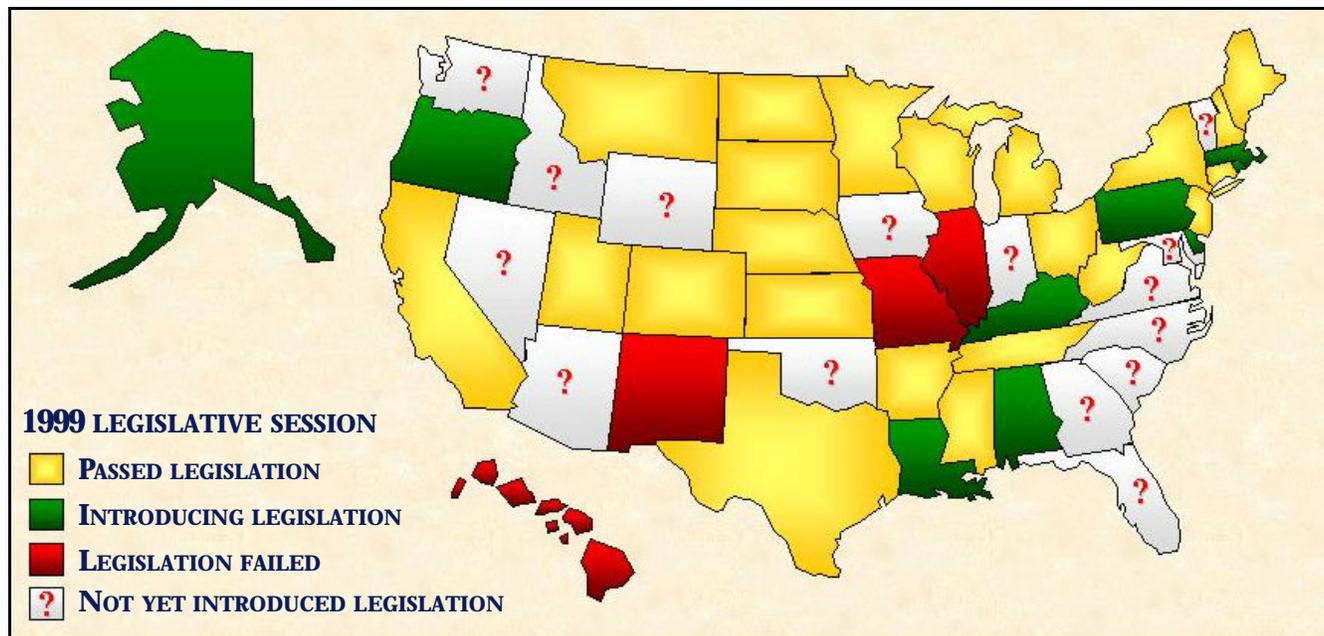
## UAW LOCAL CHALLENGES FELLOW UNION MEMBERS

The Veterans Committee of UAW Local #737 in Nashville, Tennessee, contributed \$1745.10 to the memorial Campaign. In a letter accompanying UAW 737's check, Mr. Donnie Sheppard, Chairman of the Veterans Committee, challenged "...all of our union brothers and sisters throughout the United States to collect at least one dollar per working member...and send it to the World War II Memorial fund." To participate, please call Skip Shannon at (703) 696-6503.

## GET YOUR ORGANIZATION INVOLVED!

Are you a member of a civic, fraternal or professional association? Would you like your association to support the memorial campaign? If so, the campaign offers several options for involvement and support, including an organizational endorsement, membership drive, organizational newsletter article and convention attendance. For more information, please contact Stephanie Aldrich at (703) 696-7809 or e-mail [aldrichs@wwiimemorial.com](mailto:aldrichs@wwiimemorial.com).

## STATES CONTINUE TO GIVE!



# MAIL CALL

We welcome your letters, and will print a selection in each issue of the newsletter. Letters are subject to editing and should be sent to Editor, NATIONAL WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL Newsletter, 2300 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 501, Arlington, VA 22201. Please include a daytime phone number and, if available, an e-mail address.

## "IWO JIMA" COMMENTS

*The Fight for Iwo Jima* in the Summer 1999 issue indicates that the battle was a 100 percent Marine Corps operation. However, my unit, the U.S. Army's 147th Combat Infantry Regiment, spent most of a tour on Iwo helping to clean the enemy out of caves. Although we were not in the original landing that suffered such terrible losses, we did take casualties and share the other hardships of that battle.

I have the very highest regard for the Marine Corps, particularly since having campaigned with them on Guadalcanal and Iwo. It was just a terrible letdown for myself and other men in our unit to read an article that doesn't recognize our contributions.

Bernard Weintrub  
Bartlesville, Okla.

*The Fight for Iwo Jima* does a terrible injustice by saying that the 3rd Marine Division was in reserve during the battle. The 21st, 9th, and 3rd Marines suffered heavy casualties, and to say they were a reserve division is very unfair to those of us who were there.

Frank Worrell  
Beverly Hills, Mich.

**Editor's note:** Although we strive to "get it right" in each of our "Chronicles of War," severe space constraints often prevent us from giving a full account of a particular battle or event. We certainly did not intend to slight the 147th, or the contributions of the other services.

Also, our statement that the 3rd Marines were in reserve was only in reference to the initial landing, not the entire operation. We regret any misunderstanding this may have caused.

## REQUESTS FOR HELP!

I am searching for ex-G.I.s who served in the Army's 17th Field Artillery Observation Battalion during the war. I was in the "B" Battery Flash Unit.

Please write me at 58 Westland Rd., Cedar Grove, N.J., 07009.

Norbert X. Tesser  
Cedar Grove, N.J.

I am in search of former comrades who served in the medical detachment of the 808th Engineer Aviation Battalion during the Philippine campaign and the subsequent occupation of Japan.

Please contact me at 9848 Clover Trail, Salinas, Calif., 93907, or e-mail me at DeuxAmoureux@webtv.net.

Herbert Blum, M.D.  
Salinas, Calif.

I served in the 867th Engineer Aviation Battalion HQ as a Topographical & General Draftsman during World War II. If any old 867th HQ individuals read this, I would very much like to hear from you.

I can be reached at 6108 S. Wood St, Chicago, Ill., 60636-2204.

Paul L. Gilchrist  
Chicago, Ill.

I am searching for individuals who may have served with my father, Capt. Charles D. Tinley, from Dunkirk, N.Y. He reported to the Philippines in 1941 and I believe he was stationed at Nichol Field and Clark Field in the Signal Corps. He was later in the Bataan Death March and died in Osaka, Japan, on February 2, 1943.

I can be contacted at 14 Diplomat Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45215, or e-mail me at ntb14@cinci.infi.net.

Nancy T. Brown  
Cincinnati, Ohio

I am seeking any information on a Army Air Corps pilot named Lt. F.J. (or J.G.) Sturman, who ditched his plane off the coast of southern France during the

invasion on August 15th, 1944. He was rescued from the Mediterranean by the patrol ship, PC-1169. I was a member of the crew and have a piece of his parachute.

Please contact me at 4009 W. Royal Palm Rd., Phoenix, Ariz., 85051.

Harry R. Ayres, Jr.  
Phoenix, Ariz.

I am looking for anyone from the Lakehurst, N.J. Parachute Riggers School class of June, 1945 (especially Frank Stommers). Please write me at 1505 Ridge Point Rd., Hixson, Tenn., 37343.

Stanley E. Stewart  
Hixson, Tenn.

During the war, I served in the Mediterranean and Atlantic aboard the minesweeper *Dynamic*, later designated PC-1595. If any of the ship's crew read this, I would very much like to hear from you. My address is 4 Putnam Dr., Farmingdale, Maine, 04344.

Richard R. Harvey  
Farmingdale, Maine

I am searching for anyone who knew S/Sgt. George W. Hanger, who served in India with the 20th Bomb Group. His B-29, *Calamity Jane*, was shot down over Singapore on February 1, 1945.

Please contact me at 7718 Carole Ln., Florence, Ky., 41042

Marian Wilson  
Florence, Ky.

I am looking for individuals who served with my father, Joseph J. White of Boston, Mass. From 1942-45, he was the bombardier-navigator of *Silver Belle*, a B-25 Mitchell in the 328th Ferrying Squadron.

If anyone can help, write to 22 Blake St., Wollaston, Mass., 02170.

Joseph White  
Wollaston, Mass.

## CORPORATE AND FOUNDATION GIVING

### FOUNDERS GIFTS

**\$2 MILLION**

FEDERAL EXPRESS CORPORATION  
LILLY ENDOWMENT INC.  
SBC FOUNDATION

### LEADERSHIP GIFTS

**\$1 MILLION TO \$2 MILLION**

ABBOT LABORATORIES FUND  
AMERITECH  
ANHEUSER-BUSCH FOUNDATION  
THE BOEING COMPANY  
CHRYSLER CORPORATION FUND  
EASTMAN KODAK COMPANY  
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### PA TRON GIFTS

**\$500,000 TO \$1 MILLION**

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CHRIS-CRAFT INDUSTRIES, INC.  
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E\*TRADE  
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THE LINCY FOUNDATION  
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STATE FARM COMPANIES FOUNDATION  
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THE UPS FOUNDATION  
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### VICTOR GIFTS

**\$250,000 TO \$500,000**

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GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION  
GUARDSMARK, INC.  
HOUSTON ENDOWMENT INC.  
SHELL OIL COMPANY FOUNDATION  
STEELCASE INC.  
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### CENTURION GIFTS

**\$100,000 TO \$250,000**

A.G. EDWARDS, INC.  
ALLIEDSIGNAL INC.  
ALLSTATE INSURANCE COMPANY  
AMERICAN AIRLINES (ATA)  
ARTHUR ANDERSEN  
THE ANNENBERG FOUNDATION  
AT&T  
AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING, INC.  
AUTOZONE  
CANADIAN NATIONAL—ILL. CENTRAL  
CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL CORP.  
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CIGNA  
CNF TRANSPORTATION INC.  
THE COLEMAN FOUNDATION, INC.  
CORNING  
COSTCO WHOLESALE  
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### LEADERSHIP GIFTS

**\$1 MILLION TO \$2 MILLION**

THE AMERICAN LEGION  
B.P.O. ELKS OF THE U.S.A.  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
STATE OF NEW YORK  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

### PA TRON GIFTS

**\$500,000 TO \$1 MILLION**

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
STATE OF OHIO  
STATE OF TEXAS

### VICTOR GIFTS

**\$250,000 TO \$500,000**

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
STATE OF MINNESOTA

STATE OF TENNESSEE

STATE OF WISCONSIN

### CENTURION GIFTS

**\$100,000 TO \$250,000**

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
AMVETS  
ASSOC. OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY  
STATE OF COLORADO  
STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
STATE OF MAINE  
MILITARY ORDER OF THE WORLD WARS  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA

### GUARDIAN GIFTS

**\$50,000 TO \$100,000**

MRS. ANN M. HARTMAN  
LADIES AUXILIARY TO THE VFW  
STATE OF MONTANA

STATE OF NEBRASKA

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

STATE OF UTAH

### DEFENDER GIFTS

**\$10,000 TO \$25,000**

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AMERICAN LEGION #52 -NEW YORK  
AMERICAN LEGION #362 -NEW YORK  
AMVETS POST #7 - ILLINOIS  
STATE OF ARKANSAS  
STATE OF KANSAS  
JACKSON C. LINK  
QUAD CITY CAC  
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
TUSKEGEE AIRMEN  
VETERANS OF THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

## Contact us!

For information about the memorial, the design concept, how to make a donation, who's who, and what's new :

visit our web site  
**WWII Memorial.com**

or call  
**1 (800) 639-4WW2**

or e-mail  
**custsvc@wwiimemorial.com**

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## MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**W**e have much to be proud of as we continue to work toward our goal — breaking ground in November 2000. The memorial design continues to evolve in greater detail and should be ready for final design approval early next year.

When we went to press, we were wrapping up our 1999 fiscal year. As you read this, we will be compiling our year-end financial reports. Preliminary accounting shows that we received about \$11 million in cash and pledges during the last quarter.

The campaign is growing throughout the nation. The foundation of this success is the continued support and encouragement we receive from the more than 370,000 members of the WWII Memorial Society — from you! Together, we are taking to heart Tom Hanks' words that it's time to say thank you to our World War II generation.

*James W. Aylward*

## SUPER 8 CHECKS INTO MEMORIAL

**O**n Veterans Day 1999, Super 8 Motels, Inc. will kick-off a major cause-related marketing partnership with the National World War II Memorial campaign. This effort will create significant fund-raising opportunities for the memorial, and will generate a substantial increase in public awareness!

Super 8 will provide the memorial campaign with a minimum direct contribution of \$500,000. It will also donate 50 cents from each four-dollar V.I.P. Club membership purchased by customers from Veterans Day 1999 to Memorial Day 2000.



Super 8 will promote the effort with a national radio and television campaign valued over one million dollars. It will also supply each of its motels with signs, brochures, buttons, and other materials urging guests to support the World War II memorial.

Super 8 President Robert N. Weller noted that the company has a goal beyond just raising money: "Our mission is not only to support the campaign, but to help educate the public about the need for a national memorial to honor the World War II generation," he said.

## BRANSON, MISSOURI JOINS CAMPAIGN

**B**ranson, Missouri, one of America's premier entertainment and recreation areas kicked off a community campaign to raise funds for the World War II Memorial. In keeping with Branson's motto of "Honoring Veterans Every Day", many of the entertainment venues salute veterans as a part of their shows. To support the memorial, they have set out decorated ammunition boxes to collect donations.

With a goal of raising \$100,000, Jerry Luedtke of the Branson Veterans Task Force is coordinating the campaign that includes a joint donation with the VFW, issuance of a commemorative postmark, and events associated with the Branson Veterans Homecoming in November. Mike Radford, star of the Remember When Theater, is spearheading the effort with the entertainment community.

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